

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 | SÁBADO, 8 DE ABRIL

Arts and Letters Building (AL-101)

3:30-3:45 p.m.

BREAK

3:45-4:45 p.m.

ROUNDTABLE 2 | “Death By Policy”: Current Trends in Migration Policy and Racialization of the Borderlands

- ACLU | **Norma Chávez-Peterson** | executive director
- Center for Immigration Law and Policy (CILP), UCLA | **Monika Y. Langarica** | staff attorney
- Haitian Bridge Alliance | **Charlotte Wiener** | staff lawyer
- Jewish Family Services | **Kate Clark** | senior director of Immigration Service & Lead Immigration Attorney

4:45-5 p.m.

BREAK

5-6:30 p.m.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND PLENARY

Dr. Roberto D. Hernández, San Diego State University | **Why Did Lemkin and Cesaire Cross the U.S.-Mexico Border?**

6:30-7 p.m.

BREAK

7 p.m.

Closing Social – Oggi’s, SDSU campus (Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union)

FULL SPEAKER BIOS AND MORE INFORMATION — [SDSU.edu/conference](https://www.sdsu.edu/conference)

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RACE AND THE BORDERLANDS

Human Rights, Human Triumphs, and Forging Peace on the U.S.-Mexico Border

RAZA Y LOS TERRITORIOS FRONTERIZOS

Derechos Humanos, Triunfo Humano, y la Construcción de Paz en la Frontera

The U.S.-Mexico border is a site of human suffering and a showcase of human resilience. This conference brings together scholars, practitioners, student organizations, and grassroots movements from the San Diego and Tijuana regions to collectively consider issues of human rights and racialization in our borderlands. The conference will focus on the human tolls and triumphs that flow across this border every day. We will consider the hindrances and costs, the lives and human sacrifice, and the stories of hope and justice that intermingle in the liminal space of the borderlands.

The Tijuana-San Diego border is not only the busiest border in the world, but also one that is teeming with life and productive capacity. We want to recognize and celebrate that also. This binational conference focuses on scholarly collaboration, community building, and movement of ideas and people in the region. “Race and the Borderlands” also provides opportunities to hold space, and integrate frameworks for collective activism and set the agenda for new collaborations.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 7 | VIERNES, 7 DE ABRIL

Aztec Student Union Theatre and Legacy Suite

8-8:45 a.m.	REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST Legacy Suite – Union
8:45-9 a.m.	WELCOME REMARKS Ronnee Schreiber Interim Dean, San Diego State University College of Arts and Letters
9 -10:15 a.m.	KEYNOTE SPEAKER Union Theatre Nandita Sharma University of Hawaii at Mānoa Postcolonial Racism: National Sovereignty and the Institutionalization of Separation
10:15-10:30 a.m.	BREAK
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.	SESSION I Racialized Bodies, Criminalized Movements Union Theatre Moderator: Ramona Pérez San Diego State University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jessica Aguilar University of California San Diego Crossing Mexico: Migrant Bodies, Testimonias, and Human Rights in Las Tierras Arrasadas• Emma Newman Texas A&M University Migrant Rutas of South Texas: Preliminary Results from Brooks County Texas• Scott Bennett Point Loma Nazarene University Hostility, Horses, and Haitians: Interpreting Paul Ratje’s “Whip” Photo• D. Emily Hicks San Diego State University A Complexity Approach to the Mexico-US Border, Border Writing and African American and Afro-Indigenous Identities: Octavia Butler and Melissa Cardoza
12- 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK Legacy Room – Union
1:30-3 p.m.	SESSION II No Right to Life: State Violence That has Shaped a Humanitarian Crisis in the Arizona Borderlands Legacy Suite – Union Moderator: Isidro Ortiz San Diego State University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Katherine Kaufka Walts Loyola University, Center for the Human Rights of Children A History of Racism: Context for the Rule of Border Law• Madeline Brashear Loyola University, Center for the Human Rights of Children Border Policy and Migrant Deaths: How We Got to the Status Quo• Perla Torres Colibri Center for Human Rights On the Ground: Repatriating Remains for Those with No Right to Life• Sarah J. Diaz Colibri Center for Human Rights The Right to Life: What Could Tomorrow Look Like?
3-3:15 p.m.	BREAK
3:15-4:45 p.m.	SESSION III Narratives of Race, Rights, and Security Legacy Suite – Union Moderator: Robert Guzmán San Diego State University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Odessa Gonzalez Benson University of Michigan The limits of Human Rights Discourse Within Sovereign Territory: Examining U.S. Refugee Policy Formation• Abby Wheatley Arizona State University Challenging Border Security from Below: Migrant Critiques of “Closed” Borders• Ernesto Hernández Chapman University Border Myths, Legal Justifications, and Racial Realities
4:45-5 p.m.	BREAK
5-6:30 p.m.	FIRST PLENARY SESSION
7 p.m.	Dinner for presenters – K&B Bistro

