San José State University

Justice Studies Convocation
May 18, 2014
Dr. James Lee
and the
Faculty and Staff of the Justice Studies
Department
in the
College of Applied Sciences and Arts

Welcome you
to the

Department of Justice Studies
Convocation Ceremony

honoring

Masters of Science Degree Candidates in
Justice Studies
and
Baccalaureate Degree Candidates in
Justice Studies and Forensic Science
Class of 2014

Morris Dailey Auditorium
San José State University
San José California
Transforming Justice & Empowering Communities Since 1930

Justice Studies

Our Vision

Through community engagement and research, our faculty and graduates contribute to a more just society.

Our Mission

The Department of Justice Studies develops critical actors for criminal and social justice in diverse and changing communities.

Our Values

Learning: We value education and intellectual curiosity above all. The academic freedom of faculty and students is vital to our role of promoting life-long learning through intellectual inquiry, scholarship and the pursuit of knowledge.

Student, Staff and Faculty Success: We place our highest priority on ensuring the academic success and personal growth of the San José State University community.

Excellence: We hold ourselves to the highest standards and support continual improvement and innovation in all we do.

Integrity: We are accountable for our actions and expect honesty and fairness in all our work and interactions.

Diversity and Social Justice: We value and respect diversity, inclusion, civility, and individual uniqueness and recognize the strength these factors bring to our community and learning environment. All of our interactions should reflect trust, caring, and mutual respect.

Sustainability: We are committed to sustainability in all areas, not just environmental but also social sustainability.

Community and Service: We value collaborative relationships within and beyond the campus in order to best serve our mission.
## Administration, Faculty and Staff

### College of Applied Sciences and Arts

**Dean**
- Dr. Charles Bullock

**Associate Dean**
- Dr. Alice Hines

**Associate Dean of Research**
- Dr. Amy D'Andrade

### Department of Justice Studies

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- Dr. James Lee, Associate Professor

**Graduate Coordinator**
- Dr. Alessandro De Giorgi, Associate Professor

**Undergraduate Coordinator**
- Dr. Danielle Harris, Assistant Professor

**Director of Forensic Science**
- Dr. Steven Lee, Professeur

**Director of Human Rights**
- Dr. William Armaline, Assistant Professor

**Internship Coordinator**
- Dr. Sang Hea Kil

**Professors**
- Dr. Yoko Baba
- Dr. Steven Lee
- Dr. Richard Perry

### Associate Professors
- Dr. William Armaline
- Dr. Alessandro De Giorgi
- Dr. Chris Hebert
- Dr. Sang Hea Kil
- Dr. James Lee

### Assistant Professors
- Dr. Danielle Harris
- Dr. Claudio Vera Sanchez

### Lecturers
- Dr. Ericka Adams
- Dr. Jeffrey Bae
- Daniel Dexheimer
- Dr. Veronica Herrera
- Mary Juno
- Dina Kamedà
- Maureen Lowell
- Jackye McChure
- Noam Perry
- Harold Peterson
- Dr. Anthony Platt
- Susie Rivera
- Eric Sills
- Margaret Stevenson

### Administrative Support
- Molly Marquez
- Carol Santos
- Eduardo Bautista
- Lan Tran
- Christina Munriquez
Order of Exercises

Faculty Processional
Imperial March
John Williams

Graduates Processional
Pomp and Circumstance
Sir Edward Elgar

Welcome
Dr. James Lee
Department Chair

Dean's Address
Dr. Charles Bullock
Dean of the College

2014 Justice Studies
Department Awards
Dr. James Lee

Student Addresses
Chelsea van Aken
Olga V. Bykov

Convocation Address
Chief Larry Esquivel, BS 1993
San José Police Department

Hooding of Masters of Science
Degree Candidates
Dr. Alessandro De Giorgi

Presentation of Forensic Science
& Justice Studies
Bachelor of Science
Degree Candidates
Dr. James Lee
Dr. Steven Lee
Ms. Veronica Herrera

Special Acknowledgements
Dr. James Lee

Presentation of the Class of 2014
Dr. James Lee

Recessional
Celebration
Kool and the Gang
Candidate for Masters of Science in Justice Studies

María Martínez

Candidates for Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science

Emphasis in Biology

Kavita Alejo
Carly Balk
Ashley Lower
Hanna Bennett
Deanna García
Jesse Ramirez
Carlos Valencia
Casey Whelan

