



NEWSLETTER

Letter from the Latinx Caucus Chair

Mission

To promote conceptually and methodologically rigorous research conducted with Latinx children, youth, and families that represents their diversity, normative development, and inherent strengths.

Dear SRCD Latinx Caucus Members,

It has been an honor to serve as Chair of the Latinx Caucus for the 2021-2023 term. During the past two years, we have been successful in our efforts to further our goal of amplifying the voices of Latinx scholars and elevating the scholarship of our members. The caucus provided input on the document, *Equity and Inclusion in SRCD Publications: Guidelines for Editors, Reviewers, and Authors*. Our nominations subcommittee nominated five members for the SRCD Rapid Assessment and

Response Strategy (RARS) team, and Dr. Gabriel Kuperminc was selected to represent the Latinx Caucus. We also worked with the SRCD Communications Office to select Latinx Caucus members, Dr. Linda C. Halgunseth, Dr. Lisa López, and Dr. Norma Perez-Brena, who were featured as part of SRCD's Hispanic Heritage Month communications. Our publications and communications subcommittee continue with their work on member spotlights and engaging with members and our communities on social media outlets, such as Instagram and Facebook, communicating, exchanging, and translating developmental science. The mentoring subcommittee has engaged in key mentorship efforts, coordinating with the Quad Caucus on the 101 mentoring workshop, developing and distributing a mentoring survey, and partnering with Child Trends and the National Center for Research on Hispanic Children and Families to sponsor the upcoming mentoring event at the SRCD Biennial Meeting. Our student representatives participated in the annual SECC meeting and communicated updates throughout the year; they also look forward to hosting you at the the *Cafecito* at the Biennial Meeting! Our fundraising subcommittee worked with SRCD to plan and organize a t-shirt fundraiser for the "Construction of the Other" conference in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico, and in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month in fall 2022. And I personally look forward to continuing to support the caucus in scholarly advocacy efforts that center the voices of Latinx populations who have Indigenous and African heritage.

I am excited to reunite with our Caucus members at the upcoming SRCD Biennial Meeting! As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of our Black Caucus siblings and welcome the newly minted Indigenous Caucus, we can also look forward to the business meeting during which we will welcome Dr. Doré LaForett as our incoming Chair and her newly elected steering committee and announce the SRCD Latinx Award winners - Please be on the lookout for information on the award nomination process! I am deeply grateful for the hard work of our Caucus members this term, and our past Chair, Dr. Lisa López, and I am eager to see the amazing work that is yet to come! I am confident that the Latinx Caucus will continue to be a vibrant and an integral part of the SRCD community, continuing to work with our other Caucus partners to promote a more equitable, inclusive, and holistic developmental science.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the Latinx Caucus.



In partnership,
Dr. Melissa Y. Delgado



**REMEMBER TO
VOTE FOR YOUR
INCOMING
STEERING
COMMITTEE!**

Voting closes on February 8th!

Please contact Dr. Doré LaForett if
you need help with your ballot
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Latinx Caucus Events at SRCD 2023 Biennial Meeting



Come Join Us on Friday, March 24th!

- *Cafecito: 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM*
- *Business Meeting: 1:45 to 3:15 PM*
- *Mentoring Event: 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM*

Subcommittees Updates

Mentoring Subcommittee

We finalized and administered a survey to the Latinx Caucus to assess their mentoring needs. We used the results of the survey to plan for a mentoring event at SRCD. With the sponsorship of Child Trends, we have organized a mentoring event at SRCD, which will take place Friday March 24, from 3:30-5 pm; we are looking for mentors. All Latinx Caucus members are encouraged to apply as mentees and mentors.

- **Members:** Drs. Margarita Azmitia (Chair), Carola Suarez Orozco, Gianna Rea Sandin, Maria A. Ramos-Olazagasti, and Michelle Pasco, as well as PhD students Joscelin Rocha-Hidalgo and Griselda Martinez.

Social Media Subcommittee

We used our social media platforms to share SRCD events and the work of our members. We also shared job postings, professional development opportunities, and other resources on our listserv.

- **Members:** Dr. Guadalupe Lopez Hernandez (Chair)

Membership Subcommittee

We continue making sure our members are added to the listserv - as of the end of January, we have 334 members! We also would love to add folks to our subcommittee.

- **Members:** Dr. Doré LaForett (Chair) and Betsy Centeno

Fundraising & Finance Subcommittee

This past year, we successfully launched two fundraising initiatives during the "Construction of the Other" conference in Puerto Rico and Hispanic Heritage Month. We are eager to reinstate our fundraising efforts through silent auctions and membership donations.

- **Members:** Dr. Diamond Bravo (Chair)

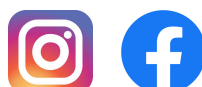
Publications & Communications Subcommittee

This past year we have featured several wonderful Latinx scholars and researchers working in non-academic settings. Future spotlights will continue to showcase the work of our members across diverse settings.

- **Members:** Dr. Fiorella L. Carlos Chavez (Chair), Drs. Alan Meca, Mike Sladek, Sarah Pedonti, and Gianna Rea Sandin

Email Dr. Delgado at mydelgado@arizona.edu to join one of our subcommittees!

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