

# IMMIGRANT INTEGRATION: CALIFORNIA AND BEYOND

A Conference sponsored by the UC-Immigration Research Initiative,  
a UC-Multi-Campus Project on Immigrant Integration in California  
(UCSD, UC-Berkeley, UCI, UCLA, and UCR)

April 22, 2016

## Conference Program and Schedule

**University of California, Irvine, Social Sciences Building B (SSPB), Room 1208.**  
**(see attached campus map, bldg. #213, F9/F10)**

**Welcome** (pastries and coffee)  
(8:30am-9:00am)

**Frank D. Bean**, Director, Center for Research on International  
Migration, UCI

**Session 1**  
(9:00am-10:30am)

**Public Policy and Immigrant Integration**  
**Moderator:** John Skrentny (UCSD)

1. **Cybelle Fox** (UC Berkeley).

“The Rise of Legal Status Restrictions in State Welfare Policy”

2. **Jennifer Merolla** and **Karthick Ramakrishnan** (UCR).

“Framing Immigrants: News Coverage, Public Opinion, and Public Policy”

3. **Paulette Cha** (UC Berkeley).

“Mind the Gap in Public Health Insurance Coverage for Children of Immigrants: The Effect of Parent Immigration Status”

4. **Steve Juárez** (UCI).

“‘Illegals Are Us!’: The Trump Threat on School Achievement and Educational Expectations among Middle School Children of Mexican Immigrants in an Era of Excorporation”

**Break**  
(10:30am-10:45am)

**Session 2**  
10:45am-12:15pm)

**Family, Migration Status and Immigrant Integration**  
**Moderator:** Irene Bloemraad (UC Berkeley)

1. **Laura E. Enriquez** (UCI).  
“‘Illegality’ in Mixed-Status Families: The Limited Incorporation of Undocumented Young Adults and their citizen Children”
2. **Chiara Galli** (UCLA).  
“Trading in Suffering for Rights: An Ethnographic Account of Humanitarian Paths to Legal Status in the United States”
3. **Jane Lilly López** (UCSD).  
“‘Til Deportation Do Us Part: Immigration Law and Mixed-Status Couples’ Experience of Citizenship and Integration in the United States”
4. **Eudelio P. Martinez Jr.** (UCR).  
“Desde la Raya: Fast Food and Immigration in Orange County, California”

**Lunch**  
12:15pm-12:45pm

**Session 3**  
12:45pm-2:15pm

**Socio-Political Factors and Immigration Integration**  
**Moderator:** David FitzGerald (UCSD)

1. **Lauren Duquette-Rury** (UCLA).  
“Protective Citizenship: Naturalizing in the Age of Sociopolitical Threat”
2. **Sunmin Kim** (UC Berkeley).  
“Contingent Racialization: The Racial Status of Immigrants in the Dillingham Commission Report (1911)”
3. **Mary I. O’Connor** (UCSB).  
“Are Mixtec Immigrants Integrated into California Society?”
4. **Alina R. Méndez** (UCSD).  
“California’s Farm Labor Camp: Migration and Social Reproduction in a U.S.-Mexico Borderlands Region, 1942-1969”

**Break**  
2:15pm-2:30pm

**Session 4**  
2:30pm-4:00pm

**Transnationalism and Immigrant Integration**

**Moderator:** Frank D. Bean (UCI)

1. **David Smith** (UCI) and **Ku-Sup Chin** (McPherson).

“A Reconceptualization of State Transnationalism: South Korea as an Illustrative Case”

2. **Armand Gutierrez** (UCSD).

“Narrative of Need: The Rationale for Why Second-Generation Filipino-Americans Engage in Transnational Economic Connections”

3. **Pei-te Lien** (UCSB).

“Exploring Pathways to Elective Office for the Asia-born in California and Elsewhere”

4. **Emerald T. Nguyen** (UC Davis).

“Full House: Reasons for Coresidence Across Immigrant Generations”

**Break**  
4:00pm-4:15pm

**Roundtable A**  
4:15pm-5:30pm

**Moderator:** Susan K. Brown (UCI)

1. **Abraham Calderon** (UCLA)

“Making Foreign Education Count in the Context of Political and Economic Migration: The Case of Mexican Professional Revalidation Efforts”

2. **Peter Catron and Dylan Connor** (UCLA).

“Why Don’t You Go on West to California? There’s Work There, and it Never Gets Cold”

3. **Molly Fee** (UCLA).

“When Policy Falls Short: Refugee Resettlement in California”

4. **Sue Hyunmi Park** (UCLA).

“Producing Designers: Koreans in the Los Angeles Fashion Industry”

5. **Stephanie Pulles** (UCI).

“Gender, IRCA Legalization Opportunities, and Mexican-American Integration”

**Roundtable B**  
4:15pm-5:30pm

**Moderator:** Frank D. Bean (UCI)

1. **Sandra Gruner-Domic** (USC Shoah Foundation).  
“Promotores in the Pico-Union-Corridor: Distrust, Commonalities and Sociability among Residents”
2. **Andrew N. Le** (UCLA).  
“Episodic Ethnicity: Religion and Ethnicity in a Los Angeles Japanese Buddhist Temple”
3. **Pei Palmgren** (UCLA).  
“Survival and Integration: Kachin Refugee Social Network Formation and Social Capital Mobilization in Kuala Lumpur and Los Angeles”
4. **Lindsey Sasaki** (UCLA).  
“Asian Latin American Migration to California: The Impact of Community Development and Identity Formation”
5. **Chia Xiong** (UC Merced).  
“Hmong Students’ Race-gender High School Experiences”

**Reception**  
5:30pm-6:15pm

**(location TBD)**

**Dinner**  
6:15pm-7:00pm

**(location TBD)**

**Speakers**  
7:00pm-8:00pm

**Irene Bloemraad and Karthick Ramakrishnan** (UCB and UCR)

“Citizenship and Politics: The Current Presidential Election”