Vice President and Provost Search Update

The campus interviews of the three Vice President and Provost finalists will conclude on Dec. 10th with the campus visit of Dr. Richard Plumb, which begins today, Dec. 9th. Two other finalists interviewed last week: Dr. David Singel on Dec. 2-3 and Dr. Paula Cordeiro on Dec. 3-4.

The Search Committee strongly encourages those who attended the Open Forums and/or other interview sessions to provide feedback to assist with the review of candidates. The online feedback form is available on the Vice President and Provost Search website. The deadline to submit feedback forms is Friday, Dec. 13. You may also provide feedback directly to any member of the search committee.

After the finalist review process is completed, the search committee will make recommendations to the President for election as the next Vice President and Provost of the University of San Diego. The search committee expects to recommend a nominee to the President by the beginning of 2014.

Office of Undergraduate Research Events and Activities

The Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) defines undergraduate research as, “an inquiry or investigation conducted by an undergraduate student that makes an original intellectual or creative contribution to the discipline.”

Creative Collaborations
A Conference Celebrating Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities
Thursday, April 10, 2014 from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m.
Hahn University Center
Abstract Deadline: February 20, 2014

Creative Collaborations celebrates USD’s culture of undergraduate research and offers all undergraduate students a unique opportunity to present their research, scholarly work, internship experiences, or creative activities in a professional setting on the USD campus. Visit the Creative Collaborations website for details.

This year’s conference will feature four presentation formats:

- Poster
- Interactive Exhibit
- Visual Arts Display
- NEW – 6-minute Oral Presentation (no media; may be reading, description of musical composition, artistic or theatrical analysis, etc.)

Abstracts will be accepted from Feb. 6-20, 2014. The submission website will close at 5 p.m. on Feb. 20, 2014.

Questions about Creative Collaborations can be directed to ugresearch@sandiego.edu.
**Summer Research Opportunities for Undergraduates**
Faculty, please encourage your students to apply for these summer research programs:

**SURE (Summer Undergraduate Research Experience)**
The SURE program allows USD undergraduates to engage in an independent research or scholarly project during the summer. SURE is a student-oriented program – students identify a faculty mentor and topic of inquiry and formulate a project proposal in collaboration with their faculty mentor. Visit the [SURE website](https://ugresearch@sandiego.edu) for information on how to write and submit a SURE application or email ugresearch@sandiego.edu.

**McNair Scholars Summer Research Program**
The USD TRiO Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program (also known as USD McNair Scholars) identifies and prepares eligible, high-achieving undergraduate USD students for graduate study leading to the doctoral degree through involvement in research and other scholarly experiences. Please note that McNair applications will be accepted after the Feb. 13, 2014 priority deadline. Visit the [USD McNair website](https://mcnairscholars@sandiego.edu) for more detailed information on this well-resourced training program, including student eligibility and expectations or email mcnairscholars@sandiego.edu.

Applications for SURE and McNair Scholars will be accepted starting Feb. 1 through Feb. 13, 2014 at 5 p.m.

**New Director of Office of Undergraduate Research – Dr. Sonia Zárate**
Dr. Sonia Zárate will join USD on Jan. 6, 2014 as the new Director of the Office of Undergraduate Research. Dr. Zárate comes to USD from UCLA where she was Associate Director at the Undergraduate Research Center - Sciences. While at UCLA, Dr. Zárate administered several programs including the Howard Hughes Undergraduate Research Program (HHMI), Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Program, and UC Leadership Excellence through Advanced Degrees (UC LEADS) programs. She also served as the advisor for the UCLA chapter of the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS). Additionally, Dr. Zárate has considerable experience with grant proposal writing, teaching, conference presentations, campus and community outreach.

Dr. Zárate has a BS in Biology from California Polytechnic University, Pomona and a PhD in Plant Molecular Biology from UC Riverside. In addition to other awards, while a graduate student, Dr. Zárate was honored with a National Science Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (GRFP), as well as a Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship.

With funding from the W.M. Keck Foundation, the Office of Undergraduate Research was established in the Fall of 2011 to promote undergraduate research, scholarship and creative activities across campus.

