5th Annual Native American Studies Graduate Student Symposium
Transitioning from the Fifth Sun: Global Indigenous Movements
Thursday – May 5, 2016

10:00-10:30 am
Welcome & Opening Remarks – Dr. Zoila Mendoza (Native American Studies Department Chair, UC Davis)
Opening Blessing – Cuahuhtemoc Quintero Lule (Native American Studies, UC Davis)

10:35-11:30 am
Session 1 – Engaging the Enemy: Tribal Participation and Circumnavigation of State Structures and Processes
- Navigating Neoliberal Climate Solutions: Yurok Land Acquisition through the California Carbon Credit Market – Kaitlin Reed (Native American Studies, UC Davis)
- Reckoning with the Legacies of American Settler Colonialism in the Great Plains: the Indian Claims Commission; as a Failure of Truth & Reconciliation – Beligh Ben Taleb (Native American History, University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
- Do local comprehensive plans support the Kichwa of the Ecuadorian Amazon in reaching their collective rights? – Fredy Grefa (Geography, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)*

11:35 am-12:30 pm
Session 2 – Rendering Reclamation: Indigenous Revitalization in Visual Media
- Audiovisualizing Native Futurities: Sonic Imagery in Indigenous Science Fiction – Spencer Mann (Native American Studies, UC Davis)
- Re-Imag(in)ing Fourth World Authenticities – Reema Rajbanshi (Literature, UC San Diego)
- Weaving a new reality: Indigenous Tattoo Revival – Dion Kaszas (Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies, University of British Columbia)

12:35-2:10 pm
Lunch Banquet & Creative Presentations

2:15-3:25 pm
Session 3 – Words Rise Up: Cultural Revitalization through Language Music
- Words Rise Up: The Zapatistas and Contemporary Mayan Literature – Sean Sell (Comparative Literature, UC Davis)
- Contemporary Language Policy and Practice on the Colville Indian Reservation – SimHayKin Jack (Native American Studies, UC Davis)
- Oral Traditions As Resistance: Luanko’s Rap in the Chile-Mapuche Struggle – Alejandro Rossi-Brotfeld (Spanish, UC Davis)

3:30-4:30 pm
Session 4 – Messengers of the Sun and Guadalupe: Yaqui Leaders, Ancestral Territory, and Revolution in 19th-Century Sonora (Please note: This presentation will be bilingual [English & Spanish])
- Cajeme héroe, Cajeme torocoyori. Historiografía e historia oral en torno al jefe yaqui -- Benjamín Alonso (Journalism, Crónica Sonora)
- Enchanted Bee, Talking Tree, and the Raccoon: Yaqui Resilience and the Moving Power of Storytelling – Cuahuhtemoc Quintero Lule (Native American Studies, UC Davis)

End of first day of the 5th Annual Native American Studies Graduate Student Symposium
10:00-10:30 am
Opening Remarks & Blessing – Angel Hinzo (Native American Studies, UC Davis)

10:35-11:30 am
Session 5 -- Reclaiming Our Bodies: Indigenous Peoples, Gender, and Sexuality
- Indigenous Migrants: Racial Trajectories and Female Empowerment in Urban Peru – Carmen Valdivia (Spanish, UC Davis)
- Impact of Settler Colonialism and Christianity on Two Spirit People – Trudie Jackson (American Indian Studies, Arizona State University)
- Processing Trauma: A filmmaker emphasizes the symptoms and healing methods of a Mixtecan illness – Candy Martinez (Latin American and Latina/o Studies, UC Santa Cruz)

11:35 am-12:30 pm
Session 6 – Indigenous Spiritualities and Knowledge Systems
- Healing to Learn: Learning to Heal—A Chicana and Chicano Indigenous Decolonizing Pedagogical Framework – Silvia E. Toscano (Chicano and Chicano Studies, UC Santa Barbara)*
- Basketry as Methodology: Weaving Land and Knowledge – Vanessa Esquivido-Meza (Native American Studies)
- The many aspects of Mayan spirituality – Leonzo Barreno (Indigenous Studies, University of Saskatchewan)*

12:35-2:10 pm
Keynote Luncheon – Dr. Dian Million (Associate Professor, American Indian Studies -- University of Washington)

2:15-3:10 pm
Session 7 – Decolonizing Soundscapes: Tanya Tagaq and Nanook of the North (Panel Presentation)
- Luis Chavez (Ethnomusicology, UC Davis)
- Jessa Rae Growing Thunder (Native American Studies, UC Davis)
- Lynette Haberman (Native American Studies, UC Davis)

3:15-4:25 pm
Session 8 – Narratives of Resistance: Restorative Native Histories
- Reckoning with the Trickster: Wabanaki and Kanien’kehá:ka Diplomacy on the Northern Borderlands, 1759-1775 – Loren Michael Mortimer (History, UC Davis)
- Lower Creek and Seminole Law in the Late Colonial Spanish Florida Borderlands – Nancy O. Gallman (History, UC Davis)
- Voicing Across Space: Ho-Chunk Removal and Subversion -- Angel Hinzo (Native American Studies, UC Davis)
- The Creolized Kitchen: Interpreting the Life of a Catawba Pan Found in Urban Charleston, 1785-1830 – Kelly Kean (History, UC Davis)

Closing remarks and blessing – Cuāuhtemōc Quintero Lule

*These presentations will be via Skype