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**2015 - 2016**

**TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016**

**3:30P.M. - 5:00P.M.**

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**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES**



**P R O G R A M**

**Welcome**

**Lynn Mahoney, Ph.D.**  
Provost  
Academic Affairs

**Introduction of Student Honorees**

**Karin Elliott Brown**  
Dean  
Office of Graduate Studies

**Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral  
Scholars 2015-2016**

**Graduate Equity Fellowship**

**International and Non-Resident  
Graduate Student Fee Waiver  
Recipients**

**Authors on Publications**

**Phil LaPolt**  
Associate Vice President  
Research and Academic Personnel

**Presentation at  
Professional Conferences**

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or Exhibits**

**CSULA Graduate Delegates for the  
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**Jason Shiotsugu**  
Director  
Office of Research and Development

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## FACULTY MENTORS

### Introduction of Faculty Mentors

College of Arts and Letters  
Presenter: Peter McAllister, Dean

College of Business and Economics  
Presenter: James Goodrich, Dean

Charter College of Education  
Presenter: Cheryl Ney, Dean

College Engineering,  
Computer Science and Technology  
Presenter: Emily Allen, Dean

College of Health and Human Services  
Presenter: Ron Vogel, Dean

College of Natural and Social Sciences  
Presenter: Nancy McQueen,  
Associate Dean

### Honorees

**Dr. Robert DeChaine**  
Departments of Liberal Studies and  
Communication Studies

**Dr. Rafik Elias**  
Department of Accounting

**Dr. Christina Kimm**  
Department of Special Education  
& Counseling

**Dr. Chengyu Sun**  
Department of Computer Science

**Dr. Anh-Luu Huynh-Hohnbaum**  
Department of Social Work

**Dr. Edith Porter**  
Department of Biological Science

**SALLY CASANOVA  
PRE-DOCTORAL SCHOLARS**

**Sandy Alvarez**

Biology  
Faculty Mentor: Edith Porter

**Javier Garcia**

Biology  
Faculty Mentor: Howard Xu

**Amalia Castaneda**

History  
Faculty Mentor: Christopher Endy

**Rosemary Garcia**

Biology/ Environmental Science  
Faculty Mentor: Hong-Lie Qiu

**Christopher De Marco**

Biology  
Faculty Mentor: Andres Aguilar

**Samantha Lorenz**

Anthropology/Archaeology  
Faculty Mentor: James Brady

**GRADUATE EQUITY  
FELLOWSHIP**

**Jocelyn Acosta**

Anthropology

**Carly Creley**

Science

**Samantha Lorenz**

Anthropology

**Monica Banaag**

Communication Disorders

**Christopher DeMarco**

Biology

**Oscar Mejia**

Communication Studies

**Vanessa Black**

Forensic Psychology

**Rosemary Garcia**

Environmental Science

**Jessica Morales**

Anthropology

**Marilyn Bueno**

Anthropology

**Rena Goldstein**

Education/Philosophy

**Alejandra Rios**

Physics

**Claudia Camacho-Trejo**

Archaeology/Anthropology

**Ethel Krieger**

Counseling ABA

**Jessica Rodriguez**

Anthropology

**Cinthia Campos**

Archaeology

**Sarene Kushdillian**

Communication Disorders

**Elvin Salvatierra**

History

**Amalia Castaneda**

History

**Bryan Lopez**

Public Administration

**Erin Uhlfelder**

Physics

**Lauren Copeland**

Anthropology

**INTERNATIONAL AND  
NON-RESIDENT GRADUATE  
STUDENT FEE WAIVER**

**Somayeh Abbasi**  
Electrical Engineering

**Khanh Nguyen**  
Psychology

**Lingjun Xia**  
Accountancy

**James D. Awbrey**  
Biological Sciences

**Nidhin M. Patel**  
Television, Film, Theater

**Shrishti Yadav**  
Physics

**Saloni Chacha**  
Computer Science

**Sarah Payne**  
Communication Disorders

**Helen Yip**  
Biological Sciences

**Jose Hani**  
Computer Science

**Aikateriui Ralli**  
Philosophy

**Ye Zhang**  
Accountancy

**Aayushi Hingle**  
Communication Studies

**Akshay Shetty**  
Computer Science

**Erica Huff**  
Anthropology

**Sudha Shrestha**  
Geosciences & Environment

**Shuying Liu**  
Special Education

**Bumsuk Son**  
Education

**Katelyn Lybarger**  
Anthropology

**Anglea Tjia Sin Wu**  
Mechanical Engineering

**PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT AWARD**

**Larisa Chudnovskaya**  
Communication Disorder

**Sidra Gifford**  
Social Work

**Jennifer McCracken**  
Anthropology

**Alejandra Rios**  
Physics

**Anthony Fuad**  
Counseling

**Amanda Kong**  
English

**Lillian Parker-Ott**  
Communication  
Disorders

**Sasha Santhoff**  
Sociology

**Enrique Galaz**  
Sociology

**Sarene Kushdilian**  
Communication Disorders

**Sarah Payne**  
Communication  
Disorders

**Aditi Sapra**  
Sociology

**Jaime Garcia**  
Communications

**David Lazaro**  
Mechanical Engineer

**Armine Poghosyan**  
Communication  
Disorders

**Mary Steward**  
Communication  
Disorders

**Angela Gee**  
Sociology

**Aaron Ledesma**  
Sociology

## AUTHORS ON PUBLICATIONS

**Ayala, Salvador.** “Repetitions, Variations, Symmetries: Unconventional Narratives in ‘Deutsches Requiem’ and ‘The House of Asterion.’” *The Quint: an Interdisciplinary Quarterly of the North* 8.2 (2016):41-61. Print

**Esparza, Louis Edgar & Sapra, Aditi.** “ The Sustainable Development Goals, ” in Louis Edgar Esparza, Keri Iyall Smith, and Judith Blau (eds). *Human Rights Of, By, and For the People: How to Critique and Creative Arts Conference the US Constitution*. Routledge: London, UK.

