

DePaul University First Annual Interdisciplinary Student Conference

Movements, Migrations, Crossing Borders

May 30, 2012

The Committee on Interdisciplinary Studies at De Paul University invites/encourages proposals to present papers at the First Annual Interdisciplinary Studies Conference to be held on May 30, 2012 in Cortelyou Hall. The theme will be Movements, Migrations and Crossing Borders. Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Isabel Wilkerson, author of *The Warmth of Other Sons*, will present the Keynote address (confirmation pending). The conference will give students interested in interdisciplinary work to share their work with one another. The conference will also be a lively forum for scholars, educators, and professionals who are interested in issues relating to any aspect of shifting and crossing borders, domestic and global migration flows, immigration and/or multiculturalism. The Conference will be a forum for the exchange of ideas and the sharing of various approaches and perspectives on presenters' chosen topics in an informal interdisciplinary setting.

The Committee encourages undergraduate and graduate student to submit abstracts (300-500 words) for papers looking at an aspect of boundaries, migration, immigration, or multiculturalism through an interdisciplinary lens. Potential paper topics or panels might include:

***Cultural crossings and appropriations across populations, including music, art, theater, literature**

***Recent treatments of immigrant experience on film**

***Technology and identity in Transnational Culture**

***The effect of the War on Terror on U.S. Immigrant Communities**

Please email abstracts to Farrad DeBerry at fdeberry@depaul.edu on or before **February 15, 2012**.

The Conference is possible through the generous support of The Provost's Office, The Office of Institutional Diversity, The Dean of College of Humanities and Social Sciences, The Center for Black Diaspora, The Center for Latino Studies, and the Programs of African & Black Diaspora Studies, American Studies, Global Asian Studies, International Studies, Islamic World Studies, Latin American & Latino Studies, Peace, Justice, & Conflict Studies, and Women's and Gender Studies.