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UIC CAMPUS LATINO RESOURCE GUIDE

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^{*} Latinx — The "x" makes Latino, a masculine identifier, genderneutral. The "x" also encompasses genders outside of that limiting man-woman binary. Pronounced La-teen-ex.





Welcome to the UIC Campus 2020 Latino Resource Guide

On behalf of the Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos (CCSL), we want to welcome you to the University of Illinois at Chicago. We are delighted to share with you this Campus Latino Resource Guide. UIC has a rich tradition of academic success, *cultura*, and community. We created this resource guide to help you navigate the various Latinx* resources on campus and the myriad of services and opportunities available for Latinx students. It is our hope that this guide will provide you with the tools you need to grow academically, socially, and professionally as an integral member of the university community.

We are proud to say UIC was designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) by the Department of Education in 2015 and we are celebrated as one of the most diverse research-intensive universities in the United States. Latinx students make up an essential core of this campus. Our nationally recognized programs that focus on culturally relevant Latinx student support provide students with a sense of belonging and *familia* amidst this large institution.

While your time at UIC will remain largely focused on academics, participating in student organizations and extracurricular activities are key components of the college experience and leadership development. We encourage you to explore these opportunities.

For more than 30 years the Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos has addressed the concerns and promoted the development of Latinxs at UIC. We carry a long tradition of advocacy, support, and service. We will be here for you throughout your educational journey. We heartily welcome you and wish you the best on your UIC journey.

Sincerely,

David X. Marquez, PhD & Claudia Oropeza, BSc, MBA Co-Chairs Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos 2020

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The following resources represent core units and programs created to increase Latinx accessibility to higher education and provide cultural relevant support and knowledge to strengthen their academic and professional growth. These resources are available to all students on campus and some are relevant for faculty and staff.

Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos (CCSL)

The Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos (CCSL) is open to all who have an interest in Latino affairs and issues. CCSL was established to advise the Chancellor, and through its various subcommittees made up of faculty, staff and students, it promotes educational, professional and career opportunities for Latinx at UIC. CCSL's emphasis is primarily on policy and focused on its advisory relationship to UIC's administration. When appropriate, the Latino Committee on University Affairs (LCUA) and CCSL coordinate activities and support one another's events and projects. CCSL and LCUA continue to develop and enhance UIC's relationship and commitment to the Latino communities of Chicago and Illinois.

Contact Information





Hispanic Center of Excellence (HCOE)

Hispanic Center of Excellence is an academic support program whose mission is to improve the medical care of Latinas/os in Illinois by providing programs that strengthen the pipeline and increase the number of Latino applicants pursuing health careers, enrich the education of Latino students with an emphasis on producing linguistically and culturally competent practitioners, and build partnerships with others that share the same vision.

Our goals are to:

- Develop a competitive Latino applicant pool for medical school admissions, in conjunction with partners within and outside of UIC.
- Enhance the academic performance and overall experience of Latino medical students at UIC.
- Provide opportunities for faculty and student research on Latino health issues for undergraduate and medical students.
- Design curricular initiatives to increase the cultural competence of College of Medicine students
- Provide a holistic support system for the parents of Latino students who are interested in pursuing careers in the medical profession.

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Latin American and Latino Studies Program (LALS)

Established in 1974, the Latin American and Latino Studies Program (LALS) owes its creation to the struggles of Latin@ students and community members who organized for a curriculum that reflected their interests and histories. Today the faculty at LALS provides critical perspectives on the study of Latin America and U.S. Latin@s with a focus on Latin American and Caribbean History, Mexican, Chicana/o, Cuban, and Puerto Rican Studies, Migration Studies, Law and Society, Human Rights, Gender and Sexuality, Politics, Violence, Urban and Community Development, Culture and Identity, Indigenous Knowledges, Environmental Studies, Popular Culture and Media Studies, Ethnomusicology, and Latinx and Latin American Literature.

Our courses are cross-listed in Anthropology, Art History, Criminology, Law, and Justice, Economics, English and Rhetoric, Film, Gender and Women's Studies, Geography, History, Literature, Museum and Exhibition Studies, Music, Political Science, Public Health, Social Justice, Sociology, Spanish Language, and Urban Studies.

LALS offer students:

- An engaged, critical space to support student learning.
- Major and Minor options for undergraduate students.
- Master of Arts in Latin American and Latino Studies with a community research component.
- Lectures, talks, films and panels with local, national and international visiting professors and artists.
- Direct engagement with local community-based, cultural and public policy organizations and institutions.
- A graduate concentration preparing students for research on Latin America and US Latin@s.
- Internship opportunities to conduct research within Latin@ and other community organizations, Chicago area museums, and performance art venues.

