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3rd Annual Latin American Studies Heritage Lecture
Presents

***“From Serfdom to Secretary of State in 36 Years:
Ecuador’s Indigenous Rights Movement”***

by

Dr. Lynn Meisch



Dr. Lynn Meisch in Ecuador with a friend from Otavalo

Wednesday, October 13, 2004
Ekstrom Library Auditorium
4:30- 5:30 pm
Reception to follow

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Lynn Meisch first visited South America as a hippie traveler in the 1973 and was smitten by the people, culture, history, and land. She wrote a cultural travel guide to the Andean countries that provided the information she wished she had on her trips, then returned with a Fulbright fellowship to research textiles and traditional dress in Ecuador. She later funded her research by working as a trekking and tour guide in the Andes, Amazon, and Galapagos Islands. Needing a steady job and wanting to teach, she applied to Stanford’s program in Anthropology and received her Ph.D. in 1997 at age 52. She is now Professor of Anthropology at Saint Mary’s College of California and continues to do fieldwork, lead trips, and write. Her most recent book is *Andean Entrepreneurs: Otavalo Merchants and Musicians in the Global Arena* (2002).

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