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National Panel for Culturally Responsive Curriculum and Instruction
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  Dr. Ernest Morrell, Columbia University
  Dr. Kris Gutiérrez, University of Colorado- Boulder
  Dr. Geneva Gay, University of Washington- Seattle

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Logo:
The graceful heron depicted in our logo is borrowed from traditional images created by the Akan people of Ghana to symbolize the concept of Sankofa—the collective memory and history of a people. Posing with a backward gaze, the bird holds an egg, representing the future, in its beak.

The Mexica culture also alludes to the heron, naming its storied original homeland Aztlán—meaning “the place of the herons” in the Nahuatl language.

The Sankofa-Aztlán connection evokes an ancient understanding about the value of safeguarding our heritage and knowing our origins.

Mission:
The CRPI Department, created in 2012 as part of a federal court consent decree, is charged with spearheading TUSD’s effort to address the needs of the two historically underserved groups specifically named as plaintiffs in the case: African American and Mexican American students.

To that end, the CRPI Department has designed and implemented a culturally relevant curriculum supported with professional development and culturally relevant materials for elementary, middle and high school instruction.
Welcome to the second annual Summer Institute for Culturally Responsive Education, sponsored jointly by TUSD’s Department of Culturally Relevant Pedagogy and Instruction (CRPI) and the College of Education at the University of Arizona. This year’s theme, Creating Transformative Spaces in Urban Education, relates to the first of the six tenets adopted by the CRPI Department:

- The teacher transforms the classroom into a safe, student-centered space.
- The teacher views students as co-creators of knowledge.
- The teacher sets high expectations and fosters dialog-rich interactions.
- The teacher promotes students' active engagement in their community.
- The curriculum is oriented toward social justice.
- The students develop critical consciousness, a strong academic identity, an appreciation of other cultures, and an informed sense of pride for their own.

Schools of course should be places where students are physically safe and protected from violence, but students can suffer harm in less obvious ways, involving a school’s ambience, the emotional attachments that students make with each other and with the school staff, and the connections that teachers make or fail to make between students and the curriculum.

As many others have noted, teachers who design complex and challenging lessons that engage all students in reflection and analysis concerning racism, poverty, and the many injustices imposed on their communities often discover a puzzling paradox: it is only when we tackle the most emotionally difficult subjects that we produce the most liberating and energizing awareness among our students.

With that sobering realization in mind, our presenters offer an outstanding series of breakout sessions intended to challenge, encourage, and inspire teachers to continue taking risks beyond their comfort zone and to continue creating those “safe spaces” where critical thinking and courageous conversations prepare our students for the work of building a better tomorrow for us all.
Keynote Speakers:

**Dr. Aja Y. Martínez** is Assistant Professor of Writing and Rhetoric at Syracuse University. Dr. Martínez conducts research on and teaches a range of courses concerning rhetorics of race and ethnicity, including the rhetorics of race within both Western and non-Euro-Western contexts, and beginning, professional and advanced writing courses. Her single-authored monograph, *Counterstory: The Writing and Rhetoric of Critical Race Theory* (currently under review), presents counterstory as a method by which to actualize critical race theory (CRT) in rhetoric and composition studies research and pedagogy. Dr. Martínez’s work argues specifically that counterstory provides opportunities for other(ed) perspectives to contribute to conversations about narrative, dominant ideology, and their intersecting influence on curricular standards and institutional practices. Voices from the margins can become voices of authority through the formation of counterstories—stories that examine, document, and expose the persistence of racial oppression and other forms of subordination. Counterstory serves as a natural extension of inquiry for theorists whose research recognizes and incorporates lived and embodied experiences of marginalized peoples both in the U.S. and abroad. Dr. Martínez’s method provides an interdisciplinary understanding of how counterstory functions, while accomplishing a further goal of establishing counterstory as a pedagogically employable method in writing classrooms. Dr. Martínez is a Tucson native, and a proud Cholla High School and UA alum. Go Chargers and Wildcats!

