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## Today's Session



Welcome



Class design and setup



Student engagement and expectations



Learning outcomes



Conclusion & Reflection

## Creative Inquiry Library 2990: CU Latino Voices — Past and Present



# CLEMSON' CREATIVE INQUIRY

#### Inspired by:

- University Libraries -DocuTalks
- A. D. Carson and <u>See the</u>
   <u>Stripes</u> campaign

"See The Stripes is a campaign to help raise awareness within the general student population about commonly overlooked contributions to Clemson University's history."

Dr. Rhondda Thomas –
 Call My Name

# Creative Inquiry Courses

Began in 2005

Supported 33,400 student experiences

1000 projects, many cross-disciplinary

CI challenges students to investigate topics beyond the standard classroom experience

Faculty are encouraged to have recurring semesterlong projects

Funding is available, up to \$4000 each year

## CI University Libraries

LIB 2990 Section 1

2.0 Credits









5 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 2 INSTRUCTORS

2 CLASS ADVISORS

4 TECHNICAL ADVISORS







ARCHIVAL & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS RESOURCES

AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT

ADOBE DIGITAL STUDIO

## Course Syllabus and Benchmarks







LEARNING OBJECTIVES



CLASS ASSIGNMENTS



CLASS DISCUSSIONS



WEEKLY BENCHMARKS

## Instructors and Advisors

#### **Co-instructors**

- Derek Wilmott, MLIS, University Libraries, PI 80%
- Dr. Margaret Warner: Literacy Education, Emphasis...Emergent Bilinguals, Latino Task Force Chair, 20%

#### **Class Advisors**

- Nashieli Marcano, MLIS, University Libraries, Advisor
- Dr. Rose Martinez-Dawson, Curriculum and Instruction, Advisor
- Dr. Oriana Aragon, Marketing Department, Advisor

#### **Technical Advisors**

- Brenda Burk, MLIS, Head of Special Collections & Archives
- Bobby Hollandsworth, MLIS, Adobe Digital Studio, Technical Advisor
- Wesley Smith, Media Resources Consultant, Adobe Digital Studio, Tech Advisor
- Lori Bryant, Reserves Coordinator, Audio/Visual equipment

Course Description

The team, in partnership with the CU Latino Task Force, will research primary and other library resources to enrich the historical narrative of the CU Latino experiences. Students will participate in a semester long project to produce a video documentation of CU Latino students, faculty, staff, and alumni, using the most current technologies of the Libraries Adobe Digital Studio.

## Anticipated Student Activities



Conduct primary resource research in the University Libraries Special Collections & Archives and related University resources.



Data mine the Libraries Special Collections' resources based on the research to find the most salient narratives addressing history of Latinos at Clemson University.



Create a descriptive narrative about the Clemson University Latino experience, which will then be used to develop an online documentary to tell the Latino story at Clemson.



Participate in a workshop or learning dialogue to better enable them to understand cultural narrative and how to elicit personal narratives and stories.



Produce a short video documenting the Latino experience at Clemson University.

## Learning Outcomes

Learn	to data mine primary sources in a Library's Special Collections and Archives.
Learn	technical skills in producing and editing a documentary film.
Learn	to develop practical interviewing skills.
Learn	to use a full range of Adobe digital suite products and a/v capturing tools.
Learn	practical library research methods.

## Assignments and Grades

- Assigned reading (articles and books)
- 2-3 Minute video introduction and reason for taking the class
- 4 Read and React articles
- Weekly class discussions
- Final Project 15-minute documentary style film
- Watched "Stolen Education," documentary film by Dr. Enrique Alemán, UT-San Antonio
- Toured Special Collections and learned archival research protocols

- Class participation (15%)
- Final Project participation (20%)
- 2-3 Minute Video Introduction (10%)
- Assigned (10%)
- Final Project (45%)
- Letter Grade (A-F)

## Challenges

Met twice weekly for an hour for 15 weeks. Class preparation, outside the classroom.

Time

One semester for the course, too short.

Initial setup
through Canvas
(course
software) and did
not work well with
Banner (catalog).

Technical

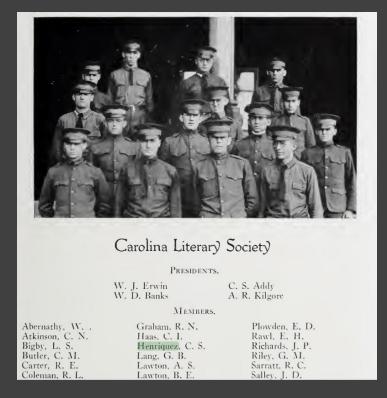
Marketing

## CU Hispanics/Latinos from the Past

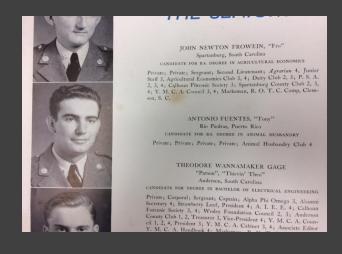
- Rafael Espinosa Rivera
- Civil Engineering, 1918
- Mayaguez, Puerto Rico
- Naturalized U.S. Citizen
- Civil Engineer, State Highway Dept.
- Columbia, SC