**New Core Curriculum – Distribution of Model for the New Core Curriculum**
The Core Planning Committee had their final meeting of the Fall semester on Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2013 where a model for the new core curriculum was reviewed. A report will be distributed to faculty before the end of the Fall semester. In the Spring, the proposal will be submitted to the appropriate faculty governance committees for review.

In the new core, the Catholic intellectual tradition includes the study of theology and religious studies, philosophy, ethics, and studies in inclusion and social justice. Students will explore the liberal arts by taking five courses across inquiry groups. Key competencies will be embedded throughout the core to ensure developmental learning. The proposal includes a recommendation for students to participate in integrative experiences at the first and final year. Overall, the new core curriculum includes requirements for 40-46 units, which is a reduction from the current core’s unit load of 48-54 units. The CPC believes that a smaller core will offer students the ability to take more elective courses or consider a minor area of study. All documents and reports associated with the core revision process can be found at [www.sandiego.edu/core](http://www.sandiego.edu/core).
Office of Sponsored Programs
2012-2013 Annual Report and Updates
During the period between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, USD faculty and administrators submitted 67 proposals for research, training, scholarship and service. The total amount requested by all units was $23,154,472. As of Nov. 19, 2013 of the 67 proposals submitted 35.82% were awarded, 40.30% were declined, 1.49% were blended with existing projects, and 22.39% are pending.

There were 110 new and continuing awards during the Fiscal Year 2012-2013. The Office of Sponsored Programs managed 108 awards in total; 41 new awards and 69 continuing awards for a total of $30,303,361 (multi-year funding). Additionally, one (1) award was turned over to scholarship accounts for a total of $1,000,000 and one (1) award, determined to be a services agreement, was turned over to SOLES management for $25,000.

There were 50 new and continuing federal awards for a total of $7.32 million available during the fiscal year 2012-13. Additionally, there were 60 new and continuing non-federal awards for a total of $2.22 million available during the year.

The majority of the federal funds came from the National Science Foundation (NSF) which provided $3,517,328 for 2012-2013 in twenty-three (23) new and continuing awards. Other significant federal funders were the U.S. Department of Education - $1,204,901 for seven (7) projects, National Institutes of Health (NIH) - $565,675 for three (3) projects; Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) - $1,000,000 for one (1) project, and the Department of the Air Force - $170,315 for one (1) project.

The majority of non-federal funds came from SDG&E which provided $482,405 for 2012-2013 in three (3) projects. Other non-federal funders were The City of San Diego - $400,065 for two (2) projects, The State Bar of California - $154,889 for three projects, the Henry Luce Foundation - $122,847 for one (1) project, and Research Corporation - $122,847 for three (3) projects.

As of Nov. 19, 2013, $6 million is projected for the upcoming fiscal year in federal funds and $0.59 million in non-federal funds. A total of $6,598,182 projected funding for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

USD Mortar Board Honors Faculty
The USD Mortar Board Chapter held its 14th Annual Faculty Appreciation Dinner on Oct. 29, 2013 to honor faculty who have made a significant contribution to the academic achievement and personal growth of USD Mortar Board Members.

The faculty and others honored this year were selected by Mortar Board members who believe they represent the ideals upon which Mortar Board is based. They were recognized for their academic excellence, superior leadership and dedicated service.

Honored Guests
Dr. Lisa Baird  Ms. Joey Gabaldon  Dr. Biljana Nikolic  Dr. Ryan Ratcliff
Dr. Michelle Camacho  Ms. Liberty Hebron  Dr. Marjorie Patrick  Dr. Emily Reimer-Barry
Dr. Tara Ceranic  Dr. Louis Komjathy  Dr. Diane Pattison  Dr. Monica Stuft
Dr. Del Dickson  Dr. David Malick  Dr. Patricia Plovanich  Dr. Karma Lekshe Tsomo
Ms. Debbie Finocchio  Mr. Brad Melekian  Ms. Erin Prickett  Dr. Irene Williams
Dr. May Fu  Fr. Owen Mullen  Dr. Joseph Provost
Recent Grant Awards

Scott Anders, Director of EPIC, School of Law, has subcontracted with the California Center for Sustainable Energy (CCSE) for $50,174. The US Department of Energy, Southern California Rooftop Solar Challenge II is the Prime Sponsor. This 18-month project will build on work conducted during Phase I. EPIC will develop reports on regulatory and policy analysis, and monitor related regulatory rulemakings, legislative activity, and legal activity, creating summaries to be used in project outreach and communications channels.

