Presidential Inauguration 2015

The University of San Diego community is invited to Inauguration Week events to celebrate USD and welcome President James T. Harris III, DEd. During the week of November 30, the USD community will welcome President Harris through events of reflection, prayer, service and celebration.

The Inauguration Installation Ceremony for President Harris is Friday, Dec. 4, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Jenny Craig Pavilion. Faculty who have classes at that time may cancel their class(es) in order to attend the installation ceremony and reception. Information about, and registration for, inauguration events are available on the Inauguration Events website.

USD in the Rankings

The University of San Diego increased its ranking to 89th in the U.S. News & World Report’s “2016 Best Colleges” guide in the Best National University category, up from last year’s ranking of 95th. Schools in the National Universities category offer a full range of undergraduate majors, plus master's and doctoral programs, and emphasize faculty research.

Other rankings in U.S. News “Best Colleges” include:

- School of Business Administration, for the first time in program history, ranked 114th for Best Business Programs; Part-time MBA ranked 73rd, up from last year's ranking of 94th; and the Online Graduate Business Program (supply chain management) ranked 9th, up from last year’s ranking of 14th.
- Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering ranked 15th for Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs, compared to last year’s ranking of 14th.
- School of Nursing and Health Science ranked 30th in Graduate Nursing Programs, up from last year’s ranking of 50th.
- School of Leadership and Education Sciences ranked 96th for Graduate Education Programs, compared to last year’s ranking of 86th.
- School of Law ranked 71st overall, up from last year’s ranking of 79th; Part-Time Law ranked 13th, up from last year’s ranking of 17th; and the Tax Law program ranked 6th, up from last year’s ranking of 8th.

U.S. News bases its rankings on a number of factors, including assessment of excellence (by peers and counselors), graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate performance and alumni giving.

In other rankings, The Princeton Review ranked the School of Business Administration 2nd for the Greatest Opportunity for Women and 6th for the Best Green MBA. The Financial Times ranked the School of Business Administration third in the world for MBA programs in entrepreneurship and Bloomberg Businessweek ranked the Professional MBA program 13th in the U.S.
Sandra Sgoutas-Emch Named Finalist for Civically Engaged Faculty Award

Sandra Sgoutas-Emch, PhD, Psychological Sciences, and director of the Center for Educational Excellence, was been named one of three national finalists for the 2015 Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award by Campus Compact. The award recognizes one senior faculty member for exemplary leadership in advancing students’ civic learning, community engagement, and contribution to the public good.

One of the longest lasting projects that Dr. Sgoutas-Emch started 14 years ago is the annual Linda Vista Health Fair for schools in the Linda Vista community. The fair partners USD students on a semester long wellness and health research topic with K-12 students to help them understand the importance of good health practices. The student research teams then co-present their findings to the residents and students of Linda Vista during the health and research fair.

Campus Compact is non-profit coalition of more than 1,100 colleges and universities committed to the public purposes of higher education. As the only national higher education association dedicated solely to campus-based civic engagement, Campus Compact enables campuses to develop students’ citizenship skills and forge effective community partnerships and supports faculty and staff as they pursue community-based teaching and scholarship in the service of positive change.

2015-2016 Impact Linda Vista Initiative Faculty

With the support of a grant received from U.S. Bank, the Changemaker Hub in partnership with the Mulvaney Center for Community, Awareness, and Social Action launched the Impact Linda Vista Initiative (ILVI) in Fall 2013. The ILVI seeks to strengthen the Linda Vista community through co-development of innovative social initiatives by USD students and Linda Vista residents. The initiative enhances teaching beyond the classroom with coursework that requires students to participate actively in social innovation, conduct research on social issues addressed by community organizations, and co-develop sustainable solutions with community members covering a variety of issues.

The Changemaker Hub and the Mulvaney Center are proud to announce that six faculty will incorporate this program in their spring 2016 courses. Through this initiative, the faculty and students accelerated and documented programs incorporating social innovation and changemaking practices. Faculty selected to participate in the Impact Linda Vista Initiative receive $1000 to redesign their courses to align with the goals of the initiative. To learn more about the Impact Linda Vista Initiative, please visit www.ilvisd.org.