## Clemson students from the past



Charles Sydney "C. S." Henriquez, Jr. Jamaica, B.W.I.
Civil Engineering
Taps 1921



Antonio "Tony" Fuentes, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico Animal Husbandry Taps 1948



Juan Rafael "Sabo" Saborio, Alajuela, Costa Rica Electrical & Mechanical Engineering

Honors 2; Soccer 2; etc., Taps 1943, p. 115

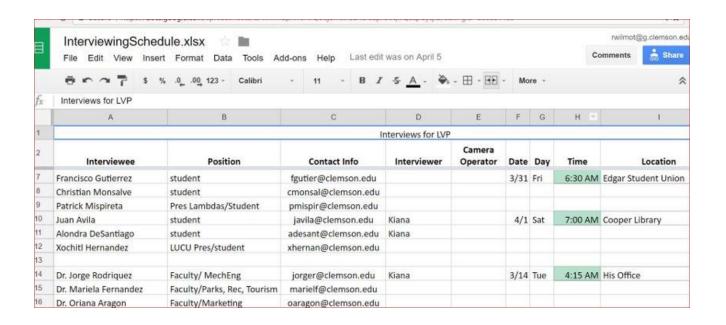
### Sample of series, box, and folder results

Office of Admissions Publications, 1923-1995 Series 48, Box 2, Folder 4 (Honors and Awards 1930s-1950s)

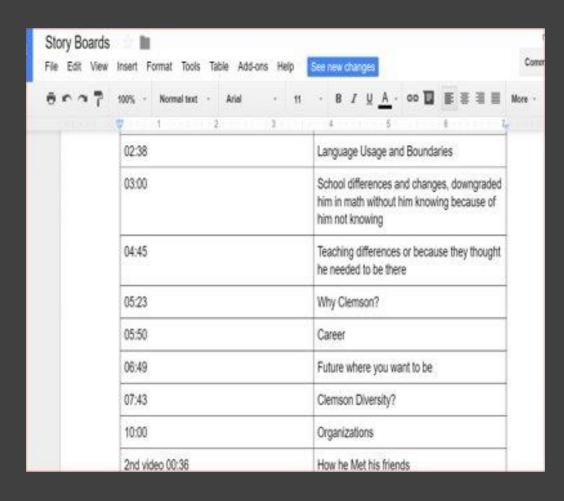
- Honor List for Second Semester 1946-1947, William Gideon Alvarez...Greenville (Sophomore Class)
- Scholarship Recognition Day May 7, 1952, Robert Ignacio Menendez...Charleston (Senior Class)
- Scholarship Recognition Day May 6, 1953, Rodolfo Alfredo David...Guatemala City, Guatemala (Senior)
- Scholarship Recognition Day May 4, 1955, Robert Paredes...Irwing, PA (Senior),
- Scholarship Recognition Day May 1, 1957, Guillermo (Lorenzo) Sanchez ... Havana, Cuba (Freshman)
- Scholarship Recognition Day May 7, 1958, Guillermo (Lorenzo) Sanchez ... Havana, Cuba (Sophomore)
- Honors Day May 6, 1959, Carlos Hernandez Miyares...Havana, Cuba

## Scheduling Interviews & Equipment

- Consent forms for interview subjects
- Use Groupme or other apps to communicate and coordinate
- Select interview sites that support quality sound and visual clarity
- Canon XA10
- Canon Vixia HF 600
- Canon wireless microphone WM-V1
- Tripod



### Transcriptions and Themes

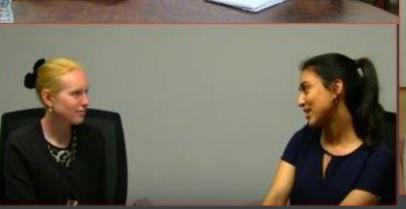


Family/Culture	Discrimination	Bilingualism
Community Involvement	Hopes for Clemson's Future	Personal History
Why Clemson?	Hopes and desires	Diversity
Role at Clemson		

## The Interviews













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### Conclusions and Reflection

- Making a documentary film is hard
- Have a well thought out course and work out all the technical details before the class begins
- Give yourself plenty of time for the class and know your stakeholders

#### Outcomes

- Commission on Latino Affairs (1 of 6 Commissions) Increased cultural awareness
- Parts of this film are used at Clemson's Men of Color Summit
- Office of Inclusion & Equity Hispanic Outreach
  - Increase in student enrollment
  - 7 Latino Student Organizations
  - Hispanic Heritage Month, Día de los Muertos (SC Botanical Gardens), Hispanic/Latinx Voices in Academia Conference

The End?

Q & A