You're invited to attend Dr. Ed Cohen's presentation on "Mental Health and Cultural Context in Vietnam" on May 6, 12-1pm in the King Library, Room 225/229. Cohen's research focuses on mental health services in Vietnam, as part of SJSU's multi-year, international collaboration to improve social work education in the country.
The Lucas College and Graduate School of Business' Spartan Gold Team won the regional Chartered Financial Analyst Challenge, beating out teams from Santa Clara, Wharton MBA Extension and Stanford. Team members are: Shayan Khales, Joel Gonzales, Valeriya Razdyakanova, and Nirav Shah.

Congratulations to Marco Pagani, Stoyu Ivanov and the Banking & Investment Association student club! They just returned from the CFA Institute Research Challenge (IRC) Global Finals in Atlanta, where they competed with teams from 51 schools. They made it to the quarter finals. Congratulations for an excellent showing!

Arden Nguyen, M.S. Accountancy ’14, won the Elijah Watts Sells award given by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Over 91,000 candidates sat for the Certified Public Accountants exam, and Arden had one of the 60 highest scores nationwide.

M.S. Transportation Management student, Deanna Carvey, won the Dr. Carl R. Kemnitz has been appointed Deputy Provost, effective July 6, 2015. Dr. Kemnitz joins SJSU from California State University, Bakersfield, where he has served as a faculty member and administrator since 1998. He took the role of Associate Vice President for Academic Programs in 2010. Prior to that, Dr. Kemnitz served as Associate Dean in the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics and as Department Chair of Chemistry. Click here for more information.

Dr. Thalia Anagnos has been appointed Associate Vice President of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs, effective July 6, 2015. Currently a professor in the
Council of University Transportation Centers (CUTC) Neville Parker Award for the best non-thesis policy and planning paper. It marks the fourth year out of the last six that Mineta Transportation Institute’s students have won this national competition.

Ronny Elor, Biomedical Engineering major, Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering, won the Lockheed Martin Student Award for Undergraduate Academic Performance.

The Davidson College of Engineering Awards for Graduate Student Academic Performance were awarded to Yan Zhou, Industrial & Systems Engineering major, and Shiva Moballegh, Electrical Engineering major.

Vince Donatini, Mechanical Engineering major, won the Donald Beall-Rockwell Award for Engineering Accomplishment.

Khalil Estell, Computer Engineering major, was awarded the Scott T. Axline Memorial Student Award for Excellence in Service.

Julio Soto will receive a Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, the White Department of General Engineering,

Dr. Anagnos was Chair of the Department of Civil Engineering from 1992 to 2000 and one of our first Directors of Assessment from 2000 to 2007. She was instrumental in developing assessment practices and participated actively as a member of the WASC Steering Committee in previous and current accreditation reviews. Click here for more information.

Dr. Mary C. Schutten has been appointed dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, effective July 6, 2015. Dr. Schutten joins SJSU from Grand Valley State University in Michigan, where she served as Associate Dean of Students and Curriculum within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences since 2009 and held a faculty appointment in the Department of Movement Sciences since 2003. Click here for more information.
House announced March 27. The honor, received by just 14 individuals and one organization in the past two years, recognizes the crucial role that mentoring plays in the academic and personal development of students studying science and engineering—particularly those who belong to groups that are underrepresented in these fields.

Among Julio’s many accomplishments in the Biology Department are his authorship of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Award that the department received in 2008 to facilitate an update of their core curriculum, and his ongoing participation in the NSF-sponsored RHUMBA program, which has provided summer research experiences for students for many years.

Julio has also accepted a one to two year position as a Program Officer at NSF in the Division of Undergraduate Education. Please join me in congratulating Julio for this remarkable recognition!

Click here for the full story.

Dr. Walter R. Jacobs has been appointed Dean of the College of Social Sciences, effective July 6, 2015. Dr. Jacobs comes to us from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, where he served as founding dean of the College of Social Sciences and Professional Studies and held a faculty appointment in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Prior to that, he served for 14 years on the faculty of the University of Minnesota, including a five-year stint (2007 – 2012) as chair of the Department of African American and African Studies. Click here for more information.

