



# The CHiLeS Times

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## It's OUR Time

*The Chicana/o Latina/o Studies Times has begun.*

*By Ja-nueve*

The Chicana/o Latina/o Studies Student Association would like to welcome you to a new semester and a New Year. We are excited to begin this new project, our monthly newsletter. We know that communication has been facilitated with the advancement of technology; we now have instant "live-feed" to events and sometimes it is all about hashtags and sharing posts on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter. However, we feel that even with social media we can get lost with the abundance of posts, so we decided to begin this year with a new approach. Learning from our past, we realized powerful words connect people. While we will continue to post on social media, our main efforts will go into publishing our newsletter. We will be speaking our own words, publishing our own thoughts, and projecting our voice into the world.

This past semester we have witnessed firsthand the restrictive chains from administration and oppositional sentiment. We are not in any way replacing other news sources; we are simply telling our stories and projecting our voice to continue the momentum of our hard work. We hope that you can support us by reading our newsletter, passing it on to others, and hopefully contributing as well. Let us be ourselves, write our stories, and speak without fear. It is the time for our people and with this newsletter we break free.

## Obituary

**Reies López Tijerina** (1926 – 2015) *Descansa En Paz*

He was an important and strong leader of the Civil Rights Movement, who did not fear the consequences of fighting oppression. *We will continue to learn from you and admire your fearlessness.*



## Upcoming Events

**CHLSSA Spring Mixer – Meet and mingle**

Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 12:30 – 1:30 pm  
El Centro (LA 5 351)

**Pachuc@ Swing – Dance and Dinner**

Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Soroptimist House, CSULB

**Latin@ Literature Symposium – Featuring writer**

*Helena Maria Viramontes!*  
Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
University Theatre

**Café Cultura – Noche full of spoken word and art!**

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 9:00pm  
Soroptimist House, CSULB

**CHLS Day – Learn more about our major/minor!**

Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> (time and location TBA)

## The Cutback

*Administration cancelled my CHLS class.*

*By Erick Moran*

As a Chicana/o Latina/o Studies major I was fascinated about taking the core course CHLS 310, also known as Chicano Thought. Many of my peers have taken that course before me and told me how necessary it was in understanding and studying Chicano life. When the administration cut the only CHLS 310 section, they proved their indifference towards the CHLS department: faculty and students alike. Although a few people were enrolled, the opportunity for future students coming in as transfers was sealed long before they could even try to enroll in.

I believe administration should have extended the enrollment date to allow CHLS majors the opportunity to be enrolled in a course that is mandatory in completing a CHLS degree. This did not only affect me but also many CHLS students by making us have to wait another semester just to complete a core course. Ya basta!

## CHICANA/O LATINA/O STUDIES

### STUDENT ASSOCIATION

#### WEEKLY MEETINGS:

IN EL CENTRO (LA5- 351)

WEDNESDAYS @ 12:30 – 1:30 PM

EMAIL: [CHLSSA.CSULB@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CHLSSA.CSULB@GMAIL.COM)

#### FIND US ON



@CHLSSA\_CSULB

#### EL CENTRO (LA5-351) SPRING HOURS

MONDAY 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

TUESDAY 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

THURSDAY 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

## What You Missed

*Be there or be square.*

*By Julieta Hernandez*

Welcome back fellow 49ers! CHLSSA is very excited about the upcoming events this semester but also very proud of what we accomplished last Fall. Just in case you missed any events or did not hear about them, here is a brief overview of what you missed. CHLSSA initiated an ongoing campaign called #movimientoBEACH. Our goal is to bring awareness to students about the importance of the Chicano Latino Studies Department and how it has come under attack by the university. As a united group, we placed posters all over campus, calling students' attention not only to the department but to Chicana/o Latina/o issues as a whole. We continued to use this hashtag in the rest of our events such as our Bi-annual Café Cultura. Each semester we give students and local artists the opportunity to come together and share their songs, poems, plays, and spoken word. Last semester we witnessed one of our best turnouts yet in which we closed off the night with a dance performance by Ollin Itotiani. CHLSSA also collaborated with La Raza Student Association to host a rally and vigil for the 43 Ayotzinapa students who went missing in Mexico. However, these were only a few of the events we (cont. at top)

were honored to host. You can find pictures and videos of these events by searching #movimientoBEACH on Instagram or Twitter.

Keep an eye out for our upcoming events and if you attend any of such events remember to use the hashtag #movimientoBEACH. Viva la Raza!



(#movimientoBEACH – CHLSSA members the day of our Banner Drop at CSULB Pyramid)

**Call out for Café Cultura Artistas!**  
CHLSSA is looking for student performers to come and share with us their música, poesía, teatro, or just bring anything you've got! Email us if you are interested!

Please submit questions you have to our upcoming column "ASK-A-HOMIE" to Twitter @chlssa\_csulb



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