**Fritz, Alice J. Marianne.** (2015). “An Analysis of the Differential Meaning Embedded in Two Mains Areas of Los Angeles Union Station”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 44-66.

**Fritz, Alice J. Marianne.** (2015). “The West Wing and House of Cards: A Comparison of Narrative Strategies of Two Politically-Themes Dramas”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 126-52.

**Kimm, C. H., Pamanee, K., Lee, B., & Kim, J.** (2016). “Multicultural considerations in teaching self-determination skills to students with intellectual disabilities”. A presentation at the Cal-TASH in Sacramento, CA. February 26-27, 2016.

**Kimm, C. H., Pamanee, K., Lee, B., Yoon, Y.P., & Lee, J.** (2015). “Self-determination: Review on definition and measurement”. *Asian-Pacific Journal of Intellectual Disabilities*, 2(2), 44-54.

**Langner, Greg** (2015). “The Discursive Implications of Sexuality in the Final Scene of *The Legend of Kora*”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 22-43.

**Langner, Greg** (2015). “Chaos”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 105-25  
**Matos, Julie** (2015). “Women’s Right in Public Address: A Feminist Rhetorical Critique”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11 Fall 2015, 1-22.

**Matos, Julie** (2015) “ Women’s Rights in Public Address: A Feminist Rhetorical Critique”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 85-104.

**Mejia, Oscar Alfonso** (2015). “Electronic Dance Music Festivals : A Promised of Sex and Transnational Experience”. *Colloquy*, Volume 11, Fall 2015, 85-104.

**Richa Kankarej, Piyush Giri, Pooja Sarang, and Jongwook Woo** . “ Data Analysis using Hive and Map-Reduce on Persons Obtaining Lawful Permanent Resident Status in USA.

**Nillohit Bhattacharya , and Jongwook Woo.** “Data Analysis using Hive and Map-Reduce on Persons Obtaining Lawful Permanent Resident Status in USA”. *Journal of Systems and Software*, August 2015, Vol. 5 No. 2, pp22-26, ISSN 2225-7217.

## PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

### **Abbasi, Somayeh**

*Comprehensive Economic Optimization Plan for Microgrids Considering Grid Interconnection and Line Congestion*

Presented at the IEEE Green Energy and Systems Conference  
November 2015

### **Acosta, Jocelyn**

*An Analysis of Ceramic Function from the Sacred Landscape Archaeological Project, La Milpa Belize.*

Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology  
Orlando, FL  
April 5-10 , 2016

### **Aguirre, Selene**

*Media's Discouragement of Professional Hispanic and African American Women.*

Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Student Research and Creative Arts Conference. Cal State Los Angeles  
April 2016

### **Anwardeen, Athika**

*Replicating Postmortem Characteristics in Antemortem Anagen Human Head Hair.*

Presented at the 127th California Associations of Criminalists.  
Hollywood, CA. May 4-6, 2016

### **Arwen, Jordan-Zimmerman**

*Media Influence on the Formation of the Three Strikes Law .*

Presented at Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting.  
Oakland, CA. April, 2016

### **Atefi, Zahra**

*Promoting Reading and Writing Connections through Horizontally Planned Course Curricula.*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016  
*Strategies to Reduce Students' foreign language anxiety.*

Annual International Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Convention.

*Utilizing Multimedia Resources to Integrate Reading and Writing Skill in Hybrid Online Courses..*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

### **Ayala, Salvador**

*Two Moon-Gleamed Shapes Struggling: (A)sexual Intercourse in "Light in August"*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA

### **Barbosa, Josue**

*The Impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on Healthcare Quality Measures*

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference  
CSULA  
April 22-23, 2015

### **Bayan Alghuraybi, Krishna Marvaniya, and Aditya Verma**

*Analyzed NYC Taxi Data using Hive and Machine Learning.*

Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium. Cal State Los Angeles  
February 2016

### **Bell, Alejandra**

*The Education of Catherine Morland and Marianne Dashwood a lá Jane Austen*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA



**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

**Bender, Morgan**

*Zooarchaeological Analysis of Utilitarian and Ceremonial Deposits at the Tule Creek Site (CA-SNI-25)*

50th Annual Meeting of the Society for California Archaeology  
Ontario, CA, March 10-13, 2016

**Berrie, Alex**

*Gender Performativity, Theorizing the TESOL Classroom.*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

***Their Mouth ‘Windfull of Speech’? Problematicizing Gender in the TESOL classroom.***

Women in TESOL conference in Clark, Pampanga, Philippines.

**Bhangay, Pooja**

*Embracing New Opportunities In Dealing with Othering: A Gandhian Approach.*

*Connected Disconnections: The Impact of Using Facebook on Interpersonal Relationships Back Channeling: Immersive Collaboration though Tweet– Convergence .*

Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Research and Creative Arts Conference. Cal State Los Angeles April, 2016

**Brinkman, Brittany**

*The Challenge with Change*

Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity.

