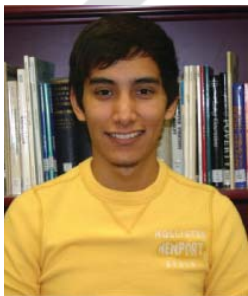




2010-2011 Recipients of the Julian Samora Endowed Scholarship

Each year the Julian Samora Endowed Scholarship, founded by Julian Samora in 1993, provides support to one undergraduate and one graduate student engaged in scholarly activities focusing on Latinos in midwestern communities. The recipients for the 2010-11 academic year are Cristián Doña-Reveco and Ricardo Borromeo.



Ricardo Borromeo is a sophomore at MSU majoring in humanities prelaw. He participates in the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) Scholars Initiative, which provides support services to students of migrant and seasonal farm worker families. He also works as a departmental aide for JSRI, where he is learning about the challenges facing Latino communities, including immigrants and migrants. Born in Veracruz, Mexico, and raised in the U.S., Ricardo has experienced both Mexican and American cultures, and is bilingual and bicultural. He began working in a chicken processing plant to help support his family at the age of eighteen and has seen firsthand the discrimination and abuse experienced by Latino workers in that industry. Growing up, he also witnessed the many hardships Latino immigrants encounter when coming to, or trying to remain in, the U.S. Ricardo ultimately hopes to obtain a law degree so that he can help address the forms of individual and institutional discrimination suffered by minorities in this country. Last spring he participated in the Alternative Spring Break Program, traveling to Cuernavaca, Mexico, where he helped paint the houses of the poor and provided other forms of assistance. He plans to participate in the program this coming spring as a site leader.

Cristián Doña-Reveco is a doctoral candidate pursuing a dual degree in sociology and history, initially funded by the prestigious Fulbright-Comisión Nacional de Investigación Científica y Tecnológica (CONICYT) Fellowship (2005–2009). He has a professional degree in sociology from the Universidad de Chile; a master's degree in political sciences and international relations from the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile; and an MA in sociology from MSU. His current research focuses on the intersection of history and biography in the migration process from the Southern Cone of South America to the U.S. He has been a research assistant for the International Organization for Migration in Chile and for the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Center of the U.N. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. At MSU he has worked on research projects on topics of globalization, demography, and international migration with Dr. Brendan Mullan in the Department of Sociology and on topics of contemporary urban history in Chile with Dr. Edward Murphy in the Department of History. Cristián has presented his research at a variety of national and international conferences and has taught sociology-related courses at universities in Chile and at MSU on topics of international migration, race and ethnicity, youth, social stratification, sociological analysis, sociological methods, and demography. Cristián has been living in the United States since August 2005 with his wife and two daughters.

