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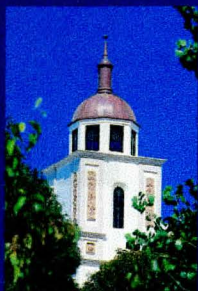
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PROVOST'S OFFICE

Commencement 2007 – Faculty Guide

I am pleased to announce our redesigned commencement Web site: www.sandiego.edu/commencement. On this site, you will find a new resource available to faculty, the USD Faculty Guide for Commencement. You can access the Web site www.sandiego.edu/Commencement/facultyguide.php. The guide includes information about ordering regalia, procession instructions and special reserved parking for faculty who attend commencement ceremonies.

Please come to celebrate this special day with our students and express your pride in their accomplishments.
– Provost Julie Sullivan

Fall Convocation – Save the Date

The Fall Convocation of the Faculty and Administration will take place at 3 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 7, 2007 at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre. It will be followed with a reception in the IPJ Garden of the Sea. Formal invitations will be sent in the summer to faculty home addresses.

INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND PLANNING

Spring 2007 Enrollment Statistics

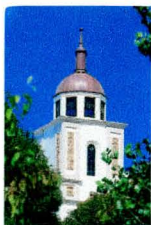
Spring 2007 enrollment statistics can be found on the Institutional Research and Planning Web site at www.sandiego.edu/irp/ by clicking on the link called Stat Book. The site is password protected. To access the site, log in the same way you would access your USD e-mail account. If you have difficulty accessing the Stat Book, please call Tech Support at ext. 7900.

The majority of reports are prepared for the fall semester, but there are several spring reports available in the following sections:

- Enrollment
- Majors/Minors
- Student Credit Hours
- Grades.

Please call Cel Johnson, ext. 7878, or Elaine Winfrey, ext. 7413, in Institutional Research and Planning if you have any questions about these reports.





ALCALÁ SENIOR HONOR SOCIETY, MORTAR BOARD

Faculty Honored at Mortar Board Faculty Appreciation Dinner

The University of San Diego Mortar Board Chapter held its seventh annual Faculty Appreciation Dinner on Feb. 21, 2007, to honor faculty members who have made a significant contribution to the academic achievement and personal growth of USD Mortar Board members.

The faculty members who were honored this year were selected because they represent the ideals upon which Mortar Board is based. They were recognized for their academic excellence, superior leadership and dedicated service.

James Bolender, Ph.D.
Michelle Camacho, Ph. D.
Jonathan Conant, Ph.D.
Stephen Conroy, Ph.D.
Esteban del Río, Ph.D.
Delavan Dickson, Ph.D.
Casey Dominguez, Ph.D.
Lauren Jane "L.J." Hartig
Professor Walt Heinecke
Peter Kanelos, Ph.D.
Patricia Kowalski, Ph.D.

Mark Laumakis, Ph.D.
Judith Liu, Ph.D.
Elaine MacMillan, Ph.D.
Professor Tom Minnich
Noelle Norton, Ph.D.
Athena Perrakis, Ph.D.
Alberto Pulido, Ph.D.
Sandra Sgoutas-Emch, Ph.D.
Deborah Tahmassebi, Ph.D.
Professor Margo Wilding
Jennifer Zwolinski, Ph.D.

FACULTY NEWSNOTES PUBLICATION DATES AND DEADLINES

Listed below are the remaining dates of publication for 2006-2007 Faculty Newsnotes. Please direct all entries to Peggy Agerton, Provost Office, at agertonp@sandiego.edu.

Submission deadline
March 28, 2007
May 2, 2007

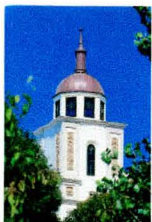
Publication date
April 9, 2007
May 14, 2007

CENTER FOR LEARNING AND TEACHING

The Center for Learning and Teaching provides a variety of campuswide faculty development opportunities designed to enhance student learning through improved teaching and assessment. You are invited to upcoming events sponsored by the center.

Please RSVP at your earliest convenience by visiting www.sandiego.edu/clt/ where you will also find a more complete listing of campuswide events that may be of interest to faculty and staff. For more information, please call Professor Carole Huston or Amanda Ryan at ext. 7402 or e-mail ltcenter@sandiego.edu.





Preceptor Workshop: Tips and Tricks for Online Advising and Registration

Thursday, March 8, 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.
Maher Hall, Room 114

In this workshop, faculty members will be provided guidance and hands-on instruction on the current online advising and registration process, WebReg. Boxed lunches for participants will be provided in the hallway just outside of the computer training room.

New Faculty Forum: Developing Effective Research Agendas

Thursday, March 15, 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.
IPJ, Room C/D
Lunch will be provided.

Discuss and consult with faculty mentors who have successfully managed to identify funding opportunities, resources, time and publishers to achieve their research goals.

Faculty Technology Showcase (Open to the USD community)

Thursday, March 29, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
IPJ, Room C/D
Lunch and refreshments provided.

This event will highlight instructional technology innovations on campus. Presentations on podcasting, blogging, streaming video, Web-conferencing and WebCT will be featured. Faculty and the campus community are invited to learn from, and be inspired by, the innovative ideas and techniques of their colleagues. Vendors will be on hand to demonstrate the latest products designed to enhance teaching and learning. Companies include: Adobe, Apple, Apreso, Sony, WebCT, Wimba and more. Giveaways and door prizes will be offered.

