

### International Opportunity Grants: Spring 2017

	Last	First	School	Activity Type	Brief Description of Proposal	Location	Dates
1	Batnitzky	Adina	Sociology, CAS	Research	Cultural Constructions of Health: Moroccan Migrants in Italy - The proposed travel experience is part of Dr. Batnitzky's larger sabbatical project (2017-18) on the enduring question of "What is good health?" Drawing from earlier research on cultural constructions of health in Morocco and the lives of migrants in Europe (Batnitzky 2011, Batnitzky, McDowell and Dyer, 2012), this new project interrogates the ever-changing definitions of good health in an increasingly globalized world. This particular component of the research aims to contribute to the growing body of literature on the effects of migration on health and to further explain the role of transnationalism in this process. Upon return to USD, this research will be incorporated into her course entitled "Health and Society" with the intention of internationalizing this teaching area more explicitly.	Rome, Italy	June 1-15, 2017
2	Cuéllar	Adriana	Architecture, CAS	Conference	The purpose for attending the "Design for Next" Conference by the 12th European Academy of Design (EAD) is to present the paper titled: "Contested Surfaces: Aesthetics of Colonization for Urban Coexistence", and publish it upon acceptance in The Design Journal, a design research platform that encourages interdisciplinary discussions on contemporary issues of design and applications. The conference "seeks to discover future fields of investigation in design, as well to discover and to connect the space and the people who share common interests in design research" (EAD12   2017). Nine tracks of research will be presented: aesthetics, economy, education, environment, health, industry, society, technology and thinking, and it is intended to construct a collective comprehensive picture of the present issues and futures of design.	Rome, Italy	April 10-15, 2017
3	Doshi	Kokila	School of Business	Conference	The purpose of this proposal is to travel to Santiago, Chile to present a paper on "Determinants of Mobile Phone Penetration Rates in Latin America and the Caribbean" at Western Economic Association International's conference at Pontifical Catholic University. Dr. Doshi plans to publish the research in a quality journal. The conference will allow her to network with researchers from organizations like Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association and Latin American Center for Economic and Social Policy. Overall, the opportunity to travel and present the paper will broaden Dr. Doshi's professional and personal horizons, strengthen her research agenda and contribute to the internationalization goal of USD.	Santiago, Chile	Jan. 2-12, 2017
4	Edmonds-Poli	Emily	Political Science & International Relations, CAS	Conference	Attend the Latin American Studies Association annual meeting to be held April 29 to May 1 in order to present my scholarly work: "The Use of Extradition as a Tool for International Cooperation: Lessons from the U.S.-Mexico Relationship". This grant would support Dr. Edmonds-Poli's professional growth by allowing her to attend the most important professional conference for scholars of Latin America. It is one of the few conferences that brings together scholars from a multitude of academic disciplines from all over the US, Latin America, and Europe. It provides an opportunity to present work to & meet with others scholars working on similar topics, and receive the feedback that is critical to creating high quality scholarly work.	Lima, Peru	April 28 - May 2, 2017
5	Freeman	Jennifer	IPJ, Kroc School of Peace Studies	Research	In July 2016, the IPJ hosted its Africa Regional Dialogue on Defying Extremism, bringing together more than 60 individuals from across Africa who are working to combat violent extremism in their countries and communities. Freeman and Orth wish to travel to Kenya to advance key recommendations from the regional dialogue. Examples of follow-up activities include: working with local partners to advance recommendations from the dialogue with government representatives, religious leaders and the security sector; working with media and local partners to develop a protocol for documenting and disseminating conflict-sensitive narratives of returnees and their families; and working with youth in the informal settlements to develop/lead their own anti-recruitment efforts. In addition to advancing the work begun at the regional dialogue, this trip will allow Freeman and Orth to explore research and practicum opportunities for students and collect feedback from participants that will be used to inform the design of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Regional Dialogue in Summer 2017.	Nairobi, Kenya	Late Feb. 2017
6	Orth	Daniel	IPJ, Kroc School of Peace Studies	Research	In July 2016, the IPJ hosted its Africa Regional Dialogue on Defying Extremism, bringing together more than 60 individuals from across Africa who are working to combat violent extremism in their countries and communities. Freeman and Orth wish to travel to Kenya to advance key recommendations from the regional dialogue. Examples of follow-up activities include: working with local partners to advance recommendations from the dialogue with government representatives, religious leaders and the security sector; working with media and local partners to develop a protocol for documenting and disseminating conflict-sensitive narratives of returnees and their families; and working with youth in the informal settlements to develop/lead their own anti-recruitment efforts. In addition to advancing the work begun at the regional dialogue, this trip will allow Freeman and Orth to explore research and practicum opportunities for students and collect feedback from participants that will be used to inform the design of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Regional Dialogue in Summer 2017.	Nairobi, Kenya	Late Feb. 2017
