Office of Graduate Studies
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The Graduate Student
And
Faculty Mentor
Recognition Reception

2014-2015

Wednesday, May 27th, 2015
3:30 P.M.—5:00 P.M.
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Bhangay, Pooja. Understanding Social Media in Organizational Culture. Colloquy, Volume 10, Fall 2014.

Black, Robert E. G. From Charioteer Myth to Shoulder Angel: A Rhetorical Look at Our Divided Soul. Colloquy, Volume 10, Fall 2014.


Christopher Huang, MS-ACCT student, With Great Power Comes Great Irresponsibility, International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference, April 23, 2015, in CSULA Student Union.

Ishi-Ichikawa, Myra (2015). “Case Study: Increasing the number of Survey Responses from Early Exiters of the Wellness Program at Loma Linda University Health,” presented at the 23rd Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity, Feb. 2015, Los Angeles, CA.


**PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

Neda Abousaidi & Natsuki Tamekuni.  

Carlos A. Aguirre, Meher Beigi Masihi, and Dr. Sandra B. Sharp  
*Establishing the system to study the role of MyoD in the regulation of Id2 and Id3 during myogenesis*, 23rd Annual Cal State L.A. Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, Los Angeles, CA, February 27, 2015.

Christopher Alford & Olga Garcia  

Patricia Alonzo  

Berge Apardian  

Umair Arif.  

Christina Artime.  
*Sunnydale Memorial Hospital: Preparation for the Ebola Crisis*, presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles

Zahra Atefi, Julia Hilliard, & Michelle Hilario  

Adriana Avila  

Erik Blanco  
*Intergenerational Family Relationships and Health Across the Life-Course*, Pacific Sociological Association 2014.

Meline Baghdasarian  

Sonia Barragan  

Naomi Bennett  
*Queering the Wedding Ceremony*, Western States Communication Association, February 2015.  
Matt Braaten, Gabriela Maday, Nidhin Patel, Robert Ellsworth Jr., and Hanna Schultheis-Gerry  
KCATCHF Presenter.  
Dixie State University, St. George, Utah  
February 14, 2015.

Maxine Bravo and Dr. H. Howard Xu  
The role of heme utilization systems in the virulence  
of Acinetobacter baumannii  
LSAMP-MORE Programs Winter Quarter 2015  
Poster Session. Los Angeles, CA.  
The role of heme utilization systems in the virulence  
of Acinetobacter baumannii.  
September 5, 2014. LSAMP-MORE Program Retreat. Lake Arrowhead, CA.

Nakia Brazier  
University Service Learning and International Study  
Abroad Programs: The Students’ Role in Advancing Social, Environmental, Political, and Economic Justice at Home and Abroad. Annual College of Liberal Arts Graduate Symposium. February 2015.

Carol Bryan  
The Poetic Reach of William Langland During the Peasant's Revolt of 1381: How Piers Plowman Changed the Strategies of Revolt.  
Medieval Association of the Pacific.  
April 10, 2015.

Marilyn Bueno, Ann Scott, Melanie Saldaña and Jocelyn Acosta  
Some Methodological Problems with the Study of Non-Urban Caves in Northern Belize.  

Michael Burgwin  

Cynthia M. Campos  
Saints or Sinners: The Symbiotic Relationship among Narcos and Apazicotitlán.  

Jose Trinidad Castañeda III  

Andrew Chavez  
Endorsement of Latino Values and Educational Values among Latino College Students  
Western Psychological Association Annual Conference.

Brian Colmenares  
The Affordable Care Act and Strategic Staffing at the Westlake-Pico Union Clinic, presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles, April 22-23, 2015.

Jeremy Coltman  

Lauren Copeland  
A Voyage through the Stars: Examining the Iconography of Celestial Objects in Maya Cosmology.  
**Carly Creley**

**Joseph Curran**

**Justin D’Agostino, Stephanie Spehar and Roberto Delgado**

**Christopher DeMarco**
*Conservation of the Western Gray Squirrel in Griffith Park through Non-Invasive Genetic Sampling with mtDNA and Microsatellite Analysis.* Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Association of Naturalists, San Diego, CA. April 2015.

