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Farmington Business Consultant Presents Immigration Research at Oxford University

LIVONIA, Mich. –Madonna University alumna Monica Stevens recently presented her research on Mexican immigration to the Oxford Round Table at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom. Steven’s research was completed as a thesis project, entitled “Economic, Political and Social Impact on U.S. Welfare Due to Mexican Migration,” for her master’s degree in business administration and international studies.

“I first became interested in this topic because I believe that Mexican immigrants presently exert a strong influence on all sectors of the United States, including the economy, politics, public education, social issues, the food and drink industry and national security,” said Stevens. According to her research, Mexican immigration to the U.S. has grown 144 percent in the last 20 years. Stevens’ research explored whether or not it is advantageous for the U.S. to continue receiving immigrants.

Stevens built upon and updated her research for the Oxford presentation. The University of Oxford opened its Centre for Mexican Studies in 2002 and, according to Stevens, “seems to be very much aware of Mexico’s growing economic presence around the world.”

The Oxford Round Table is an independent, non-profit organization that conducts educational forums and seminars. The conference, held this past August, entitled “Human Migration: Borders and National Interests,” consisted of 22 presenters from countries throughout world, including France, Congo, Jamaica and Mexico. “Attending this conference and listening to other presenters was an unparalleled experience,” Stevens said.

As an international business consultant, Stevens, a Farmington resident, trains executives traveling to Mexico for business, by helping them feel more at ease with the country’s customs. She also is an adjunct faculty member at Madonna University, where she has taught courses in Spanish, world literature, and English grammar. She developed two specialized Spanish courses for Madonna: Medical Spanish and Spanish for Law Enforcement.

Madonna University’s School of Business (www.madonna.edu), conveniently located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia, offers certificates, undergraduate and master’s degree programs in areas such as accounting, business administration, e-Commerce, healthcare administration, marketing and information systems. To fit the schedules of working adults, classes are offered days, evenings and weekends, on campus, online and as hybrids. Madonna’s School of Business also offers some classes at its Orchard Lake Center and the Macomb University Center, as well as classes and degree programs internationally in Taiwan and mainland China.

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