UNL foreign studies director resigns to teach part time

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Roberto Esquenazi-Mayo, professor of modern languages and literatures, has resigned as director of the UNL Institute for International Studies. After 23 years at UNL, he will take an early partial retirement and teach part time in the department of modern languages.

The decision to change jobs was not an easy one, Esquenazi-Mayo said. But he said he is "looking forward to teaching and to reducing the workload of being a full-time director."

Esquenazi-Mayo leaves his post after more than 20 years of work on the program to let students study abroad. The program began with a Latin American program

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Roberto Esquenazi-Mayo

Center serves Indians, needy

By Mark Holt Daily Nebraskan Staff Writer

Offering a variety of social services, the Indian Center Inc., 1100 Military Road, assists Indians and all Lincoln residents.

"Our concern is not limited to Indians," Sid Beane director of the Indian Center, said. "In fact, most of our clients are not Indians. Approximately 80 percent of the people who come in here are Caucasian members of the lower-

Beane said the center offers health care education, employment, housing and food for the

"Our goal is to help members of the Indian community to be more self-sufficient and interact more effectively with the system."

The agency's funds come from private donations, the United Way, state and city/county money and and fund raising by the center itself, Beane said. Most of the assistance, however, is provided by federal aid set aside for Indians, he said.

The Indian Center serves the needs of its clients, but also tries to act as a cultural center.

"This center is really phase-one of a two-phase project. There is a need for more cultural events, not just in the Indian community, but for everyone else, too," Beane said. "We simply don't have the room to help everybody out."

He said he hopes a cultural facility will be started in the near

Of the 1,500 Indian citizens currently in Lincoln, 20 are enrolled in classes at UNL.

"We're trying to help students," Beane said. "We're working in cooperation with the division of multi-cultural affairs to help Native American students get housing and work."

For people interested in joining an Indian student group, the Native American Student Congress, organized through the department of Multi-cultural Affairs, meets regularly on campus.

in the College of Arts and Scien- enable the university to provide ces and now offers international study students and faculty members in other colleges.

As director, Esquenazi-Mayo informed students about study abroad, arranged foreign exchange programs and served as chief adviser for the Fulbright program, which allows graduating seniors to study abroad.

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even better international opportunites for our students and faculty," he said.

The professor recently was elected honorary member of the Hispanic Society of America. He has been a correspondent and contributer to many Latin American newspapers and periodicals. In 1975, Esquenazi-Mayo was in-"I have enjoyed the task of vited to act as international education consultant to the Venezueam confident its presence will lan Ministry of Education.



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