Adina Batnitzky, PhD, Sociology, is the recipient of a subaward from UCSD, State Coastal Conservancy (Prime) for $7,014. The agreement, “Testing the feasibility of coastal direct seafood markets,” constitutes a one-year project, collecting data and providing public awareness about the local fishing industry. The goal of the work being done on this Collaborative Fisheries Research West (CFRS) project is to facilitate an increased diversity in the types of seafood consumed as well as an overall increase in the total demand for the local San Diego fishing industry.

Bahar Davary, PhD, Theology and Religious Studies, has been granted a two-year, $18,000 subaward by UC Davis, prime award the Henry Luce Foundation, for her role in making accessible to the academic community as well as to the community at large the scholarly work of the Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures (EWIC). The Encyclopedia is an interdisciplinary, trans-historical project that compiles essays by scholars on all women in Muslim majority societies and in Muslim minority societies.

Sarah Gray, PhD, Marine Science and Environmental Studies, has received an $18,055, 18-month grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), prime award the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Her ongoing work has been studying the effect of pollution on Caribbean coral reefs; this current award is for a project titled “Quantifying Watershed Erosion Control Impacts on Coral Reefs in the U.S. Virgin Islands.”

Upcoming Events

CONFERENCES/SYMPOSIUMS
14th Annual Residential Real Estate Conference: Outlook 2014
Thursday, Dec. 12
7:30–8:30 a.m. breakfast and networking
8:30–10:30 a.m. program
Institute for Peace & Justice
Keynote Speaker: Stan Humphries, PhD, chief economist of Zillow Inc.
Free to USD faculty, staff and students.
Register here. For more information, contact Diane Gustafson at (619) 260-2379.

Captain Paul K. Chappell: The Transformative Peace Leadership Workshop
Jan. 6-10, 2014
Mother Rosalie Hill Hall 211
Captain Chappell is the author of the Road to Peace series, a seven-book series about waging peace, ending war, the art of living, and what it means to be human. He currently serves as the Peace Leadership Director for the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation.
Register and event information

10th Annual Nonprofit Governance Symposium
Connecting the Dots: The Social Architecture That Undergirds Exceptional Governance
Jan. 10-11, 2014
Institute for Peace & Justice
The seminar meets the unique needs facing organizations and addresses all stages of organizational development.
Registration and event information

USD-Oxford Media and Markets Conference
How Reputations Are Won and Lost in Modern Information Markets
Jan. 17 at 1-6 p.m.
Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre
Learn how fundamental changes in the spread of information are affecting not only public policy but what we know and who we are.
Registration and event information
Leadership for Change - Embracing the Unknown
Jan. 17-19, 2014
9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Mother Rosalie Hill Hall
Directed by Terri Monroe, RSCJ, EdD
Registration and event information

Mental Health Meets the Courts: It’s a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World (Community Defenders)
Saturday, Jan. 25 from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Warren Hall 131, Mother Hill Hall
Registration and event information

LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS
Spotlight on Education: A Speaker Series Featuring Sir Ken Robinson: Leading a Culture of Innovation
Thursday, Jan. 16 at 4-7 p.m.
Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre
In this presentation, Robinson identifies the three myths about innovation that hold many organizations back, and the basic practices that drive the most innovation organizations.
Registration and event information

Tax Law Speaker Series
Joseph Bankman, Stanford Law School
“The Smart Return”
Friday, Jan. 24 from 12-1 p.m.
Warren Hall Faculty Reading Room

ART
Beyond the Book II: Fresh Perspective on Prints
Hoehn Family Galleries, Founders Hall
Students have created temporary installations based on the permanent collection and selected loans from a prominent private collector, Robert Getscher.

