

International Opportunity Grants Recipients: Fall 2016

	Last	First	School	Email	Activity Type	Location	Brief Description of Proposal
1	Adler	Christopher	Music, College of Arts & Sciences	cadler@sandiego.edu	Conference	Penang, Malaysia	Dr. Adler plans to attend the International Council for Traditional Music Study Group on Performing Arts of Southeast Asia (ICTM-PASEA) 2016 International Symposium in Penang, Malaysia. He will present a paper entitled "Contemporary cross-cultural composition for the free-reed mouth organ khaen." Since 1996, Dr. Adler has created and performed new compositions for the Lao bamboo free-reed mouth organ, khaen. His compositions range from works that draw extensively on traditional performance techniques, musical materials, and strategies for idiomatic improvisation, to adventurous and experimental pieces rooted in the Western avant-garde tradition. This paper specifically will survey the innovations that composers have brought to the instrument, and he will perform excerpts from multiple works. Dr. Adler will also give concert performances in Bangkok as part of this trip, and seeks to establish new relationships with composers and artists that will lead to further expansion of the repertoire for the khaen and to new performing and recording opportunities.
2	Buczynski	Sandy	Learning and Teaching, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	sandyb@sandiego.edu	Research	Singapore	Dr. Buczynski plans to observe science methods classes at Singapore's National Institute of Education as well as science teaching in local K-12 classrooms in order to learn how pre-service teachers are prepared to teach K-12 science and how K-12 learners are taught science content. This relates directly to her overall research agenda which focuses on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) K-12 education and will be part of her planned sabbatical. She hopes to learn about available educational resources, science education classroom pedagogy, and student scientific thinking/acting to be able to add
3	Clark	Timothy	Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences	clarkt@sandiego.edu	Research	Madrid, Spain	Dr. Clark will be conducting research on a method to access a-aminoboronate esters during his upcoming sabbatical with international colleague Dr. Mariola Tortosa at the Universidad Autonoma de Madrid. These compounds are direct precursors to boronic acids that have been shown to have pharmaceutical uses. Notably, Velcade is an FDA-approved drug for the treatment of multiple myeloma, an aggressive form of bone cancer. He hopes that simplifying the way to make these compounds will reveal more compounds with pharmaceutical applications. The initial testing of this research was
4	Codd	Daniel	Mechanical Engineering, Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering	codd@sandiego.edu	Research	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	Dr. Codd will collaborate on internationally-focused renewable energy and energy storage research with international colleagues at the Masdar Institute of Technology Solar Platform facility. He will assist the UAE-based team and be joined by US colleagues who will also be at Masdar for the preliminary experiments on our Concentrated Solar Power on Demand (CSPoND) project. The CSPoND Flagship development is a 36 month program (currently in month 16), consisting of an international and interdisciplinary team of more than two dozen faculty, research staff and graduate students. As the initial concept originated from his PhD thesis, Dr. Codd will assist both Masdar and MIT teams with system architecture and subsystem design
5	De Haan	David	Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences	ddehaan@sandiego.edu	Research	Créteil, France	Last summer Dr. De Haan spent 10 weeks at Université Paris-Est Créteil (UPEC) developing methods, conducting cloud chamber experiments, and processing data in collaboration with Profs. Jean-Francois Doussin (UPEC), Lelia Hawkins (Harvey Mudd College), and Anne Virtanen (U. Eastern Finland) and members of their research groups. This international collaboration has continued since then via bimonthly video meetings where they interpret and summarize results for publication and plan future experiments. This summer, he plans to travel back to the UPEC cloud chamber to conduct further atmospheric simulation experiments involving new aldehydes and oxidants. These experiments will be designed to answer some of
6	Diaz	Josen	Ethnic Studies, College of Arts and Sciences	josendiaz@sandiego.edu	Research	Manila, Philippines	Dr. Diaz's current book project explores the importance of Philippine nationalization and modernization projects during the authoritarian regime of Ferdinand Marcos to studies of the U.S. Cold War. Specifically, it considers the ways that Filipino American racial and identity formation during the late 1960s well into the late 1980s became a medium for strengthening political and economic ties between the United States and its former Philippine colony during a time when the United States' geopolitical strategy in the Asia/Pacific region was gaining a renewed significance. She plans to travel back to the Philippines to continue her
