



Understanding Systemic Racism with a Focus on Latinos

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(2 CE Hours)

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Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Pacific Time)

Place: Online Webinar – Details at Registration

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MBPA is honored to enthusiastically invite you to attend Professor Laure E. Gómez's extraordinarily timely and informative presentation. According to Professor Gómez's groundbreaking research: In 2020, Latinos composed 20 percent of the U.S. population and within three decades, they will be 30 percent. Yet most in the helping professions know little about this group, especially in the context of mass protests of police violence in summer 2020 and calls for accountability for past and ongoing systemic racism at the local, state, and federal levels of government. This workshop provides a working definition of structural racism and how it has impacted Latinos collectively. In a state where Latinos are 39 percent of the population and relatively young compared to other groups, this crucial context has implications for how practitioners engage with an increasingly diverse client base.

Attending this webinar will provide you with a framework for more skillfully connecting in therapeutic interventions, reframing your own contextual awareness of the often misunderstood and misrepresented Latino members of our society, and speaking informatively with elected officials and those seeking office. Goals of this presentation are that attendees will be able to 1) Describe structural racism and articulate how it differs from the notion of prejudice carried out by individual wrongdoers, 2) Explain how double-colonization dynamics vary among Latinos with differing ancestral origins, 3) Explain how double colonization constrains racial group assignment (by others) and assertion (self-identification), and 4) Describe ways in which anti-Latino racism differs from anti-African American racism.



Laura E. Gómez is the Rachel F. Moran Endowed Chair in Law at UCLA. She is the Director of the Critical Race Studies Program (and was a co-founder in 2000). Her 2020 book *Inventing Latinos: A New Story of American Racism* has been called “pioneering,” “insightful,” “incisive,” “bold,” and “required reading.” National Public Radio named this one of the Best Books of the Year. Her previous books include *Manifest Destinies: The Making of the Mexican American Race*. She has four degrees from Harvard and Stanford and was the first Mexican American woman in the U.S. to earn both a law degree (1992) and a PhD (1994). Dr. Gomez is recognized

as a leading expert on race, law, and society.

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