Contact Information

UIC University Hall, Room 1525 | 601 S. Morgan St. | (312) 996-2445

lals@uic.edu | lals.uic.edu





Latin American Recruitment and Educational Services (LARES) Program

The LARES Program is the premier academic support program in Illinois and has been nationally recognized as Outstanding Institutional Advising program. UIC has become the major center for Latino education in the Midwest, granting the largest number of baccalaureate degrees and enrolling the largest numbers of Latino graduate and professional students among CIC institutions. In 2014, LARES received the Outstanding Institutional Advising Award by the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) and Example of Excelencia award for being the nation's top program in higher education for increasing graduation rates for undergraduate Latinx students in Illinois.

LARES offers students:

- Intrusive strengths based academic advising encompasses career, financial, social, personal, and leadership development.
- Academic Tutoring in Chemistry, English, and Math.
- Academic Skills Program (ASP) for English and Math that foster a greater understanding of the course materials students are learning.
- Fellowships/Internships/Research Opportunities.
- Bilingual and bicultural financial aid understanding to students and their families.
- LARES Summer Institute Program.
- LARES Leaders Program.
- Scholarships and tuition waivers.

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UIC Student Services Building, Suite 2640 | 1200 W. Harrison St.

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Rafael Cintrón Ortiz Latino Cultural Center (LCC)

The Rafael Cintón Ortiz Latino Cultural Center (LCC) established in 1976 was the first cultural center at UIC. Its founding was the result of visionary Latinx students, faculty, staff, and community members who fought tirelessly for a cultural center to support the growing Latinx student population on campus. The LCC engages campus and local communities to deepen understanding of the diverse cultural heritages and identities of Latinx and issues effecting their lives. The LCC offers engaged learning cocurricular opportunities that feature cultural and artistic expressions, inter-cultural and civic dialogue, scholarly presentations, and first-voice stories. This space also features the largest contemporary indoor mural in the City of Chicago painted by muralist Hector Duarte in 1996 and restored in 2011 and 2016.

Our goals are to:

- Offer social and environmental justice Civic Dialogues and Tours of our mural El Despertar de las Américas to connect UIC courses material to community challenges and solutions.
- Connect UIC campus with community leaders, artists, and cultural institutions through public programs.
- Coordinate and supervise internships for the LCC and the Heritage Garden.
- Connect science and Latin American heritages to help UIC STEM students shape their identity as Latinx scientists.
- Provide study areas for students and the gallery space for campus departments, student organizations, and community partners.

Contact Information

UIC Lecture Center B2 | 803 S. Morgan St. | (312) 996-3095





The Latino Committee on University Affairs (LCUA)

The Latino Committee on University Affairs is an organization established in 1978, to promote the education, development, and careers of Latino students, faculty and staff. LCUA works on initiatives that serve to supplement and support the University's goals of Access, Equity and Inclusion from the perspective of being a Hispanic Serving Institution and diversifying its Latinx faculty, staff, and students. Therefore, its goals are to improve the quality of educational opportunities available to Latinx students, and increase representation and resources for Latinx faculty and staff including civil service employees.

Some of the LCUA initiatives include:

- Serve as an liaison for the Association of Latino Alumni and campus, to provide leadership, mentorship, advocacy, and support of pipelines programs for Latinx students.
- Annual New Hire Latino Employee Recognition Reception: The Recognition Reception provides staff and faculty, an opportunity to welcome new hires and connect with established staff, in cultivating strong partnerships, fostering pride in our campus and network support for new hires.
- The Annual Recognition Dinner for Latinx Graduates. The Recognition Dinner provides an opportunity to bring together community members and leaders, students, families, faculty, and staff to celebrate the achievements of the Latina/o graduates. It also recognizes the faculty and leaders that serve the Latino community and provide inspiration to Latinx youth.

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The Latin@s Gaining Access to Networks for Advancement in Science Program (L@s GANAS)

The Latin@s Gaining Access to Networks for Advancement in Science (L@S GANAS) Program at the University of Illinois at Chicago was created with a Hispanic Serving Institution STEM grant from the US Department of Education. UIC is one of a handful of research intensive universities to achieve Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) status. L@S GANAS exists to ensure that Latinx students in science succeed at UIC. It seeks to increase the number of Latinx professionals in science, provide financial assistance to Latinx science students, increase retention of Latinx science students in the STEM majors, and foster a community where Latinx science students see their cultural heritage as an asset in the lab. The program caters to Latinx undergraduates who have an interest in the sciences. It supports the whole student; both their strong ties to their heritage as Latin@s as well as their emerging identity as scientists.

