

2021
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE
EXCELLENCE IN
CHICANO-LATINO STUDIES AWARDS
APPLICATION

The University of California Irvine's (UCI) Department of Chicano-Latino Studies Committee on Awards in Excellence in Chicano-Latino Studies invites graduating UCI undergraduate students to apply for the following awards:

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Researcher and Promise in Chicano-Latino Studies Award:

Graduating UCI undergraduate students who are majors, minors, or have a departmental certificate in Chicano/Latino Studies, and have successfully completed a distinguished and sustained trajectory of original primary research experience that advances our investigation and understanding of the Chicano-Latino experience within and beyond UCI are eligible to nominate themselves for this award. The research must be conducted under the supervision of a faculty member in the department of Chicano/Latino Studies.

Outstanding Chicano/Latino Community Engagement Award

Graduating undergraduates who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to service that promotes diversity and civic engagement within the UCI student community and/or the broader public are eligible for this award. Evidence of exceptional commitment to the student community and broader public may include (but is not limited to) participation in campus and/or community organizations, developing on-campus programming, engaging in off-campus programming, and volunteer activities that nurture awareness, knowledge, and sustained engagement with Chicano/Latinos at UCI and/or outside of UCI.

Alejandro and Rohde Morales Literary Award

This award was named and established in honor of Alejandro Morales, an acclaimed author of Chicano/Latinx literature who has written novels, short stories and poetry in Spanish and English. The award is intended to recognize the achievements of a graduating 1st generation undergraduate who has submitted a single authored written essay in English or Spanish or a combination of both languages that focuses on the Chicano/Latinx experience and composed in one of the genres listed below. Genres will be rotated yearly. **THE 2021 INAUGURAL GENRE IS AUTOBIOGRAPHY.** Students are encouraged to self-nominate their essay.

****Please refer to our website under Resources and click Awards and Scholarships for detailed genre descriptions****

Eligibility Criteria:

- 1. Upon applying for the award, undergraduate student applicants should be working to graduate by the Spring 2021 quarter from UCI.**
- 2. Upon applying for the award, undergraduate student applicants must have earned at least a cumulative 3.0 Grade Point Average.**
- 3. Upon applying for the award, undergraduate student applicants must have completed at least one course offered by the department of Chicano-Latino Studies or an exemplary record of academic coursework that is compatible with the goals of these awards.**
- 4. To be fully considered for the award, undergraduate student applicants must complete and submit:**
 - 1. Award in Excellence in Chicano-Latino Studies Application Form**
 - 2. A current and concise curriculum vitae (CV)**
 - 3. A current and complete unofficial copy of grade transcripts**
 - 4. A complete statement that addresses the question asked by the Committee on Awards in Excellence in Chicano-Latino Studies to determine undergraduate student applicant's award eligibility**

Please e-mail your application to Dr. Glenda M. Flores at gmflores@uci.edu. Or you can e-mail it to Debbie Michel at dmichel@uci.edu.

Application deadline: Friday, April 23, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

The Committee on Awards in Excellence in Chicano-Latino Studies thanks you for your application. If you have specific questions about the application, please contact Dr. Glenda M. Flores at gmflores@uci.edu.

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APPLICATION FORM:

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE and INSTRUCTIONS:

Deadline: April 23, 2021

By this deadline, applicants are required to submit an email of their completed application form and supporting documents (curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts, and statement) to Dr. Glenda M. Flores (gmflores@uci.edu). Please indicate on the subject line and the body of the email which award you are applying for.

If applying for both awards, please submit a separate statement for each award category.

Name of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Major(s): _____

Minor(s): _____

Expected Date of Graduation from UCI: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Applicant's Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

Please indicate which award you are applying for:

- Outstanding Undergraduate Student Researcher in Chicano-Latino Studies Award:
- Outstanding Chicano/Latino Community Engagement Award:
- Alejandro and Rohde Morales Literary Award:

Applicant's Goals and/or Plans After Graduating from UCI:

Please list at least one Chicano-Latino Studies course and/or courses that demonstrate your exemplary record of coursework that is compatible with the spirit of these awards, providing the course title, instructor, and quarter in which you undertook or are undertaking these courses at UCI:

Please provide the names and e-mail address of two UCI faculty references, preferably affiliated with UCI's department of Chicano-Latino Studies that can elaborate on your eligibility for this award:

STATEMENT:

Please answer the following question in a statement that is at most three pages in length, making sure to use a 12 point Times New Roman font, paginate (Applicant's Last Name, Name of Award, Page Number) each page, and double space each page.

Question:

Why do you think you are eligible for this award? Please identify and explain experiences, goals, interactions, and/or outcomes that define your eligibility for this award.
