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Increasing Immigrant and Farmworker Education at UC Davis

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Grant Final Report

August 2009

March 2, 2009 Seminar - "Immigration"



**Kevin R. Johnson, Dean, UC Davis School of Law / King Hall;
Professor, Chicana/o Studies; Mabie-Apallas; Professor of Public Interest Law**

As a result of the Contreras Grant, the Western Center for Agricultural Health & Safety was able to very successfully reach and exceed its four goals for Contreras Grant titled, "Increasing Immigrant and Farmworker Education at UC Davis" effective dates January 15, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

BUDGET:

Aim 1/Monthly Seminar Series	\$ 9,388.47
Aim 2/MPH Practicum Development	\$14,113.71
Aim 3/Conference/Symposium	\$30,498.13
Aim 4/UCD Curriculum Review	\$ 5,999.69

\$60,000.00

Aim 1: Conducted eight Special Speaker seminars each reaching a new consistent high level of attendance, see attendance matrix below. The seminars were video taped and listed on the Western Center for Agricultural Health & Safety at the University of California, Davis web site, in Podcast format and webcast in Real Player, Quicktime, and Windows Media Player, receiving more than 170 hits/viewings, collectively. We were able to provided refreshments and travel expense reimbursement to speakers.

Aim 2: Contreras Fellowships: We developed an application for the MPH students to apply for the Contreras fellowship. Four students were selected and received stipends in Spring quarter. During the practicum students completed progress reports and evaluations. Students were also evaluated by the preceptors. At the end of the practicum students submitted their final reports, created posters and presented them at the annual Practicum Symposium.

Aim 3: Symposia on Immigration & Health. Web design and publishing of Symposium Proceedings: The 2008 IMMIGRANT WORKERS: A POPULATION AT HIGH RISK FOR INJURY AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS Symposium was organized by Marc Schenker, MD, MPH, Professor & Department Chair, Public Health Sciences UC Davis School of Medicine (Epidemiology; Occupational and Environmental Medicine), and Robin Baker, MPH, Director of the Labor Occupation. Approximately 200 attended. IMMIGRANT WORKERS: A POPULATION AT HIGH RISK FOR INJURY AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS: <http://coeh.berkeley.edu/symposium/index.html>

Aim 4: UCD curriculum review, enhancement and information distribution. A review of the UC Davis General Catalog was performed to identify courses related to Immigrant and Farm worker Health. The review found three courses that are offered in Fall quarter and one course offered in Spring quarter. The courses are advertised on the MPH program website.

Aim 1: Ag Center Seminars

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>UCD Speaker Y/N</u>	<u>Total # of attendees</u>	<u># of UCD attendees</u>	<u># of Non-UCD attendees</u>	<u>#of new attendees</u>
10/6/08	The Well Being of Mexican Indigenous Farmworker Communities: Defining the Problem	Richard Mines, PhD	Private Consultant	NO	18	6 Staff 3 Students 4 Faculty	5	4
11/3/08	Cossts of Occupational Injuries and Illness - Combining all Industries	J. Paul Leigh, PhD	UC Davis, Public Health Sciences	YES	14	5 Staff 3 Student 3 Faculty	3	3
12/1/08	Financial Impact of Safety	Amjad Ramahi, MS	UC Davis, PhD Candidate	YES	29	4 Staff 7 Students 4 Faculty	9	6
1/5/09	Heat Related Illness Interventions	Robert Harrison, MD, MPH	UCSF & California Public Health Department	NO	25	2 Staff 9 Students 5 Faculty	10	4
2/2/09	Environmental Exposures among Farmworkers	Deborah Bennett, PhD	Ag Center Investigator, UC Davis, Public Health Sciences Assistant Professor	YES	42	3 Staff 11 Students 4 Faculty	11	8
3/3/08	Immigration	Kevin R. Johnson, JD, King Hall Law School, Dean	UC Davis	YES	24	3 Staff 12 Students 5 Faculty	7	11
4/6/09	CHAMACOS: A community/university partnership to assess environmental exposures and their health effects on young children.	Asa Bradman, MD, MPH	UC Berkeley School of Public Health	NO	30	3 Staff 14 Students 4 Faculty	11	7
5/4/09	Sustainable Food & the Promise of Improved Farmworker Conditions	Ron Strohlic, MS	California Institute for Rural Studies	NO	24	2 Staff 6 Student 3 Faculty	8	5
				Total Participants =	206		Total Non-UCD Participants	69



2008 – 2009 Seminar Series Web/Podcast

May 4 , 2009 - "Sustainable Food & the Promise of Improved Farm Worker Conditions"
Ron Strohlic, Director, California Institute for Rural Studies

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2009-05-04.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Strohlic_05-04.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Strohlic_05-04.ram (Real Player)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Strohlic_05-04.asx (Windows Media Player)
- [Power Point Presentation](#) (Adobe PDF)

April 6 , 2009 - "A Community/University Partnership to Assess Environmental Exposures and Their Health Effects on Young Children"
Asa Bradman, Associate Director, Children's Environmental Health Research, UC Berkeley School of Public Health

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2009-04-06.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bradman_04-06.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bradman_04-06.ram (Real Player)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bradman_04-06.asx (Windows Media Player)

March 2 , 2009 - "Immigration"
**Kevin R. Johnson, Dean, UC Davis School of Law / King Hall; Professor, Chicana/o Studies; Mable-
Apallas; Professor of Public Interest Law**

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2009-03-02.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Johnson_03-02.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Johnson_03-02.ram (Real Player)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Johnson_03-02.asx (Windows Media Player)

February 2 , 2009 - "Environmental Exposures Among Farmworkers"
Deborah Bennett, PhD - Professor, Public Health Sciences, UC Davis

