

CONFERENCE LOOKS AT THE MANY FACES AND FACETS OF IMMIGRATION

The UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity, in collaboration with the UWM School of Continuing Education, will sponsor a conference, "Immigration: Many Faces; Many Facets," on Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27, at the UWM School of Continuing Education, 161 W. Wisconsin Ave., seventh floor.

The interdisciplinary conference will feature presentations on research initiatives, curricular developments, pedagogical practices, outreach activities, policy initiatives and community involvement on an array of topics dealing with U.S. immigration and the socialization of immigrants into the American cultural, political and economic milieu.

Conference sessions will focus on Latinas/os, Hmong and other immigrant groups. Among the topics to be considered are:

- history
- immigrant rights and citizenship
- education
- employment
- family issues
- socialization
- health
- political participation
- literature and art

Presenters and attendees will come from faculty, academic staff, students and community practitioners.

Featured speakers will be:

- Hiroshi Motomura, University of North Carolina Law School and author of *Americans in Waiting: The Lost Story of Immigration and Citizenship in the United States*.

- Amalia Pallares, departments of Political Science and Latin American and Latino Studies, and co-principal investigator of the Immigrant Rights Mobilization Project, University of Illinois-Chicago.

- Baldemar Velasquez, president, Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), AFL-CIO.

- Michelle Wucker, World Policy Institute and author of *Lockout: Why America Keeps Getting Immigration Wrong When Our Prosperity Depends on Getting It Right*, named by the *Washington Post* as one of the "Best Nonfiction Books of 2006."

Support for the conference comes from the following UWM offices: Center for Urban Initiatives and Research, Center for International Education, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Roberto Hernandez Center, Department of Africology, Urban Studies Program, Cultures and Communities Program and Center for Women's Studies.

Early-registration deadline is **Sunday, March 25**. For more information, contact Tom Tonnesen, associate director, at 414-229-4700 or tonnesen@uwm.edu. For a registration form, go to the institute's Web site, <http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/IRE/>.

ADVISORS & COUNSELORS NETWORK RECOGNITION AWARD

Kelby Spann is the recipient of the 2006 Advisors and Counselors Network (ACN) Recognition Award.

Kelby, senior academic advisor in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare, has been advising UWM students for the past 11 years.

Ruth Williams, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, presented the award to Spann at the ACN Award Ceremony Jan. 16 in the Union.

ACN was established to provide a forum for advisors and counselors campus-wide to discuss issues pertinent to their field. This award is presented annually to an ACN member who embodies the characteristics and dedication that exemplify a professional advisor or counselor.



Kelby Spann

GLOBAL HEALTH CONFERENCE FOCUSES ON THE DISEASE OF VIOLENCE

By Kathy Quirk

Violence as a public health problem is the topic of a Global Health and Social Justice Conference on Thursday and Friday, March 29 and 30.

Two keynote speakers with expertise in the causes, impact and prevention of violence are scheduled to appear.

- Stephen Hargarten, professor and chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, will speak on violence as a disease at 7 p.m. Thursday at the UWM College of Nursing, Cunningham Hall, room G40.

- Andres Villaveces, research assistant professor at the University of North Carolina's Injury Prevention Center, will lead off the conference's second day at 8:45 a.m. Friday at the UWM School of Continuing Education, 161 W. Wisconsin Ave., seventh floor. Villaveces will speak on the global impact of violence.

The conference starts at 6:30 p.m. Thursday and runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

Other speakers and panelists include:

- Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett
- Milwaukee Commissioner of Health Bevan Baker

- Eugene Kane, metro columnist for the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*

- Janine Geske, former judge and currently professor of law at Marquette University
- John Chisholm, Milwaukee County district attorney.

The conference will look at the issue from a

variety of perspectives – domestic/intimate partner violence, theories of violence, prevention strategies, current research, and marginalized communities and violence.

Hargarten is the principal investigator on a research project on violence-related fatalities and injuries. He has been an active researcher and advocate in the field for more than 25 years.

Villaveces began working in public health in Colombia, and has served as medical officer at the Department of Injuries and Violence at the World Health Organization in Geneva.

Sponsors of the conference include the UWM College of Nursing, Continuing Education/Center for Cultural Diversity and Global Health; Greater Milwaukee Foundation Annette J. Roberts Fund for World Peace, World Law and Peace Education; and the Medical College of Wisconsin. Also collaborating on the conference are UWM's Cultures and Communities Program and Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

Advance registration is required for both days. Thursday events are free. Fee for the Friday sessions is \$75 (\$35 for students).

For more information or to register:

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This event is part of UWM's celebration of Women's History Month (see pages 6-7).