7	Gheissari	Ali	History, College of Arts and Sciences	alig@sandiego.edu	Conference	Vienna, Austria	Dr. Gheissari will attend the 11th Biennial Iranian Studies Conference in which he will both present and serve as a panelist. He will be presenting his work entitled "Reception of Continental Philosophy in Iran" which studies the evolution of modern philosophical Persian from the late 19th century to the present during the panel on "The Reception of Modern 'Western Philosophy' and Methods of Philosophical Comparison in Iran." He will then serve as a panelist on the "Iran, the Ottoman Empire, and the West,
8	Guerrieri	Kevin	Languages, Cultures and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences	kevin2@sandiego.edu	Conference	San Sebastián, Spain	Dr. Guerrieri will present his work entitled "Trauma and Transitional Justice in Colombian Narrative" at the XVIII Congreso Internacional de Literatura y Estudios Hispánicos, an international conference on literature and Hispanic Studies. This work explores the current transitional "post-conflict" period in Colombia, as reflected in recent novelistic and cultural production, in relation to other texts produced (e.g. truth commission reports, etc.) as part of the recovery of historical memory of the violence. This is a particularly important juncture in Colombian history given that the current peace negotiations between the government and the FARC-EP (Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia-Ejército del Pueblo) guerrilla
9	Halaka	John	Art, Art History and Architecture, College of Arts and Sciences	jhalaka@sandiego.edu	Research	Palestine	Professor Halaka's travel to Palestine will serve multiple important purposes that will enhance his international professional research while further expanding his professional profile. First, he plans to conduct follow-up interviews with several Palestinian artists. These interviews will lead to original short videos and new essays. In addition, he regularly discusses their work in the honors team-taught course, "Modern and Contemporary Palestinian Art and Literature." Second, he will make final preparations for a solo exhibit of his new drawings. This will include delivering the artwork and overseeing its framing and installation. Third, Professor Halaka also plans to investigate a new project he plans to implement during
10	Harnish	David	Music, College of Arts & Sciences	dharnish@sandiego.edu	Conference	Malaysia	Dr. Harnish will give an interdisciplinary research presentation at the biennial conference of the Performing Arts of Southeast Asia Study Group (PASEA) of the International Council for Traditional Music (ICTM). He developed two sessions at this conference on "Strategies of Sustainability and Intervention in the Performing Arts in Southeast Asia"; He will chair one session and present his paper, "Strategies for Music Sustainability in Lombok, Indonesia," in the second session. Dr. Harnish will also participate as a member of the PASEA Board. Both events are important in advancing his research and will draw the leading scholars and pedagogues of Asian/Southeast Asian culture, as well as renowned performers of world music and
11	Inoue	Noriyuki	Learning and Teaching, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	inoue@sandiego.edu	Conference	Dublin, Ireland	Dr. Inoue will present two research papers at the European Conference on Educational Research. His first work is titled "Deconstructing adaptive teacher expertise for inquiry-based teaching in Japanese elementary classrooms." This work explores the Japanese teachers' four-step model and incorporates organic learning styles which serves to catalyze students' independent problem solving. The second work he will present is on how how psychological theories and actions-in-practice can be meaningfully linked through mini action research projects in graduate level educational psychology courses. These research projects are methodologically and theoretically grounded in the action research framework that is more widely and deeply studied in European contexts than in the US contexts. Through this conference, Dr. Inoue hopes to develop more global perspective for his future research and teaching at USD as he interacts with diverse
12	Keicher	Anne	Project and Research Coordinator, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	annekeicher@sandiego.edu	Research	Helsinki, Finland	Ms. Keicher's current work involves making recommendations to local school district leaders in regards to facilitating student-centered learning in light of standardized testing requirements. She would like to travel to Finland to research the Finnish classroom experience. Finland has successfully implemented a student-centered education that has allowed its students to perform well on standardized tests (6th in the world in reading, 12th in math). By observing five schools and interviewing five school leaders, Ms. Keicher plans to understand how teachers can both facilitate student-centered learning experiences and lead students to score well on standardized testing. This will allow her to make better recommendations to district leaders