Provost Funds AALDG Member to Attend AAC&U Diversity Conference
Social Work’s Ed Cohen receives Fulbright Grant to work in Vietnam
Ed Cohen, School of Social Work, has been selected to receive a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grant to teach in Vietnam during the spring 2016 semester. Cohen will teach a course in mental health policy and services, conduct research in the implementation of new legislation in the country to improve community-based mental health services, and provide seminars for faculty in teaching and scholarship. Cohen is Co-Investigator, with Alice Hines, of SJSU’s U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) funded Social Work Education Enhancement Program (SWEEP) aimed at improving social work education, for Vietnam’s newly established social work profession.

Gilles Muller, Henry Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar, Department Chair, Director of Nuclear Science, Department of Chemistry, has been invited by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science to visit several Japanese universities from June 1-July 3, 2015. Known for his work in circularly polarized luminescence, he will be lecturing and leading research seminars at Osaka University, Toyama University, Tsukuba University, Nara Institute of Science and Technology, Kinki University, Kwansei Gakuin

Molly Marquez, Justice Studies Department, was selected to represent the Academic Affairs Leadership Development Group (AALDG) at the AAC&U Conference on Diversity in San Diego from March 26-28th. After returning, she said: “As I looked around I consistently had the thought that everyone I know at SJSU should be here too. It was eye opening and very interesting for me to be in a place where everyone was so passionate about helping students to have a successful college experience. They approached it from every perspective - faculty, staff, administrators, and students. It takes every one of us to deliver a successful college experience. Our work effects our students whether we know it or not. Our students cannot do it alone.”
University, Kyushu University, and Waseda University.

Congratulations to the Radio Television, and Film Department! SJSU students took first, second, and third place in a complete sweep of the California State University Media Arts Festival Award for best feature-length screenplay. Michael Quintana received first place for White Rabbit, Chau Nguyen, second place for Porcelain, and Cassia Homann, third place for Em.

SJSU Air Force ROTC receives high marks during inspection
Lt. Col. Douglas Lomsdalen announced that the SJSU Air Force ROTC Detachment 45 received an overall rating of highly effective during its detachment inspection. Lomsdalen described the inspection as similar to the accreditation process academic departments undergo.

Meg Virick and Stan Malos have become media stars. Ever since the ending of the Ellen Pao trial, both Meg and Stan have been extensively involved and interviewed by more than seven Bay Area media outlets. Click here to read one of many articles.

Counseling Services Changes Name to Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
We hope this new name will clarify our services so that students can more easily identify us. We've had many students who have been misdirected to us for registration, picking classes, wanting to make sure their transcripts are accepted from other universities, etc.

For those who may not be as familiar with our services, we primarily provide personal/psychological counseling for students who are having personal and developmental struggles. Issues we address range from relationship and communications development, grief issues, to more severe depression, traumatic stress, suicidal, and/or eating disorders, and anything in between. Our educational counselors provide 1:1 sessions to improve students' time management skills, study skills, leveraging learning style to their advantage, and explore career/major directions. Educational counselors also help students navigate our SJSU academic policies and procedures.

Please visit our website for more information about our services:
Randy Stross is one of the biographers who appeared in a new PBS documentary, "Edison," which was broadcast nationwide earlier this year. Randy published a comprehensive biography of Thomas Edison in 2008, entitled: “The Wizard of Menlo Park: How Thomas Alva Edison Invented the Modern World.”

Mineta Transportation Institute’s (MTI) Director Brian Michael Jenkins of the National Transportation & Security Center testified before the Senate and the House in Washington, DC. His comments featured findings from MTI's Database on Terrorist and Serious Criminal Attacks Against Public Surface Transportation. Senator Johnson, the Chair of the Senate Homeland Security Committee, stressed Jenkins' MTI - SJSU affiliation.