**Efren Esparza**

**Monica Estrada**

**Alice Fritz**

**Wenjin Gao & Cesar Portillo.**

**Javier Garcia and Dr. H. Howard Xu**
*Molecular genetic studies of surface polysaccharide biosynthesis genes in Acinetobacter baumannii.* February 6, 2015. LSAMP-MORE Programs Winter Quarter 2015 Poster Session. Los Angeles, CA.

**Olga Garcia**

**Rosemary Garcia**

**Javier Garcia and Dr. H. Howard Xu**

**Javier Garcia**

**Shefali Grewal & Timothy Yee.**
*Pomona Police Department Response Times,* presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles, April 22-23, 2015.

**Adrian Gomez**
*Investigation of the Role of Pyrene in the Oxidative Capacity of the Atmosphere.*
23rd Annual Cal State LA Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity.
Los Angeles, CA.
LSAMP-MORE Programs Winter Quarter 2015 Poster Session. Los Angeles, CA.
LSAMP-MORE Program Retreat.
Lake Arrowhead, CA.

**Matthew Gomez**
*Become a Healthcare Manager, Enjoy Life and Improve the World.*
International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference, April 23, 2015, in CSULA Student Union.

**Toni Gonzalez**

**Toni Gonzalez** and Helen R. Haines

**Niyati Gosalia & Manika Tiwari**

**Renee Grodsky**

**Ivan Guerrero**
*Nurse Job Satisfaction and Patient Overall Satisfaction in an Acute Care Hospital,* presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles, April 22-23, 2015.

**Guadalupe Gutierrez**
*Parenting Behavior and School-age Victimization as Correlates of Psychosocial Adjustment among College Students.* Poster Presentation, Western Psychological Association (WPA), April 30, 2015.

**Michael Harrison**
LSAMP-MORE Program Retreat.
Lake Arrowhead, CA.

**Katharine Henry**
*Hightower and History: Historical, Religious and Spiritual Temporalities in Light in August.* 20th Annual Significations CSU Graduate Student Conference (April 24, 2015).
PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

Jazmin Hernandez  

Julia Hilliard  

Aayushi Hingle  

Christinalee Houseman  

Grzegorz Hryniszak  

Christopher Huang  
*With Great Power Comes Great Irresponsibility.* International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference, April 23, 2015, in CSULA Student Union.

Sharin Jacob & Julia Hilliard  

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Christina Jacobo  

Israel Jimenez and Dr. Fisher  

Mohamed Khenifer  
*You’ll Be Lucky If You’re Discharged Alive: Improving Patient Satisfaction In Egypt,* presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles, April 22-23, 2015.

Paul Khoury  

Flomo Kokro  

Amanda Kong  
*Freakish Bodies: Poe's 'Hop-Frog' and the Spectacle of Difference and Disability*  
PAMLA. Riverside, CA. Nov 2014.  
**PRESENTATION AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

Anna Lapatkova & Flor Anaya  

Queeny Lapeña, Jessica Morales and René Vellanoweth  

Jonathan Lee  

Maricela Emma Lopez  

Amber Lopez-Johnson and Jaime Awe  

Samantha Lorenz, Brandon Lewis, Toni Gonzalez, Bianca Gentil and Joseph Omzco  

Yanting Luo  

Breanna Luna and Dr. H. Howard Xu  

David Machen  

Emily Yasonia Marsh  

Julie Matos  

Gretchen Meier  

Stephanie Morales Curiel  
Vicente Munguia and Dr. Samuel Landsberger

Kendall Nelson

Richard Nicolas

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Oscar Ocampo

Daniel Okamura

Alma Olaguez
Olaguez, A., G. Aroz

G. Aroz, G. M. L. Eisen, Alma Olaguez

Ripple Effects: How Biased Evidence Can Cause Distortion in Jurors’ Memory. 23rd Annual CSULA Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, Los Angeles, CA. February 27, 2015

M. L. Eisen, Alma Olaguez, M. Orozco

G. Aroz, M. Eisen, Alma Olaguez, S. Pratt, J. Pope-Mayers, M. Orozco, G. Williams

G. Aroz, M. Eisen, Alma Olaguez, S. Pratt, J. Pope-Mayers
A controlled field study of show ups: Examining the effect of suggestion and suspect similarity. Annual Conference of the Western Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV. 2015.