**Dr. David Stovall** is an Associate Professor of Educational Policy Studies and African-American Studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). His scholarship investigates four areas 1) Critical Race Theory, 2) concepts of social justice in education, 3) the relationship between housing and education, and 4) the relationship between schools and community stakeholders. In the attempt to bring theory to action, he has spent the last ten years working with community organizations and schools to develop curriculum that address issues of social justice. His current work has led him to become a member of the Greater Lawndale/Little Village School of Social Justice High School design team, which opened in the Fall of 2005 where he also serves as a volunteer social studies teacher.
Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Francesca López is an Associate Professor in Educational Policy Studies and Practice at the University of Arizona. She began her career in education as a bilingual (Spanish/English) elementary teacher, and later as an at-risk high school counselor, in El Paso, Texas. After completing her Ph.D. in Educational Psychology at the University of Arizona (2008), she served on the faculty of the Educational Policy and Leadership department at Marquette University (2008-2013). Her research is focused on the ways educational settings promote achievement for Latino youth and is currently providing an intensive in-service training for teachers in TUSD’s CRPI Department.

Dr. Kris D. Gutiérrez is Carol Liu Professor at the Graduate School of Education, University of California, Berkeley. Gutiérrez is a leader in the learning sciences, literacy, educational policy, and qualitative, design-based approaches to inquiry. Dr. Gutiérrez is a member of the National Academy of Education and fellow of AERA and the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences. Dr. Gutiérrez’s research examines learning in designed environments, with attention to students from non-dominant communities and Dual Language Learners. Her work on Third Spaces examines the affordances of syncretic approaches to literacy and learning, new media literacies, STEM learning, and the re-mediation of functional systems of learning. Her work in social design experiments seeks to leverage students’ everyday concepts and practices to ratchet up expansive and equitable forms of learning. Key examples of longstanding collaborations with immigrant and migrant communities include Las Redes, a 15-year long after-school afterschool program that privileged hybrid language practices for youth, grades K-5, El Pueblo Mágico, a STEM-oriented after-school program, and the UCLA Migrant Student Leadership Program for California youth from migrant farmworker backgrounds.
Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Kevin Lawrence Henry
A native of New Orleans, Louisiana and graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison (Ph.D.) and Tulane University (B.A.), Assistant Professor of Education Policy Studies and Practice, Dr. Kevin Lawrence Henry, Jr.’s program of research revolves around two central, interrelated questions. The first question critically examines how power and dominance shape and structure educational policies, practices, and reforms. The second question is concerned with how educational actors—marginalized by race, gender, class, and/or sexuality—understand, resist, reconstitute and transform educational fields to be more equitable and socially just. In doing so, he considers how macro issues are associated with marginalized educational actors’ micro environments and consequently how their perspectives and practices can reshape educational fields to be more equitable and freeing. His research and teaching primarily focuses on the social contexts and political sociology of education with a particular emphasis on privatization/neoliberal restructuring, charter schools and school choice policy, social stratification, and counter-hegemonic practices/pedagogies and theories (critical race theory, feminist theories, and queer of color critique). His scholarship has been published in Educational Policy, Journal of Social Studies Research, Handbook of Urban Education, and elsewhere. Dr. Henry is also a faculty affiliate in the Institute for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies, as well as in the Africana Studies Program at the University of Arizona.

Dr. Anthony Brown is Associate Professor of Curriculum & Instruction at the University of Texas at Austin. He also is an affiliated faculty with the John Warfield Center for African and African American Studies and the department of African and African Diaspora Studies. Dr. Brown received his PhD from the University of Wisconsin Madison in Curriculum & Instruction in 2006. Before becoming a professor, Dr. Anthony Brown was a classroom teacher in Long Beach, CA and Cambridge, MA. He also served as a school administrator for several years at a K-8 school in Massachusetts. Since arriving at UT in 2006, Dr. Brown has maintained a firm commitment to quality teaching in K-12 and higher educational settings. In 2011 the University of Texas Regents acknowledged his excellence in undergraduate teaching, awarding him the prestigious Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Award. Dr. Brown has worked with over 100 preservice teachers that are now teaching middle school and high school in Texas and across the nation.