FACULTY AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The mission of the Faculty and Curriculum Development Program is to enhance pedagogical and curricular transformation, primarily, although not exclusively, in the areas of diversity and inclusion, in accord with the mission statement of the University of San Diego. This mission is accomplished by fostering dialogue, promoting understanding and cultivating a community of trust and commitment.

All full- and part-time faculty, staff, administrators and students are invited to these events. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Michelle Morris at michellemorris@sandiego.edu or call her at ext. 4525. For more information, contact Evelyn Kirkley at ekirkley@sandiego.edu or call her at ext. 4131.





Breakfast Workshop: Validation, Diversity and Inclusion

Laura Rendon, Iowa State University
Friday, March 9, 8:30 – 11 a.m.
Hahn University Center, Rooms 103 A and B

Rendon, who is a professor and chairperson for the department of educational leadership and policy studies at ISU's College of Human Sciences, facilitates an interactive workshop for faculty, staff, students and administrators on access, retention and graduation of low-income and first-generation students and the transformation of teaching and learning to meet their needs. This event is co-sponsored with United Front Multicultural Center, Associated Students, Women's Center and Committee on Inclusion and Diversity.

Luncheon Colloquium: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Hurricane Katrina

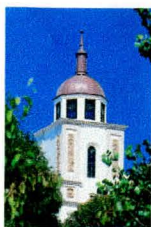
Jesse Mills, ethnic Studies professor, and Michel Boudrias, marine and environmental studies professor
Tuesday, March 27, 12:30 – 2 p.m.
Degheri Alumni Center, Room 112 and 113

University of San Diego professors Mills and Boudrias will lead a conversation on understanding Hurricane Katrina from different disciplinary perspectives and relating interdisciplinary scholarship to teaching and research. This session may spark future proposals from faculty to teach and publish together on a common issue from diverse disciplines and points of view. This event is co-sponsored with Ethnic Studies and the Center for Learning and Teaching.

Luncheon Colloquium: Working with Students of Diverse Socio-Economic Backgrounds

Institute of College Initiatives Staff
Thursday, April 12, 12:30 – 2 p.m.
Hahn University Center, Forum B

How and why does socio-economic class shape our student body? How many first-generation and working-class students attend the University of San Diego? How do they experience the campus community? Join the Institute of College Initiatives staff, as well as student participants in the institute's programs — EOP, SSS and TRIO — to discuss the needs of and campus resources for students with diverse socio-economic backgrounds.

**Varia**

- **Gary Macy, Ph.D.**, professor of theology and religious studies, during the academic year, 2005-06, was Luce Senior Fellow at the National Center for the Humanities. He co-edited with Orlando O. Espín, *The Future Of Our Past: Explorations In The Theology Of Tradition*, Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2006. He also published the following five articles: "Heloise, Abelard and the Ordination of Abbesses," *Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, Vol. 57, No. 1 (January 2006), pages 16-32; "The Future of the Past: What Can the History Say About Symbol and Ritual," *Practicing Catholic: Ritual, Body, and Contestation*, edited by Bruce Morrill, S.J., Susan Rodgers, Joanna E. Ziegler (New York: Palgrave-Macmillan Press, 2006), 29-37; "The Iberian Heritage of U.S. Latino/a Theology," Orlando O. Espín and Gary Macy, *The Future Of Our Past: Explorations In The Theology Of Tradition* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2006), 43-82; "The Church as Medieval and Free," in *The Many Marks of the Church*, Michael Daley and William Madges, eds., (New London, CT: Twenty-third Publications, 2006), 152-56; and "A Response to Columba Stewart," *Catholic Theological Society of America: Proceedings of the Sixty-first Annual Convention*, edited by Jonathan Y. Tan (Catholic Theological Society of America, 2006), 14-18. He published a book review of Gordon Lathrop, *Holy Ground: A Liturgical Cosmology*. (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2003) in *Theological Studies*, Vol. 67, No. 2 (June, 2006), 465 and was consultant to the translation of Henri de Lubac, *Corpus Mysticum: The Eucharist and the Church in the Middle Ages* (SCM Press, 2006).
- **Daniel Sheehan, Ph.D.**, professor of physics, Lisa Baird, professor of biology, and USD Summer Undergraduate Research Experience student Justin Webster had an article accepted for publication in *Journal of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology*. The article is entitled, "Orthogonally-oriented nanotube arrays: Experiment I." This research builds on recent theoretical predictions for the possibility of ultra-low friction, nearly wear-free surfaces using carbon nanotubes. Sheehan and Jeffrey Wright, of mathematics and computer science, recently traveled to the Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies in Albuquerque, N.M., to pursue production of more advanced designs of these novel surfaces.
- **Susan Lord**, USD associate professor of electrical engineering, and David Hayhurst, dean of the college of engineering at San Diego State University, served as general co-chairs of the 36th annual *Frontiers in Education* conference. It is the premier international engineering education conference that brings together scholars from a variety of backgrounds including engineering, computer science, cognitive sciences and education. Held in October 2006, the conference was a success with 681 registered participants and more than 400 peer reviewed contributions in the proceedings.
- **Alejandro Meter**, USD assistant professor of languages and literatures, has co-edited a book with Ariana Huberman on Latin American Jewish Studies titled: *Memoria y Representación: Configuraciones Culturales y Literarias en el Imaginario Judío Latinoamericano*. Rosario: Beatriz Viterbo Editora, 2006. The volume includes articles on otherness, difference, memory, migration and exile and the legacy of the Holocaust in Latin America.