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## CLASS OF 2013 ACADEMY FELLOWS



Left to Right: Adrian Sanchez, Jose Sanchez, Noemi Gallardo, Tierra Moore, Danielle Beavers



**Danielle Beavers – *Community Reinvestment Fellow***

Danielle is from Atlantic City, New Jersey and earned a BA from Stanford University in Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity with Honors. Danielle worked extensively with community based organizations both locally and abroad. She served as a program coordinator for several undeserved youth education programs in the Bay Area until her junior year and in her senior year interned at the San Mateo Superior Courthouse's Family Law Clinic. Danielle was inspired by her experiences at the Law Clinic to write an honors thesis investigating the perceptions of government employees on women of color in cases of domestic violence. She also worked as a researcher for Violence Prevention through Urban Upgrading while abroad in South Africa, partnering with local leaders to provide state sponsored housing for undocumented township residents. As a Public Policy and International Affairs Fellow, she was exposed to the resources and influence policy can provide. In her fellowship she hopes to gain a deeper understanding of how the government, communities, and private sector can collaborate to deliver socio-economic justice.



**Noemi Gallardo - *Legal Fellow***

Noemí Otilia Gallardo is from Ventura County, California and holds a BA from Pepperdine University in International Studies and Spanish, a Masters in Public Policy from the University of Southern California and recently graduated from UC Hastings with a concentration in civil litigation. She was a member of the Pro Bono Society, served as the President of the Associated Students of UC Hastings (ASUCH), a Co-Chair of the La Raza Law Students Association (La Raza), Co-founder of the Northern California La Raza Law Students Coalition, and Founder and Treasurer of the Government Law Organization. Noemi is also very proud to have served as a student liaison for the San Francisco La Raza Lawyer's Association; to have worked as a Summer Associate at Meyers Nave in Oakland through the Bay Area Minority Summer Clerkship Program; to have externed at the Hayward City Attorney's Office; and to have interned at the County Counsel's Office of Santa Clara County. Noemí has served the immigrant and limited-English proficient community through her work as a California Certified Administrative Hearings Spanish Interpreter. She is the proud daughter of parents who emigrated from Mexico to obtain a better life for Ms. Gallardo and her brother Emmanuel.



**Tierra Moore – *Executive Fellow***

Tierra is from South Central Los Angeles and was raised in Rancho Cucamonga, California. Tierra holds a BA from the University of California, Los Angeles in Global Studies and Political Science with a minor in Geography. As a student, Tierra served in many capacities across the University of California system advocating for increased affordability, access, and diversity. As a senior at UCLA, she was elected to serve as the Co-Chair of the Afrikan Student Union. Tierra was also a student lobbyist traveling to both Washington, DC and Sacramento to advocate on behalf of both the Federal and California Dream Act for Undocumented students. Having served on both a diverse student coalition and a dynamic community-based coalition, Tierra has strong experience with coalition building. In the future, Tierra hopes to encourage sustainable, positive change in low-income communities.



**Adrian Sanchez - *Health Fellow***

Adrian is from Salinas, California and recently received his BA in Ethnic Studies with a minor in Public Policy from the University of California, Berkeley. While at UC Berkeley, Adrian worked on efforts of access and affordability in the fields of health and education. He served on committees that focused on a student health advocacy agenda with the University Health Services. Adrian is passionate about alleviating health disparities in underrepresented communities and promoting sexual health efforts amongst men of color. Adrian was exposed to public policy as a New Leader for the Center for Progressive Leadership Program in Washington D.C., where he interned for Planned Parenthood Federation of America working on Latino advocacy and engagement. His research with the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program focused on sexual healthcare utilization amongst undocumented Mexican Farmworkers and he hopes to bring his research and advocacy experience to the fellowship.



**Jose I. Sanchez - *Claiming Our Democracy Fellow***

Jose I. Sanchez is from Chicago, Illinois and received a BA in Latina/o Studies from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. While at U of I, Jose was a student leader and organizer around issues of immigration on campus and in the surrounding Urbana-Champaign community. Jose has led national, statewide, and local grassroots campaigns that resulted in systemic change. Most recently, as the Civic Engagement Intern for the University YMCA, Jose led a campaign that resulted in the termination of “Secure Communities”, an unjust deportation program in Champaign County. Jose’s vast experience also includes registering thousands of first time voters through Obama for America, creating and coordinating youth mentorship programs, conducting research for various non-profits, fundraising, and sitting on the University of Illinois Latino Multicultural Center’s advisory board. Jose is passionate about creative writing, reading, leadership development and fighting alongside marginalized communities.