**Advancing Intercultural Studies**

* Four quarterly seminars examine the benefits of and issues surrounding identities and practices formed in the multi- ethnic, multicultural, and transnational spaces of UCR and Southern California.
* Each seminar includes four faculty, four graduate students (both groups released form teaching) and four upper-level undergraduate students enrolled in 190 series courses (capstone experiences etc.)
* In addition to on-going conversations, the members of each quarterly seminar meet weekly on a formal basis to present and discuss their research as well as any changes in the curricula of their respective fields to which this research might lead.
* Each quarter generates a set of course syllabi or revised course syllabi.
* Each seminar also generates twelve research papers, one from each faculty member, graduate student and undergraduate.
* At the conclusion of each quarterly seminar, all four groups meet to discuss the preliminary findings and scholarship of the most recent seminar group.
* In the fifth quarter of the series, all four seminar groups meet for a two-day conference for short presentations and discussion.
* In addition, the undergraduate participants present their work at UCR’s annual Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Symposium.
* The Center for Ideas and Society will publish all the papers on its website and find a publisher for a print publication of a selection of them.

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