Cal State Los Angeles, February, 2016

**Briseño, Luis**

*Students’ and Native English Teachers’ Perceptions about Non-Native English Teachers.*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of

Other Languages. April 2016

**Bueno, Marilyn**

*An Analysis of Ceramic Function from the Sacred Landscape Archaeological Project, La Milpa Belize.*

Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology Orlando, FL April 5-10, 2016

**Camacho-Trejo, Claudia**

*Cinicalco: Origin and Kingship in Mexica Cosmology.*

Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology Orlando, FL April 5-10 , 2016

**Campos, Cinthia**

*Ritualized Shatter: An Introduction to Obsidian to La Milpa, Belize.*

Presented at the 81st Society for American Archaeology. Orlando, Fl. April 5-10 , 2016

**Chan, Carminia**

*Masculine Fetishism and the Crisis of Western Male Identity*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

**Chavez, Andrew**

*Converging minority Identities: The Intersection of Identities and Their Pathways to Educational Outcome.*

Presented at the Annual Convention, Western Psychological Association. Las Vegas, NV

**Clark, Kaitlyn**

*Generation Hashtag: Activism and Viral Online Rhetoric in 140 Charcaters or Less.*

Conference on College Composition and Communication, 2016. Houston, Texas  
*Women as Other in Christopher Isherwood’s “A Meeting by the River”*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

## PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

### **Clarke, Don**

*Development of a Stem cell/gene therapy approach to treat Sanfilipo type B.*

Presented at the American Society of Human Genetics. Baltimore, MD October 5-10,2015

### **Copeland, Lauren**

*An analysis of Ceramic Function from the Sacred Landscape Archeological Project , La Milpa Belize.*

Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology Orlando, FL April 5-10 , 2016

### **Cornejo, Victor**

*Running Out of Time: Embracing Technology to Better Time Management*

Presented at the National Communication Association annual convention.

Las Vegas, NV

November 2015

*Why Do I Need to Know This ? Creating Culture of Mutual Investment of Mutual Investment .*

Presented at the Western States Communication Association Annual Conference.

San Diego, CA. February 2016

### **Coronel, Eduardo**

*The Social Effects of Deportation on Latino Families and Communities*

Presented at the Rocky Mountain Council of Latin American Studies Santa Fe, New Mexico March 30-April 2, 2016

Presented 24th Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity at CSULA.

*Present Absence: Collaborative Research on Deportation*

Presented at the Social Theory Mini-Conference Cal State Los Angeles

### **Creley, Carly**

*Changes in the Distribution of the Eastern Gray Squirrel*

Presented at the Southern California Academy of Sciences

Los Angeles, CA

May 5-7, 2016

### **Curran, Joseph**

*The Effect of War Clubs: The Experimental Archeological Analysis of Blunt Force Trauma in Southern California.*

50th Annual Meeting of the Society for California Archaeology.

Ontario, CA. March 10-13, 2016.

### **Dalton, Michelle**

*Creating an Inclusive Classroom Through Culturally Responsive Co-Teaching and Evidence Based Behavioral Interventions.*

Presented at the One Conference

Cal State LA, January 2016

### **Dejean, Alex**

*The Mystique of Gender and Sex Fluidity*

Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Research and Creative Arts Conference. Cal State Los Angeles April 2016

### **Del Cid, April**

*Sorted and Folded (In): Nisei Domestic Workers During the War*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Dotson, Brianna L.**

*The Historical Traumas that Reside within African American Women in Higher Academia*

Presented at the Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. April, 2016.

*Comfort Levels in the College Classroom: Examining the Educational Experiences of African American Women*

## PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

Presented at the Center for the Study of Gender and Sexualities: Student Research and Creative Arts Conference. April, 2016.

### **Drake, Emily**

*An investigation of bloodstain on dark surfaces and under paint with the Foster and Freeman Infrared Crime-lite 82S and camera.*

Presented at the 127th California Association of Criminalists. Hollywood, CA May 4-6, 2016

### **Eade, Margaret A.**

*Innovative Solution to Health Care Delivery among the incarcerated; How to improve care, decrease costs and decrease deaths.*

Presented at the Journal of International & Interdisciplinary Business Research Symposium. Cal State Los Angeles

### **Fischer, Galyn**

*Detection of Bullet and High Velocity Damage to Textile Fibers with Lead-Free Ammunition using Polarized Light Microscopy.*

Presented at the 127th California Association of Criminalists. Hollywood, CA. May 4-6, 2016

### **Fritz, Alice J. Marianne**

*Where Do you Come From ? Where Are You Going to? It Depends on Who You Are: An Ideological Analysis of Los Angeles Union Station*

Presented at National Communication Association Annual Convention. Las Vegas, NV. November 2015

### **Kouznetsova, Olga**

*Language Learners' Perceptions of Teachers' Accentedness.*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

### **Garcia, Pablo & Hehir, Annmarie**

*Design a Hybrid CBI Instructional Unit.*  
Presented at the Los Angeles Regional

California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

*Creating a thematic website.*

Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

### **Garcia, Rosemary**

*Distribution of Trees Squirrels in California, A Species Distribution Modeling Approach to Analyzing Data.*

Presented at the Society for Conservation GIS (Geographical Information Systems) Pacific Grove, CA. July 25-28, 2015

### **Goldstein, Rena**

*Exercise as Progress: You Can't Win for Losing.*

Presented at the SoCal Philosophy Conference San Diego, Ca. October 16-17, 2015

*The Problem of Historical Contingency*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Gomez, Adrian**

*Investigating the Role of Pyrene on the Oxidative Capacity of the Atmosphere.*

Presented at the SACNAS Conference Washington, D.C. October 28-31, 2015

### **Gomez, Hector**

*Parametric Analysis of Membraneless Fuel Cells*

Presented at the 2nd International Conference on Advances in Mechanical Engineering Istanbul, Turkey  
May 7-16, 2016

### **Gomez, Matthew**

*Training for Nurse Managers at Huntington Hospital: Meeting Leadership Needs.*

Presented at the Journal of International & Interdisciplinary Business Research Symposium. Cal State Los Angeles 2016

*Become a Healthcare Manager/Leader, Enjoy Life and Improve the World.*

**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference  
April 22-23, 2015

**Guerrero, Ivan**

*Job Satisfaction and Patient Overall Satisfaction in an Acute Care Hospital Environment*  
Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference  
CSULA  
April 22-23, 2015

**Herrera, Ana**

*Native English Speaking High School Students' Attitudes Toward Non-native Peers' Accent.*  
Presented at the Los Angeles Regional California Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. April 2016

**Harrison, Michael**

*Isotopic Investigation of Geologic and Anthropogenic Control on Nutrient Loading in Malibu Creek Watershed, California.*  
Presented at the American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, CA.  
Dec 15-18, 2015

**Helena, Loreinne**

*Color Divisions: The Racial Issues that Define the Haiti and Dominican Republic Border*  
Presented 24th Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity at CSULA.

