The Department of Spanish and Portuguese cordially invites you to the 23rd Annual Merle E. Simmons Distinguished Alumni Lecture

"Indias no tan nobles:" Native Petitions and the Rhetoric of Purity in Colonial Mexico

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Friday, September 7, 2018
5:00 p.m.
Frangipani Room, Indiana Memorial Union

Followed by our Annual Fall Reception
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Tudor Room, Indiana Memorial Union

Mónica Díaz is associate professor of Hispanic Studies and History at the University of Kentucky and serves as associate chair of the Department of Hispanic Studies. She previously taught at Georgia State University and the University of Texas Pan American on the Mexico-US border. Her research focuses on the cultural production of indigenous peoples and women in Mexico, and their participation in the church. She has authored *Indigenous Writings from the Convent: Negotiating Ethnic Autonomy in Colonial Mexico* (U of Arizona P, 2010); she has edited the volume *To Be Indio in Colonial Spanish America* (U of New Mexico P, 2017), and has co-edited *Women’s Negotiations and Textual Agency in Latin America, 1500-1799* (Rutgers 2017). Her work has been funded by the NEH, the Fulbright Program, and other agencies.