13	Kniazeva	Maria	Marketing, School of Business	kniazeva@san Diego.edu	Conference	Hong Kong & South Korea	Dr. Kniazeva plans to present her work entitled "The Designer Face as a New Consumer Commodity" at the Global Marketing Conference in Hong Kong. This paper discusses an in-depth analysis of South Korean plastic surgery marketing strategies and was co-authored with a South Korean colleague at Hanyang University. While at the conference, she also plans to meet with another coauthor, Dr. Alisara Charinsarn, from Thammasat Business School, Bangkok, Thailand, to discuss their current research. She will then travel to South Korea to attend the editorial board meetings of two journals where she currently serves as an editor: the Journal of Global Fashion Marketing (JGFM), launched by Korean Academy of Marketing Science and the Journal of Global Scholars of Marketing Science (JGSMS, formerly JGAMS), launched by Korean
14	Kramer	Kathleen	Electrical Engineering, Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering	kramer@san Diego.edu	Conference	La Rochelle, France & Heidelberg, Germany	Dr. Kramer will present her work entitled "Submarine Harbor Navigation Using Image Data" at the 2016 International Conference in Nonlinear Problems in Aviation and Aerospace. Her work in this technical field, using advanced estimation techniques on images for navigation, will be drawing valuable international interaction within a special session of the conference regarding control and estimation. In addition, she also plans to present another work entitled "Navigation Using Image Tracking" at the 19th International Conference on Information Fusion. Dr. Kramer will benefit from attending these conferences due to the
15	Maese-Cohen	Marcelle	English, College of Arts and Sciences	marcelle@san Diego.edu	Conference	Montreal, Canada	Dr. Maese-Cohen plans to present her work entitled, "Emma Perez's Decolonial Literary Imagination: Forgetting the Alamo and Remembering 'sitio y lengua'" at the National Women's Studies Association Conference. This paper argues that there are two primary concerns for literature that seeks transnational social justice—historicizing genocide in the Americas and developing a practice of anti-border thinking. She offers a study of Emma Pérez, a Chicana historian and novelist, as an example of the important relationship between social justice and literary form. In addition to presenting, she hopes to gain a better insight into strategies for growing interest in Women's Studies at USD as well as seek guidance with
16	Malachowski	Mitch	Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences	malachow@san Diego.edu	Conference	Qatar	Dr. Malachowski plans to attend the 1st International World Congress on Undergraduate Research. This conference is designed for students to give presentations on their work while there are no faculty talks. He has been invited to specifically engage the organizers and faculty participants in conversations around the potential role of undergraduate research in their educational systems. While he has done this with Australian colleagues with considerable success this is still a novel concept in Europe, Asia and the Middle East, therefore he's been asked to extend these conversations to other faculty from around the world. He and others in attendance, intend to set up task forces to continue the conversation and share the ideas beyond the conference as they are committed to embedding this rich pedagogical activity into existing educational structures. In order to share the outcomes more widely, they will publish our findings in the US
17	Maxim	Juliana	Art, Art History and Architecture, College of Arts and Sciences	jmaxim@san Diego.edu	Conference	Tallinn, Estonia	Dr. Maxim plans to deliver a talk on the history of Romanian art as sponsored by the socialist state at an international conference titled "Art History and Socialism(s) 1940s-1960s." In addition to presenting, her own research on the art and architecture of the postwar socialist states in Eastern Europe would be enriched by the geographical and cultural diversity of the case-studies under discussion at the conference. The presentations, site-specific analyses and seminar-style discussions offered during the conference will provide her with much-needed comparative material and feedback on her own work on Romania. Equally importantly, the conference would grant Dr. Maxim access to a new range of materials to use in her courses
18	Moore	Jeanie	English, College of Arts and Sciences	jeaniegrantmoore@san Diego.edu	Conference	London, England	Dr. Moore will be presenting her work entitled "Rhyming Histories: Shock and Awe in Agincourt and Iraq" at The International Shakespeare Association's World Shakespeare Congress. In this work she compares the 2003 war in Iraq to Henry V's war of aggression in France as depicted in Shakespeare's play. She will be presenting during the "Histories" session which is intended to assess the historical importance and contemporary relevance of the history plays. In addition to presenting, Dr. Moore will also attend
19	Nadkarni	Vidya	Political Science & International Relations, College of Arts & Sciences	nadkarni@san Diego.edu	Conference	Katmandu, Nepal & New Delhi, India	Dr. Nadkarni will present her paper entitled "Old Silk Road and China's One Belt, One Road Initiative" at the Asian Borderlands conference in Kathmandu, Nepal. She will also be conducting interviews with the Indian government officials in New Delhi. Both the paper and interviews are part of her ongoing research project on border conflicts in South Asia.