Candidates for Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science

Emphasis in Chemistry

Melmiva Ho
Joanne Lee
Hannah Elise Marcus
Cindy Wong

Candidates for Bachelor of Science in Justice Studies

Human Rights Minors

Victor Chibuk Amadi
Bo Li
Sharon Miriam Ungerfeld
Chelsea Dawn van Aken

Candidates for Bachelor of Science in Justice Studies

Adekemi Lawore
Danny J. Le
Joanne H. Lee
Bo Li
Nathan Brandon Lin
Leocadio Lomibao
Angie Abigail Lopez
Ashley Nicole Lower
Hannah Elise Marcus
Maria Teresa Martinez
Collene N. Melvin
Christina Renee Mock
Esmeralda Muñoz
Alexander Michael Naklowycz
Joshua Alexander Nasburg
Hoang Cong Nguyen
Alejandro Erik Padilla
Maria R. Padilla
Lawrence Michael Pedroni
Anthony Michael Peixoto
Ashley Suzanne Pennington
Melida Haydee Pereira Mendoza
Belle G. Perez
Rocio Perez-Garcia
Ginger Tama-lin Peterson
Raquel Ofelia Pimentel
Jesse M. Ramirez
Marisela Reynoso
Diana Martina Rodriguez
Diego Romero
Carl Alexander Sainz

* Cum Laude Honors – 3.50-3.69  
Magna Cum Laude Honors – 3.70-3.84 GPA

* Graduating with honors (3.3-3.49)
Δ Magna Cum Laude Honors – 3.70-3.84 GPA
Φ Summa Cum Laude Honors – 3.85-4.0
Did you know?

The students being honored today are graduating from one of the oldest Justice Studies programs in the United States. The Justice Studies Department of San José State University has a long history of preparing students for a professional career in criminal justice.

In 1930, President T. W. MacQuarrie of San Jose State Teacher’s College, was introduced to August Vollmer, Chief of Police of Berkeley, California. During the ensuing conversation the idea for, and value of, pre-employment police training was discussed. As a result of this conversation, on October 2, 1930, a two-year “technical training” course for police officers was initiated under the supervision of the Social Science Department. The Police Administration Program was the first degree granting program of its kind in the United States.

By 1934 the name of the program had changed to the Police School. Over the years, the curriculum was expanded to cover all stages of the criminal justice system. Since 1970, the curriculum has been further developed to include courses that address a full range of justice issues from family and community violence to discrimination and inequality under the law. The name change to Justice Studies in 2004 signifies the department’s more holistic approach to studying justice and the emphasis on academic research in the law and justice fields.

San José State University's Justice Studies program has consistently been rated among the nation's best. The department has a longstanding reputation of academic excellence, and this tradition continues today as our curriculum changes and expands to meet the demands of an increasingly complex, globalized world.

Our graduates have gone on to become professionals within the criminal justice system, have careers in non-profit justice related agencies, in human rights organizations and to continue their education in law schools and a wide range of graduate programs.

We are proud of all the alumni who have graduated from our programs over the years and congratulate today's graduates!
Human Rights Minors Engage our Local and National Communities

Justice Studies students who minor in Human Rights explore the history and structure of human rights and international law, study historical or contemporary human rights struggles, meet and work with SF Bay Area human rights organizations, and gain experience in a graduate style symposium course. These students are interested in careers or graduate study related to international law, international relations, international diplomacy, policy studies, human rights advocacy and reporting, forensic reporting on war crimes/genocide/crimes against humanity, community organizing, and social movement networks.

Students work in teams of 3-6 on a Human Rights Action Project which directly engages students with the human rights organizations solving the social problems that confront our communities such as human trafficking, poverty, prison overcrowding and indentured servitude. This collaboration expands student’s professional networks and employment chances within agencies and organizations that address these issues. Our Human Rights Minors are spearheading and supporting ongoing action projects with organizations such as the San Jose Peace and Justice Center, Fresh Lifelines for Youth (FLY), CommUniverCity/Garden2Table, and the ACLU of Northern CA. Each semester the HR program will create new connections with human rights-related organizations in the Bay Area; upcoming projects will partner with the Red Cross of Santa Clara County, the Santa Clara County Commission/Office of Human Relations, and Carry the Vision.

**Current Human Rights Action Projects in spring 2014 include:**

**DACAmended:** Students worked with the San Jose Peace and Justice Center, TIGRA, and CommUniverCity SJ to provide free legal services to those who qualify for working papers under federal DACA legislation. (DACA is the acronym for “Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals”)

**FLY Male Mentors:** Students worked with Fresh Lifelines for Youth (FLY) on a campaign to recruit much needed male mentors for youth in the dependency and delinquency systems.

**Sexual Assault Resistance (SJSU):** Students worked with university partners to create consistent information and resources to prevent sexual assault on campus and provide support and services to sexual assault victims.

For more information about the Human Rights Minor, go to www.sjsu.edu/justicestudies

The San José State University Record Clearance Project (RCP) engages undergraduates in assisting eligible people to clear their criminal records.

The RCP advocates for low-income individuals who have served their sentences, but whose records still hold them back from employment, housing, student loans and similar opportunities. RCP students interview clients and write petitions to the court, requesting expungement of their convictions. They explain expungement law to the community, making the benefit of the laws more broadly available. RCP helps people to better provide for themselves and their families, and to look forward to a brighter future.