7	Ingram	Rebecca	Languages, Cultures, and Literatures, CAS	Conference & Research	Conference Presentation of "The Civic Virtues of 'Eating Right': Transnational Cooking and Modernizing Barcelona" at the Third International Conference on Food History and Cultures (Institut Européen d'Histoire et des Cultures de l'Alimentation) in Tours, France, as well as Archival Research for "Culinary Education and Working-Class Barcelona" at the Archivo de la Diputación, the Archivo Contemporáneo de Barcelona, and Archivo Histórico Ciudad de Barcelona. IOG support will help Dr. Ingram bring initial findings gleaned by her archival work to European food studies scholars at the Tours conference to elicit their feedback as the work progresses. Having the support to combine conference travel to France with three weeks of archival work in Barcelona will allow her to access additional materials related to Municipal and the Normal School's cooking education courses housed in Barcelona's municipal and city archives.	Tours, France & Barcelona, Spain	May 31 - June 24, 2017
8	Jacobitz	Frank	Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering	Research	An understanding of magneto-hydrodynamic (MHD) turbulence is important in many applications ranging from solar processes to fusion reactor design. As part of his sabbatical research project, Dr. Jacobitz plans to study two aspects of MHD turbulence. This project will be approached using the combined strengths of the international team of researchers involved. Simulation results will be analyzed with a variety of tools (visualization of the flow, statistical analysis, and wavelet-based scale-dependent analysis) in order to gain an understanding of MHD turbulence. We plan to submit a conference paper and also prepare a journal article on our findings. This travel experience would help him to advance his research activities during the sabbatical leave and provide opportunities for professional development. International collaborations provide an opportunity to achieve a high level of quality and impact in research endeavors.	Marseille, France	March/April 2017
9	Jiang	Eric	Computer Science, School of Engineering	Conference	Dr. Jiang plans to attend and present a peer-reviewed research paper at the International Conference on Information Systems that will be held in Budapest, Hungary. Computer information systems and technologies are a major enabling tool for organizations to create new products and services. The proposed trip will allow him to share his latest research results in using semi-supervised learning methodology to detect system intrusions and also to establish research collaborations with fellow computer scientists and information system practitioners from around the world.	Budapest	April 9-13, 2017
10	Kalyanpur	Maya	Learning & Teaching (DLT), SOLES	Conference	The purpose of travel is to present at and attend the 15th Biennial International Conference of the International Association on Special Education (IASSE) from June 25th to 29th, 2017. Dr. Kalyanpur's presentation is titled Indigenous understanding of inclusive and special education: Case studies from India and Cambodia, the focus of which is to offer an alternative framework for understanding inclusive education and disability in India and Cambodia based on empirical research on the lived experience of families with a child with a disability. As a reviewer for the association journal, JIASE, and associate editor of the International Journal for Disability, Development and Education, based in Australia, she will participate in business meetings with fellow editors and reviewers to discuss the future mission of these journals. and (b) network with faculty at IASE to develop possibilities for continuing her research on international special education and/or creating additional graduate study abroad courses for students in DLT.	Perth, Australia	June 25-29, 2017
11	Nevitt	Turner	Philosophy, CAS	Conference	Presenting a paper titled "Thomistic Existentialism After Frege and Russell" at the 2017 Symposium Thomisticum to be held 22-24 June in Porto, Portugal. The Symposium Thomisticum is an annual international meeting of scholars specializing in the thought of St. Thomas Aquinas, the most central figure in the Catholic intellectual tradition. The Symposium typically workshops papers by 40+ scholars from across the Americas, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and Europe. The theme of this year's Symposium is "Aquinas and Modern Thinkers" and Dr. Nevitt plans to present a new paper that brings Aquinas's theory of existence into dialogue with the rival theories of Gottlob Frege and Bertrand Russell, two founding fathers of contemporary analytic philosophy.	Porto, Portugal	June 22-24, 2017

12	Ngo	Truc	School of Engineering	Research	Development and implementation of central water treatment system for third-world communities. This project aims to implement a central water chlorination system at three rural villages in El Cercado, Dominican Republic. Several undergraduate engineering students and Dr. Ngo have been constructing a prototype on USD campus to simulate the water distribution system in remote villages in El Cercado. Preliminary testing of their water chlorination system is currently in progress to gain fundamental understanding of the system operation and prepare for field implementation in January 2015. . During our 10-day trip to El Cercado in January 2015, I hope to implement our water chlorination system at three different villages in El Cercado, collect field data on system performance, and compare with our lab-tested data.	El Cercado, Dominican Republic	Jan. 5-15, 2017
13	Peffer	Rodney	Philosophy, CAS	Research	"Democracy, Social Justice, and Cosmopolitanism." The purpose is to continue my academic conversations and exchanges on these important and interrelated issues with academics in the China, Thailand, Vietnam, and Philippines. My project involves giving papers at Peking University (Beijing), Renmin University (Beijing), the Central University of Finance & Economics (Beijing), Nankai University (Tianjin, China), Sun Yat-Sen University (Guangzhou, China), Xiamen University (Xiamen, China), Chulalongkorn University (Bangkok), the Vietnamese Institute of Philosophy (Hanoi), and/or the University of Philippines - Diliman (Quezon City). Dr. Peffer plans to engage in discussions with academics at these universities and receive feedback from scholars from a number of disciplines.	Manila, Philippines; Hanoi, Vietnam; Bangkok, Thailand; Xiamen, China; Guangzhou, China; Beijing, China; and Tianjin, China	May 22-June 26, 2017