Mineta Transportation Institute’s Will Kempton was recently appointed Executive Director of the California Transportation Commission.

Sarika Pruthi, School of Global Innovation and Leadership, has been awarded a Sybil Weir/John Galm Endowment Award for 2015 by the Office of Faculty Affairs. This award is intended to assist junior faculty in establishing and developing their careers.

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**Graduate Equity Fellowship**
Applications are now being accepted for the 2015-2016 Graduate Equity Fellowship awards. Under this program, awards of up to $3,000 are made to graduate students admitted and enrolled in a master's degree program at San Jose State University for the 2015-2016 academic year. For more information about eligibility and the application process, please see our Graduate Equity Fellowship webpage. Please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Graduate Studies at (408) 924-2427 if you have any questions.

**Training Opportunities on Faculty-Student Interactions**
Faculty are invited to attend a training on faculty-student interactions. This training is being offered at three different dates and times during the last week of April. This training is the result of requests received by faculty. It is has been developed collaboratively by the Office of Faculty Affairs, Student Conduct, Counseling, and the Ombudsperson. Here are the dates (same training offered on each date):

- April 29, 12-1:30pm, IRC 210
- April 30, 3-4:30pm, IRC 210
- May 1, 10-11:30am, WebEx, CL 118

To make sure we can accommodate everyone who wants to attend, please RSVP to Michele Brister.
Associate Professor Matthew Spangler’s new play *Albatross*, a one-person performance based on Samuel Taylor Coleridge’s poem “The Rime of the Ancient Mariner,” is a finalist for three Elliot Norton Awards: Outstanding New Script, Outstanding Solo Performance, and Outstanding Production. The other finalists for the Outstanding New Script award are Bill Doncaster and Pulitzer Prize winner Suzan-Lori Parks. *Albatross* was produced earlier this year by the Poets’ Theatre in Boston. The Elliot Norton Awards are presented annually to recognize achievements in Boston area theatre.

Yasser Dessouky, Department of Industrial Systems Engineering, won the Applied Materials Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Pat Backer, Department of Aviation & Technology, was awarded the McCoy Family Faculty Award for Excellence in Service.

Nader Mir, Department of Electrical Engineering, won the Davidson College of Engineering Faculty Award for Excellence in Scholarship.

Nursing's Wound Ostomy Program Receives Accreditation

The Valley Foundation School of Nursing’s Wound and Ostomy Education Program received notification in February that it had been granted accreditation. Vivian Wong oversees the program that offers courses for working professionals, which includes online material as well as in-person Saturday sessions over a five-week session. The Wound and Ostomy Education Program is accredited by the Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing Certification Board. The nursing specialty is also recognized by the American Nurses Association.

SJSU Partnerships

The Coyote Creek Howl

On April 17th, over 150 people attended the first ever Coyote Creek Howl Conference at San Jose State

at Michele.Brister@sjsu.edu or 408-924-5444 by April 27, 2015. If you have any questions, please contact Michele at 408-924-5444.
Buff Furman, Department of Mechanical Engineering, was awarded the Newnan Brothers Award for Faculty Excellence.

Ken Youssefi, Departments of General Engineering and Mechanical Engineering was selected as the Davidson College of Engineering Outstanding Lecturer.

Lucinda Lawson, was awarded the Department of Electrical Engineering Onslow H. Rudolph, Jr. Staff Excellence in Service Award.

Rebeca Burciaga, Department of Educational Leadership, was awarded the William J. Davis Award for co-authoring the article "The troublesome legacy of Brown v. Board of Education," with Gerardo Lopez, Loyola University New Orleans. The University Council for Educational Administration gives this annual award to the authors of the most outstanding article published in the Educational Administration Quarterly during the preceding volume year (2014). This article was selected through a peer-review process and was a unanimous choice by the selection committee. Click here for more information.