20	Phukan	Atreeye	English, College of Arts and Sciences	phukana@san Diego.edu	Conference	Bern, Switzerland	Dr. Phukan will present her work entitled "Inter-subjective authenticity: a subaltern view of global cultural production" at the Center for Global Studies Conference. Her research focuses on how contemporary subaltern groups have inadvertently navigated between colonialist and neo-colonialist and terminology—such as authenticity, exoticism, representation, etc.—to secure their empowerment in today's global capitalist framework. Such fraught conditions then force subalterns to use and revise a vocabulary that once robbed them of agency and which now paradoxically provides them avenues of access within the global market. Dr. Phukan studies this enigmatic context by looking at how the language and
21	Popov	Vitaliy	Mobile Technology Learning Center, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	vpopov@san Diego.edu	Conference	Singapore	Dr. Popov will present at the International Conference of Learning Sciences on his cross-sector research study on mobile learning from around the world in three sectors: K-12, higher education and industry. Mobile learning enables learners to access education content/resources anywhere at anytime. His study in particular aims to highlight where well-established mobile learning solutions in one sector might transfer to solve another's needs/challenges. In addition to presenting, Dr. Popov hopes to cultivate cross-sector relationships that will hopefully lead to collaborative efforts necessary for advancing this line of research.
22	Schmitz	Hans	Leadership Studies, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	schmitz@san Diego.edu	Conference	Stockholm, Sweden	Dr. Schmitz will be presenting his work entitled "Does digital media lead to social innovation in the international nonprofit sector?" at the 12th International Society of Third Sector Research Conference. Digital media represents a key tool for many nonprofits and research on its effects remains limited. This presentation will also be part of an ongoing effort to acquire external funding for a new research project on digital media and international NGOs. Also, during the conference he hopes to make connections with
23	Severn	Greg	Physics, College of Arts and Sciences	gsevern@gmail.com	Conference	Bochum, Germany	Dr. Severn will be presenting on his research in sheath formation in multiple ion species plasma boundary layers at the 69th Gaseous Electronics Conference. This conference is devoted to physics of plasmas, plasma science, and its application to modern technology. As a recognized leader in plasma physics research in the area plasma boundary layer physics, that is, sheath and presheath plasma physics, this conference is directly applicable to his research and professional development.
