Two Degrees of Translation: A Discussion of Special Education in Nicaragua

featuring

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TTUHSC and the Office of Global Health have a long history of partnership with the community of Jinotega, Nicaragua. Since the initiative's inception, over 500 faculty and students from all five TTUHSC schools have traveled to Jinotega as part of our global health programs. In recent years, the trips have broadened to include not only mobile medical clinics but hearing screenings, speech-language screenings, occupational therapy assessments, & counseling. During our many trips to Nicaragua, TTUHSC has forged a relationship with the teachers & students of the Special School in Jinotega to provide both education and health care services.

The TTUHSC Office of Global Health is pleased to sponsor Professor Marwell Guillermo Chavarria Zelaya of the Special School in Jinotega to discuss his work as a Teacher of the Deaf in Nicaragua. In 2017 Professor Chavarria Zelaya, who is Deaf himself, was awarded Nicaragua Teacher of the Year. Professor Chavarria Zelaya was educated in the Special School and returned to teach in the same classroom where he was educated. Professor Chavarria Zelaya's teaching skills have been recognized by the Nicaraguan government for both his work with his own students as well as other teachers. During this presentation, Professor Chavarria Zelaya will describe his work as a teacher of the Deaf. He will also discuss the history of special education in Nicaragua, the development of Nicaraguan Sign Language, and the state of Special Education in Nicaragua.

This event is free & open to the public. Free lunch will be provided to the first 50 attendees. No RSVP is necessary.

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