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8-8:30 a.m.	BREAKFAST AND GATHERING AL-101
8:30-9:45 a.m.	SESSION IV Health Interventions: A Novel Collaboration to Support the Health of Children Asylum Seekers Moderator: Haley Ciborowski San Diego State University and UC San Diego In March 2022, in response to a request from the Sidewalk School for Children Asylum Seekers (SWS), pediatricians from the San Francisco Bay Area partnered with the SWS and Global Response Management (GRM) in Reynosa, Mexico to pilot a pediatric telehealth clinic to address the health needs of children seeking asylum. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Felicia Rangel Samponaro and Victor Cavazos co-directors, Sidewalk School Work at the Sidewalk School, Anti-Black Racism Faced by Haitian Asylum Seekers, and the Need for a Medical Collaboration• Brendon Tucker Medical Needs in Reynosa, the Safety Challenges Faced by the Medical Team and Asylum Seekers, and Their Collaboration• Jyothi Marbin Telehealth Consultation Partnership, How we Have Been Able to Recruit Doctors to Volunteer, and the Impact of the Clinic
9:45-10 a.m.	BREAK
10-11:15 a.m.	SESSION V Aid as Disruptive Resistance in the Borderlands <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Jacqueline Arrellano• James Cordero• Thelma Navarro• Sophia Rodriguez• Luis Osuna• Victoria Vazquez• Dulce Real
11:15 a.m.- 12 p.m.	Artivism and the Borderlands Presentation and Exhibit Moderator: Kristal Bivona San Diego State University
12-1 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK AL-102
1-2:15 p.m.	SESSION VI Reimagining the Border/Re-imaginando la Frontera: Play/Juego, Art/Arte and/e Imaginaries Resistance/Imaginarios de Resistencia Moderator: Rebecca Bartel San Diego State University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roxana Rodríguez Ortiz Universidad Autónoma de la Ciudad de México Frontera Ecológica: del Afecto a las Afecciones• M. Isabel Martin-Sanchez University of Wisconsin-Madison Teeter-Totter Wall (Rael y San Fratello): Un Balancín Performativo y Binacional• Juan Carlos Camacho Molina Universidad Autónoma de Baja California Toy and Horse, Reciclando Imágenes, Universalizando Fronteras. Sitiando el Sitio: la Garita Internacional de San Ysidro• Amarilis Perez Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales FLACSO-Mexico Aztlán: el Imaginario de un Territorio en Resiliencia
2:15-2:30 p.m.	BREAK
2:30-4:45 p.m.	Forum of San Diego/Tijuana Peace and Justice Organizations Moderators: Grace Cheng and Rebecca Bartel San Diego State University
2:30-3:30 p.m.	ROUNDTABLE 1 Reflections on Race and Migration Over the last 5 years in the San Diego-Tijuana Region <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Survivors of Torture International Etleva Bejko, executive director• Armadillos• Detention Resistance Ymoat Luna

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