L@s GANAS supports multiple avenues for student engagement:

- Undergraduate Research Opportunities enabling students to engage in campus research and participate in the larger scientific research community.
- Holistic supports— granting students access to transition coaches who meet with them regularly, help them to articulate their challenges, and then assist them with connecting to the appropriate support systems on campus.
- Supportive networks of faculty and peers—helping Latin@ students connect with networks of peers, faculty, family, and community that collectively provide them with academic, personal, and social support.
- Active and collaborative learning opportunities in the STEM courses offering faculty a range of professional development opportunities related to formative assessment and inquiry-based learning approaches.

Contact Information

UIC Student Services Building, Suite 2190 | 1200 W. Harrison St. (312) 355-3160 | hsi.uic.edu | HSISTEM@uic.edu



DREAM.UIC.EDU Undocumented Student Access

Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change (CCUSC) diversity.uic.edu/engagement/ccusc

Commuter Center

csrc.uic.edu • commuter@uic.edu

Counseling Center

(312) 996-3490 • counseling.uic.edu

Pop - Up Pantry & Wellness Center

(312) 413-2120 • Wellnesscenter.uic.edu

Student Legal Services

(312) 996-4857 • dos.uic.edu/studentlegalservices.shtml

Fearless Undocumented Alliance

fearlessundocumentedalliance@gmail.com

University Student Financial Services and Cashier Operations (USFSCO)

(312) 996-8574 • paymybill.uillinois.edu

Help support our students and donate!

diversity.uic.edu/donate (Emergency Student Assistance Fund)

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Latino and Affiliated Student Organizations

To find out the contact information for any of these UIC student organizations search online: UIC Connection

- Alpha Psi Lambda
- Black Student Union (BSU)
- Delta Psi Alpha
- Fearless Undocumented Alliance (FUA)
- Feminists United
- Gamma Phi Omega
- Health Oriented Latino Association (HOLA)
- Heritage Garden Student Group
- Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement (HACE)
- International Club
- · Lambda Theta Alpha
- Lambda Theta Phi
- Latino Association of Business Students (LABS)
- Latino Educators United for Change
- Latino Planning Organization for Development, Education, and Regeneration (LPODER)
- Latino Pre-Medical Student Association
- Mexican Students de Aztlán (MeSA)
- Movimiento Latino
- Omega Delta Phi
- Peer Health Exchange
- Students for the Advancement of Freedom, Equality and Human Rights (SAFEHR)
- Sigma Lambda Beta
- Sigma Lambda Gamma
- Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE)
- Student Veteran Association (SVA)
- Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP)
- Union for Puerto Rican Students (UPRS)

Campus Resources

The following resources represent some of the units, departments, colleges, and programs that support the academic and professional growth of students, faculty, and staff at UIC.

Advising and Support Programs

- African American Academic Network (AAAN) studentaffairs.uic.edu/aaan
- Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) studentaffairs.uic.edu/ace
- Academic Support and Achievement Program (ASAP) ahs.uic.edu/asap
- CHANCE Program chance.uic.edu
- Honors College Tutoring Program honors.uic.edu/tutoring
- Latin American Recruitment and Educational Services (LARES) Program lares.uic.edu
- Minority Engineering Recruitment and Retention Program (MERRP) merrp.engr.uic.edu
- Mathematical Science Learning Center (MSLC) math.uic.edu/undergrad/mslc
- Native American Support Program (NASP) studentaffairs.uic.edu/nasp
- Science Learning Center (SLC) chem.uic.edu/slc
- Student Success Initiative studentsuccess.uic.edu
- TRIO: Educational Opportunity Outreach Programs studentaffairs.uic.edu/trio
- Undergraduate Advising Resource Center advising.uic.edu/uic-advising resources
- Resources for undocumented Students dream.uic.edu
- Urban Health Program (UHP) uhealth.uic.edu
- Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) crwg.uic.edu/wise-home
- Writing Center writingcenter.uic.edu

Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change (CCUSC)

- African American Cultural Center (AACC) aacc.uic.edu
- Arab American Cultural Center (ARABAMCC) arabamcc.uic.edu
- Asian American Resource and Cultural Center (AARCC) aarcc.uic.edu
- Disability Cultural Center (DCC) dcc.uic.edu
- Gender and Sexuality Center (GSC) gsc.uic.edu
- Rafael Cintrón Ortiz Latino Cultural Center (LCC) latinocultural.uic.edu
- Women's Leadership and Resource Center (WLRC) wirc.uic.edu

Chancellor's Status Committees

- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Asian American (CCSAA) ccsaa.uic.edu
- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Blacks (CCSB) ccsb.uic.edu
- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer People, and Allies (CCSLGBTQPA) ccslgbtqpa.uic.edu
- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Latinos (CCSL) ccsl.uic.edu
- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities (CCSPD)
 ccspd.org.uic.edu
- Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women (CCSW) ccsw.uic.edu

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Colleges / Institutes and Initiatives / Museum

Academic advising is available at every college.