2015-2016 Impact Linda Vista Initiative Faculty:
Truc Ngo, Professor, Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering
Evelyn Diaz Cruz, Associate Professor, Theater Arts and Performance Studies
Alex Wilhelm, Clinical Professor, School of Business Administration
Ana Estrada, Associate Professor, School of Leadership and Education Sciences
Julia Cantzler, Assistant Professor, Communication Studies
Necla Tschirgi, Professor of Practice, Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies
2015-2016 Changemaker Faculty Champions
The Changemaker Faculty Champion award was created in recognition that receiving the Ashoka U Changemaker campus designation would not have been possible without the active participation of faculty contributing through their teaching, research and service. Each of the faculty selected as Champions for 2015-16 have supported changemaker activities on campus and they have dedicated their time and energy to promoting the goals of engaged citizenship and social innovation both inside and outside of the classroom.

The individuals selected as Changemaker Faculty Champions are expected to encourage students and other faculty to participate in the various changemaking initiatives on campus, such as, the Changemaker Fest, the Changemaker Challenge, and the Social Innovation Challenge. The Faculty Champions also receive $1000 from the Changemaker Hub to attend the AshokaU Exchange during the spring 2016 semester. Learn more about the Changemaker Faculty Champions.

2015-2016 Changemaker Faculty Champions:
Frank Jacobitz, Professor, Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering
Jesse Mills, Associate Professor, Ethnic Studies
Jennifer Mueller, Associate Professor, School of Business Administration
Kokila Doshi, Professor, School of Business Administration
Ian Martin, Associate Professor, School of Leadership and Education Sciences
Leeva Chung, Professor, Communication Studies
Necla Tschirgi, Professor of Practice, Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies

Master of Science in Cyber Security Operations and Leadership
The Board of Trustees recently approved a new Master of Science in Cyber Security Operations and Leadership (MS-CSOL) offered through Professional and Continuing Education. The multidisciplinary degree, set to begin spring 2016, is a fully online program designed to meet current cyber security challenges and provide state-of-the-art skills, tools and knowledge. The program will emphasize applied technical knowledge and skill development, cross-domain learning, and a mission-centric focus, and is designed for those seeking to advance or transition their careers. The MS-CSOL program will serve those who desire career advancement and professional growth by learning new technical knowledge, cyber security techniques, and management skill for addressing modern cyber security challenges. More information about the MS-CSOL program is available here.

Fall 2015 Enrollment, Faculty Data and Academic Department Profiles
Fall 2015 information is now available in Quick Facts and the Stat Book. Tables have been updated for admissions, enrollment and majors/minors; retention; degrees awarded; new first-year and transfer students; and expenses/aid.

Tables for faculty, employees, and financial aid will be updated in November.

The Academic Department Profiles are designed to support USD’s Academic Program Review process. Tables are posted for the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business Administration, Shiley-Marcos School of Engineering, School of Leadership and Education Sciences, and the Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies.

For the most updated tables, please check Institutional Research and Planning web pages as the semester progresses, and contact irp@sandiego.edu if you have any questions.
**Office of Undergraduate Research Announcements, Opportunities & Resources**

**SURE Working Group:** Office of Undergraduate Research facilitates the Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) working group meetings for research mentors. The last meeting this semester is Nov. 10. Please visit the [OUR Workshops](#) webpage for information about the three meetings and to sign up. If you cannot make the Nov. 10th meeting, please participate electronically through our [blackboard](#) site.

**Workshops, Trainings and Other Offerings:** Please visit the [OUR Workshops](#) webpage to sign up for our various offerings. Also, please encourage undergraduates to sign up for the student workshops.

**Advertise a Research Opportunity:** All members of the research community are invited to post their research opportunities (paid/unpaid) for USD undergraduates on the OUR website by completing a [Post a Research Opportunity](#), which is listed on the [How to Get Started in Research](#) webpage.

