Do you want to learn how to bridge academics and activism through community engagement? Do you want to learn more about reproductive justice and creating opportunities for healing? Are you from San Diego and curious about how to bring knowledge “home” and knowledge from “home” to the university?

Located in the original homelands of the Kumeyaay, San Diego’s South Bay is a diverse borderlands community that includes San Ysidro, Chula Vista, National City, and South San Diego. It is home to a large Latina/o/x population and many bicultural and bilingual (im)migrants. We will primarily collaborate with California Latinas for Reproductive Justice’s “speaking story” project (https://californialatinas.org/) and Casa Familiar (http://www.casafamiliar.org/)

Learning Goals Include:
* Practicing our storytelling & listening skills to cultivate knowledge about the self and others that inspire social justice action
* Applying intersectional feminist frameworks to gathering & sharing intergenerational stories about health, sexuality, & the body with community members across differences & commonalities related to class, race, ethnicity, citizenship status, sex, gender, sexuality, religion, language, age, & ability
* Analyzing the effects of systems of inequality & models of resistance, healing, & transformation
* Collaborating on culturally proficient research and engagement with community-based organizations
* Crossing our conceptual borders & developing bridges between communities in the university & outside the university, between “self” & “other;” between our bodies, minds, & spirits, and more!
* Mobilizing Anzalduan "borderland/nepantla" brave spaces for healing, solidarity, & the future

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This course satisfies the Upper Division General Education requirement in social & behavioral sciences, the diversity requirement, & the Women’s Studies internship. It might also be applied to your major or minor.
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