14	Petersen	Amanda	Languages, Cultures, and Literatures, CAS	Conference	Presentation of original research paper titled "Lingering Trauma of Domestic Abuse in Rosina Conde" for the Narratives of Trauma: Ege University 16th International Cultural Studies Symposium. This paper has been submitted to the conference committee. The paper topic addresses the topic of the conference, "Narratives of Trauma," from the perspective of gendered and intimate violence as represented in short stories by the Tijuana-born author, Rosina Conde. This topic is especially pertinent for an international audience because Trauma Studies theorists discuss a myriad of global and international contexts to illuminate trauma and its representation in literature and film. Participating at this conference will allow Dr. Petersen to learn from different perspectives on the application of Trauma Studies across the globe and receive feedback for an ongoing project that she plans to turn into a book chapter.	Izmir, Turkey	May 10-12, 2017
15	Quezada	Reyes	SOLES	Conference	Perceptions of Action Research by Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages graduate students from China and Saudi Arabia Studying at the University of San Diego: An analysis of "critical incidents". The purpose of this visit is to attend and present the proposal that has been submitted to the 61st World Assembly of the International Council on Education for Teaching Conference (ICET) in Brno, Czech Republic. Dr. Quezada is also the current Vice Chair of ICET and will be the Chair of the organization in 2018.	Brno, Czech Republic	June 28-30, 2017
16	Willoughby	Randy	Political Science & International Relations, CAS	Conference	During his sabbatical over the spring 2016 semester, Dr. Willoughby expanded and deepened his work on global energy futures, with special attention to France and China but also including discussion of the US, Germany, Japan, South Korea, and India. He had previously published an article called "What the Fukushima" in 2013 running 25 pages; the sabbatical monograph and makeover completed in August 2016 runs 85 pages, comprised of ten separate chapters and counting ten single spaced pages of citations. Dr. Willoughby's first and geographically best opportunity to present this paper would be in Singapore at a Global Studies Conference in June 2017. The topic of energy (and environmental) futures is so incredibly multidimensional and susceptible to political, economic, and security shifts that each of these editions has been tantamount to a new project, especially with the broad expansion in comparative scope.	Singapore	June 8-9, 2017
17	Yang	Mei	Languages, Cultures, and Literatures, CAS	Conference	"The Survival Space of Chinese Independent Film and Art," to deliver a paper at the AAS (Association for Asian Studies) conference. Dr. Yang's panel presentation for the AAS conference is part of a pioneering project that interrogates the emergence and disappearance of space in contemporary Chinese art and films. The panelists include professors from various institutions and the chair and discussants for the panel are esteemed scholars in the field of Chinese literature and cinema studies. Paying close critical attention to the selection of location, politics of cinematic representation, as well as disappearing screening spaces, their panel illustrates the ways in which space and place are essential factors in each film and art-making stage. Dr. Yang expects to collaborate with colleagues coming from different institutions in the world who are similarly interested in the issue of space and exhibition channels. She plans to publish the result of this research as either an academic paper or a book chapter.	Toronto, Canada	March 16-19, 2017
18	Yeung	Angela	Music, CAS	Research & Residency	Master musician at Sichuan Conservatory of Music, Chengdu, Sichuan, China: The Sichuan Conservatory of Music is a leading conservatory in China and one of the largest conservatories in the world. The week long residence at the Conservatory includes (1) guest conducting its several orchestras, (2) giving master classes for chamber music ensembles and cello majors, and (3) collaborating with its faculty in joint touring performances. In addition, she hopes to do research on chamber and orchestral music by Chinese composers at the Conservatory library, with the goal of bringing some musical compositions back and performing them in San Diego.	Sichuan, China	April 10-17, 2017
19	Goldschmied	Nadav	Psychological Sciences, CAS	Research	Collaborating with international colleagues abroad (Dr. Yair Gally) on internationally focused research/publications /scholarly activities: The purpose of the travel is primarily to enhance the academic collaboration with Dr. Yair Gally, a professor in the Sammy Ofer School of Communications at the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya (IDC) in Israel. Dr. Gally already served as a consultant and co-author on a research project that we conducted here at USD pertaining to media influences, his area of expertise, on the perceptions of aggression in sport. Dr. Gally and I are currently working on a second project examining cross-cultural differences in sport fandom. When at the IDC, Dr. Goldschmied also plans to present research and hope that this platform will allow him to cultivate new relationship with the research community in Israel. The Center is considered one of the leading institutions of research in Israel and the institution is very much committed to their collaborative work, as they were already awarded two internal small research grants to enhance our efforts.	Herzliya, Israel	Jan. 1-15, 2017