**Become a PURE Mentor:** Faculty interested in increasing diversity in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) disciplines are encouraged to mentor a [Pre-Undergraduate Research Experience (PURE)](#) student summer 2016. PURE students are newly admitted freshmen interested in gaining real-world experience in a STEM field. PURE is eight weeks from late June to mid-August. Research mentors receive a $2600 stipend and $800 for research supplies. More information is available by contacting the Office of Undergraduate Research at [ugresearch@sandiego.edu](mailto:ugresearch@sandiego.edu).

**26th Annual Creative Collaborations Undergraduate Research Conference**  
**Thursday, April 14, 2016**  
**Hahn University Center**  
**Abstract submission: Late January – Noon, Feb. 29, 2016**  
OUR has partnered with the Women’s Center and Campus Assault Resources and Education (C.A.R.E.) to highlight research and creative works by undergraduates on gender studies topics.

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**Office of Sponsored Programs**

**Save the Date – Research Week 2016 at USD: April 11-15, 2016 – Save the Date**

Office of Sponsored Programs, Foundation Relations, and Office of Undergraduate Research are proud to announce the second annual Research Week 2016 at USD, April 11-15, 2016. Research Week will kick-off with a reception on Monday, April 11, Creative Collaborations Undergraduate Research Conference is on April 14, with events throughout the week highlighting how philanthropic and research funding work together to grow the research enterprise at USD.

**2014-2015 OSP Annual Report**

USD faculty and administrators have made significant contributions to the expansion of the research enterprise and to the advancement of the mission of the university over this past year. Grant submissions increased by 33 percent, and awards by 27 percent, for a total of $13.9 million awarded to USD from external funding organizations for fiscal year 2014-2015. OSP has continued the strong collaboration with Foundation Relations and the [2014-2015 Annual Report](#) highlights the combined efforts that impact faculty and student research across the university.
Recent Grant Awards

Ruth A. Bush, PhD, School of Nursing and Health Science, was awarded $249,000 from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. These funds will be used to initiate and implement a research project that focuses on the use of the electronic health record (EHR) patient portal as a tool to improve the transition for adolescents with chronic illness to adult-focused care.

Julie Cramer, PhD, Deputy Director/Senior Research Associate, Center for Education Policy and Law (CEPAL), Mobile Technology Learning Center (MTLC), has received $27,000 from LPA Inc. Using this award, CEPAL will collaborate with LPA during the programming and schematic design phase of the new STEM Academy. CEPAL, as well as professional learning specialists from CEPAL’s partner organization, MTLC, will interface with district and school staff during task force meetings in which educational pedagogies, instructional strategies, taskforce findings, and implications for space design elements will be discussed.

Laura Deitrick, PhD, Interim Director of the Institute of Nonprofit Education and Research, was awarded $3,250 from OneOC. These funds will be used to provide data to OneOC about nonprofits in Orange County to be used in a benchmarking report. The project will recreate data similar to what was reported in the recent Causes Count report commissioned by CalNonprofits.

Scott Himelstein, Director of the Center for Education Policy and Law (CEPAL), Mobile Technology Learning Center (MTLC), received $49,000 from QUALCOMM Inc. This award will be used to convene a cross-sector dialogue and formally document current challenges faced by K-20 education and industry in STEM-related disciplines/careers as they implement mobile learning in teaching and learning. To bridge the current communication gap, this project will highlight where well-established solutions in one sector might transfer to solve another’s needs/challenges.

Mary Jo Schumann, PhD, Associate Director Caster Family Center, SOLES Leadership Studies, was awarded $8,075 from the Nonprofit Resource Center. These funds will be used to gather and analyze data about nonprofits in the Greater Sacramento Region. The Nonprofit Resource Center has expressed a desire to re-create data similar to what was reported in the 2014 Causes Count report commissioned by CalNonprofits.

Mary Jo Schumann, PhD, Associate Director Caster Family Center, SOLES Leadership Studies, received $15,000 from Union Bank of California. Using this award, the Union Bank Foundation will contract with the University of San Diego’s Caster Center for Nonprofit and Philanthropic Research to build upon previous grantmaking analysis and consulting conducted by the Caster Center. Specifically, the Foundation has targeted four strategic funding categories: affordable housing, community economic development, education, and environment.

