¡Queridos estudiantes de español! Espero que esta semana los encuentren bien y que ¡no haya sido demasiado el “shock” de tener que regresar a clases después de las vacaciones de primavera! Yo soy desde este semestre la coordinadora del programa de español, y el Dr. Nowak es ahora el “sponsor” de Sigma Delta Pi, The National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society. Sigma Delta Pi está aceptando solicitudes hoy hasta el 31 de marzo, ¡por favor comuníquense con el Dr. Nowak lo más pronto posible si desean solicitar la membrecía! Su e-mail es: nowakw@uhd.edu También pueden ver la siguiente página: https://www.uhd.edu/academics/humanities/current-students/Pages/arts-humanities-sigmadelta pi.aspx o pueden ir a nuestra página en Facebook: Página de Sigma Delta Pi en UHD / The Sigma Delta Pi Page at UHD (y si quieren, darnos un “like” si no lo han hecho todavía!)

Noticias sobre los profesores:

Our very own Yesenia Chávez presented this week at UHD’s Technology Learning Conference; the topic of her talk was on how to teach Spanish vocabulary using technology. ¡Enhorabuena, Ms. Chávez!

Dr. Paul Mandell took a group of students to Washington DC as part of an effort to lobby for the interests of Hispanic Serving Institutions, of which UHD is one! ¡Excelente, Dr. Mandell!

Dr. William Nowak, Dr. Rey Romero, Dr. Paul Mandell and Dra. Raquel Chiquillo will be attending and presenting at the SOCALLT 2016 conference, which will be held right here at UHD!

This is also a great opportunity for all of you, if you are interested in attending the conference and learning more about language learning technology, go to: http://www.socallt.org/conf/2016-conference/

It costs $25 to attend for one day and $50.00 to attend both days.

También les mando aquí noticias de algunos eventos que les pueden interesar:

28 de marzo – 1 de abril: Fine Arts Festival (see attached flyer) with events around campus. Don’t miss it, it is sure to be fun!

28 de marzo: Buddhist, Christian, and Muslim Perspectives on Religion and the Public Sphere Event 1:Open Interfaith Dialogue Display/Discussion
Monday, March 28
11:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Tables outside UHD Auditorium

1 de abril: CUT/UP and RUN // FILMMAKING / NARRATIVE COLLAGE / CRITICAL HISTORIOGRAPHY

A Talk by the Experimental Filmmaker KELLY SEARS (Assistant Professor of Film Studies, at U Colorado-Boulder)
Friday, April 1, 2016  
Noon-2pm  
Room 1099-North  

Sponsored by the Department of English  

2 de abril: Symposium in honor of Bernardo de Gálvez: Spain’s Hero of the American Revolution at Rice University at McMurtry Auditorium, Duncan Hall. The symposium is free, but you do have to register with Event Brite at http://galvezatrice.eventbrite.com. Registration opens at 12:30pm, Lectures begin at 1:00pm, there is a reception at 5:30pm. I encourage everyone to go and learn about this historical figure that gave his name to Galveston Island! For more information contact galvezatrice@gmail.com. This event is sponsored by: Rice University, Institute of Hispanic Culture, Consulate General of Spain, Casa de España and Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez.

5 de abril: Event 2: Buddhism, Christianity & Islam on Public Life  
Tue., Apr. 5, 2016  
7:00—8:30 pm  
UHD Auditorium  

18-22 de abril: la obra de teatro Historia del hombre que se convirtió en perro de Osvaldo Dragún. Jason Rivas, alumno ya graduado de UHD y miembro del elenco, nos mandó esta descripción del evento: “This April, the O'Kane Theatre will present the Spanish short, Historia del hombre que se convirtió en perro. It’s a play about the depths a man goes to find and maintain a job (an allegory to society's demands on people to sacrifice pride in favor of money). It features four actors and is directed by UHD alumni Christian Briones. The play will run from April 18-22 at 1 PM. We hope y'all can attend.” The play is free and open to the public and part of the Lunchtime Theatre series. Come out and support Spanish-language events at UHD!!!

5-8 de mayo: Gente de Teatro presenta: Bajo Terapia (In Therapy) a play by Matías del Federico, for more information please take a look at: www.gentedeteatro.com Cost: $20 general admission, $16 for students with ID, performances are in SPANISH. Only the performances on May 6 and 7 will have English surtitles.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:  
The SOCALLT conference (South Central Association for Language Learning Technology) will be held at UHD on April 8 and 9, and the organizers are in need of some help. If you can volunteer please contact Mr. Georges Detiveaux at detiveauxg@uhd.edu

Last but not least, don’t forget to “Like” us on Facebook! We also have pages for the BA in Spanish and for Study Abroad:  
Spanish BA at University of Houston-Downtown  
UHD Spanish Division’s Study Abroad Facebook Group

If you have any questions or concerns please let me know and I will do my best to help you! My door is always open (my office is S 1009-C), ¡mi puerta siempre está abierta!

Muchos saludos a todos, Dra. Chiquillo