**Henderson, Brianne**

*Screening of Saliva Using Phadebas Testing*  
Presented at the 127th California Association of Criminalists. Hollywood, CA. May 4-6, 2016

**Hernandez, Dylan Wesley**

*Sexy vs. Breastfeeding: A Counterpublic Analysis*  
Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders

and Sexualities Research and Creative Arts Conference. Cal State Los Angeles. April 2016

**Hingle, Aayushi**

*An exploration of Gender and Sexuality in India through Shekhar Papur's Devi .*  
*The Importance of Support Systems on Campus to Aid International Students in Maintaining Mental Health.*  
Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Research and Creative Arts Conference.  
Cal State Los Angeles April 2016

**Hsu, Yohsiang**

*Recent land use change and the urban heat island of metro Los Angeles*  
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers  
San Francisco, CA, March 28-April 2, 2016  
*Los Angeles Urban Heat Islands: Changing City and Climate*  
Presented at the 11th Annual NOAA/NESDIS CoRP Student Science Symposium  
University of Maryland, Sept 16-17, 2015  
*Urban heat island study of metro Los Angeles: NOAA-CREST research*  
Presented at the Satellites Educator Conference  
CSULA, July 25, 2015

**Huang, Christopher**

*Great Power Come Great Irresponsibility: The Quandary of Regulatory Institution.*  
Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference  
CSULA, April 22-23, 2015  
Mentor: Barrington Hunt

**Hwang, Dahae**

*The Involvement of PI-3K Pathway in Neuroprotective Effects of Ashwagandha in Hippocampal Neurons.*  
Presented at the SACNAS Conference  
Washington, D.C. October 28-31, 2015

**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

**Ignacio, Melissa**

*The Fleet is In: Collective Memory & the Unofficial Monument.*

Presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences Honolulu, Hawaii Oct 17-23, 2015

**Johnson, Cathy**

*An investigation of Fingerprint Ridge Drift.*

Presented at the 127th California Association of Criminalists. Hollywood, Ca. May 4-6, 2016

**Kong, Amanda**

*The Paradoxical Poem: Whitman's 'A Song for Occupations' and the Power of Objects'*

Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon

*The White Man's Destiny: The Exploration of America's Natural Resources and Chinese Bodies*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

**Larios, Rosalinda**

Creating an Inclusive Classroom Through Culturally Responsive Co-Teaching and Evidence Based Behavioral Interventions.

Presented at the One Conference Cal State LA, January 2016

**Le, Annie**

*Fostering Social Responsibility of Employers through "Obamacare:" An Analysis of Employee Wellness Incentives*

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference Cal State LA April 22-23, 2015

Faculty Mentor: Robert A. Carpino

**Lee, Jinny**

*Do CMIP5 Models Reproduce Observed Historical Trends and Precipitation over the Continental United States?*

Presented at the American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, CA. Dec 15-18, 2015

*Season Evaluation of TRMM and GPM products over the continental United States.*

Presented 24th Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity at CSULA.

**Lee, Jonathan**

*Broken Bildungsroman: Deconstructive Narratives in "Fate/Zero" and "Fate/Stay Night"*

Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon

*Play and Playwriting: Video Games as Digital Rhetoric in Multimodal Composition*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

**Lopez, Gloriana**

*Cultural orientation and femininity stress among sexual minority women.*

Presented at the Annual Convention, Western Psychological Association. Long Beach, CA

**Lorenz Samantha**

*Geographic Origins of Child Sacrifice: Radiogenic Strontium Isotope Analyses from Midnight Terror Cave, Belize.*

Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology Orlando, Fl. April 5-10, 2016

**Luo, Yanting**

*Femininity stress among Latino and Asian young adults: The role of racial identity and mental health.*

Presented at Annual Convention of the Western Psychological Association. Long Beach, CA

**Mejia, William**

*Training for Nurse Managers at Huntington Hospital: Meeting Leadership Needs.*

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research and Faculty Development Conference CSULA, April 22-23, 2015

Mentor: Barrington Hunt

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### **McLeod, Jasmine**

*Embracing Kinky Opportunities: Untangling the Roots of Black Hair Politics.*

Presented at the National Communication Association Annual Convention. Las Vegas, NV. November, 2015

### **McPherson Coluccio, Jennifer**

*The Creation Class: Trending Towards Madness*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual *Significations* conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Mills, Christina**

*Coins and Codependence: Symbol and Metaphor in Neil Gaiman's "American Gods"*

Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon

### **Mirasol, Lauren & Rodriguez, Jessica**

*The Highs and Lows: A Comparative Analysis of Chumash Faunal Assemblages in the Western Santa Monica Mountains, California.*

Paper presented at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology. Ontario, CA, March 2016.

### **Montiel, Dulce**

*Just Get Through It: An Experimental Design involving Stress, Motivation and Dishonest Behavior*

Annual California State University, Los Angeles Symposium, Los Angeles, California, February 2016.

