**Primary Activities**

**The Jesuit Social Research Institute engages in three primary activities [according to our website]: November 2016 Activities**

* **RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS:** The institute conducts, gathers, and publishes research on social and economic conditions of the poor, migrant, and ethnic communities in the Gulf South, including factors affecting the movement of migrants and immigrants into and across the region.  This research is focused through the lens of Catholic social thought and core Jesuit values—the service of faith, promotion of justice, dialogue with world religions and cultures.  It includes:

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| **Activity** | **Alabama** | **Florida** | **Louisiana** | **Mississippi** | **Texas** |
| Social analysis and theological reflection on migrant transit, settlement, and assimilation | *Changing the Human Face of Immigration* | *Changing the Human Face of Immigration* | *Changing the Human Face of Immigration* | *Changing the Human Face of Immigration* | *Changing the Human Face of Immigration* |
| Study multiple factors surrounding racism |  |  | *Death Penalty Paper [Alex]* |  |  |
| Study the socio-economic effects of push and pull factors within migration and the current state of detention | Ongoing research into abuses at GEO/CCA facilities [all states] | Ongoing research into abuses at GEO/CCA facilities [all states] | Ongoing research into abuses at GEO/CCA facilities [all states] | Ongoing research into abuses at GEO/CCA facilities [all states] | Ongoing research into abuses at GEO/CCA facilities [all states] |
| Research availability of social, economic, and educational resources for migrants and the poor | *JustSouth Index* | *JustSouth Index* | *JustSouth Index*  *Too Much for Too Many*  *Business Case for Racial Equity—*new | *JustSouth Index*  *State of Working MS*  *Workforce Enhancement* [OXFAM] | *JustSouth Index* |
| Facilitate collaboration among faith-based organizations in addressing all issues |  |  | *Katrina Non-profits* [Ted] |  |  |

* **EDUCATION:** Institute staff and collaborators disseminate this research and analysis and education on Institute core issues  and Catholic Social Teaching through a variety of means: AS OF NOVEMBER, 2016

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| **Activity** | **Alabama** | **Florida** | **Louisiana/ N. O.** | **Mississippi** | **Texas** | **5 States** | **USA** | **CST** |
| *JustSouth Quarterly* Recipients | 89 | 155 | 569 | 104 | 275 | 1192 | 1911 total |  |
| States covered in *JustSouth Quarterly* articles [number of articles] | 2 | 1 | 20 | 5 | 7 | 19 | 40 | 34 |
| States covered in *JustSouth Monthly* articles [# of articles] | 5 | 1 | 31 | 6 | 2 | 26 | 31 | 15 |
| Web pages | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |  | Yes |
| Articles, special reports, op-eds, etc. on our website. | *Index.* | *Index.* | *Index.*  *Too Much.*  *Katrina (3).*  *LA Child(LIC).* | *Index.*  *Working MS.* | *Index.* | *Human*  *Face.*  *Vasquez.* | *Index.*  *Human Face.*  *J. Bourbon.*  *Kim Bobo.*  *Move.*  *Fast food.*  *Alex(3).* | 6.  Greene.  Fred(2). |
| Offer workshops, classes and seminars through Loyola Univ. | Two SHC classes. |  | Often |  |  |  |  |  |
| Present at regional, national and inter-national conferences |  | U.Fl: S.E Immig. |  | Catholic Day |  |  | Yes |  |
| Present for high school and university faculty and students as well as Catholic and other faith-based workers, leaders, and organizers on social analysis and theological reflection skills |  |  | Yes |  | JVC  Re-o.  HS—Mary’s  work |  | Yes.  JVC--internat’l.  Ignatian Family Teach-In. |  |
| Facilitate and network for capacity-building of church and community orgs. for local analysis, reflection, advocacy, & planning |  |  | Yes |  |  |  | Yes |  |
| Offer social analysis and theological reflection for various faculty, staff, and students on immersion experiences & in post-Katrina re-building |  |  | Often for local and outside groups visiting N. Orleans |  |  |  | Jesuit Schools Network. |  |

* **ADVOCACY:** Institute staff, collaborators, and stakeholders engage in advocacy on social and economic issues through:

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| **Activity** | **Alabama** | **Florida** | **Louisiana** | **Mississippi** | **Texas** | **USA** |
| Provide testimony or draft for others | Yes (Ted-once) |  | Yes | Yes |  |  |
| Meet with legislators and staff of the region |  |  | Yes | Yes |  | Yes |
| Conduct public events such as hearings and press conferences |  |  | Yes | Yes |  |  |
| Assist advocates with background research for testimony and campaigns |  |  | Yes | Yes |  | CFPB  JFI |
| Integrate public ethics into public policy |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Work with local Catholic groups, Catholic Conferences, interfaith and civic orgs. and advocates on national, state, and local legislative and administrative issues | ARISE |  | Yes | Yes |  | JFI  ISN |
| Focus on current legislative and administrative issues and initiatives in the *JustSouth Quarterly* & *JustSouth Monthly* | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Animate advocacy network thru *VoterVoice* [actual alerts 2016] | Yes [2] |  | Yes [14] | Info [1] |  | Yes [2] |
| Number of “recipients”/”registered” advocates in *VoterVoice* network | 66/15 | 92/21 | 556/256 | 99/17 | 233/34 | 2200/471 |

**Some State Statistics**

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| **Category** | **Alabama** | **Florida** | **Louisiana** | **Mississippi** | **Texas** |
| ***Number of Jesuits*** | Mobile—9  Birmingham—2 | Tampa—6  Miami—17 [2 UCS]  Other—2 | Baton Rouge—1  Convent--4  Grand Coteau—18  New Orleans—26  Novices—13  Retired—19 [G.C.] | None | Dallas—8  El Paso—5  Houston—10  San Antonio—3  Other—1 |
| ***Jesuit Ministries*** | * Spring Hill College | * Jesuit High—Tampa   *Miami*:   * Gesu Church * Belen Jesuit Prep * Casa Manresa * Pedro Arrupe Institute | *NOLA*:   * Loyola University * JSRI * Jesuit High School * Holy Name Parish * Immac. Conc Parish   \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*   * Immac. Conc—Baton Rouge * Grand Coteau Ministries [4] | None | * Jesuit Prep—Dallas * Sacred Heart Parish—El Paso * Strake Jesuit-Houston * Cristo Rey—Houston * Guadalupe Parish-San Antonio * Montserrat Retreat HS-Lake Dallas |
| ***“Liaison”*** | Demetrius Semien, Associate, Mobile | Fred Kammer, SJ | Sue Weishar  Jeanie Donovan  Nik Mitchell | Sue Weishar  Jeanie Donovan | Mary? Jeanie? |
| ***Catholic Conference*** | None | FCCB—4 policy staff | LCCB—1 policy staff | None | TCCB—2 policy |
| ***JSRI Board Members*** | Connie O’Brien | Steve Barbas | Ashley Howard,  Anna Maria Jackson,  Sal Longoria | Bishop Morin | Brian Christopher, SJ Rafael Garcia, SJ,  Bernard Panetta,  Lee Taft |

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