

UCSD Ethnic Studies Department Colloquium

A Philopoetic Performance by Dr. Jennifer Lisa Vest

**Living Intersectionality:
A poetics of gender, race, sexuality, sovereignty,
dis/ability, and identity**



When: Tuesday, November 22, 2011 from 2:00-3:20pm

Where: The Community Room at the Cross Cultural Center

Followed by a reception from 3:30-4:00pm

Dr. Jennifer Lisa Vest is a mixedblood (Black/Indian) poet and philosopher originally from Chicago, Illinois. She is an Associate Professor in the Philosophy Department at the University of Central Florida (Orlando). Her work combines racial, gendered, and sexual analyses of identity and oppression. She has published articles on African, Indigenous, Caribbean, and feminist philosophy and has recently finished a book on Academic Native American philosophy.

She obtained her Ph.D. from the Ethnic Studies Dept at U.C. Berkeley where she wrote a dissertation on Indigenous Native American and African philosophies. She has had her poetry published in a variety of anthologies and journals including the Canadian Journal of Native Studies and the African American Review, and has produced three poetry CDs of her work. More recently, she has begun to combine the two genres of philosophy and poetry into a new field she calls “philopoetics.”