

San José State University Emeritus Faculty Association Biography

Name: Duilio Peruzzi
Department: Geography
Academic Rank: Professor
Year Retired: 1993
City of Residence: San Jose CA



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Birthplace: Summerville PA **Birth Year:** 1926

Marital Status: Divorced **Spouse or Partner's Name:**

Children's Names: Guido, Nico

No. of Grandchildren: 3 **No. of Great Grandchildren:**

Colleges or Universities Attended:	Year	Degree
Wayne State University & Univ of Washington	1954	BA
Wayne State University	1958	MA
University of Michigan	1963	PhD

Teaching Experience:	From	To
Wayne State University & University of Michigan	1957	1962
UCLA	1962	1965

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California State University, Long Beach	Spring	1965
Wayne State University	Summer	1965
San José State University	1965	1993

Administrative, Business, or Professional Experience (other than teaching):

Coordinator of AMS (DMA) Projects and Chief Editor of Name Gazetteers for European Strategic Boundaries,
Research Geographer with USGS and NASA-Ames

Selected Publications:

Cooperated on three Atlases (Pronunciation of English in the Atlantic States; Atlas of Urban and Regional Change; Land Use of Santa Clara Valley, CA).

Ten articles in Regional, National and International Journals, and Special Reports for the U. S. Government.

Some 100 Maps, Graphs, etc. in Books, Journals, Reports, etc.

Some 25 Presentations at Professional Associations, Universities, Regional and National and International Congresses.

Personal Commentary (please limit comments to one page):

I enjoyed teaching, and some of my friends tell me I have not stopped lecturing yet. Cartography and Remote Sensing of the Environment were my bread-and-butter courses, but it was Europe, and particularly the Mediterranean, that never tired me.

I began my academic life as a post WWII returnee from Italy where I spent fifteen years of my early youth, and it was my living in Detroit that convinced me there must be something more rewarding than assembly-line work.

Both my Master's thesis and Ph.D. dissertation dealt with primary research done in Italy and particularly Tuscany during my scholarship years of 1955-1957. I was three-times Resident Director of the CSU International Program in Florence (1976, 1979, 1986), and since my retirement in 1993 I have been a member of the Province of Florence/County of Santa Clara Sister County Commission of which I am also the liaison. This, and having a house in Cortona, where I grew up (now known as the town of "Under the Tuscan Sun" by Frances Mayes), keep me immersed in things Italian both in California and Italy.

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