### **Moody, Crystal**

*Medically Assisted Suicide*

Presented at the Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting Oakland, Ca. April, 2016

*Globalization: How Positionality Contributes to Domination*

Presented at the Social Theory Mini-Conference. Cal State Los Angeles. February, 2016.

### **Moradi, Carolyn**

*How "Obamacare" helps Registered Dietitians care for the community: A preliminary assessment of research context*

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference

CSULA, April 22-23, 2015

Faculty Mentor: Robert A. Carpino

### **Morales, Jessica**

*Zooarchaeological Analysis of Utilitarian and Ceremonial Deposits at the Tule Creek Site (CA-SNI-25)*

50th Annual Meeting of the Society for California Archaeology  
Ontario, CA, March 10-13, 2016

### **Moscozo, Raquel**

*Language in Postmodern Horror: Shifting Away from Stereotype to Heroine.*

Presented at the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Research and Creative Arts Conference.

Cal State Los Angeles April 2016

### **Mota, Claudia**

*"My mom gave me eleven money": Dual Language Learners' Learning of Mass and Count Nouns*

2015 MORE Programs Research Retreat, Lake Arrowhead California, September 2015.

*Tap Here, Swipe There: The Relation Between Touch Screen Technology and Toddler-device Interaction*

MORE Program 2016 Winter Poster Presentation, Los Angeles, CA

*Just Get Through It: An Experimental Design Involving Stress, Motivation, and Dishonest Behavior*

Annual California State University, Los Angeles Symposium on Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity, Los Angeles, CA, 2016.

## PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

**Montealvo, Anh Dung T.**

*How Empathic Urban Teachers Create Significant Gains in Mathematics Education*  
Presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii  
Oct 17-23, 2015

**Nash, Deanna**

*Examining Atmospheric Rivers and Aerosols over California*  
Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity at CSULA.

**Nicholas, Richard**

*The Role of Lithic Artifact in the Interpretation of RB-25-A5*  
Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting for Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, Fl.  
April 5-10 , 2016

**Nillohit Bhattacharya and Jongwook Woo**

*Big Data Analysis of Airline Data Set on Cloud Computing.*  
Presented at the Journal of International and Interdisciplinary Business Research Symposium.  
Los Angeles, Ca .October 2015.

**Nouri Houshyar, Afsaneh**

*Intelligent Model for Cell Formation & Intera-cell Layout Design in Cellular Manufacturing System by Considering Maintenance Planning*  
Presented at the International Conference on Operations Research & Financial Engineering  
Sydney, Australia December 10-11, 2015

**Ochoa, Shane**

*Human See, Human Do: Idioglossia and the Unraveling of Human Exceptionalism*  
Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon

**Olmos, Elizabeth**

*Rabid Oppressions: Discursive Practices Shaping space in Helena Viramontes's "Their Dogs Came with Them."*  
Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon  
*Transgressive Borders: Border Rhetorics, the Immigrant, and the Female Body in Helena Viramontes' "Their Dogs Came with Them"*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA

**Orozco, Joseph**

*Ritualized Shatter: An Introduction to Obsidian to La Milpa, Belize.*  
Presented at the 81st Society for American Archaeology. Orlando, Fl.  
April 5-10 , 2016

**Ornelas-Moya, Patricia**

*The impact of the Secure Communities Program on Undocumented Migrants.*  
Presented at the Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies Annual Conference.  
Santa Fe, New Mexico. April 2016

**Kohatsu, E.L., Ortiz, Nicole, Diaz, M., Yagual, A., Quijada, B., Bernal, I., & Quiles, A.**

*Analyzing racism and coping styles among Latinos using racial identity.*  
Poster presented at the 96th annual convention of the Western Psychological Association, Long Beach, CA.

**Phan, Tricia**

*How Protected are the Involuntary Organ Donors Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act? An International Tale of Crime and Business Ethics*  
Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference. CSULA  
April 22-23, 2015  
Faculty Mentor: Robert A. Carpino

**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

**Politanoff, Alix**

*Methodology of a 'Listening Session'*  
Presented at the Hawaii International Conference  
on Social Sciences Honolulu, Hawaii  
Oct 17-23, 2015

**Priyanka Kale, Priyal Mistry, and  
Hitesh Jagtap**

*Geological Data Analysis for Safe Residence  
using HiveQL.*  
Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium,  
Cal State Los Angeles, February 2016.

**Priyanka Kale, Apekshit Bhingardive,  
and Aditya Verma**

*Revenue & employment Analysis of International  
Students in USA.*  
Cal State Los Angeles, February 2016.

**Rahman, Anya**

*"Introductions," an online unit For marketing  
professionals.*  
Presented at the Los Angeles Regional  
California Teachers of English to Speakers of  
Other Languages. April 2016

**Ramos, Ricardo**

*The Color of Citizenship: Anti-Citizenship  
Rhetoric in Reconstruction America*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA

**Robinson, Grant**

*Density of Sequences with Forbidden  
Sets  $D = \{x,y,y-x,y+x\}$ ,*  
Presented at the Mathematical Association of  
America (MAA) Southern California-Nevada and  
Golden Sections Fall Joint Meeting.  
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo  
November 14, 2015

**Roman-Rodriguez, Alfredo**

*Wakefield Assumes Spatial Responsibility*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA

**Rueda, Karen**

*Inward Journeys*  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference,  
Los Angeles, CA

**Rusk, Jessica**

*Sexual Self-Esteem: Links with Religiosity and  
Sexual Satisfaction*  
Western Psychological Association  
*Religiosity: Links with Sexual Repulsion and  
Excitability Through Fear*  
Western Psychological Association  
*Supernatural Beliefs: Links with Religiosity and  
Social Dominance Orientation*  
Association for Psychological Science

