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## Quick Facts

- The session will be at 11 a.m. Sept. 3 in Dinkins Auditorium.
- Beverages will be provided.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA -- The **2015-16 Provost's Spotlight on Scholarship Series** kicks off Thursday, Sept. 3, with a lecture by Winthrop University **Assistant Professor of Sociology Maria Aysa-Lastra**.

The "Lunch and Learn" sessions will be held at 11 a.m. in **Dinkins Auditorium**. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own lunch. Beverages will be provided.

Aysa-Lastra, who joined Winthrop last year, will present her lecture, "**Latino Immigrant Employment Trajectories During and After the Great Recession in the U.S. and Spain.**"

The Great Recession is considered the deepest economic crisis since the Great Depression. Aysa-Lastra will compare the experiences of Latino immigrants in the U.S. and Spain during the crisis and recovery periods, including a focus in changes in the labor market and how those changes affected Americans, Latinos and Spaniards. Her analysis indicates that declines in the demand for labor worsened the vulnerability of Latino male immigrants, particularly in the United States.

Aysa-Lastra's research interests include labor stratification and the social vulnerability and immigrant integration of Latino populations as well as a social demography focus on that population.

She recently published a co-edited volume on this topic, "Immigrant Vulnerability and Resilience Comparative Perspectives on Latin American Immigrants During the Great Recession."

For more information on the Provost Series, contact Meg Webber at 803/323-2220 or e-mail her at [webberm@winthrop.edu](mailto:webberm@winthrop.edu).

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