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2009-02-02.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bennett_02-02.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bennett_02-02.ram (Real Player)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Bennett_02-02.asx (Windows Media Player)

2008 – 2009 Seminar Series Web/Podcast *continued*

January 5 , 2009 - "Occupational Heat-Related Illness in California"

Robert Harrison, MD, MPH - Clinical Professor of Medicine, UCSF; Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2009-01-05.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Harrison_01-05.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Harrison_01-05.ram (Real Player)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2009/Harrison_01-05.asx (Windows Media Player)

December 1, 2008 - "Financial Impact of Safety "

Amjad Ramahi, PhD Candidate - Biological Systems Engineering, UC Davis; Agricultural Specialist, the Zenith Company

- [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

November 3, 2008 - "Costs of Occupational Injuries and Illness - Combining all Industries"

Paul Leigh, PhD - Professor, Public Health Sciences, UC Davis

- [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

October 6 , 2008 - "The Well Being of Mexican Indigenous Farm Worker Communities: Defining the Problem"

Richard Mines, PhD - Consultant, Former Director, California Institute for Rural Studies

- http://podcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS_08-09/WCAHS_08-09_2008-10-06.mp3 (Podcast)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2008/Mines_10-06.qtl (Quicktime)
- http://webcast.ucdavis.edu/WCAHS/2008/Mines_10-06.ram (Real Player)
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Aim 2: Public Health Practicum Development, 5 students....for which Contreras funds were used

Prior to sending out the application, possible practicum preceptors were identified and advertised to the MPH students. An application was developed for the MPH students to apply for the Contreras fellowship. Four students were selected and received stipends in Spring quarter. During the practicum students complete progress reports and evaluations. Students are also evaluated by the preceptors. At the end of the practicum students submit a final report, create a poster and present at the annual Practicum Symposium.

Name	Title of Project	Site Supervisor and Affiliation
2008-2009 Cohort		
Eastman, Chelsea	Increasing Food Security of Farm Workers in the Salinas Valley	Ron Strohlic, CA Institute for Rural Studies, Davis
Hunt, Jr., Joseph	An Evaluation of Health-Related Priority Pesticide Investigations in the State of California, 2001-2006	California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation
Marin, Ana	Develop, Organize, and Implement Information Workshops for Direct Health Care Providers in San Joaquin County, Community Medical Centers Inc. in Stockton	Steve Shetzline, Director of Health Education, CMC in Stockton
Xiao, Hong	Mental Health Services for African-Americans with HIV/AIDS, Haight Ashbury Free Clinic	CEO Mr. Ben Eiland (director) Haight Ashbury Free Clinic

Aim 3: Symposium

2008 SPRING SYMPOSIUM

IMMIGRANT WORKERS: A POPULATION AT HIGH RISK FOR INJURY AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS

**Friday, April 18, 2008
Elihu Harris State Office
Building Auditorium, Oakland, CA**

The 2008 **IMMIGRANT WORKERS: A POPULATION AT HIGH RISK FOR INJURY AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS** Symposium was organized by Marc Schenker, MD, MPH, Professor & Department Chair, Public Health Sciences UC Davis School of Medicine (Epidemiology; Occupational and Environmental Medicine), and Robin Baker, MPH, Director of the Labor Occupation

IMMIGRANT WORKERS: A POPULATION AT HIGH RISK FOR INJURY AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS: <http://coeh.berkeley.edu/symposium/index.html>

Presentations:

[Painting the Picture: Occupational Health Issues Among Immigrant Workers](#) Marc Schenker

[Health Concerns in Immigrant Farmworker Populations](#) Don Villarejo

[SF Chinatown Restaurant Workers](#) Merry Minkler

[LA Garment Workers](#) David Rempel & Jacqueline Chan

[Hotel Workers](#) Niklas Krause

[California Farmworkers](#) Steve McCurdy

[COEH Research to Practice: LOHP Initiatives in the Community](#) Robin Baker

[Improving the Health of Immigrant Workers—Future Directions](#)

Research Needs and Challenges, Sylvia Guendelman
Health Access, Robert Harrison*
Public Policy Approaches, Glenn Shor
Community Linkages, Rajiv Bhatia

[Cultural Perspectives in Immigration and Health](#) Xochitl Castaneda

[Future Initiatives - Where We Go From Here](#) John Balmes & Marc Schenker

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Course		Course Description
FAP 390	Health Care of the Western Farmworkers	Independent study--1.2 hours; clinical activity--2.4 hours. Prerequisite: Enrollment in the Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant Program. Basic concepts for providing primary health care to migrant and seasonal agricultural workers.
SOC 4	Immigration and Opportunity	Lecture--3 hours; discussion--1hour or term paper. Social and demographic analysis of immigration: motives and experiences of immigrants; immigration and social mobility; immigration, assimilation, and social change; multicultural societies. Detailed study of immigration into the U.S., with comparative studies of Europe, Australia, and other host countries.
SOC 144	Agriculture and Society	Lecture--3 hours; Discussion--1 Hour or term paper or research project. Prerequisite: advance standing in the social sciences or one year of course work in agricultural and environmental sciences. Development of agriculture as a major enterprise in modern society with the concomitant reduction in the labor force and family farms. Analysis of issues including mechanization, migrant labor, corporate farming, and public resource policy.
IAD 195A	Field Study in Agricultural Development---California	Lecture--2 hours total; Seminar--8 hours total; field-work--four 2-Day visits. Prerequisite: consent of instructor. Students will incur travel expenses. Observation of agricultural development strategies and effects on rural communities. Discussion with farmers, workers and organizational staff members. Study of farm commodities, institutions and experiences in dealing with agricultural development problems. International influence on U.S. agriculture.