



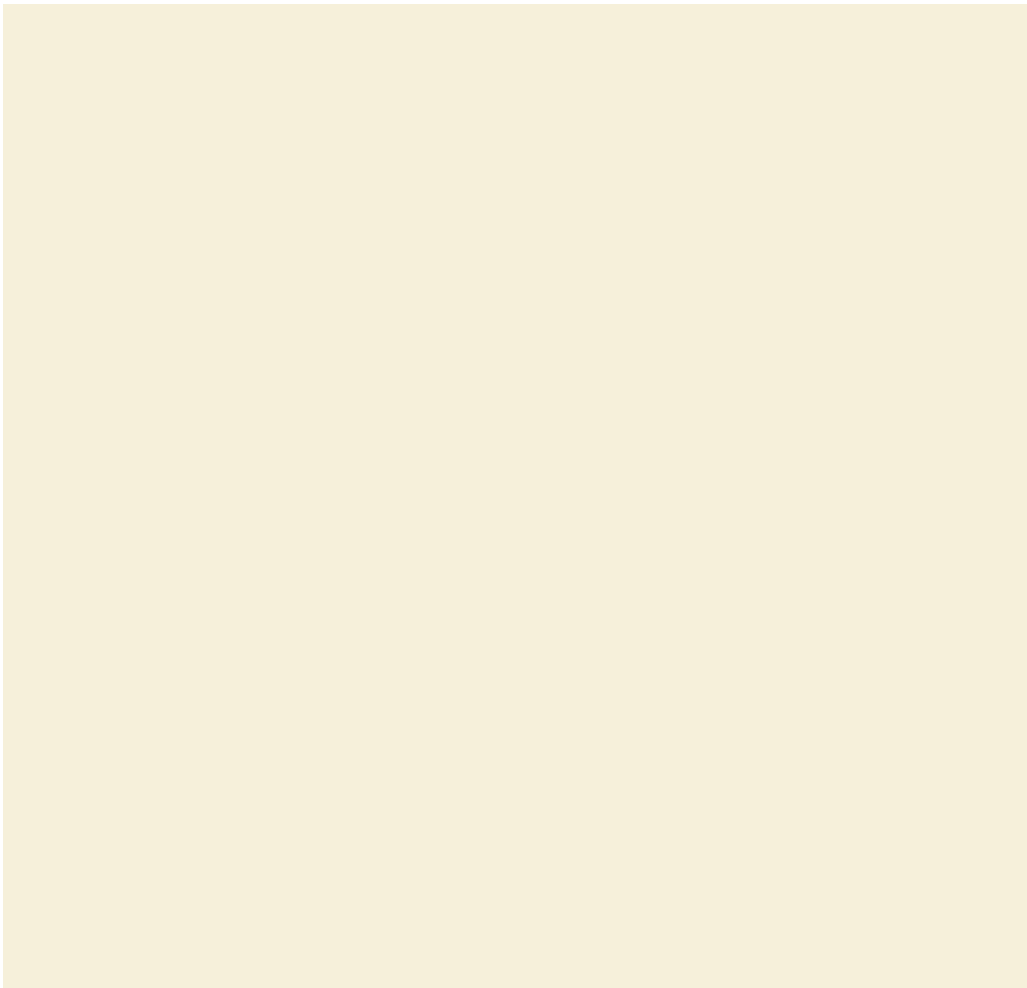
Gar Robinson (left), director of the Center for
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resources for mediators to share their expertise. They also are working with Ecuadorian universities and professionals on a series of symposiums and hope to establish community outreach programs.

Launched about a year ago, the project is funded by the JAMS Foundation, the nonprofit side of an alternative dispute resolution company in the U.S.

As expected, cultural and political challenges arise when working in another country. Anderson sees strength in how SMU teaches the psychological elements of conflict and healing. The advantage MBB brings, she adds, is training.

"An alliance with MBB takes it to the next level. It takes the skills the students are learning and applies them to real projects, allowing them to facilitate a project or maybe work on a project themselves," she says. "I think that's the primary advantage. And it's a big one."



Host Sandra H. Wilkinson 63, 71 and Libb Swindle 73

