



2001-2002

*Undergraduate Scholars'  
Research Interests  
and Activities*





**Andrew Aragon, Senior**  
**Major:** Sociology & Ethnic Studies  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Elisa Facio

**Researching:** The sociology of the Ch/Xicano body through a textual Analysis of primary and secondary written and oral text.  
**Goal:** To further the disciplines understanding of male Ch/Xicano body theory.



**Edward Gonzalez, Junior**  
**Major:** Psychology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Eric Willicutt

**Researching:** How AD/HD and test anxiety affect academic performance more so than either condition alone or no condition  
**Goal:** To have significant data support my theory.



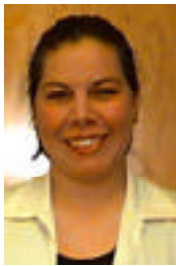
**Mindy Cordova, Junior**  
**Major:** Speech Language & Hearing Sciences  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Gail Ramsberger

**Researching:** The effects of traumatic brain injury.  
**Goal:** To have a better understanding of conducting interviews, transcribing, and analyzing data.



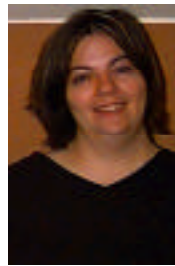
**Kong Lee, Senior**  
**Major:** Sociology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Racheal Silvey

**Researching:** Higher education in the Hmong population.  
**Goal:** Understand why only a small few of the Hmong population go on to pursue a high education



**Bethany De Herrera, Senior**  
**Major:** English & Ethnic Studies  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Elisa Facio

**Researching:** The struggles of Chicanos in higher education. Also, how the political aspects interact with the education.  
**Goal:** To learn how one develops a sense of identity and how Chicana feminists developed at the University of Colorado-Boulder.



**Mary Lettau, Junior**  
**Major:** Anthropology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Angel Nieves

**Researching:** The political position of women within the Seneca-Catuge tribal system in Oklahoma.  
**Goal:** Contribute to the knowledge of the modern political systems of the Seneca-Cayuga women



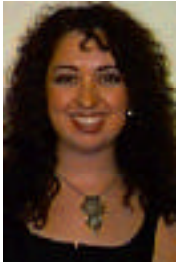
**Cynthia Diaz, Junior**  
**Major:** Ethnic Studies & MCDB  
**Faculty Mentor:** Lisa Sun-Hee Park

**Researching:** How do high school Chicana youth negotiate race, class, and gender when considering or understanding college choices  
**Goal:** To listen Chicana youth and find a way for research as well as give back to the community



**Mandy Martinez, Junior**  
**Major:** Spanish & Ethnic Studies  
**Faculty Mentor:** Maria Franquiz

**Researching:** How people of color as well as the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and the transgender community are represented in the Denver Public High School curriculum.  
**Goal:** To help develop a more inclusive curriculum.



Jennifer Martinez-Moore, Senior  
**Major:** Women Studies & Psychology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Lisa Sun-Hee Park

**Researching:** Feminist frameworks of motherhood; representations of the mother figure in Chicana Feminist Discourse,

Chicanas' experiences with and negotiations of motherhood and reproduction.

**Goal:** Define radical Chicana Motherhood; place radical mothering in a Chicana context, worldview,



Brianna Mestas, Junior  
**Major:** Ethnic Studies & Sociology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Elisa Facio

**Researching:** the dynamics that exist between Queer Chicana student organizers and the communities they choose to organize within.

**Goal:** to document and compile testimonios of Queer Chicana student organizers and their experiences in grass roots organizing.



Lara Stein, Junior  
**Major:** Fine Arts/ Ethnic Studies  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Elisa Facio

**Researching:** Changes experienced by the Jewish community since the 1959 revolution.

**Goal:** To give voice to an often neglected community in research; to also learn about the community.



Sai Xiong, Senior  
**Major:** Computer Science  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Jane Mulligan

**Researching:** Technological projects or animation that came from a 3D box. Requiring location positions in a 3D space and being able to project an electron into

the box.

**Goal:** To understand the impact of 3D display systems and how to advance work in this area.



Dorcas Semakula, Junior  
**Major:** Psychology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Searching

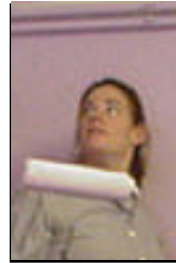
**Researching:** The social aspects of psychology and health psychology.



Karli Smith, Senior  
**Major:** Anthropology  
**Faculty Mentor:** Dr. Darna Dufour

**Researching:** How has involvement in the market economy impacted energy expenditure and time allocation in cuboclo women?

**Goal:** Practice with research methods in the field, ultimately publish paper,

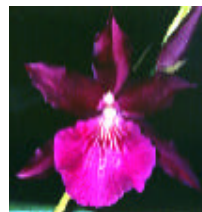


Jaquelyn Schon\*, Junior  
**Major:** Psychology and Journalism  
**Faculty Mentor:** Barabra Fox

**Researching:** How do children (both latino and anglo) feel (self-esteem related) in both monolin-

gual and bilingual settings?

**Goal:** If bilingual children are understood and pushed they may be more likely to pursue education.



*"Whether or not you reach your goals in life depends entirely on how well you prepare for them and how badly you want them. You're eagles! Stretch your wings and fly to the sky."*

*~Dr. Ronald E. McNair*

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