**Ruvalcaba, Jesse**

*Design and Instrumentation of an Experimental  
Test-Bed for Research in Energy Efficiency in  
Buildings.*  
Presented at the 2015 IMECE  
Houston, Texas. November 15-18, 2015

**Salcedo, Cassandra**

*Latinas and the Standards of Beauty in Media and  
Popular Culture: A Need For Decolonization.*  
MALCS Summer Institute  
Albuquerque, NM

**Saldana, Melanie**

*The Evolving Landscape: An Example from  
La Milpa, Belize.* Presented at the 81st Annual  
Meeting for Society for American Archaeology  
Orlando, Fl.  
April 5-10 , 2016

**Sapra, Aditi**

*US-UN Tensions on Sustainable Development and  
Human Rights.* Presented at Social Theory  
Mini-Conference at Cal State La. February, 2016

**Santhoff, Sasha**

*Self-presentation and Motivational Indicators  
among Bug Chasers: Typological: Profiles of  
Subcultural Gift Seekers.*



## PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

Presented at the Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Oakland, CA. February, 2016  
*Charge me up: Motivations for Being “Pozzed” in the Bug Chasing Subculture.*

Presented at the Men’s Studies Conference at Nebraska. April, 2016.

*Reconceptualizing HIV: Motivational Factors for Bug Chasing.* Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Association.

Las Vegas, NV. March, 2016

*The NO–WRITING.* Presented at Writing Tutor Conference. Santa Barbara, Ca. February, 2016.

### **Serrano, Uriel**

*Hispanic Serving Institutions and Campus Racial Climate: The Experiences of First Generation Black and Latino Men.*

Presented at the Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Oakland, CA. April, 2016

*Present Absence: Collaborative Research on Deportation.*

Presented at Social Theory Mini-Conference. Cal State Los Angeles. February, 2016.

*First Generation Black and Latino Males: Race, Racism and Diversity at a Minority Serving Institution.*

Presented at the Social Justice Summit: Knowledge and Justice in action. Fullerton College, November 2015.

*Using Data to Inspire Action, Advocate for Students, and Create Safe Environments.*

Presented at the CSUnity Conference. Cal State Chico, August 2015.

### **Simorangkir, Hasiholan**

*Training in Readmission Reduction (Empirical Study : Nursing Training for Readmission Rate Reduction)*

Presented at the Asian Society for International Relations and Public Affairs (ASIRPA) Conference . Columbus, Ohio Oct 23-25, 2015

### **Sloan, Lacey Marie**

*Gathering the Facts: The Exclusion of Women’s*

*Contributions to Evolution in Darwin’s The Descent of Man.*

Presented at Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Oakland, Ca April 2016.

### **Sontinani, Ravi Teja, Donda Ram Dharan, Puli Sridhar Reddy, Devabathini Sri Chakra Sanjay**

*Crime rate data analysis in Los Angeles.*

Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium California State Los Angeles, February 2016

### **Spining, Taylor**

*Lying to Survive: Deception and the Performative in Christopher Isherwood’s “A Meeting by the River”*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Stafford, Timothy**

*The Search of Relational Space: Mount Rushmore as a Multidimensional Cultural Collision*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Tasaka-Mejia, Matt**

*The Dying Man Confessions*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

### **Toledo, Marcela**

*Apocalyptic Words*

11th Annual San Miguel Writer’s Conference & Literacy Festival  
February 2016

### **Torres, Tania**

*Recent land use change and the urban heat island of metro Los Angeles*

Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers  
San Francisco, CA, March 28-April 2, 2016

**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

*Los Angeles Urban Heat Islands: Changing City and Climate*

Presented at the 11th Annual NOAA/NESDIS CoRP Student Science Symposium

University of Maryland, Sept 16-17, 2015

*Urban heat island study of metro Los Angeles: NOAA-CREST research*

Presented at the Satellites Educator Conference CSULA, July 25, 2015

**Vanetsyan, Mariana**

*“Introductions”: an online unit for marketing professionals”*

Presented at the TESOL International Convention and English Language Expo, 2016.

Baltimore, Maryland

April 4-12, 2016

**Vargas, Erik**

*Jim Burden: The American Frontier in Willa Cather’s “My Antonia”*

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Significations conference, Los Angeles, CA

**Vargas, Rebecca**

*Exploring the Influence of antifreeze proteins from cold-adapted beetles on thermal inhibition of enzymes.*

Presented at the Emerging Researchers National Conference is STEM. Washington, D.C.

February 25-28, 2016

**Vuguin, Jessica**

*Bullet Impact Damage to Tinted Vehicle Side Windows.*

Presented at the 127th California Association of Criminalists. Hollywood, CA

May 4-6, 2016

**Weeks, Cody**

*The Effects of Viewing Alcohol-Related Instagram Content on Emerging Adults’ Social Norms and the Desire to Consume Alcohol*

Symposium conducted at the meeting of the

Western Psychological Association, Annual Convention, Long Beach California.

*Effects of Viewing Alcohol Related Instagram Content on Emerging Adults’ Social Norms, and Perceived Alcohol Consumption*

Symposium conducted at the Annual California State University, Los Angeles Research Symposium, Los Angeles, CA. 2016.