Joseph Orozco

Marilyn Orozco
Live Showups: Real life versus the lab. Twelfth semi annual meeting of the Society of Applied reach in Memory and Cognition.

A controlled field study of show ups: Examining the effect of suggestion and suspect similarity. Annual Conference of the Western Psychological Association.

Nicole Ortiz
Ortiz, N., Kohatsu, E.L., & Siordia-Yagual, A. April, 2015. An Analysis of 10 years of discrimination research. In E.L. Kohatsu (Chair), Exploring racial discrimination: The Intersections between research and experience. Symposium
presented at the 95th annual convention, Western Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
Racial identity, coping with discrimination and own-group dislike. In E.L. Kohatsu (Chair), Exploring racial discrimination: The Intersections between research and experience. Symposium presented at the 95th annual convention, Western Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
Ortiz, N., Siordia-Yagual, A., Pelletier, J., & Kohatsu, E.L. April, 2015.
Experiencing racial discrimination and personal transformations: A Student perspective. In E.L. Kohatsu (Chair), Exploring racial discrimination: The Intersections between research and experience. Symposium presented at the 95th annual convention, Western Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
Kohatsu, E.L., Maekawa, M., Ortiz, N., Martinez, C., Yagual, A., & Pelletier, J. April, 2014. Problems in racial and ethnic identity research: An In-depth analysis. Symposium presented at the 94th annual Western Psychological Association convention, Portland, OR.

Dickson Perey and Valerie Royaltey-Quandt
Queering the Ed.D. Annual Convention of the University Council on Educational Administration.

Ismael Perez

September 5, 2014. LSAMP-MORE Program Retreat. Lake Arrowhead, CA

Jessica Pope-Mayers
G. Aroz, M. Eisen, A. Olaguez, S. Pratt, Pope-Mayers, J.
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G. Aroz, M. Eisen, A. Olaguez, Satchel Pratt, Jessica Pope-Mayers, M. Orozco, G. Williams
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A controlled field study of show ups: Examining the effect of suggestion and suspect similarity. Annual Conference of the Western Psychological Association, Las Vegas, NV. 2015.

Michael Prout

Shanshan Qiao

Vanessa Reed
Maritza Rios  
Great Ideas for Teaching Students (G.I.F.T.S) Session III  
Race Relations and the Importance of Cultural Histories. Presented at the Western States Communication Association’s Annual Convention 2015.

Alex C. S. Roy  
Shifting Gears: Auto Body, Human Body.  

Jessica Rusk  
Dennem-Tigner, J., Riggio, H., Rusk, J., & Colletti, K.  
Riggio, H. & Rusk, J.  
Religiosity and Rape Myth Acceptance: Mediating Role of Traditional Gender Ideology.  
Heidi R. Riggio, Cheryl Groskopf (CSU Los Angeles), Amber Garcia (The College of Wooster), Brigitte K. Matthies, John Tigner & Jessica Rusk.

Melanie Saldaña  
“What Is This?” A Study of Small Stone Spheres in the Western Mojave Desert.  
Trash Pits and Sinkholes: A Critique of Landscape Archaeology in the Maya Area.  

Carolina Sandoval  
Campus as a Living Lab: Learning Community of Environment and Sustainability Educators  
Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, CSULA , Feb 15th 2015.

Carolina Sandoval, Mahantesh Hiremath, Lindsey Salamanca and Xuan Qin  
Campus as a Living Lab: Learning Community of Environment and Sustainability Educators  

Sasha Santoff  

Maria Betania Santos  

Aditi Sapra  

Elizabeth Sarabia  
The Influence of Organizational Commitment and Job Satisfaction on Turnover Intentions, presented at the 5th Annual International Research Exchange & Faculty Development Conference, Los Angeles, April 22-23, 2015.

