



3rd Annual
Student Research
Symposium

*An interdisciplinary meeting
of the minds...*

Thursday, May 10th 2012

Faculty Coordinator: Nili Kirschner
nili.kirschner@yccd.edu

Original Empirical Research

The following projects are the pilot study results of original research proposals by the students in *Social Science Research Methods* (Psych/Socil 8). Students designed research projects and collected data using surveys, interviews, and archival analysis. They will use their pilot study findings to revise a final research proposal that they can use to complete a senior honors thesis at a four-year institution.

Attitudes towards animal abuse by Ariana Ruelas-Limon

Effects of framing on support for the endangered snow leopard by Samuel Fields

Effects of race on attitudes towards crime and punishment by Nahum Nava

Effects of WIC use on academic progress among community college students by Andreina Barba

Friendship choices and school socialization of first generation Mexican Americans by Maria E. Duran

Gender role socialization and support for gender neutral bathrooms on college campuses by Juan Anaya

Health risk factors: Where is the information to make healthy choices? by Gabriele Streuer

How perceptions of domestic violence are affected by the presence of a fetus by Kathy Lor

In come the outpatients: Socioeconomic status and the use of mental health resources at community college by Kyle McDermid

Independence: Perceptions of Disabilities by Haily Shaw

Who Knows?: Does gender affect a person's knowledge about human trafficking? by Rhema Flores

Media and California Indians: Have tribal sovereignty and independence created a media backlash? by Johnella LaRose

Silent effects of public assistance on parenting and work ethic by Lauran Barry

Participation in organized sports and college success by Christopher Roath

Prison or programs? Societal support for re-entry programs by Angie Kast

Public perceptions of self mutilation by Sean Erickson

Quality of relationship between parents and adult offspring's relationship skills by Jacob Martinez

Bet on black: The perception of the success of African Americans by Jhamere Howard

Rebuilding after Hurricane Katrina: Did level of income impact Louisiana's media coverage of relief efforts? By Alyssa Klapmeier

Religiosity and attitudes toward cohabitation and marriage by Vivian Ewald

Seeing color: White parents raising children of mixed heritage by Christine Dicker

The educational needs of Yolo County's homeless by Danielle Altamirano

The relationship between attitudes about pornography and sex education by Christian Johansen

The relationship between caregiver attachment in childhood and adult relationship styles by Shannon Ortiz

You can talk the talk, but do you walk the walk?: Hmong language and acculturation by Jeanne Her

Class Research Projects

These projects represent secondary research that students are conducting for class assignments, in disciplines from the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences. Project titles are listed by discipline and followed by information on the course and instructor.

Biology

Leprosy by Christine Neto (Biol 6, Meyer)

Scabies by Arooj Imran (Biol 6, Meyer)

English

An Unfair Advantage of the US Government among Indians by Daphne Pena (Eng 51 Bruening)

Battle of the Little Big Horn by Leo Granados-Gersalia (Eng 105, Bruening)

Bureau of Indian Affairs: Federal Control of the Native People by Evan Hover (Eng, Bruening)

Customs and Religion by Liliana Nuno (Eng 51, Bruening)

Customs and Traditions by Kiran Naz (Eng 110, Bruening)

Early Native American Education by Santos Nerio (Eng 51, Bruening)

Effects of "Second Hand Smoke" by Regina Saragoza (Eng 1A, Ferns)

Fashion & Art by Ana Mejia (Eng 51, Bruening)

Gender Roles Then and Now by Lucina Parra (Eng 51, Bruening)

English, cont.

How Treaties Have Changed Native Americans Forever
by Samantha Duarte (Eng 105, Bruening)

Most Remembered Battles for Native Americans by Jairo
Jimenez (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native American Art by Kathleen Meek (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native American Arts and its Backgrounds by Jamila
Coronado (Eng 105, Bruening)

Native American Boarding Schools by Zeshan Saleem
(Eng 105, Bruening)

Native American Casinos by Sharendee Sandhu (Eng 51,
Bruening)

Native American Education by Eduardo Mares, Jr. (Eng
110, Bruening)

Native American Education by Megan Hrusecky and
Mehwish Khalid (Engl 51, Bruening)

Native American Educational Historical by Roberto
Guzman (Eng 110, Bruening)

Native American Food by Tawnya Claypool (Eng110,
Bruening)

Native American Indians vs. Alcoholism by Angelique
Torres (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native American Leader: Geronimo by Hiranand
Chaudhary (Eng 105, Bruening)

Native American Powwows by Olga Tostado (Eng 51,
Bruening)

Native American Substance Abuse by Jordan Lambert
(Eng 110, Bruening)

English, cont.

Native American Traditions and Customs by Morgan Davis (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native American Traditions by Erika Navaro (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native Americans: Myths and Legends by Kelly Vergara (Eng 51, Bruening)

Native Indian Pow Wows by Nabeel Ihsan (Eng 51, Bruening)

Powwow by Lori Mendoza (Eng 105, Bruening)

Powwow Festival by Elizabeth Avalos (Eng 105, Bruening)

Substance Abuse by Yvette Velazquez (Eng 110, Bruening)

The Battle of the Little Bighorn by Sergio Melara (Eng 51, Bruening)

The Trail of Tears by Jorge Monreal (Eng 105, Bruening)

The Powwow by Guadalupe Vidales (Eng 110, Bruening)

Traditions by Gabriela Morales (Eng 51, Bruening)

U.S. Government vs. Indians by Omar Portillo (Eng 51, Bruening)

Ethnic Studies & History

Bracero Labor Program by Ricardo Gallardo, Jocelyn Hernandez, Maribel Loza, Cynthia Ramirez, and Matthew Wilkerson (Ethn/Hist 15, Moreno)

Mexican-American Culture by Maria G. Diaz, Ben Garcia, Luis Guzman, Carla Martinez, and Jorge Monreal (Ethn/Hist 15, Moreno)

Ethnic Studies & History, cont.

Native American Indians by Leticia Leyva (Ethn/Hist 6, Moreno)

Pre Columbian Mexican Temples by Christina Corona, Saul Diaz, Crystal Gonzalez, and Janne Yuen (Ethn/Hist 6, Moreno)

The Mexican Revolution by Gustavo Figueroa, Fabian Landeros, and Maria Llamas (Ethn/Hist 15, Moreno)

Sociology

Cyberbullying by Cynthia Ramirez (Socil 2, Logan)

Facebook by Shahana Mohsin (Socil 2, Logan)

Global Poverty by Jorge González (Socil 2, Logan)

Prescription drugs: Helpful or harmful? by Kayla Kennedy (Socil 2, Logan)

Say No to ALL Drugs by Danielle Clay (Socil 2, Logan)

Speech & Communication Studies

Beyond Shelters by Laura Ahrens, Rachel Ely, Jocelyn Hernandez, Abraham Jimenez, Ramon Mejia, and Noemi Saldana (Speech 6, Howerton)

Homelessness in Yolo County by Angela Gonzales, Taylor Hayes, Caitlin McElwee, Veronica Self, Heather Rodriguez, and Donna Vidrio (Speech 6, Howerton)

The annual Student Research Symposium is organized by the WCC Sociology Program and the WCC Sociology Club to showcase the projects of students in the Social Science Research Methods course. The symposium is held every spring and is open to students from all disciplines who want to share their research.

Special thanks to President Angela Fairchilds for co-sponsoring the event.