**Whitman, Taryn**

*Characterization of a wdr68-pitx2-dlx2 signaling network important for craniofacial development.*

Presented at the ASCB– San Diego

San Diego, CA. December 12-16, 2016

**Wong, Alexis**

*The Fall and Rise of the Myth of La Llorona.*

Pacific Ancient and Modern Language

Association, 2015, Portland, Oregon

**Woo, Jongwook**

*Big Data Analysis of Airline Data Set on Cloud Computing*

Presented at Cal State Los Angeles

Mentor: Barrington Hunt

**Wu, Angela**

*Thermal convention and stress analysis of the Cooling system for a terahertz radiation detector.*

Presented at the ASME InterPACK/CNMM 2015 San Francisco, CA. July 6-9, 2015

**Wu, Key Y.**

Patient Safety Climate with Work Ethic, Cultural Value, and Job Satisfaction: Investigation into Hospitals in China and Egypt

Presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference, CSULA

April 22-23, 2015

Faculty Mentor Steve J.J. McGuire

**PRESENTATION AT  
PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

**Xu, Peixin**

*Object-based Evaluation of Satellite Precipitation Retrievals: A Case Study of the Summer Season over CONUS.*

Presented at the American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting 2015

*Hydrologic Evaluation of TRMM and PERSIANN us*

*ing Sacramento Soil Moisture Accounting Model.*  
Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium on

Research, Scholarship and Creative Writing. February 2016

**Zhang, Jingyi Emma**

*Femininity stress among Latino and Asian young adults: The role of racial identity and mental health.*

Presented at the Annual Convention of the Western Psychological Association. Long Beach, CA

**Zang, Yang**

*usitD2 Hotel Constance Pasadena  
Homeboy Industries*

Presented at the Western Casewriters Associations Annual Conference.

Portland, Oregon . March 9– 12, 2016

*Sriracha: Huy Fong Sriracha Gets Hot*

Presented at the 24th Annual Student Symposium on

Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity.  
Cal State Los Angeles February 2016

*Students Teamwork Effectiveness*

Presented at the 20th Assessment Conference.  
Fullerton, Ca April 2016

**CULMINATING PROJECT FUND TO SUPPORT  
COMPLETION OF THESIS, CREATIVE  
ACTIVITY, OR DISSERTATION RECIPIENTS**

**Jaymes Awbrey**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Patrick Krug

**Meher Beigi Masihi**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Sandra Sharp

**Carly Creley**

Environmental Science

Faculty Mentor: Alan Muchlinski

**Jessika DeJesus**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Patrick Krug

**Dahae Hwang**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Amelia Russo-Neustadt

**Chaemi Lee**

Geoscience

Faculty Mentor: Andre Ellis

**Jiyeong Nam**

Music

Faculty Mentor: Ross Levinson

**Immaculeta Osuji**

Chemistry

Faculty Mentor: Cecilia Zurita-Lopez

**Tigran Panasyan**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Kirston Fisher

**Alejandra Rios**

Physics

Faculty Mentor: Cecilia Zurita-Lopez

**Galina Sharko**

Biology

Faculty Mentor: Ameila Russo-Neustadt

**Sudha Shrestha**

Engineering

Faculty Mentor: Gustavo Borel Menezes

**PRESENTATIONS,  
PERFORMANCES, OR EXHIBITS**

**Caldera, Jose-Antonio**

American College of Healthcare Executives  
Bowl Case Study Competition 2016.  
Los Angeles, Ca. April, 2016.

**Decker, Robert Glen**

Director, "McCready"  
Hollywood Fringe Festival  
Opening June 4, 2016

**Dotson, Briana**

*Cultural Appropriation*  
Guest joint lecture, SOC 444, Popular  
Culture.

**Ellsworth, Robert**

"Life Line"  
The Luckman Intimate Theatre  
May 13, 2016

**Gabrielle, Gwendolyn**

"Circle of Death"  
The Luckman Intimate Theatre  
May 13, 2016

**Guerrero, Moses**

"The Spearhead Effect"  
Screened at Creative Artist's Agency,  
April 9, 2016  
"Foursome"  
Sold to YOUTUBE RED, April 1, 2016  
"Noodles"  
Nantucket Film Festival selection, June 1, 2016

**Herrera, Yvette**

Ashes at Circle Squared Collective, Spring  
2016

**Miller, Janet**

Producer, Director, Choreographer "Marry Me  
a Little"  
Hollywood Fringe Festival, 2015  
Director, Choreographer "Kiss Me Kate"  
Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts, Aug 2015  
Director, "MEGA!" , July 2015  
Director, Choreographer "Charlotte's Web"  
Nine O'Clock Players, Oct 2015  
Director, Choreographer "The Count of  
Monte-Cristo"  
Ricardo Montalban Theatre, Nov 2015  
Director, Choreographer "Hello Again!"  
Producer, Director, Choreographer "The Toxic  
Avenger", Hollywood Fringe Festival 2016

**Nabor, Kent; Brown, Murri Royal; Choi, Ye  
Ju; Gabrielle, Gwendolyn; He, Hemy**

"Under the Moon"  
The Luckman Intimate Theatre  
May 13, 2016

**Raina, Taranjit Kaur**

American College of Healthcare Executives  
Bowl Case Study Competition 2016.  
Los Angeles, CA. April, 2016.

**Schwartz, Benjamin**

Writer, "Angel's Fight"  
Hollywood Fringe Festival  
June 4-25, 2016  
Producer, "One Step Over"  
Hollywood Fringe Festival  
June 4-25, 2016

**PRESENTATIONS,  
PERFORMANCES, OR EXHIBITS**

**Segesvary, Mercedes**

Companions, LLC  
Athena Festival—Plays in Progress Series  
University of Denver, April 2016

**Sloan, Lacey Marie**

*Cultural Appropriation*  
Guest joint lecture, SOC 444, Popular Culture.

**Shirazi, Ziba**

*Nowruz for Children*  
University of California, Irvine  
Irvine, CA. March 2016  
*Spring Love*  
Clark County Library. Las Vegas, NV  
March 2016  
*Story and Song: An Angele's Tale*  
Rose Center Theater.  
Westminster, CA. January 2016

**Van, Peter**

American College of Healthcare Executives  
Bowl Case Study Competition 2016.  
Los Angeles, CA. April, 2016.

