

## **BACKGROUND**

The Institute of Humanity Research was formally established by The University Council in an extraordinary session on December the 8<sup>th</sup>, 1983. The Institute of Humanity Research of the University of San Luis Potosi (IIH) came about in response to social needs, to solve specific problems with a defined mission.

When Mr. Guillermo Delgado Robles was the Rector, two university specialists in humanistic studies; Dr Joaquin Antonio Peñalosa and the biologist Fernando Medellín, were commissioned through the Higher Education Division to elaborate a project in which the humanistic values resort to service the society through the university.

From the early stages of the Institute functioning and activities, in August of 1984 and regarding to the solution of the problems its institutional targets gradually have been led to:

- a) Recovery of the historical and cultural traditions and the composition of the society of San Luis Potosi as an academic option oriented to the humanistic area.
- b) Generating research projects to emit diagnostics and propose methods and strategies to solve problems of the social relations in the region.
- c) Provide training for researchers and teachers who act as promoters in social development activities as well as the university and humanistic sector.
- d) To spread the humanistic values.