THE INTERDISCIPLINARY HUMANITIES CENTER SERIES:

Migrants Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands

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Join us for a dialogue between Miroslava Chávez-García (History) and John S.W. Park (Asian American Studies) about Chávez-García’s new book, Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, November 20 | 4:00 pm
McCune Conference Room, 6020 HSSB

Miroslava Chávez-García

Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands
(University of North Carolina, 2018)

Migrant Longing draws upon Miroslava Chávez-García’s personal collection of 300 letters exchanged by family members across the U.S.-Mexico border, illuminating what migrants experienced in their everyday lives both “here” and “there” (aqui y alla). Chávez-García uses these private, firsthand accounts to demonstrate not only how migrants struggled to maintain their sense of humanity in el norte but also how those remaining at home made sense of their changing identities in response to the loss of loved ones.

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