Gregory Severn, PhD, Physics, was awarded $15,000 from the National Science Foundation and $165,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy. Both of these awards are for his project “Collaborative Research: Understanding Sheaths and Presheaths in Magnetized and Unmagnetized Plasmas.” These funds will be used to conduct experiments to determine the presheath and sheath plasma potential profiles and the resulting ion velocity distribution functions (IVDFs) associated with ion acceleration.

David Shirk, PhD, Political Science and International Relations, Director, Justice in Mexico Project, received a $2,350,000 supplement for his Oral Adversarial Skill-Building Immersion Series (OASIS) project. These funds will allow for the continuation of the Oral Adversarial Skill-Building Immersion Seminar proposed by the Justice in Mexico Project at the University of San Diego. This seminar consists of three 40-hour skill-building workshops (two-weeks for approximately four hours each day) for approximately 80 participants per workshop, study tours in three major U.S. cities, and an international symposium on Mexico’s transition to an oral, adversarial and accusatory criminal justice system.
Nilmini Silva-Send, PhD, Law School, Senior Policy Analyst for Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC), received $19,556 from Ascent Environment Inc. Using this award, EPIC will assist the County and its consultant to acquire necessary updated data, update the greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory and methodologies, and advise on revisions and updates to the community-wide GHG emissions, forecasts, targets, and on GHG reduction measures in the County Climate Action Plan (CAP). EPIC will review the monitoring plan for the County CAP and be available and support County staff with presentations to its Board of Supervisors and other relevant committees.

Richard Thome, MS, Director of Professional Learning, Mobile Technology Learning Center, SOLES Leadership Studies, was awarded $42,000 from the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District. These funds will be used to assist in the integration of technology, student engagement and innovative instructional practice in grades 4, 5 and 6, to ensure accelerated student achievement and equity of access in all schools in the Fallbrook Union School.

**Upcoming Events**

**CONFERENCES/SYMPOSIUMS**

Fifth Annual Women in Real Estate  
**Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 7:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.**  
Institute for Peace and Justice  
Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate will host its Fifth Annual Women in Real Estate Conference (WIRE).  
[Registration and event information](#)

2015 Climate and Energy Law Symposium  
**Friday, Nov. 6 from 8 a.m. - 30 p.m.**  
Mother Rosalie Hill Hall  
California to Paris: Linking Climate and Energy Policy at the State, National, and International Levels  
[Event and registration information](#)

The Burnham-Moores Center's 15th Annual Residential Real Estate Outlook Conference  
**Dec. 10, 2015**  
7:30–8 a.m. breakfast and networking, 8–10 a.m. program  
Institute for Peace and Justice  
The Residential Real Estate Outlook Conference is a gathering of residential real estate professionals who share their predictions and the rationale for their expectations. USD students, faculty and staff receive complimentary admission.  
[Registration and event information](#)

**LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS**

Ted Koppel, Author, Illume Special Guest  
**Friday, Oct. 30 from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall  
With Warwick's Books, the college proudly presents Ted Koppel, author of *Lights Out*. In this tour de force of investigative reporting, Koppel reveals that a major cyberattack on America's power grid is not only possible but likely, that it would be devastating, and that the U.S. is shockingly unprepared. Tickets: $28.08 which includes a copy of *Lights Out*. Tickets are available [here](#).

Davies Lecture Series, “Undergraduate Research: Having Your Cake and Eating It Too”  
**Tuesday, Nov. 3 from 6-9 p.m.**  
Reception to follow.  
Warren Auditorium, Hill Hall  
Dr. Malachowski, California’s 2014 Professor of the Year, recognized nationally for his work to promote undergraduate research will discuss its value in the sciences and how it can be imported to other academic disciplines.

USD Just Read! Faculty Panel  
**Friday, Nov. 6 at 3 p.m.**  
UC, Forum B  
Select faculty experts will discuss the themes and implications in *Bottled and Sold: The Story Behind our Obsession with Bottled Water* by Dr. Peter Gleick.