Strong Impressions: Recent Acquisitions to the University Print Collection
Hoehn Family Galleries, Founders Hall
This exhibition will provide a first look at a selection of some of the more than 100 prints acquired for the University Print Collection over the past year. Works by Shahzia Sikander, James McNeill Whistler, Rirkrit Tiravanija, and Do Ho Suh add new strength and variety to USD’s growing cultural resource.

A Textile Art without Machinery: Baskets from the May Collection
Thursday, Oct. 10 – Friday, May 23, 2014
Serra Hall Room 214A
Basketry is one of the most widespread and ancient of mankind’s crafts and it is also a universally practiced art form. Native American cultures valued the products of skilled basket makers for their usefulness and for the pleasure of possessing art works of extraordinary beauty. This exhibit looks at the techniques, styles, and traditions used in making these works of art.

MUSIC
Gamelan Concert
Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
Music of Bali, Indonesia performed by USD’s Gamelan Ensemble. The gamelan is an ensemble of metallophones, gong-chimes, cymbals and drums, and features dynamic and interlocking musical parts.

Mariachi Concert
Thursday, Dec. 12 from 7:30-9 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
Experience a night of Mariachi music performed by USD’s Mariachi Ensemble. Directed by Serafin Paredes.

MISSION AND MINISTRY
Faculty/Staff Founders Chapel Tour
Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 12:45-1:30 p.m.
A guided tour of Founders Chapel will be offered by Sr. Virginia Rodee, RSCJ.
RSVP to rburns@sandiego.edu or ext. 4656

Twenty-First Annual All Faith Service
Thursday, Jan. 30 at 12:15 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
The theme is Music as Pathway to the Sacred. The reflection will be given by Dr. Nuvi Mehta from the San Diego Symphony. This service brings together in prayer the representatives of faith communities, faculty, staff, students and alumni. For further information contact Office for Mission and Ministry, rburns@sandiego.edu; ext. 4656.
Center for Educational Excellence

The Center for Educational Excellence (CEE) supports faculty in all phases of pedagogical development. For event details and to register for events go to www.sandiego.edu/cee or contact the CEE at ext. 7402 or cee@sandiego.edu.

Upcoming CEE Workshops and Events

New & Junior Faculty Holiday Social: Special Student Populations
Thursday, Dec. 12 at 4:30-6 p.m. in UC Forum B

Fabulous First Friday: How to Start Off Your Semester by Reflecting on the Past – Strategies for Engagement on the First Day of Classes
Friday, Jan. 10 at 9:30-11:30 a.m. in MRH 135

Course Design Workshop: Inquiry, Information Literacy, and Collaboration
Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in UC Forum B

Global Learning, Engagement, and Immersion
Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in Degheri 120

Promoting Ethics in Research
Thursday, Jan. 23 at 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Degheri 112 & 113

Tech Talk: Navigating Your Smart Classroom
Friday, Jan. 24 at 2-3 p.m. in Serra Hall 204

New & Junior Faculty Social @ The Cosmopolitan
Thursday, Jan. 30 at 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Varia

Christopher Adler, PhD, Music, had his quartet composition Iris performed by the Chamber Cartel with guest artist Lisa Cella on flute at the Goat Farm Arts Center and Georgia Perimeter College in Atlanta, GA, where Lisa Cella also performed Dr. Adler's solo composition 010 machine states. She also performed this work on solo recitals at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and at USD. Percussionist Morris Palter performed the solo work Plenum Vortices at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and at the University of Miami, and percussionist Claire Edwardes performed the Australian premiere of the solo version of Signals Intelligence at the Campbelltown Arts Centre in New South Wales.


Bradley J. Bond, PhD, Communication Studies, presented two papers examining children and adolescents’ relationships with media characters at the 99th annual convention of the National Communication Association on Nov. 21-24 in Washington DC. Dr. Bond also chaired a panel on reality television’s influence on adolescent identity.