**Congratulations to the following RCP students who are graduating today:**

Olga Bykov
Listeth Castillo-Valencia
Adrian Hernandez
Dora Maria Hernandez
John Walter Johnson Jr.
Adekemi Olatokunbo Lawore
Leocadio Alis Sabido Lomibao III
Ethan Fung Low

Esmeralda Muñoz
Michelle Jasmine Pujol
Jesse M. Ramirez
Diana Martina Rodriguez
Alejandro Sedano
Robert Juliano Soto
Shelby Garrett Spears
Quintin Travis Spencer

The SJSU Record Clearance Project salutes all Justice Studies graduates for their hard work and dedication to promoting justice!
We wish the Spring 2014 graduates much success in their futures.

Graduating Officers

Kavita Alejo
President
Jesse M. Ramirez
Vice President
Hannah Elise Marcus
Carly Balk

Hanna Jean Bennett

Congratulations to our Spring 2014 graduates!

Deanna Marie Garcia

Joanne H. Lee, Melvina Ho, Cindy Sze
Christina Renee Mock
Carlos Valencia
Casey Brown Whelan

Forensic Science Students is a student lead organization that helps connect students with an interest in Forensic Science.

Find us on the web: https://sites.google.com/site/forensicsciencestudents/

All photos by Eric Kwong

Alpha Phi Sigma is the only national honor society for criminal justice majors. Our mission is to promote academic excellence, leadership, community service and unity.

We'd Like to Congratulate the Spring 2014 Iota Chapter Graduating Seniors

Kavita Alejo, Victor Amadi, Gabriela Gonzalez, Lovepreet Sidhu, Janet Tat, Mariela Ureno, Brian Werner, Casey Whelan, Cindy Wong

We wish the Justice Studies graduates the best of luck in all future endeavors!
Chi Pi Sigma

Co-educational, Criminal Justice Fraternity

Since 1935, Chi Pi Sigma has provided hundreds of SJSU students aspiring to be criminal justice professionals with the educational, professional, and social growth needed to succeed in the field. We have alumni who have worked and are currently working on local, state, federal, and private law enforcement agencies all across the nation.

CONGRATS TO OUR SPRING 2014 GRADUATES!

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
JANET TAT
BELLE PEREZ
CESAR ROMAN
CRIA MAY GARCIA MATANGUIHAN

From our family to yours, we congratulate all of the graduates being honored today, and we wish them happiness and success in pursuing their respective careers in the field of criminal justice.

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“Strength Through Moral Support”

Mountain View Police Officers’ Association

We congratulate the Class of 2014 JUSTICE STUDIES SPARTANS!

MVPOA is a diverse group of individuals dedicated to serving our community. From the police officer on patrol to the records specialist working at our front desk, we are all here to provide nothing less than exceptional service.

Mountain View Police is a progressive, community-oriented department and many of our officers are Justice Studies alumni!

WE INVITE YOU TO CHECK US OUT AT WWW.MVPOA.NET
Justice Studies Task Force

Congratulations to the Justice Studies 2014 Graduates
and best of luck in all of your future endeavors!

Founded in fall 2009, the Justice Studies Student Group Task Force was created to promote camaraderie and collaboration between the student groups in the Justice Studies Department. The Task Force is made up of members of each of the JS student groups, as well as representatives from JS alumni.

The Task Force is responsible for the annual Confidence Challenge in addition to Spring and Fall Convocation for the Justice Studies Department. The Confidence Challenge is a physical agility event in which teams made up of JS student and faculty compete against one another in a friendly but challenging version of the physical agility test for law enforcement.

Dr. Veronica Herrera (APS Faculty Advisor), Brian Werner (APS), Sheree Martinek (JS Alumni), Jasmeet Deol (JS graduate), Dr. James Lee (Justice Studies Department Chair), Jan Hagemann (Faculty Advisor), Kovita Alejo (APS), Jesse Ramirez (FSS), Hannah Marcus (FSS), Robert Carrera (CPS) Not Pictured: rah Rae Kerr (JS Alumni), Eric Kwong (FSS), Angie Lopes (L&J)

"As Real As It Gets!"

CAMPBELL
Police Officers’
Association

CONGRATULATES
the
JUSTICE STUDIES
Class of 2014

We wish you much success as you leave San José State University to begin your careers. The goal of the Campbell Police Department is to work in partnership with the community to ensure the safety and security of all people in the City by providing outstanding public safety services. If you are considering a career in Law Enforcement, we invite you to check out Campbell Police Department!
Justice & Law Student Association

Founded in 2013, Justice & Law Student Association recently joined forces with the other student organizations within the Justice Studies Department. Justice & Law Student Association allows for occupied students to engage in a low maintenance organization, while still attaining a sense of community within the organization. Furthermore, Justice & Law Student Association discusses various controversial issues while addressing the needs of their community.

Angie A. Lopez  
Graduating Senior  
President  
Justice & Law Student Association

Jacquelyn R. McClure  
Faculty Advisor  
Justice & Law Student Association

For more information on Justice & Law Student Association, contact us on the San Jose State University Organization website or contact the faculty advisor or an officer.

Remember Justice Studies

Stay Connected, Visit Us, Partner with Us …

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