Robert Seaborne & Nathan Rodriguez  

Uriel Serrano  
Reinventing Racism: Racist Discourse in Social Media  

Jillian Shen  
Language brokering, family conflict, and parent-child communication among Latino American young adults  
Hasiholan Simorangkir  

Andrea Smith  

David Sosa  

Edith Soto and Dr. Susan Terebey  

Vinisha Stanley  

James Brady and Lili Taleghani-Nia  

Kumar Tiger and Dr. Sandra Sharp  
*The Effect of MyoD on the Expression of Id2, Id3 and Rp58 mRNAs in Myogenesis*. MORE Programs Research Retreat Poster Session. *Identifying MyoD knockdown cell lines using qRT-PCR assays for MyoD and Myogenin mRNAs*.
**Angela Wu**  
Numerically-Based Parametric Analysis of Plain Fin and Tube Compact Heat Exchangers, 23rd annual Student Research Symposium, Los Angeles, CA, February 2015.

**Yang Zhang**  
Adriana Avila
Intergenerational Ties of Lesbians, Gay Men and Bisexuals.
Guest lecture, CSULA – based on original research – led to PSA presentation.

Naomi Bennett
My Children! My Africa! at the Actors Co-op March 2015.
Circus Ugly with Playwrights Arena, Director Jon Rivera, at Atwater Theater (May 2015).

Katharine Henry
The Transformation of Lady Macbeth: Witchcraft and the Kingship in Shakespeare's Tragedy.
112th Annual Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association Conference (October 31-November 2, 2014, I presented on October 31st).

Ruzan Karatyan.
Political Participation and Civic Engagement
Guest Lecture, Los Angeles City College – based on original research.

Jessica Rusk
Religiosity and Rape Myth Acceptance: Mediating Role of Traditional Gender Ideology
Heidi R. Riggio, Cheryl Groskopf (CSU Los Angeles), Amber Garcia (The College of Wooster), Brigitte K. Matthies, John Tigner & Jessica Rusk.

Ziba Shirazi
Story & Song. A splendid blend of storytelling, music and imagery
Bowers Museum, Santa Anna CA.

Spring Love: A Prelude to Nowruz
Soka University.

PRESENTATIONS, PERFORMANCES, OR EXHIBITS

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
1st Place Overall Oral Presentation:  
**Angela Wu**  
B.S./M.S. Mechanical Engineering  
Numerically-Based Parametric Analysis of Plain Fin and Tube Compact Heat Exchangers  
Faculty mentor: Dr. Arturo Pacheco-Vega.

**Jessica Pope Mayers**  
M.S. Forensic Psychology  
*A controlled field study of showups: Examining the effect of suggestion and suspect similarity*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mitchell Eisen

**Alma Olaguez and Gabrielle Aroz**  
M.S. Forensic Psychology/B.A. Psychology  
*Ripple Effects: How Biased Evidence Can Cause Distortion in Juror’s Memory.*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mitchell Eisen.

**Miguel Arriola**  
M.A. History  
*The Cossacks: Variable Representations and the Development of a Russian National Mythology*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Choi Chatterjee

**Justin D’Agostino**  
M.A. Anthropology  
*A preliminary analysis of the behavioral contexts of red langur (Presbytis rubicunda) loud calls in the Wehea Forest, East Kalimantan, Indonesia*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Joyce Parga.

**Hoover Zariani**  
M.A. Education; Option: Educational Foundations  
*Impact of the Students Talk About Race Program*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Allison Mattheis.

**Dalton Meena**  
M.A. Psychology  
*Black Student Success*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Jessica Dennis

**Edith Soto**  
M.S. Mechanical Engineering  
*Temperature Determination of Young Stellar Objects in near star forming regions.*  
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Susan Terebey.
**SPECIAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**Neda Abousaidi, Catherine Gandara & Natsuki Tamekuni**
“Best Mentored Case” Award.