USD Just Read! Peter Gleick, PhD  
**Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.**  
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall  
Dr. Gleick author of *Bottled and Sold: The Story Behind our Obsession with Bottled Water* details the history of municipal and commercial water distribution and how water went from being a free natural resource to one of the most popular commercial food products in the world.
IP Speaker Series: Lisa Ramsey, USD School of Law
Thursday, Nov. 12 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Warren Hall Faculty Reading Room

The Miniscule Majority: Why Insects Dominate the Planet - Geoff Morse, PhD
Monday, Nov. 16 at 6-9 p.m.
Reception to follow
Warren Auditorium, Hill Hall
More than half of all described species on this planet are insects. Dr. Morse will discuss how his research aims to understand why insects are so successful.

IP Speaker Series: Ted Sichelman, USD School of Law
Thursday, Nov. 19 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Warren Hall Faculty Reading Room

ART
Robert and Karen Hoehn Family Galleries
Sept. 18 – Dec. 11, 2015
Founders Hall Foyer
One of the pre-eminent artists in the world today, Wayne Thiebaud has received numerous honors, including the National Medal of Arts and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Academy of Design.

May Gallery
The May Collection: Twenty Works for Twenty Years
Sept. 25 - May 20, 2016
Serra Hall, Room 214A
In 1995, USD accepted a gift of American Indian artifacts from the family of David May, an alum who passed away at a young age. The exhibition includes 20 artifacts and works of art from the permanent collection, including a newly commissioned work by the renowned Kumeyaay basketmaker, Eva Salazar.

MUSIC
Fall Choral Concert
Sunday, Nov. 1 at 2 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
The USD Choral Scholars present a varied program of choral repertoire from around the world.

Unless noted, ticket prices are $10 general admission; $8 seniors, USD faculty, staff and alumni; and $5 students with ID. Advanced tickets are available at usdmusic.eventbrite.com, remaining tickets will be available at the door (only cash and checks accepted at the door).

Jeff Kaiser: ZEITNOT
Friday, Nov. 20 at 7:30 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
Premier, new work for solo trumpet, electronics and video. Admission is free.

Annual Messiah Sing- and Play-Along
Friday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m.
Founders Chapel
Annual Messiah Sing- and Play-Along (Part I) accompanied by the Greater San Diego Chamber Orchestra. Singers may bring along own score or rent one at the door.
Unless noted, ticket prices are $10 general admission; $8 seniors, USD faculty, staff and alumni; and $5 students with ID. Advanced tickets are available at usdmusic.eventbrite.com, remaining tickets will be available at the door (only cash and checks accepted at the door).

Lessons and Carols
Friday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2 p.m.
Founders Chapel, Founders Hall
A Christmas celebration that dates back over 100 years and is followed around the world in many different places.
Event information. Free and open to the public, please RSVP to cctc@sandiego.edu. Contact the CCTC with any questions 619-260-7936

THEATRE ARTS
The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee
Nov. 19, 20, 21 at 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 21, 22 at 2 p.m.
Studio Theatre
Six goofy and fearless kids spell their ways through the angst and achievement of Putnam County’s Annual
Spelling Bee competition and learn that losing doesn’t make you a loser and you can stand out and still fit in.

Ticket information

As You Like It
By William Shakespeare
Nov. 14 – 22, 2015
Sheryl and Harvey White Theatre
The Old Globe

Flirtation, friendship and mistaken identity! As You Like It is a lighthearted look at the fickle and passionate nature of love. The cast is comprised of students from The Old Globe/USD MFA Program and performed on The Old Globe campus.

Performance times and ticket information

MISSION, RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY
Faculty/Staff Contemplative Living Group
Thursdays, 5-5:55 p.m., Sept. 17 – Nov. 5
Faculty/Staff Lounge, Founders Hall 141
This group will explore the contemplative practice of finding God in the midst of everyday experiences. Group leader: Virginia Rodee, RSCJ
RSVP Mission and Ministry rburns@sandiego.edu or ext. 4656

Founders Chapel Tour
Friday, Nov. 6 from 12:45-1:30 p.m.
Guided tour of Founders Chapel, often called the “Hidden Jewel of USD” will be offered by Sr. Virginia Rodee, RSCJ
RSVP: rburns@sandiego.edu or ext. 4656

Awaken to a New Way of Living Your Faith: A Weekend Retreat with Peter W. Gyves, SJ, MD
Friday, Nov. 6 from 7-9 p.m.
and Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Founders Hall, French Parlor
Cost: $40
St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), developed the Spiritual Exercises to transform people’s lives through a personal experience of God in the ordinariness of their lives. We invite you to a weekend retreat where your heart and mind will be transformed to an awakening that recognizes your personal salvation is interwoven into the fabric of God’s larger plan for the salvation of all humankind. Open to all people of good will regardless of religious belief.

