

Vygotsky and Funds of Knowledge: Appropriating Cultural Resources for Teaching and Learning

Dr. Luis Moll at the University of Nebraska at Omaha

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 4:30 – 5:30 pm

Location: University of Nebraska at Omaha
W. H. Thompson Alumni Center (*located at the northwest corner of campus at 67th & Dodge*)
Bootstrapper Hall



Dr. Luis Moll

Overview:

Luis C. Moll, Ph.D., is associate dean for Academic Affairs and professor of Language, Reading & Culture at the University of Arizona College of Education. His main research interest is the connection among culture, psychology and education, especially as it relates to the education of Latino children in the US. Dr. Moll will share video depicting brief segments of families in action. We will join him in interpreting the scenes from a *funds of knowledge* perspective. This perspective examines the accumulated bodies of knowledge of households that reflect the social, political, economic, historical, and cultural contexts of families.

Dr. Moll will help us understand how educators can connect funds of knowledge and classroom learning. Challenging the deficit model of children whose background is different from majority students, he recognizes, honors, and builds on students' identities, connecting them to academic rigor.

Dr. Moll will also provide background in the theoretical framework and methodological issues related to his research. His most recent book, a co-edited volume, is titled *Funds of Knowledge: Theorizing Practices in Households, Communities, and Classrooms*, published by Erlbaum. He was elected to membership in the National Academy of Education in 1998.

More Information:

No fee or reservation required. For groups of 5 or more, please email tstran@mail.unomaha.edu with attendance numbers.

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