Eugenia Constantinou, PhD, Theology and Religious Studies, recently presented two papers at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature held in Baltimore. One paper was presented to the Book of Hebrews section, entitled “Hebrews in the Greek Orthodox Lenten Lectionary as Theological Explanation of Christ’s Atonement and Role as Great High Priest.” The second paper was presented to the Christian Theology and the Bible Section entitled, “Guiding to a Blessed End: Andrew of Caesarea’s Tropological Interpretation of the Apocalypse.” Dr. Constantinou was also very active during the fall presenting a series of nine lessons in the form of a verse by verse study of 1 Corinthians at St. James Roman Catholic Church.

Richard E. Custin, JD, LLM, School of Business Administration, mentored a team of students at the 15th Annual International Intercollegiate Mediation Tournament sponsored by the InterNational Academy of Dispute Resolution held at the Drake University Law School in Des Moines, Iowa on Oct. 31 –Nov. 2, 2013. Custin also currently serves as a Board member and an Editor of the organization’s publication, The Peacemaker Quarterly. USD SBA students, Kris Shannon, Marina Munez, Aliyah Johnson and Daniel Koumelis competed in the tournament. USD School of Business Administration student, Kris Shannon, earned and was awarded a coveted All-American Individual Advocate/Client Award in the competition. The
USD SBA team also received a special invitation and was chosen to participate in the International Law School Mediation Tournament on Feb. 6-9, 2014 at National Law Institute University in Bhopal, India.

**David De Haan**, PhD, Chemistry and Biochemistry, has published two papers so far in 2013. The first paper, in the *Journal of Physical Chemistry*, is titled “Glycolaldehyde Monomer and Oligomer Equilibria in Aqueous Solution: Comparing Computational Chemistry and NMR Data.” The work is part of an ongoing collaboration with Dr. Jeremy Kua, currently a faculty member at both USD and at Yale / New University Singapore. Dr. Kua was first author, and an undergraduate student from his USD research group, Joseph Avila, was a co-author. Melissa Galloway, a postdoc in Dr. De Haan’s group, was a co-author, along with undergraduate researcher Kat Millage. The second paper, published in *Atmospheric Environment*, is titled “Temperature- and pH-dependent aqueous-phase kinetics of the reactions of glyoxal and methylglyoxal with atmospheric amines and ammonium sulfate.” USD undergraduates Nazin Sedehi, Hiromi Takano, Vanessa Blasic, and Kristin Sullivan were all co-authors.

Dr. De Haan gave an invited research presentation in May at UC Davis titled “What amines are up to: looking for new atmospheric aerosol production pathways in clouds and aqueous particles.” In August, he presented a poster at the Gordon Research Conference in Atmospheric Chemistry in Mt. Snow, VT, titled, “Reaction rates and oligomer production from aldehydes: Comparing amines, ammonium sulfate, and OH radical reactions.” His postdoc, Melissa Galloway, participated in the Atmospheric Chemistry Colloquium for Emerging Senior Faculty (ACCESS) immediately before the conference, and also presented a poster at the Gordon conference titled, “Drying monodisperse droplets down to residual aerosol: Aldehyde – amine reactions and trapped water.”

**Laura Deitrick**, PhD, Director of the Caster Family Center for Nonprofit and Philanthropic Research at SOLES, and Sue Carter Kahl, a doctoral student at SOLES, presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) in Hartford, CT between November 21-23, 2013. The title of the presentation was “Playing Matchmaker: Exploring the Intersection of Volunteer Supply and Organizational Demand.”

Laura Deitrick and Jennifer Amanda Jones, doctoral student at SOLES, presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) in Hartford, CT between November 21-23, 2013. The title of the presentation was “Collaboration, Consolidation, & Innovation: How Nonprofit CEOs Adapt to Economic Crises.”

**Robert Donmoyer**, PhD, Leadership Studies, and Jennifer Amanda Jones, a doctoral student at SOLES, presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) in Hartford, CT on Nov. 21-23, 2013. The title of the presentation was “The Emergence of Social Entrepreneurship and Social Enterprise: What’s a Nonprofit Program to Do?”