**Ruben Acevedo**
Admitted to Ph. D. program at Palmer College of Chiropractic, University of Western States.

**Jocelyn Acosta**
Named *Future History Maker* by Hispanics Organized for Political Equality (HOPE).

**Carlos Aguirre**
CSULA MORE programs NIH MBRS-RISE M.S. to Ph.D Program Fellowship, 2014-2016 (grant NIH #GM061331).

**Berge Apardian**
Service to the Department Award -- Research Assistance to Dr. Bodinger-deUriarte for Millennials Unplugged Digital Journaling project.

**Umair Arif, Maram Alshammari, & Hind Alkadi**
“Best Case Study” Award

**Christina Artime, Marco Cifuentes, Matthew Gomez and Timothy Yee**
The CSULA Team won Second Prize Winner ($1,000) in Case Study Presentation Competition among MSHCM Teams from 7 universities at the ACHE/HCE First Inaugural Statewide College Bowl at Good Samaritan Hospital, April 17, 2015.

**Adriana Avila**
Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality Research Award
Service to the Department Award -- Research Assistance to Dr. Giarrusso and Dr. Stone on a chapter “Impact Analysis of Multiple High Impact Practices in Sociology at CSULA”.

**Erik Blanco**
Emeriti Fellowship

**Claudia Camacho**
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Cinthia Campos**
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Yin Alexander Cao**
Developed the front cover artwork for the scientific journal, *Analytical Chemistry*.

**Andrew Chavez**
Outstanding Presentation Award 2015 CSULA Research Symposium

**Carlos Chavez**
Commissioned to create a painting for the release of Kobe Bryant’s new Kobe X ‘Silk’ shoe by Nike.

**Jeremy Coltman**
Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program.

**Susi Cruz**
Alumni Association Scholarships

**Joseph Curran**
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence
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<td>CSU Trustees’ Award for Outstanding Achievement</td>
<td>Admitted to Ph. D. program at Southern Illinois University.</td>
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<td>James M. Rosser Emeriti Fellowship</td>
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<td>Ellen Davidian, Lacey Feldman, William Mejia and Susan Woo</td>
<td>The Case Study Presentation Winners, at the CSULA Board of Directors Mock Budget Hearings to solve community health problems on November 13, 2014 in MGMT 478/578, or on February 17, 2015 in ACCT 571.</td>
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<td>Ruby Fletes</td>
<td>Outstanding Presentation Award</td>
<td>2015 CSULA Research Symposium.</td>
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<td>Ya Gao</td>
<td>Best in Show, CSU Media Arts Festival, Nov. 8, 2014</td>
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<td>Toni Gonzalez</td>
<td>Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program</td>
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<td>Carly Good</td>
<td>Emeriti Fellowship</td>
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<td>Gustavo Gordillo</td>
<td>Selected by the National Advisory Board of the National Curve Bank to receive the 12th Annual Rennie Award for the Best Deposit in 2014 of an article on Mathematics.</td>
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<td>Renee Grodsky</td>
<td>The David L. Kubal Memorial Essay Prize for best essay by a graduate student in English</td>
<td>Published “Ten Thousand Elephants” in Statement Magazine 2015.</td>
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<td>Guadalupe Gutierrez</td>
<td>Recipient of a travel grant for the Diversity Weekend at University of Minnesota, April 8-10, 2015, Minneapolis, Minnesota</td>
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<td>Katharine Henry</td>
<td>Special Recognition in Graduate Studies Award. Cal State Los Angeles Honors Convocation. April 24, 2015.</td>
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<td>Susan G. Steiner</td>
<td>Graduate Student Scholarship.</td>
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<td>Royster Society of Fellows Fellowship, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2015-2020 (to pursue fully-funded doctoral study in English)</td>
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<td>Angel Huezo</td>
<td>Summer Research Program at USC</td>
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<td>Service to the Department Award -- Research Assistance to Dr. Bodinger-deUriarte for Millennials Unplugged Digital Journaling project.</td>
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<td>Christopher Huang</td>
<td>Published in Proceedings of the Fifth Annual International Research Exchange and Faculty Development Conference. Chris is Winner of Best Mentored Research Paper Award Plaque with Barrington Hunt, CBE Faculty Member</td>
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<td>Angela Khalil</td>
<td>ORISE fellowship in forensic anthropology to the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command</td>
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<td>Admitted to Ph. D. program at UCLA</td>
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<td>Aaron Ledesma</td>
<td>Service to the Department Award -- Research Assistance to Dr. Lever for Gendered dating behaviors project.</td>
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<td>Daniel Okamura</td>
<td>Service to the Department Award -- Research Assistance to Dr. Bodinger-deUriarte, Sociology for Millennials Unplugged Digital Journaling project.</td>
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<td>Idi Okilo</td>
<td>Admitted to Ph. D. program at UCLA</td>
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<td>Jonathan Lee</td>
<td>David Kubal Memorial Prize for his essay, &quot;'But it's not love': Faulknerian Incest as a Critique of the Old South.&quot;</td>
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<td>Jekyns Pelaez</td>
<td>Emeriti Fellowship</td>
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<td>Jene Pledger</td>
<td>Admitted to UCLA doctoral program in English; also accepted with full funding to NYU and University of Illinois</td>
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<td>Jessica Pope-Mayers</td>
<td>1st place award in the 29th Annual Behavioral &amp; Social Sciences California State University Student Research Competition</td>
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<td>Mariela Rivas</td>
<td>2015 NSS Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year award</td>
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<td>Alfredo Rodriguez</td>
<td>Selected as an Upward Bound instructor for a chapter based out of Harvey Mudd College. After being positioned last summer at UC-Davis, he will in Summer 2015 be teaching at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.</td>
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<td>Jessica Rosales</td>
<td>Alumni Association Scholarship</td>
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<td>Minh Nguyen</td>
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<td>Arpan Roy</td>
<td>Admitted to Ph. D. program at Johns Hopkins</td>
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<td>Carolina Sandoval</td>
<td>Awarded outstanding Poster Presentation in Education</td>
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<td>Service to the Department Award -- Research</td>
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<td>Robert Mendoza</td>
<td>Selected as an Associate by the prestigious Institute for Recruitment of Teachers operated by Andover Phillips Academy, from which he will receive mentorship and financial support in applying to doctoral programs in English and Rhetoric and Composition.</td>
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<td>Richard Nicolas</td>
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Assistance for the CSULA Deportation Study.

