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The Undocumented Immigrant Experience

Exploring the role of social networks,
coyotes, and racial culture in
undocumented immigration

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Honors College Commons, M.D. Anderson Memorial Library

Social networks are an important component of the migration process. This lecture focuses on the role of social networks in the immigration experience of undocumented Mexican immigrants. Specifically, Professor Molina examines the forces and the instruments present in the undocumented immigration process. This includes social networks that facilitate immigration, the use of coyotes and the type of coyote selected, and the manner in which the characterization of undocumented immigrants as “aliens” dehumanizes immigrants and encourages illegal immigration. Through a quantitative and qualitative exploration of the factors that facilitate undocumented immigration, a better understanding of the immigrant experience is produced.

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