**Alyze Dreiling**, Music, received national recognition and the third place winner in two categories of The American Prize Competition, as conductor of a youth symphony, and the American Prize in Orchestral Programming—Maestro Vytautas Marijosius Memorial Award.

**Victoria Fu**, MFA, Visual Arts, was selected to exhibit her work in the 2014 Whitney Biennial (Mar 7 – May 25, 2014) at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York. The 2014 Whitney Biennial was curated by Stuart Corner, Anthony Elms, and Michelle Grabner. Additionally, a solo exhibition of Prof. Fu’s artwork at UC Irvine’s University Art Gallery will open on January 9th, running through March 15, 2014.

**Ann Garland**, PhD, School, Family, and Mental Health Professions, was an invited panelist for a presentation on “Treatment Integrity” at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy in Nashville, TN on Nov. 23, 2013.

**Steven Gelb**, PhD, Department of Leadership Studies and Department of Learning and Teaching, presented at the biennial meeting of the A.K. Rice Institute for the Study of Social Systems held at Chicago, IL in September. The title of his presentation was “Leaving and Loving It: Stories of Group Relations Conference ‘Casualties’”. He also participated in a panel discussion entitled “Update from the AKRI Training and Certification Program.” During the summer, Dr. Gelb presented three workshops on educational psychology at Elizabeth Hospice in Escondido for the Education Department. In August, he co-facilitated an “Alternatives to Violence” workshop with inmates at Donovan State Prison and in October, he...
co-facilitated another workshop (in Spanish) for community members in Tijuana. In addition, Dr. Gelb joined the board of directors for the Peace and Justice Studies Association.

**Eric Jiang**, PhD, Mathematics and Computer Science, was recently invited by Monterrey Institute of Technology of Mexico to participate in its academic leaders program where he presented a keynote talk on semi-supervised learning for text classification and a workshop on artificial neural networks.

**Ken Keith**, PhD, Emeritus, Psychological Sciences, is senior author of “High School Psychology: A Coming of Age Story,” appearing in the October issue of the journal *Teaching of Psychology*.

**Virginia Lewis**, PhD, Political Science and International Relations, chaired a session and presented a paper, “Teaching Liberty” at a meeting of the Academic Forum in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, in October.


**Michelle M. Jacob**, PhD, Ethnic Studies, gave a research presentation at the 13th Annual Diversity Challenge: Intersections of Race and Culture and Health and Mental Health at Boston College in October. Her talk was entitled, “What Helps American Indian Success in Health Interventions?” Dr. Jacob also gave a research presentation, “Indigenous Women-Centered Religion,” at the National Women’s Studies Association Annual Meeting in Cincinnati in November. She is also the lead author on a recently published journal article, “Relationship between posttraumatic stress disorder and diabetes among American Indians in the Strong Heart Study,” in the peer-reviewed *Journal of Diabetes and Its Complications*.

**Merrick Marino**, Assistant Dean/Director of the Center for Student Success, **Paula Krist**, Director of Institutional Research, **Carole Huston**, Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, **Margaret Leary**, Associate Dean of Students, and **Daniella Knelman**, Assistant Director of the Center for Student Success, recently attended the National Symposium on Student Retention conference in San Diego. The annual conference is sponsored by the Consortium for Student Retention Data Exchange (CSRDE) at the University of Oklahoma.

**Mitch Malachowski**, PhD, Chemistry, designed and delivered a workshop on “Institutionalizing Undergraduate Research” as part of an NSF grant he has in conjunction with the Council on Undergraduate Research. This grant targets state systems and consortia interested in increasing the participation of undergraduates in faculty scholarship. The workshop was held on Nov. 14-15 at City College of New York for 17 schools in the CUNY system.

Dr. Malachowski was involved in delivering two presentations on this topic. One was “Realizing Student, Faculty, and Institutional Outcomes At Scale: Institutionalizing Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, & Creative Activity within Multi-Institution Systems and Consortia” at the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL, Nov. 8, 2013 (with Beth Ambos, Jeff Osborn, and Kerry Kaukstis). The second was, “Harnessing the Power of State Systems and Consortia to Enhance STEM Education at the Institutional Level,” at the Association of American Colleges and Universities meeting, San Diego, CA, Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2013 (with Beth Ambos, Jeff Osborn, and Kerry Kaukstis).