24	Simonovis-Brown	Leonora	Languages, Cultures and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences	simonovis@san Diego.edu	Conference	Medellin, Colombia	Dr. Simonovis-Brown plans to present her work entitled "La novela negra venezolana: protagonistas por encargo" at the VII Congreso Internacional de Literatura Medellín Negro: "Crimen, justicia y literatura." Her presentation will focus on custom novels and how they defy traditional conceptions of detective fiction by creating a space where women are not just the victims, but where they can also solve the crimes, and/or be the criminals. She will explore how this series of literary work has transformed Venezuelan literature and its focus, creating more accessible texts that are available to any type of reader as well as how they also represent a way to sublimate the violence Venezuelans experience on a daily basis by providing the reader
25	Spencer	Joi	Learning and Teaching, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	joi.spencer@san Diego.edu	Conference	Hamburg, Germany	Dr. Spencer, along with various non-USD colleagues, will run several discussion sessions and working groups at the International Congress on Mathematical Education regarding the topic "White Supremacy, Anti-Black Racism, and Mathematics Education: Local and Global Perspectives." Their goal in these sessions is to discuss educational inequities in mathematics education. Specifically, they will address the topics of how students of color and those who live in poverty across the globe (both those in developing and developed nations such as the US) can expect to receive an inferior education in mathematics. The goal of working sessions will be to investigate and impact mathematics learning opportunities across geographical, political, and national contexts and through multiple research lenses. Such a study could provide educators, policy makers, and NGO's with a rarely seen portrait of educational inequities, but more importantly of the kinds
26	Tirrell	Andrew	Political Science & International Relations, College of Arts & Sciences	andrew.tirrell@gmail.com	Conference	Istanbul, Turkey	Professor Tirrell plans to present his comparative research on political norms in fisheries management regimes in the European Union, Norway, New Zealand, and the United States at the World Congress of Political Science in Istanbul. At this conference he will be presenting a new chapter from his book manuscript covering the Common Fisheries Policy of the EU. The World Congress attracts scholars from across Europe, a fact that will allow him to solicit feedback from colleagues who are very familiar with EU fisheries policies. He plans to incorporate the feedback he receives in Istanbul into his book manuscript

27	VanHorn	Teresa	Leadership Studies, School of Leadership and Education Sciences	tvanhorn@sandiego.edu	Conference	Stockholm, Sweden	Ms. VanHorn plans to attend the International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) where she will serve on a panel discussing the topic of "Research on Teaching Third Sector Studies." The conference will bring together scholars from 68 countries to share their comparative approaches and multidisciplinary knowledge about civil society, philanthropy, and the nongovernmental sector. In addition to discussing the topics of academic excellence, knowledge, community, ethical leadership, and compassionate service, she anticipates that her contacts established at the conference will be sustained and ideally lead to potential future collaborations such as the teaching of nonprofit leadership and management in an international context. Additionally, she hopes that this experience will support her professional development by
28	Walther	Suzanne	Environmental and Ocean Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences	SWALTHER@sandiego.edu	Research	Kampala, Uganda	Dr. Walther plans to travel to Kampala, Uganda, to collaborate with Dr. Shuaib Lwasa, associate professor in the Department of Geography at Makerere University. They plan to focus their research on issues related to adaptation to climate change, natural hazards, resource efficiency (water), and sustainability. The specific outcomes she's hoping to attain are 1) to develop a research project focused on water resource adaptations needed in response to climate change and natural hazards in southwestern Uganda, 2) use this research and connections to create a study abroad course in which students from USD and Makerere University travel and learn together, and 3) explore potential joint service learning opportunities with
29	Zhu	Pengcheng (Phil)	Finance, School of Business Administration	pzhu@sandiego.edu	Conference	Shanghai, Beijing & Xiamen, China	Dr. Zhu plans to present his paper entitled "Consequences of Private In-house Meetings: Evidence from the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (SZSE)" to the 2016 China Financial Research Conference in Beijing. He also plans to present another paper entitled "Managing Institutional Investors' Demand for Information through Private In-house Meetings: Evidence from the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (SZSE)" to the 2016 China International Conference in Finance in Xiamen. His study of the Shenzhen Stock Exchange is unique because it is the only regulatory authority in the world that requires listed firms to publicly disclose private in-house meeting information, including meeting dates, meeting participants, and meeting contents. Studying private in-house meetings in China provides a unique contribution to understand the private interaction between managers and investment community, which is still a "black box" in many other countries, including the United States. While in China he also plans to visit the East China University of Science and Technology (ECUST) in Shanghai to offer a research seminar on private in-house meetings to