

Ricardo F. Muñoz, Ph.D., immigrated from Perú to the Mission District (the Latino *barrio*) in San Francisco in 1961, at age 10.

- He did his undergraduate work at Stanford and obtained his Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the University of Oregon in Eugene.
- From 1977 to 2012, he was professor of psychology at the School of Medicine of the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), at San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH). He was Chief Psychologist at SFGH for 26 years and founding director of the SFGH Depression Clinic, which has provided CBT in Spanish and English to primary care patients for the last 32 years. He also directed the research-focused internship and postdoctoral Clinical Psychology Training Program at UCSF from 1992 to 2012.
- Muñoz began publishing on prevention in 1975, served on the two Institute of Medicine committees on prevention of mental disorders, authored the 2010 Annual Review of Clinical Psychology chapter on prevention of depression, a 2012 American Psychologist article titled "Major depression can be prevented", and two books on the topic, including "The prevention of depression: Research and Practice." He is a member of the *Global Consortium for Depression Prevention*.
- He has been a pioneer in research on Internet interventions since the 1990's, conducting worldwide randomized controlled trials in Spanish and English on smoking cessation, and, more recently, on depression. He was a founding member of the board of directors for the *International Society for Research on Internet Interventions*. He has recently published articles advocating for the creation of "Digital Apothecaries" composed of Massive Open Online Interventions (MOOIs, inspired by MOOCs, i.e., Massive Open Online Courses) in several languages, specifically designed to reduce health disparities locally, nationally, and globally.
- He was named Distinguished Professor of Clinical Psychology at Palo Alto University in 2012, where he is the founding director of *i4Health*, the Institute for International Internet Interventions for Health (i4health.paloaltou.edu). Its mission is to develop, evaluate, and disseminate digital health interventions worldwide at no charge for all who want to use them.
- In his role as Emeritus Professor of Psychology in the UCSF Department of Psychiatry, Dr. Muñoz continues his research work with primary care patients at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and the San Francisco Health Network. He is also Adjunct Clinical Professor at Stanford University's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, and a member of the affiliated faculty in the Department of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley.
- Dr. Muñoz was elected fellow of the *American Psychological Association* in 1989, fellow of the *Association for Psychological Science* in 1994, and in February, 2017, he was inducted as Fellow of the *American Association for the Advancement of Science* "for distinguished contributions towards the prevention of major depression and the development of Internet interventions to improve mental health worldwide."
- His publications can be accessed at:
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/?term=Munoz+RF%5BAuthor%5D>