**Mary McDonald**, PhD, Leadership Studies, and Elizabeth Castillo, a doctoral student at SOLES, presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) in Hartford, CT on Nov. 21-23, 2013. The title of the presentation was “Field Configuring Events as Catalysts for the Transformation of Nonprofit Networks”. In addition, Dr. McDonald and Christina Mitchell, a doctoral student at SOLES, presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) in Hartford, CT on Nov. 21-23, 2013. The title of the presentation was “Guatemala Since the Accords: The Movement to a Liberal Civil Society.”

**Topher McDougal**, PhD, Peace Studies, recently co-authored an article with Lars Almquist (MA, Peace & Justice Studies, ’11) entitled “The Effects of Agricultural Cooperatives on Land Conflicts, Violence, and Community Trust: Household-Level Evidence from Rural Burundi,” which has been accepted by the journal *Economics of Peace and Security* 9(2), 2014 (forthcoming). Dr. McDougal also contributed a short article on “Explaining the Availability of Firearms in Mexico” to the recently-launched Mexico Peace Index 2013, put out by the Institute for Economics & Peace. Finally, he recently accepted an
offer to join the Editorial Board of the journal *Business, Peace, and Sustainable Development*, for the inaugural issue of which he wrote a short blurb on the role of the private sector in producing more peaceful societies, available in “Introducing the Editorial Board,” 1(1): 7-16, September, 2013.

**Julia Medina**, PhD, Languages and Literatures, presented her paper “Gazes in Transit: Dystopias and Feminitopias in Travel Narratives to Central America” at the IV Congress of Central American Cultural Studies in San José, Costa Rica (July, 2013). The trip was made possible thanks to an IOG grant. That article is now published in the social science and humanities peer-reviewed journal *Revista Mesoamerica* (No.55, January-December 2013), as part of a dossier dedicated to memory and women’s writing in Central America at the end of the 20th century. Thanks to that presentation, Dr. Medina was asked to participate in a standing panel at the LASA (Latin American Studies Association) meeting scheduled for May of 2014 in Chicago. That accepted paper is entitled “The Reframing and Re-making of Guerrilleros in Neo-Sandinista Nicaragua: Images from the FSLN to the ALMA.” She also organized a special session for the Annual Conference of the Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association (PAMLA) here in San Diego in November.

**Norm Miller**, PhD, Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate, was a panelist at the CoRE Tech 2013 Conference at Microsoft’s campus in Redmond, Washington Nov. 6-7. The panel addressed the question “Corporate Real Estate & Facilities Innovation...Why is Change So Hard?” The topic covered ways to improve the design, management and operations of buildings. On Nov. 15, Dr. Miller spoke at a CoStar Group event in Washington D.C. He discussed “Capital Market Trends and Implications for Commercial Real Estate and the Role of Consultants.” His presentation was broadcasted to several offices around the country. On Nov. 16, he spoke at a national student case competition at the Fairbanks Ranch Community Center in San Diego. He discussed the risks, technological breakthroughs and challenges of alternative fuel vehicles.

**Afsaneh Nahavandi**, PhD, Leadership Studies, presented a seminar about the Cultural Mindset at the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy for the Executive Master of Leadership Program on Oct. 19, 2013.


**George Reed**, PhD, School of Leadership and Education Sciences, presented at the International Leadership Association conference in Montreal, Canada on Oct. 31, 2013. The title of his presentation that reported the results of a qualitative study was “Moving Left of the Bang: Resiliency Lessons from the US Military.” He also chaired a panel entitled “Fostering Resiliency” at the same conference on Nov. 1, 2013.