Event and registration information

Annual Switgall Lecture
The Name of God is Relationship
Monday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.
Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall
While some philosophers claim that the name of God is “pure being” and some theologians claim that the primary name of God is “the good,” Fr. Daniel Horan, OFM suggests that the name of God is best understood as “relationship.”

Event and registration information

Faculty/Staff Prayer Breakfast
Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7:15-8:20 a.m.
La Gran Terraza
Rev. Daniel Horan, OFM, will speak on the contemporary relevance, insight, and inspiration of Thomas Merton, the renowned American author and Trappist monk mentioned recently by Pope Francis in his address to a joint session of Congress.
RSVP: rburns@sandiego.edu or ext. 4656

Collegiality on the 50th Anniversary of the Closing of the Council
Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 4 p.m.
Founders Hall, French Parlor
Joseph Chinnici, OFM, President, Franciscan School of Theology, and noted scholar will speak on the 50th anniversary of the closing of Vatican II.

SPECIAL EXHIBITS/EVENTS
International Education Week
Nov. 16-20, 2015
Event information

Lessons and Carols
Friday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2 p.m.
Founders Chapel, Founders Hall
A Christmas celebration that dates back over 100 years and is followed around the world in many different places. Event information.
Center for Educational Excellence
The Center for Educational Excellence supports the USD community by providing integrated programs, events, and resources to promote the institution's core values of academic excellence, knowledge, creating a diverse and inclusive community, ethical conduct, and compassionate service. 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

Tech Talk (TT): Integration of iPads in Flipped and Un-Flipped Classrooms in Engineering
Friday, Oct. 30 at 2-3 p.m., MRH 135

femSTEM Fall Faculty Writing Retreat
Thursday, Nov. 5 at 1-4 p.m., KIPJ Boardroom

Fabulous First Fridays (FFF) Career Services Center
Friday, Nov. 6 at 9:30-11 a.m., MRH 135

USD Just Read! Interdisciplinary Panel Discussion on Bottled & Sold
Friday, Nov. 6 at 3-5 p.m., UC Forum B

USD Just Read! Keynote Presentation with Dr. Peter Gleick
Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m., Shiley Theatre

SBA Brown Bag: Difference Between Teaching Undergraduate and MBA
Friday, Nov. 13 at 10:15 – 11:45 a.m., MRH 135

CORE Training
Friday, Nov. 13 at 3-5 p.m., Salomon Lecture Hall

Inclusive Education Series (IES): Writing & the International Student
Thursday, Nov. 19 at 12:15-2:15 p.m., in MRH 131

Tech Talk
Friday, Nov. 20 at 2-3 p.m., MRH 135

Fabulous First Fridays (FFF)
Friday, Dec. 4 at 9:30-11 a.m., MRH 135

CORE Training
Friday, Dec. 4 at 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., UC 107

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Christopher Adler, PhD, Music, presented a paper entitled “Transrational language and invented musical worlds in Zaum Box” at the Transplanted Roots Percussion Research Symposium at McGill University with percussionist Katelyn King, who performed three movements from his composition. His compositions Signals Intelligence and The Wind Blows Inside were performed at Hong Kong City Hall and the Post-Haste Reed Duo performed his work Mirror/Fall at the University of Idaho and in Seattle with the Washington Composers Forum. Guitarists Colin McAllister and Derek Keller gave the world premiere of Act II of his work Aeneas in the Underworld in San Diego, and the Atlanta-based group Chamber Cartel premiered his composition The Toy Robot’s Mechanical Heart at a recital at USD in October.

