

UCLA DEPARTMENT OF
SPANISH & PORTUGUESE

PRESENTS:

~Faculty Speaker Series~

Wednesday, February 3rd at 4pm - via Zoom

*Join us **Week 5** for our first Faculty Speaker Event of the quarter!*

Our first speaker this quarter is Professor Carla Suhr.
See below a brief bio.



Professor Carla Suhr

Growing up in a small town of 300 people in Northern Spain, I remember feeling proud of using the local lingo, aspirating the /h/ sound as the elders did, and changing the endings of the words. My mom tells me that whenever she tried to correct my Spanish to sound more like the standard Castilian, I used to reply: "Yo sé que se dice así pero a mí me gusta decirlo de esta forma porque es la cultura del pueblo" I was probably around 5 or 6 at the time.

Years later, I decided to study Spanish linguistics to explore how language is connected to our cognition and the construction of our identity. I enjoyed my Bachelor experience so much that I continued my education, getting three Master's degrees in related topics and a Phd in Intercultural Communication and Cognition. Throughout this time, I realize that I've learned as much from my interactions with community members as anything else which is why a great part of my research and teaching today is focused on Spanish Community-engaged learning.