A... the salt of the earth.

PURPOSE OF THE COURSE:

The Chicanos: a people, a concept, a movement, a future!

Our class will analytically introduce you to the Chicano/a experience. This analysis will be academically intense; we will be holistic, yet selective in our analysis. Our class will openly solicit and integrate the contributions of each student into the collective learning process. In other words, the course is designed to be personal. Each individual will wear two faces: student and teacher.

Refining your analytical thinking, will be a major goal of this class. In order to achieve this goal, we will utilize an interdisciplinary approach to the subject matter.

REQUIRED SATURDAY CLASSES:

The Saturday classes will be both invigorating and proactive in scope. The dates are February 11 and March 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. They are central to the learning process utilized in our class.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

You will be held responsible for all class work. This includes all lectures and discussions, Saturday activities, readings, guest speakers, videos, etc.

ATTENDANCE:

This is a positive attendance class. Attendance is taken at each class meeting. Therefore, avoid absences.

Learning is accentuated by in-class collective interaction. You help the group; the group helps you. If you decide to drop the class it is your responsibility to properly do so. Please be aware of the course=s drop date. Excessive absences (2+) affect
grades and they are grounds for termination from the class.

**REQUIRED READINGS:**

- Burciaga
- Drink Cultura
- Burciaga
- Spilling the Beans
- Rodriguez
- Always Running
- Serros
- Chicana Falsa

**EXAMINATION AND GRADING PROCEDURE:**

Your individual semester grade will be based on the following:

1. Your participation in all in-class activities
2. One typed Credit/No Credit essay
3. Five typed letter grade essays
4. Cultural event assignment
5. Your attendance in the evening classes
6. Your attendance in the Saturday classes: February 11 and March 4
7. Final Exam

Have all assigned work completed on time. Late work is subject to a penalty of a full-letter grade. Any late assignments must be completed within 5 school days of the original assignment due date. If you are ill on an assignment day you must notify me before class time (992-7358). Comply with this request and the above penalty will not be imposed! Some optional graded opportunities will be provided.

**EXTRA CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES:**

*This will be discussed with you in class