**Vazquez, Juan**

Dragon Ball Z: Light of Hope  
Web Series  
Distributed by Machinisma, August 2015

**Yee, Timothy**

American College of Healthcare Executives  
Bowl Case Study Competition 2016.  
Los Angeles, CA. April, 2016

**NSF—LOUIS STOKES ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY  
PARTICIPATION—BRIDGE TO THE DOCTORATE  
TWO YEAR FELLOWSHIP**

**Maxine Delgado Bravo**

Biology

**Javier Alejandro Garcia**

Biology

**Adrian Lorenzo Gomez**

Chemistry

**Hector Gomez**

Mechanical Engineering

**Michael Harrison**

Geology

**Israel Jimenez Luna**

Biology

**Flomo N. Kokro**

Mathematics

**Breanna Lee Luna**

Biology

**Vicente J. Munguia**

Mechanical Engineering

**Ismael Perez**

Electrical and Computer Engineering

**Edith Soto**

Physics

**Kumar Lee Tiger**

Biology

**CAL STATE LA GRADUATE DELEGATES  
FOR THE CSU RESEARCH COMPETITION**

**Amaia Perta**

M.S. Forensic Psychology

*Can Introducing Bias Against a Defendant  
Change Juror's Memory for Evidence?*

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Eisen

First Place Overall Oral Presentation at the  
Annual Student Symposium on Research,  
Scholarship & Creative Activity

**Don Clarke**

M.S. Biology

*Development of a Stem cell/gene therapy  
approach to treat Sanfilippo Syndrome Type B*

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Iacovino and Dr. Porter

**Brittany Brinkman**

M.S. Healthcare Management

*The Challenge with Change*

Faculty Mentor: Dr. McGuire

**Kin Li**

M.S. Mechanical Engineering

*Control Strategy Development for Emission  
Reduction in a Hybrid Electric Vehicle*

Faculty Mentor: Dr Blekhman

**Arianna Brown**

M.S. Physics

*Determining the Youngest Protostars in  
NGC2264*

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Terebey

**Jonathan Barnes**

M.S. Physics

*Determining the Youngest Protostars in  
NGC2264*

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Terebey

**Khashayar Olia**

M.S. Electrical Engineering

*Control Strategy Development for Emission  
Reduction in a Hybrid Electric Vehicle*

Faculty Mentor: Dr Blekhman



## SPECIAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

**Brinkman, Brittany**

Best Paper at the 30th CSU Student Research Competition in Bakersfield, CA

**Braaten, Matt**

“Cu Chi” Third Place Award  
CSU Media Arts Festival

**Bueno, Marylin**

Travel Fund Grant  
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Camacho-Trejo, Claudia**

ASI Scholarship  
Mary Gormely Emeriti Fellowship  
Graduate Travel Fund Grant  
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Campos, Cinthia**

ASI Scholarship  
Travel Fund Grant  
AIA Fieldwork Funding Special Award

**Copeland, Lauren**

Alumni Association Scholarship  
Travel Fund Grant  
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Ellsworth, Robert**

Rosebud Award, 1st place  
“The Sect”  
CSU Media Arts Festival 2015

**Gomez, Hector**

Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)  
Honorable Mention  
By the National Science Foundation

**Herrera, Yvette**

CSULA 2015-2016 Hollywood Foreign Press Association Scholarship Award

**Kong, Amanda**

Admitted to UC Davis doctoral program in English

**Mendelson, Jo Ann**

Hollywood Foreign Press Scholarship,  
Irene Ryan Nomination, April 2016

**Miller, Janet**

The Joel Hirschhorn Award for Outstanding Achievement in Musical Theatre

**Montiel, Dulce**

William Hobson & Evelyn Trou Scholarship,  
California State University, Los Angeles

**Mota, Claudia**

Graduate Fellowship, funded by NIH & NIGMS  
Special Recognition in the Honor’s College,  
California State University, Los Angeles,  
William Hobson & Evelyn Trou Scholarship

**Nash, Deanna**

NASA DIRECT-STEM Research Scholarship

**Nunley, Allina**

John A. Palmer Graduate Honors Scholarship  
Frederick Shroyer Memorial Fellowship

**Okamura, Daniel**

College of Natural and Social Science  
Outstanding Graduate Student Award for  
Social Science, 2016.

**Pacheco-Vega, Arturo**

Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)  
Honorable Mention  
By the National Science Foundation (NSF)

**Patel, Nidhin**

International Student Fee Waiver  
Student Travel Support Award  
Producer, “I Know Who I Am”  
Jury Prize Winner at OUTFEST Fusion Film Festival

**Perez, Ismael**

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) Awardee

## SPECIAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

**Nicolas, Richard**

Travel Fund Grant  
ASI Scholarship  
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Silva, Joshua**

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program  
(GRFP), Honorable Mention.

**Tat, Jennie**

Case Study Presentation Winner  
Cal State LA Board of Directors Mock  
Budget Hearings

**Thomas, Candace Marie**

Case Study Presentation Winner  
Cal State LA Board of Directors Mock  
Budget Hearings

**Trainer, Jeffrey**

Case Study Presentation Winner  
Cal State LA Board of Directors Mock  
Budget Hearings

**Valenzuela, Gabriela**

Admitted to the UCLA doctoral program in  
English

**Vazquez, Juan J.**

Hollywood Foreign Press Scholarship,  
DP, "I Know Who I Am"  
Jury Prize Winner at OUTFEST Fusion Film  
Festival 2016

**Weeks, Cody**

William Hobson & Evelyn Trou  
Scholarship, California State University,  
Los Angeles

**Xu, Peixin**

Robert Stones Scholarship

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