His research agenda falls into two interconnected strands of research, related broadly to the education of African Americans. His first strand of research examines how educational stakeholders make sense of and respond to the educational needs of African American male students. The second strand examines how school curriculum depicts the historical experiences of African Americans in official school knowledge (e.g. standards and textbooks) and within popular discourse. Dr. Brown has published over 25 journal articles, 9 book chapters, 1 edited book and 2 full-length books. His most recent publications are Black Intellectual Thought in Education: The Missing Traditions of Ann Julia Cooper, Carter G. Woodson and Alain LeRoy Brown (with Carl A. Grant and Keffrelyn D. Brown) and Reclaiming the Multicultural Roots of the U.S. Curriculum: Communities of Color and Official Knowledge in Education. (with Wayne Au and Lola Calderon)
Agenda
Thursday, June 15, 2017

8:00-8:10  REGISTRATION: Sign-in and Clock-in

8:10-8:30  Ceremonial Opening: Nayona Smith & Calpolli Teoxicalli Jesús “Chucho” Ruiz:

8:30-9:00 Welcome: Lorenzo López Jr., CRPI Director; Dr. Gabriel Trujillo, Interim Superintendent, Tucson Unified School District; Dr. Ronald Marx, Dean, UA College of Education

9:00-10:00 Keynote: Dr. Aja Martínez: “Access, Agency, and Counterstory: A Conversation on Space, Comfort, and the Responsibility of Privilege”
In this keynote the speaker will elaborate on the critical role of Counter-story in relation to providing students spaces that serve to combat the marginalization of their lived experiences.

10:00-10:30 Tohono O’odham Powwow Dancers

10:30-11:30 Breakout Session I

11:30-12:30 Lunch

12:30-1:30 Keynote: Dr. David Stovall- Talking Old Soldiers: Revisiting the Will to Resist and Build
The talk will engage the necessity of centering race, class, gender, age, sexual orientation, ability in K-12 classrooms under conditions of extreme duress. Highlighting examples from Chicago and other locales across the country, the presentation seeks to develop an understanding of the intensity of the political moment, while engaging strategies to support our students.

1:30-2:00 Barrio Mindz

2:00-3:00 Breakout Session II

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8:30-8:35  Welcome: Lorenzo López Jr.

8:35-9:00  CR Teacher Recognition: Angel Martínez, Jack Scott, Tiffany Múñoz, Leslie Franzblau-Wirth, Julie Elvick

9:00-10:00  Keynote: Dr. Francesca López: Nurturing Confianza: Altering the Trajectory of the Self-Fulfilling Prophesy with Asset Based Pedagogy
This keynote will detail how a “race-reimaged” perspective of teacher expectations, the Asset Based Pedagogy framework, nurtures confianza in our historically marginalized youth. Confianza can be translated as confidence, trust, and hope. For teachers to nurture confidence in students’ own abilities—one of the strongest predictors of achievement—teachers must understand the historical context that contributes to the disparities evident today. They must also, however, foster students’ beliefs in the assets they possess, which in turn helps develop students’ identities in positive ways. Accordingly, the word also exemplifies the trust that must be cultivated between teachers and students. In engaging in asset-based pedagogy, teachers and students are part of the hope of equitable access that can eliminate disparities.

10:00-10:30  African Percussion: Songhai Drummers

10:30-11:30  Keynote: Dr. Kris Gutiérrez
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1:30-2:00  Mariachi Inspiración

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8:30-8:40  Welcome: **Lorenzo López Jr.**

8:40-9:00  Emerging CR Teacher/Teacher Appreciation: **Tyler Feucht**
CR Teacher Leader: **Stephanie Miller**
Student Recognition:
  - Nathaniel Abeyta, Valencia MS 8th grade
  - Azura Cáñez, Tucson MHS 12th grade
  - Liliana Espinoza, Rincon HS 11th grade
  - Mona Rodríguez, Safford K-8 8th grade

9:00-10:00  Keynote: **Dr. Kevin Henry: Historicizing Educational Choice: Beyond Charters and Vouchers, Toward a Humanizing Pedagogy and Politic**
In this keynote the speaker will explore the ways in which 'school choice' has been utilized to de-professionalize the field of education and further the 'educational debt,' while proponents of school choice argue it is the progeny of the Civil Rights Movement. In this keynote the speaker will draw from histories of Black and Brown educational resistance that moves beyond school choice, toward educational self-determination.

