

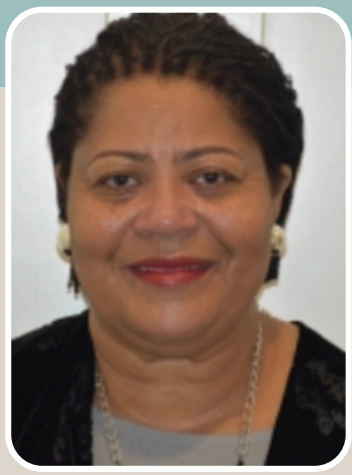


Center for Black Studies Research MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Statement from Our Director

We are honored to welcome our new postdoctoral scholar, Dr. Ebenezer Larnyo who focuses on equity and healthcare, and continuing postdoctoral scholar, Dr. Joaquin Noguera this academic year 2022-2023.

We are excited to finally launch the Learning Institute of Visionary Epistemologies (LIVE) in STEM (LIVES) and Interdisciplinary Studies (liveandlives.com). This Fall, for our inaugural presentations, we are celebrating Native American History Month with two Native Americans, Dr. Stephanie Masta, and Mr. Charles Sleeper.



During the month of December, LIVEandLIVES will present Dr. Ronald Gordon, from Guyana. Information will come out soon regarding our celebration of Native American History Month. Thank you to Lyla Washaha and Taylor Jackson for all the support and work they do to get things accomplished at the CBSR. Also, thank you to our CASU team: Tracey Goss, Marselina Ortiz and Karla Partida Torres.

The University of California, at Santa Barbara, and The Center for Black Studies Research is located on Indigenous Chumash Land. The CBSR acknowledges the Chumash, their Elders, both past, present and future peoples.

LIVEANDLIVES



LIVEANDLIVES is excited to welcome it's first guest speaker, **Dr. Stephanie Masta!** Dr. Masta's research focuses on the centrality of Indigenous education within Curriculum Studies through the development and use of Indigenous methodologies to study Indigenous student experiences in educational contexts. In her talk she will be discussing the importance of community-centered learning, and why Indigenous epistemological work is the future we need in colleges and universities. Please register [here](#) to join us in welcoming Dr. Masta virtually from **5:00-6:30PM PST** on **November 2nd!**

Upcoming LIVEANDLIVES Speaker

Save the date! **Mr. Charles Sleeper** will be joining us **virtually** to discuss a perspective of academia based on a Southern Arapaho's experience.



November 17th from 5-6:30PM PST

Visioning & Versioning Just Futures

Connect with the CSBR and UCSB's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Office for a two day meet and greet, as well as a guest lecture from Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke. Please RSVP by clicking on the flyer!

Day 1 | October 24th at 4-8 PM

Day 2 | October 25th at 4-6:30 PM

DEI Office, Mosher Alumni House, Second Floor



Brilliance

A big welcome to our student scholars and mentors of the Brilliance Program: The CBSR Research Mentorship Program in the Humanities and Arts!

Student Scholars

- Aminah Hanif Cruz
- Jayden Evans
- Cheyenne Galloway
- Jessica Harris
- David Menelik
- Maya Pacheco
- Mattisen Pevehouse
- Britney Walton
- Jaqleen Septer

Mentors

- Dr. Stephanie Batiste
- Dr. Chris McAuley
- Dr. Eileen Borris
- Dr. Joaquin Noguera
- Dr. Faithe J. Day
- Dr. Terrance Wooten
- Dr. Roberto Strongman



Reflections on Native American Heritage Month from our LIVEANDLIVES Scholars

"In 1990, President George H.W. Bush approved a joint resolution which designated November 1990 as 'National American Indian Heritage Month'. Similar proclamations with varying language have occurred since 1994. While heritage months often feel performative to members of those groups, heritage months are an important educational tool. Native American Heritage Month offers us an opportunity to recognize the ingenuity and creativity of Native American tribes, both historically and contemporarily. Native American Heritage Month provides us with the chance to reflect on how today's colleges and universities benefited greatly from stolen land, and how we might right those particular wrongs. Native American Heritage Month also allows us to think about the current sociocultural and political place Native folks inhabit and how a heritage month does not make up for the fact that the government continues to deny the tribal sovereignty and rights of the over 530 federally recognized tribes. Lastly, Native American Heritage Month is a time of appreciation for Native knowledges, perspectives, and ways of being."

- Dr. Stephanie Masta



Map of Chumash Land

"Native American Heritage Month is a time to reflect and remember all of the various experiences and cultures of the indigenous peoples of the Americas. We as native peoples share a common experience with dealing with the traumas of colonization from that time to now. It is our duty to keep our traditions and culture alive so that we can pass on our identity, knowledge and livelihoods to those who are not yet born in this world. It is through higher education that we as native peoples may achieve new found success and restore our abilities not only to persevere but to thrive in this ever changing modern world."

- Charles Sleeper

Announcements

Dr. Tettegah, the director at the CBSR and Associate Vice Chancellor of DEI Office, will be working with the recently funded PALiSaDS grant and P.I. Mike Ludkovski. We are so excited to be involved in this project! For more information please see [the link](#).