

The College of Humanities, Behavioral and Social Sciences and the Departments of Modern Language Studies, Sociology, Anthropology, Liberal Studies, Ethnic Studies at California State University, San Marcos are proud to present:

**Dr. Ana Celia Zentella,
Professor Emerita, Ethnic Studies - University of California, San Diego**

Location: Markstein Hall 102

Date: Wednesday, March 19th, 2014

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

A reception will precede the event: 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Signed copies of Dr. Zentella's books will be available for purchase at the event.

OCCUPYING SPANISH: CHALLENGING THE RACIALIZATION OF LATIN@S AND THEIR LANGUAGES WITH AN ANTHRO-POLITICAL LINGUISTICS

What if we “occupied Spanish” in the USA --on the model of those who demand that we occupy and liberate the centers of power-- by calling attention to ways in which language ideologies perpetuate discrimination and foment hate crimes? In particular, we must challenge the remapping of race from biology onto language which shifts racialization lodged in the body to racialization lodged in language and culture. Anthro-political linguistics encourages us to take concrete steps to intervene when schools, courts, employers, hospitals, and media reproduce linguistic prejudice.

Ana Celia Zentella, UCSD,

(Ph.D. U. of Pennsylvania), Professor Emerita (Hunter College/CUNY and UCSD), is one of the foremost researchers in anthro-political linguistics. She is internationally recognized for her research on U.S. Latino languages, language socialization, “Spanglish”, and “English-only” laws.

She is a central figure in the study of U.S. Latino varieties of Spanish and English, Spanglish, and language socialization in Latino families, and a respected critic of the linguistic profiling facilitated by English-only laws and anti-bilingual education legislation.

Her community ethnography, *Growing up Bilingual: Puerto Rican Children in NY* (1997), won awards from the British Association of Applied Linguistics and the American Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists. She has also edited three volumes, *Building on Strength: Language and Literacy in Latino Families and Communities* (2005), *Multilingual San Diego* (2009), and *Multilingual Philadelphia* (2010). *Spanish in New York: Language contact, dialectal leveling, and structural continuity* (2012).