10:00-10:30  Ballet Folklorico Tapatio

10:30-11:30  Breakout Session I

11:30-12:30  Lunch

12:30-1:30  Keynote: **Dr. Anthony Brown: A Talk on Invisibility, Racial bias, and Humanizing Pedagogies**
Dr. Anthony Brown’s keynote lecture will explore the conceptual meanings of *invisibility*. Dr. Brown will also discuss how invisibility relates to issues of *implicit racial bias* and what this means to the day-to-day practice of schooling. His presentation will also explore the kind of *humanizing pedagogies* we must bring into the classroom to overcome the subtle effects of bias and invisibility in the classroom.

1:30-2:00  African Dance: **Barbea Williams Performance Company**

2:00-3:00  Breakout Session II

3:00  Closing
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Participants will discuss ways to construct designed learning environments for students from non-dominant communities and for English Learners, using students’ everyday concepts and practices to expand beyond traditional forms of learning. |
| ED 349 | Jim Byrne                   | **In the Wake of the Dragon: Learning the So-Called War on Drugs**  
Participants will have an opportunity to share and discuss resources, activities, and approaches to teaching history thematically with the so-called War on Drugs. Emphasis will be on critical pedagogy and social justice engagement. |
| ED 337 | Dr. Raúl González           | **Voter I.D. Laws: A Return to ‘Jim Crow’ Politics**  
Participants will explore the connections between efforts to thwart and subvert the voting rights of African Americans in the Jim Crow South with current efforts to reduce voter participation among minority communities across the United States. |
| ED 320 | Julia Hillman & Junko Sakoi | **Revisiting the 2016 Presidential Election: A Study in Peculiarity**  
Participants will discover how to create and implement unit lessons based on culturally relevant topics that are critical to students’ understanding of self, others, and literary works. The presenter will provide books, reading materials and multimedia items. |
An exploration of the life and legacy of Shakur and the worldwide impact he had on history, culture and philosophy. Many know Tupac only as a “thug” or “gangsta” rapper but in reality he was a prophet who unapologetically documented the oppressive realities of the inner city. Tupac’s harsh commentary forces people to recognize the price of neglected promises, which remain unfulfilled to this day. |
| ML 312 | José González               | **Freirean Critical Dialogue, Critical Race Praxis & Authentic Caring**  
Participants will explore ways to build classroom relationships between the students and their teacher so that they see each other as co-learners engaged in critical reflection. |
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| ED 211 (Kiva) | Dr. Anthony Brown | Getting Schooled: The Education of African American Students  
Participants will examine how educational stakeholders make sense of and respond to the educational needs of African American male students, and how school curriculum depicts the historical experiences of African Americans in official school knowledge (e.g. standards and textbooks) and within popular discourse. |
| ED 349     | Jim Byrne               | In the Wake of the Dragon: Learning the So-Called War on Drugs  
Participants will have an opportunity to share and discuss resources, activities, and approaches to teaching history thematically with the so-called War on Drugs. Emphasis will be on critical pedagogy and social justice engagement. |
| ED 337     | Dr. Raúl González       | Voter I.D. Laws: A Return to ‘Jim Crow’ Politics  
Participants will explore the connections between efforts to thwart and subvert the voting rights of African Americans in the Jim Crow South with current efforts to reduce voter participation among minority communities across the United States. |
| ED 320     | Julia Hillman & Junko Sakoi | Revisiting the 2016 Presidential Election: A Study in Peculiarity  
Participants will discover how to create and implement unit lessons based on culturally relevant topics that are critical to students’ understanding of self, others, and literary works. The presenter will provide books, reading materials and multimedia items. |
An exploration of the life and legacy of Shakur and the worldwide impact he had on history, culture and philosophy. Many know Tupac only as a “thug” or “gansta” rapper but in reality he was a prophet who unapologetically documented the oppressive realities of the inner city. Tupac’s harsh commentary forces people to recognize the price of neglected promises, which remain unfulfilled to this day. |
| ED 240     | Sal Gabaldón            | Hidden Knowledge: Secrets of U.S. History for Teachers in K-8  
How did the people of Mexico play a crucial role in support of George Washington and the U.S. War of Independence—and why have educators remained largely in the dark about this fascinating episode in our nation’s long and troubled history? Participants will uncover the truth. |
| ED 341     | Rashanda Snead          | Critical Literacy and Anti-War Songs of Protest  
The presenter will incorporate critical literacy strategies to examine anti-war Vietnam era songs of peace and protest to enhance students’ understanding of political protest through the use of music and art as an introduction to student-led, social justice projects using the critical praxis design. |
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