**Lili Taleghani-Nia**
Golden Eagle Award of Excellence

**Kumar Tiger**
Identifying MyoD knockdown cell lines using qRT-PCR assays for MyoD and Myogenin mRNAs
CSULA Student Research Symposium 2014 Winner, Outstanding Presentation Award

Outstanding Presentation Award (Molecular Biology)
Tiger, Kumar February 27, 2015. 23rd Annual Cal State L.A. Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Poster Session @ Cal State LA, CA

"Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Bridge to the Doctorate Fellowship". 2014-2016.
Cal State LA

**Selene Torres**
Emeriti Fellowship

**Carina Vasquez**
Emeriti Fellowship

**Emily Whistler**
Admitted to Ph. D. program at Washington State University

**Angela Wu**
Gamma Epsilon Chapter Phi Kappa Phi Travel Award, February 2015

Outstanding presentation award at CSULA 23rd Student Research Symposium, February 2015

Gamma Epsilon Chapter Phi Kappa Phi Travel Award, February 2015

Center for Energy and Sustainability Fellowship, September 2014

AY 2015-2016 International and Non-Resident Graduate Student Fee Waiver Award, May 2015

**Yang Zhang**
“Best Mentored Research Paper.”

**Yadi Zhao**
First place in Music Video of 2014, CSU Media Arts Festival, Nov. 8th, 2014.
Cheryl Ney, Ph.D.
Associate Provost
for Academic Affairs

Karin Elliott Brown, Ph.D.
Interim Dean of Graduate Studies

Christopher D. Gipson, MA History
Office Manager

Andrea Gutierrez, MFA
Graduate Studies Resource Center Coordinator

Lupe Martinez
Graduate Admissions Evaluator

Joan Saldin
Graduate Admissions Evaluator

Veronica Villa
Graduate Admissions Analyst

Sarene Tajerian
Graduate Assistant
Speech-Language Pathology

Andrew Chavez
Graduate Assistant
Psychology