

# ISLAC Newsletter

## Fall 2013



### Spotlight:

- Dr. Bernd Reiter is a visiting professor at the University of Kassel, Germany.
- Exciting USF Latin America and Caribbean Study Abroad Programs.
- New Student Organization to fight against Human Trafficking!

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## ISLAC Celebrates Hispanic Heritage with Success and Passion

Initially a reception for Latino faculty and staff, the Kick-Off Celebration was first held in 1989. With the growing influence of the Hispanic Community in the Tampa Bay area and USF, the event transformed into an award ceremony that recognizes undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, staff and community members for academic research and/or community engagement.

This year's award ceremony took place on October 2, 2013. The SOL Faculty Award was given to three ISLAC affiliated faculty. From the Department of World Languages, Pablo Brescia; School of Social Work, Iraida Carrion; and the Department of Anthropology, Angela Stuesse.

Ylce Irrizary from the Department of English (also an ISLAC affiliated faculty), received the Hispanic Pathways Awards presented by the USF Latin Com-

munity Advisory Committee. Students and staff were recognized as well.



## Paths to Success: Student Growth, Innovations and Solutions

The Diversity and Equal Opportunity Office at USF Celebrated the USF 10th Annual Diversity Summit on April 9, 2013. This year's summit focused on the ways in which diversity enriches our University community, and how spaces are open for students and faculty to develop creative solutions for global problems. Pathways for success in a globalized environment requires praise for hard work as well as diversity.

This year's summit recognized those who support USF excellence through both hard work and diversity.

Among the awardees were our affiliated faculty, Madeline Camara and Gitele Rahill. Also, in the staff category, Paula Lezama, our Assistant Director was recognized as well.