Craig Barkacs, JD and Linda Barkacs, JD, School of Business, both recently received the “Professor of Impact Award” for the Master of Science in Supply Chain Management Program (MSCM). The awards were presented at Cohort 24 graduation ceremony on Oct. 3, 2015. Both Craig and Linda were also recently awarded the “Professor of Impact Award” from the 2015 graduating class of the Master of Science in Executive Leadership (MSEL) program taught in conjunction with The Ken Blanchard Company.

Ian Martin, EdD, and Erika Cameron, PhD, Counseling & Marital and Family Therapy, attended the International Association for Counseling Conference in Verona, Italy in September 2015. While there they conducted a workshop on short-term study abroad experiences in counselor education, presented original research, and participated on a panel discussing school-based counseling policy around the world.

Julia Miller Cantzler, PhD, JD, Sociology, published a paper with recent USD graduate, Megan Huynh (POLS ’15), titled, “Native American Environmental Justice as Decolonization.” This paper appears in a special issue of American Behavioral Scientist focusing on the political and cultural foundations of inequality.
Leeva Chung, PhD, Communication Studies, was invited to present a two-day workshop at the American Association of Colleges and Universities Global Learning Conference in Fort Lauderdale, Florida (Oct 9-10). The workshop was From Theory to Practice: Exploring the Development, Intersections & Negotiation of Identity.

Jackie Close, PhD, Nursing, has been reappointed for another two years to the Board of Directors for the National Gerontological Nurses Association. Dr. Close also served for the past two years on the Research Committee the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists.

Julie Zoellin Cramer, PhD, Deputy Director of Institute for Entrepreneurship in Education (IEE) School of Leadership and Education Sciences, presented the following topic, “A Partnership for Advancing NextGen Learning Space Design”, at the California’s Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH) symposium on May 8, 2015 in San Diego, CA.

Carl Rebman, PhD, Deborah Kelly, DBA, Richard E. Custin, JD, LLM, all from the School of Business Administration, and Queen Booker, PhD, Minnesota State University, Mankato, published their paper, “An Exploratory Study of Student Perceptions of Media Articles in the Mainstream,” in the Journal, Issues in Information Systems, Volume 16, Edition IV, 124-131. This study evaluates how students obtain their news and research information as well as the current state of student’s perception and their evaluation of purported news articles available in the Internet.

Iris Engstrand, PhD, History, has appeared on several television programs for KPBS, KUSI, FoxNews, Univision and Telemundo defending the canonization of Father now Saint Junípero Serra; explaining how Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo is actually Spanish and not Portuguese; and commenting on the near completion of the replica of Cabrillo’s ship the San Salvador that first arrived in San Diego on September 28, 1542. She is also curating the centennial exhibit of the San Diego Zoo to open in 2016 and directing the upgrading of the Serra Museum which is scheduled for ADA access. Additionally, she is the author of two pictorial essays in The Journal of San Diego History: “San Diego Invites the World” featuring the 1915 Panama-California Exposition co-authored with former history student Matthew Schiff, and “The San Salvador Sails into San Diego” talking about Cabrillo’s visit to San Diego in September 1542.

Ann Garland, PhD, Counseling and MFT, was the invited Chair of the International Review Committee for the Research Partnership in Mental Health Services for Children and Youth grant competition, sponsored by the Royal Bank of Canada and Brain Canada.


Kathy James, DNSc, Nursing, presented “Motivational Interviewing for Primary Care” and “Clinical Pearls for Childhood Obesity” at the Conference, Contemporary Forums –Clinical Trends in Pediatric and Adolescent Health on September 25, 2015 in San Diego, CA.

Louis Komjathy, PhD, Theology and Religious Studies, published Contemplative Literature: A Comparative Sourcebook on Meditation and Contemplative Prayer (State University of New York Press, 2015). This is the first theoretically informed and historically accurate comparative anthology of primary texts on meditation and contemplative prayer. Written by international experts on the respective texts and corresponding traditions, Contemplative Literature provides introductions to and primary sources on contemplative practice from various religious traditions. The book will become the textbook for Professor Komjathy’s THRS 394: Contemplative Traditions course.