- College of Applied Health Sciences (AHS) ahs.uic.edu
- College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts (CADA) cada.uic.edu
- College of Business Administration business.uic.edu
- College of Dentistry dentistry.uic.edu
- College of Education education.uic.edu
- College of Engineering (COE) engineering.uic.edu/COE
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences las.uic.edu
- College of Medicine medicine.uic.edu
- College of Nursing nursing.uic.edu
- College of Pharmacy pharmacy.uic.edu
- College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs (CUPPA) cuppa.uic.edu
- Graduate College grad.uic.edu
- Great Cities Institute greatcities.uic.edu
- Honors College honors.uic.edu
- Jane Addams College of Social Work jacsw.uic.edu
- John Marshall Law School imls.uic.edu
- School of Public Health publichealth.uic.edu
- Gallery 400 gallery 400.uic.edu
- Institute for Environmental Science and Policy (IESP) iesp.uic.edu
- Institute for the Humanities huminst.uic.edu
- Institute for Policy and Civic Engagement (IPCE) ipce.uic.edu
- Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (IRRPP) irrpp.uic.edu
- Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR) iuplr.uic.edu
- Jane Addams Hull-House Museum hullhousemuseum.org
- Social Justice Initiative sji.uic.edu

More Campus Resources

- Academic Computing and Communications Center (ACCC) accc.uic.edu
- Admissions admissions.uic.edu
- Campus Care campuscare.uic.edu
- Campus Housing housing.uic.edu
- Campus Recreation recreation.uic.edu
- Career Services careerservices.uic.edu
- Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS) ccts.uic.edu
- Center for Student Involvement campusprograms.uic.edu
- Children's Center childrenscenter.uic.edu
- Commuter Student Resources Center (CSRC) commuter.uic.edu
- Counseling Center counseling.uic.edu
- Commencement commencement.uic.edu
- Dining Services dining.uic.edu
- Emergency Information emergency.uic.edu

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- Family Medicine (Student Health) hospital.uillinois.edu/primary-andspecialty-care/family-medicine/student-health
- Financial Aid financialaid.uic.edu
- Human Resources (HR) hr.uic.edu
- ID Center idcenter.uic.edu
- International Services ois.uic.edu
- Library library.uic.edu
- Net-driven Employee Self-Service and Information Environment (NESSIE) nessie.uihr.uillinois.edu
- Office for Access and Equity (OAE) oae.uic.edu
- Office of the Dean of Students dos.uic.edu
- Office of Diversity diversity.uic.edu
- Office of Public and Government Affairs pga.uic.edu
- Office of Special Scholarship Programs ossp.uic.edu
- Office of Sustainability sustainability.uic.edu
- Office of Technology Management (OTM) otm.uic.edu
- Office of Testing Services (OTS) for faculty testing.uic.edu
- Office of Undergraduate Research undergradresearch.uic.edu
- Orientation orientation.uic.edu
- Parking Services parking.uic.edu
- Police Department police.uic.edu
- Red Car Service police.uic.edu/Red%20Car%20Service.htm
- Student Centers studentcenters.uic.edu
- Student Development Services (SDS) sds.uic.edu
- Student Employment Office studentemployment.uic.edu
- Student Leadership Development and Volunteer Services (SLDVS) sldvs.uic.edu
- Student Legal Services (SLS) dos.uic.edu/studentlegalservices.shtml
- Student Ombuds Service dos.uic.edu/studentombudsservices.shtml
- Student Veteran Affairs dos.uic.edu/studentveteranaffairs.shtml
- Study Abroad studyabroad.uic.edu
- Teaching Excellence Review Committee (TERC) for faculty terc.uic.edu
- Tobacco Free UIC tobaccofree.uic.edu
- U-Pass idcenter.uic.edu/upass.shtml
- Undergraduate Research Experience (URE) ure.uic.edu
- Urban Data Visualization Lab (UDVL) udv.lab.uic.edu
- Wellness Center wellnesscenter.uic.eduA

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