Jonathan Hendricks' recent work on the diversity of the snail genus Conus has achieved quite a bit of media

University, a one-day summit to inform, discuss, and offer opportunities to get involved in helping restore Coyote Creek. The attendees included members of the community, SJSU students, city council members, activists, SJSU professors, environmental organizations and others who all came together to address important issues. The Coyote Creek Howl tackled topics surrounding the restoration of the creek such as current threats and restoration efforts for wildlife, the need to restore fisheries, resolving homelessness, riparian corridor advocacy, creek side neighborhood issues, green career opportunities, and community agency and student tabling projects.

The conference was composed of eight forty-five minute sessions. The opening session included San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo who kicked off the conference with encouraging words about caring for our waterways. The efforts of SJSU professors Deb Kramer and Michael Fallon, as well as students, volunteers, and speakers helped contribute to the success of the first ever Coyote Howl Conference.

The proposal for this yearlong project, Restore Coyote Creek Service Year, was selected as one of three finalists for the Service Year + Higher Education Innovation Challenge in the Public University category. Deb Kramer and Michael Fallon were
coverage because one of the analytical techniques used in the study (photographing the shells under ultraviolet light and restoring the pigment-mediated differences in color using Photoshop) exposes the original color patterns (but not the original colors) of the shells, which have generally weathered to white during the process of burial and fossilization. Click here for more information.

The Beethoven Center Turns Thirty

The Ira F. Brilliant Center for Beethoven Studies is turning thirty years old this year on July 24, 2015. Located on the fifth floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. Library, you can visit the largest collection of Beethoven material including keyboards, books and even a lock of the famous composer's hair. Join us on May 6 at 7pm in King Library, Room 550 for a lecture by William Meredith: "Beethoven Used Politically: Music as Propaganda in WWII."

Upcoming Events

invited to the Aspen Institute in Washington, DC, on April 15th, 2015, to participate in a challenge day to pitch the proposal in front of a panel of distinguished judges and compete for a $30,000 Public University category prize and a $10,000 audience choice award. Although they were not selected as the category winner, they received outstanding comments on the project. Click here for the press release.

In addition, Restore Coyote Creek received an Earth Day commendation from Mayor Sam Liccardo and a letter of congratulations from Congressman Mike Honda.

Columbia Law Students Visit SJSU to Support Records Clearance Project

During the week of March 16-20, eight Columbia Law students visited SJSU to assist the College of Applied Sciences and Arts Justice Studies department’s Records Clearance Project during their spring break. These students are the fourth group that has opted to use their time off from Columbia Law School to help Santa Clara residents who want to clear their records. During the week,
Zoot Suit Production


Spring Open Forum

The President’s Commission on Diversity invites you to attend its Spring Open Forum on **April 28** from 11:30am-2pm in the Student Union Theater. Come and hear an update on the status of the action items that address SJSU’s commitment toward becoming a more welcoming community. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity for questions and answers on the campus work in advancing diversity and inclusive excellence. Details of the updates for each action item are available here.

Hidden History: Asians and Pacific Islanders in the U.S.

The Columbia Law students partnered with SJSU undergraduate students to interview eight clients, prepare petitions to have their records expunged and provided a rap sheet analysis of paths to expungement to 19 women in Elmwood County Jail. Click here for the full story.

Economic Summit

You are cordially invited to the San Jose State University Economic Summit presented by *Bridge Bank* in association with *Hopkins & Carley* on **May 28** in the Student Union Ballroom.

- Registration and Continental Breakfast: 7:30am - 8:15am
- Presentations and Q&A: 8:15am - 10:00am

Confirmed panelists include **Sam Liccardo**, Mayor of the City of San Jose, and **Chris Thornberg**, Founding Partner of Beacon Economics. The panelists will analyze and forecast Silicon Valley’s economic landscape and its impact on your business.
Civil War
Presented by Ruthanne Lum McCunn, a popular historian and author of *Thousand Pieces of Gold* and *Chinese Yankee*, on April 28 at 6:30pm in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, Room 225. Co-sponsored by the Chinese Historical and Cultural Project and SJSU Cultural Heritage Center. For more information contact Anling Wu at (408) 808-2388 or anling.wu@sjlibrary.org.

