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### A Case Study at Illinois

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Partners at the University of Illinois: Ethnography of the University Initiative **University Library** Student Life and Culture Archives **IDEALS** 

## What is the Ethnography of the University Initiative?

(http://www.eui.uiuc.edu/)

- Cross-campus program to engage students in conducting original ethnographic research on their own university community
- Courses across array of disciplines (re)designed with the university as the research focus
- University Library and Student Life and Culture Archival Program ( http://www.library.uiuc.edu/archives/slc/) provide in-class instruction and

**University Initiative** 

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and critically contributing to public life.

The Ethnography of the University Initiative EUI (<u>www.eui.uiuc.edu</u>) engages

Student work is public and preserved, housed in a dynamic on-line archive

students in research on what they know and care about: their own universities.

designed to encourage future generations of students to build on past student

research. EUI guides students to think about colleges and universities in relation

to their communities as well as in national and global contexts. EUI researchers

reflection their findings to identify concrete ways that the University can better

fulfill its many missions. EUI leads students to become engaged citizens, actively

- meinter stockentenione archival research process affiliated courses taught on four different campuses (University of Illinois, UI at Chicago, Illinois State University, and Parkland College)
- Student research archived for public or future EUI use in the Illinois Digital Environment for Access to Learning and Scholarship (IDEALS), an online repository of research and scholarship of faculty, staff and students at the University of Illinois

Recent Submissions IDEALS @ UIUC > <u>|login| Non-UIUC login</u> <u>East Asian Students at the</u> Ethnography of the <u>IEI(Intensive English</u> <u>Institutue): Neoliberal</u>

Ethnography University

<u>Shifting Identities: Fashion</u> <u>Choices as Social Capital</u> <u>for Korean Women in the</u> United States <u> Sports Culture: The</u> Perception of the Collegiate iports Culture: The <u>erception of the Collegi</u>at

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**Community Statistics** Total Downloads: 44251 Downloads this Month: Downloads Today: 74

### A Selection of EUI Courses

- → Sport, Play and Ethnography (Kinesiology)
- → Critical Issues in Higher Education (Ed. Org. & Leadership)
- → Museums in Action: Engaging the Community (Studio Art)
- Folklore as Communication (Speech Comm)
- Intro to Environmental Social Science (Nat Resources & Env Science)
- Latina/o Ethnography (Anthro)
- → Muslim American Chicago (Asian Am Studies)
- Civil Rights, Brown, and James Baldwin (Rhetoric)
- Women in Film and TV (Gender & Women's Studies./ Comm)
- → Internet and Communication in Everyday Life (Comm)

college from a city public school, it was my own undergraduate research experience with Ethnography of the University Initiative that led me to graduate

### A Selection of Publicly Available Student Work

- → Is There an Invisible Boundary Between the Races at UIUC? (Ashanti Barber)
- "Is he crazy?": Students "encounter" confrontational evangelism at ISU (Joel Marino)
- Islamic Feminism and All-Female Housing (Anonymous)
- Korean Grocery Stores Influence on Korean American Identity (Brian Worrasangasilpa)
- Making Change: Institutional Channels or Direct Action? (Cristobal Valencia)
- The "U" Word: Undocumented Students in Higher Education (Mayra S. Lagunas)
- Working in Dining Services: Just a Paycheck? (Sha'Donna Woods)
- Development of Research Skills in UIUC History Students (Hilary Iden)
- Policing Hate Crimes on Campus (Amjad Alomari)
- Romantic Relationships and the University (Ingrid Bergstrom)

Students make the choice to make their work available in IDEALS (http://www.ideals.illinois.edu/) and retain copyright over their work.

Students can choose to make material publicly available or restrict access to future EUI cohorts

IDEALS preserves all student work and, for publicly accessible work makes it available for indexing to search engines like Google.

### **EUI offers students the opportunity to:**

- Conduct original ethnographic and archival research
- Participate in the research-discovery process as a facultystudent learning opportunity
- Contribute to the dialog of a community of scholars
- Present at the bi-annual student conference
- Engage in discussions around intellectual property, research, and publication

### **EUI offers faculty the opportunity to:**

- Mentor undergraduate students on the complexity of qualitative research
- Encourage novice students to ask significant research questions
- Engage in the movement towards bringing the researchdiscovery process to the classroom