LECTURE **Decolonizing the Archive:** Chicana por mi Raza and the Challenge of Digital Humanities Dr. Maria Cotera, University of Michigan

# Maria Cotera, PhD

Maria Cotera, PhD is an associate professor in the Department of Women's Studies and the Program in American Culture at the University of Michigan. Her Native Speakers: Ella Deloria, Zora Neale Hurston, Jovita González, and the Poetics of Culture, received the Gloria Anzaldúa 2009 book prize from the National Women's Studies Association.

Monday, March 9, 2015 10 - 11:15am

**Rockwell Pavilion MD Anderson Library University of Houston** 

**PANEL DISCUSSION** Pushing Back: Chicana, Latina, Hispanic Women Preserving Our Narratives 11:30am - 12:30pm



#### **Lisa Cruces**

Lisa Cruces joined the University of Houston Patricia Hernandez is a visual artist, arts educator, Libraries as the first Hispanic Collections archivist and native Texan. In 2011, she began managing the DiverseWorks pilot project, Creating Archivist in 2014, where she promotes the use of archive material in undergraduate education A Living Legacy (CALL). She is the founder of and an increase in community inclusivity. Studio One Archive Resource.

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Focusing on the Chicana por mi Raza digital archive, a collection of oral histories and documents from women who were active in social movements during the 1960s and 1970s, this lecture explores the possibilities and challenges that are opened up by the "digital turn" in Humanities scholarship. Re-reading the archive as a site of encuentro (encounter) and exchange, Cotera explores how contemporary feminist scholars can teach and learn about the past in ways that recover lost histories and incite new, and unexpected, connections.

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