Workshops in the Center for Faculty Development

**Tuesday, April 28**
12:00 PM  RTP Series for Tenured & Tenure-Track faculty: Promotion to Full Professor

**Wednesday, April 29**
12:00 PM  Noontime Tea and Talk. Today's featured presenter: Dr. Kathleen Roe

**Monday, May 4**
2:00 PM  Adding Captioning to Make Your Videos Accessible

**Tuesday, May 5**
9:00 AM  Faculty Website via OU Campus
12:00 PM  Career Planning session: Sabbatical and Difference-in-Pay leaves

**Thursday, May 7**
11:30 AM  Compliance (Federal Uniform Guidance, RCR, FCOI, IACUC, IRB)

The event is free of charge but registration is required. For more information, [click here](#).

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**Spotlight**

Meet Jeremiah: The Friendly Turtle Who Lives at SJSU
Since 1976, SJSU has been home to an eighty year-old California Desert Tortoise, Jeremiah (15 pounds). Jeremiah is a turtle that is personable. Jeremiah is cared for by SJSU’s animal care staff and the director of the Science Education Resource Center (SERC program). He not only thinks that he is human, but he also responds to the voices of his caretakers. Furthermore, the purpose of caring for Jeremiah in the SERC program is for studying and education. He is part of the university’s Science Education Program, which includes the Science Teacher Credential Program. As a result, SJSU’s students, teachers, and SJSU teacher alumni are able to bring Jeremiah with special training to their classroom. [Click here](#) for the full story.
Friday, May 8
10:00 AM  Faculty Website Open Lab
1:00 PM  Tips and Tricks on Gmail and Calendar

Monday, May 11
1:00 PM  An Overview of Google Docs/Forms

Wednesday, May 13
10:00 AM  Faculty Website Open Lab

Thursday, May 14
9:30 AM  “Seneca Days”: Planning for summer
2:00 PM  Faculty Website via OU Campus

Friday, May 15
9:30 AM  “Seneca Days”: Planning for summer

Global Leadership Speaker Series
On April 28, Jerry Yang, who co-founded Yahoo! Inc., will be speaking at the annual Global Leadership Advancement Center’s Global Leadership Speaker Series from 4:00-5:50 pm in the Student Union Ballroom.

Graduate Research Forum
On April 8th, the 36th annual Student Research Forum was held to honor excellence in student research. At the reception, the winning students presented poster sessions of their research and were honored at an award ceremony. The event was co-sponsored by the SJSU Office of Research and the SJSU Research Foundation. The winners included:

Andrew Donahue, Linguistics, College of Humanities and the Arts, Language Variation in Online Communities; Faculty mentors: Dr. Roula Svorou, Dr. Daniel Silverman

Zeynep Erturkoglu, Business Administration, Lucas College and Graduate School of Business, Pressing the Play Button: Understanding the Factors that influence Social and Mobile Gaming; Faculty mentor: Dr. Jing Zhang

Dennis Kwon and Spencer Matteson, Electrical Engineering,
This event will be held at the Campus Village B - Recreation Activities Center (right behind the Aquatic Center). Take Back the Night events will start at noon and end at dusk on April 28. Seven years ago, SJSU began this program as a joint effort involving the Student Health Center, Peer Health Education Program, the Women’s Resource Center, the Office of Student Conduct, Residential Life, the University Police Department, and Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS).

-Self-defense by UPD: 12:00pm - 1:00pm
-Workshop hosted by CAPS, Wellness & Health Promotion, and UPD: 1:15pm - 2:00pm
-Empowered Bystander Workshop by PHE: 3:00pm - 4:15pm
-Undie Run: 5:00pm - 5:30pm
-Resource Fair: 5:30pm - 6:00pm
-Survivors Speak Out: 6:30pm
-Candle Light Vigil and March: At Dusk

DSGN 197 BA Senior Project Show
Between April 28 and May 12, design majors will host a showing in ART 214. Show is open from 9am-6pm.

Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering, Stand-Alone Control of DFIGs in a Multiple wind Turbine System with Load Sharing; Faculty mentor: Dr. Ping Hsu

Shiva Moballegh, Electrical Engineering, Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering, Efficient Message Propagation in Dense Smart-Vehicular Networks; Faculty Mentor: Dr. Birsen Sirkeci

Sanrupti Nerlis, Computer Science, College of Science, Genome-wide Prediction of Splice sites Using Classification Trees; Faculty mentor: Dr. Sami Khuri

Mary Okin, Art History and Visual Culture, College of Humanities and the Arts, The “Maiden at the Press”: Arthur F. Mathews and the Rise of the New Woman; Faculty mentor: Dr. Beverly Grindstaff

Syeda Roohi and Vaishak Suresh, Software Engineering, Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering, Aspect-Based Opinion Mining and Recommendation System for Reviews; Faculty mentor: Dr. Magdalini Eirinaki

Katherine Watters, Biological Sciences, Physiology Concentration, College of Science, A Novel Mechanism the Directs Neural Circuit Formation; Faculty mentor: Dr. Miri Van Hoven

SJSU Diversity Initiative -
Campus Address
Dr. Sam Museus, Associate Professor of Higher Education and Director of the Culturally Engaging Campus Environments (CECE) Project at University of Denver's Morgridge College of Education, will speak about "Cultivating Common Vision for Inclusive Excellence Efforts in Higher Education" on April 29, 4-5:30pm, in Engineering 285/287.

Barbershop Diaries Discussion
The last discussion for Barbershop Diaries is scheduled for April 29, 5-6:30 pm, at Barbers Inc. Barbershop, 322 Santa Clara Street. Click here for the full story.

Jason Lewis Jazz Combo Concert
Directed by Jason Lewis, the performance will be held in the SJSU Music Concert Hall, Music Building, on April 29 at 7:30pm.

Celebrating a Decade of Partnerships
Please join CommUniverCity in celebrating ten years of partnerships on April 29 from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Roosevelt Community Center,

In case you missed it
On April 10th, the Provost hosted the Academic Affairs Leadership Team and their staff and families for an evening of Spartan Baseball. More than 50 people attended. Outgoing Deputy Provost and AVP of Graduate and Undergraduate Studies Dennis Jaehne threw out the first pitch.

The SJSU Student Research Competition winners will go on to represent SJSU at the 2015 California State University Student Research Competition on May 1 and 2 at California State University, San Bernardino. For more information about the SJSU Student Research Competition, click here.
Provost Service Learning and Community Engagement Awards
The Center for Community Learning & Leadership (CCLL), with our partners from the Provost’s Office and the Community Engagement Collaborative, invite you to the spring 2015 Service Learning & Community Engagement Awards on April 30, from 3-5pm in the King Library, Room 225.

Library 2.015 Spring Summit Focuses on Technology Issues and Trends
The topic for the Library 2.015 Spring Summit is The Emerging Future: Technology and Learning. This free online seminar is scheduled for April 30, from 12-3pm. The summit will explore the potential impact of technological innovations on library information services. Registration is free. For the full story, click here.

Men and Women Glee Club Concert
Directed by Dr. Jeffrey Benson, the performance will be held in the Music Concert Hall on May 5 from 7:30-9pm in the Music Building.

Kevin Jordan was honored at his retirement celebration on April 13th in the Student Union Ballroom and recognized by colleagues from SJSU and NASA.

Looking on were Jan English-Lueck, Interim Dean of the College of Social Sciences, Provost Andy Feinstein, President Mo Qayoumi, and Ron Rogers, Chair of the Psychology Department.

The College of Social Science Dean's Symposium was held on April 20th in
Engineering 285. The topic was "Bicycles: Vehicles for Environmental and Social Justice". Panelist Diane Solomon provided a fascinating history of cycling in San Jose. In the photo above, Interim Dean Jan English-Lueck introduces the panel.

If you have a story you'd like to see in the Academic Affairs Division Newsletter, please click here!

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