Dr. Reed provided a presentation to the Public Leadership Institute at the inaugural session of the 2013-2014 cohort in San Diego on Nov. 14 entitled “Leading at a Higher Level.” The Public Leadership Institute is a nonprofit initiative designed to encourage those with business acumen to seek elected office. The School of Leadership and Education Sciences is a co-sponsor of the institute. Dr. Reed closed the 2013 cohort of the San Diego Public Safety Leader Development Program (SDPSLD) with a presentation on organizational climate and culture on Nov. 7, 2013. SDPSLD is an initiative in cooperation with the FBI, San Diego Police Department, San Diego Fire and Rescue, and San Diego Sheriff's Department to provide low-cost high quality leader development to key leaders of partner public safety agencies.


Mark Riedy, PhD, Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate, was the featured speaker at the San Diego chapter of the Appraisal Institute’s luncheon meeting on Nov. 14. He provided an overview of the Burnham-Moores Center’s history, current offerings and value to the local real estate industry.

Vivek Sah, PhD, Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate, had his paper titled, “Does Index Addition Add Any New Information? Evidence from REIT Dividend Forecasts,” accepted for publication into a forthcoming edition of the Journal of Property Research. The paper looks at the information free event hypothesis associated with Index additions, such as S&P and tests that for REITs, which are considered to have higher informational efficiency due to the transparent nature of their balance sheet.

Richard Seer, MFA, Theatre, directed productions of Jon Robin Baitz’ play Other Desert Cities for The Old Globe in San Diego and TheatreWorks in Palo Alto, CA in May and August, respectively. Although a co-production, the casts were different for each production. The Bay Area production included two alumni from USD’s Graduate Theatre program and was especially well received, garnering enthusiastic reviews from the San Francisco Chronicle and San Jose Mercury News, among others.

Greg Severn, PhD, Physics, and Jim Bolender, PhD, Chemistry, this fall have together published a paper entitled, “A note on the gyromagnetic properties of the hydrogens,” a paper on experimental NMR, in the American Journal of Physics, another version of these findings is in preparation for the Journal of Chemical Education. Dr. Severn is in year 11 of NSF/DOE grant for the study of sheath and presheath formation in the plasma state of matter, (3 times renewed-a fact not reported by him publicly before now for fear of jinxing it) is a coauthor of two recent papers “Mackenzie's Demon with instabilities” in the journal Plasma Sources Science and Technology, and “Measurements of the ion drift velocities in the presheaths of plasmas with multiple ion species” in the Journal of Instrumentation; he was invited to give a lecture (with the same title) at the 16th International Symposium on Laser-Aided Plasma Diagnostics, held this year on 22-26 Sept. 2013, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In the following week he and undergraduate physics-computer science major Christopher Yip ('14) presented their poster, “Kr ion Laser-Induced Fluorescence (LIF) using a tunable diode laser near 729nm, for Sheath experiments,” at the 65th Annual Gaseous Electronics Conference, 30 Sept.-4 Oct. 2013, Princeton, NJ.

Annette Kujawski Taylor, PhD, Psychological Sciences, has published a three-volume Encyclopedia of Human Memory. The three volumes are an A-Z type of encyclopedia with contributor entries from experts in the field as well as from Dr. Taylor. It is published by ABC-Clio/Greenwood.

Alejandra Nann, MLIS, and Laura Turner, MLIS, Copley Library, gave a presentation entitled “Venturing From the Back Room: Do Technical Services Librarians Have a Role in Information Literacy?” at the 33rd Annual Charleston Conference on Book and Serial Acquisitions held in Charleston, SC on Nov. 7.

Jorge A. Vargas, JD, SJD, Law, as part of his sabbatical, completed and published an educational book in Spanish titled: California Marina: Ballenas Grises, Exploradores Españoles y Mitos (ILCSA, Tijuana, 237 pp. 2013). The first part of this book describes the long migration of the California grays from Alaska to the coastal lagoons in Baja California, México. Vargas reproduces part of the “Relaciones” written by Fray Antonio de la Ascension describing the presence of Gray Whales in San Diego in 1602. The second part narrates the maritime explorations by Spaniards in the Gulf of California and the Pacific during the XVI century. Part three analyses the framework adopted by the International Whaling Commission to regulate the commercial exploitation of whales and Part Four addresses the environmental threats that today endanger the survival of cetaceans. The book reproduces ancient maps and is illustrated with interesting photos.