Nicholas Ladany, PhD, Dean, School of Leadership and Education Sciences, traveled to Atascadero, CA in September 2015 to present on approaches to clinical supervision to 100 mental health professionals affiliated with the Department of State Hospitals.
Heather Lattimer, EdD, Associate Dean, SOLES, had a new article accepted for publication “Translating theory into practice: Making meaning of learner centered education frameworks for classroom-based practitioners” in the International Journal of Educational Development. Additionally, Dr. Lattimer delivered a keynote presentation at the California Linked Learning Hubs of Excellence Fall 2015 Learning Institute in October 2015. She also delivered a webinar presentation for the Microsoft Youth Spark initiative in October 2015. Both of these presentations draw on sabbatical research on transitions from high school to college for first generation students.

Mitch Malachowski, PhD, Chemistry, gave an invited lecture to the National Academies of Science in Washington, DC on Sept. 16, 2015. He was asked to speak on the relationship between faculty scholarship and student learning and outcomes. His talk also connected research to other high impact practices.

Dr. Malachowski 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 April 10-12, 2015 at USD with teams from 14 schools attending. In addition, Dr. Malachowski delivered the keynote address for Midwestern State University’s Creative Activities week April 27-30, 2015. His talk was entitled, “The Wonders and Challenges of Research at an Undergraduate College.” In addition, Dr. Malachowski gave a presentation entitled, “The Preparation and Study of Metal Complexes formed from Dipyrrmethene ligands,” at the 17th International Symposium on Biological Inorganic Chemistry in Beijing, China from July 20-24, 2015.


Ann Mayo, DNSc, Nursing, has been elected to the Association of California Nurse Leaders Board.

Molly McClain, PhD, History, contributed to the centennial celebrations of Balboa Park by researching and writing “A Room of Their Own: The Contribution of Women to the Panama-California Exposition, 1915” for The Journal of San Diego History 61, no. 1 (2015).


Turner C. Nevitt, PhD, Philosophy, gave a paper titled, “Capreolus, Ferrara, and Cajetan on Intermittent Existence,” in a session of the Society for Medieval and Renaissance Thomist at the annual meeting of the American Catholic Philosophical Association in Boston, MA, October 2015.

Lonnie Rowell, PhD, Counseling & Marital and Family Therapy, has been named co-chair for the 2017 Conference of the Action Research Network of the Americas (ARNA). The conference will take place in Cartagena, Colombia in June 2017 and will be combined with a World Congress of Action Research being convened by ARNA in conjunction with four other global networks of action research to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the first World Symposium of Action Research.


Monica Stufl, PhD, Theatre, Undergraduate Program in Theatre Arts and Performance Studies, earned her Level 1 Yoga Teacher Training Certification through the YogaFit Worldwide Training System in September 2015. She recently participated in a research study, “Salient Practices of Award-Winning Undergraduate Mentors” the purpose of which is to “identify characteristics and salient practices of award-winning undergraduate research mentors from across the globe.” The study is being conducted by a multi-institutional group of academic faculty with a common interest in quality undergraduate research mentorship. Members of the research team represent a broad range of academic disciplines and institutions of higher education, including Roanoke College, Elon University, Bridgewater State University, Oxford Brookes University, and Duke University.

Robert Topp, PhD, Nursing, co-authored the following: “Science on a Shoestring: Building Nursing Knowledge with Limited Funding” in the Western Journal of Nursing Research, 37(10), 1256-1268 (2015); “Conducting Research with Community Groups” in the Western Journal of Nursing Research, 37(10), 1323-1339 (2015); and, “Collaborating with Businesses to Support and Sustain Research” in the Western Journal of Nursing Research, 37(10), 1308-1322 (2015).

Dr. Topp was a co-presenter for seven presentations at the 17th Annual ThearBand Research Advisory Committee Meeting, July 29-31, Vancouver, Canada. In addition, he was a co-presenter for Implementation of CMS Recommended MED Point of Sale Edit in a Medicare Part D Population Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) 28th Annual Meeting & Expo in Orlando, FL Oct. 26-29, 2015. Dr. Topp was an Invited Chair, Special Emphasis Panel, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD “Member Conflict: Neurological, Aging and Musculoskeletal Epidemiology” 2016/01 ZRG1 PSE-P (05) Nov. 5, 2015