Being an English Major is for those who are passionate about, and have a hunger for, the exploration of different perspectives, dilemmas, and stories, which challenge the way we may see the world. The English major provides a space, or opportunity, where our own internal worlds and life-experiences, can be shared with literature as we explore dimensions of the human experience in relation to society in ways others do not.

Sigma Tau Delta is an international society dedicated to fostering literacy and all aspects of the discipline of English. Established in 1924, Sigma Tau Delta provides an opportunity for students to connect to an international network of schools, faculty, and students who share this same special interest in language, literature, and writing (not to mention scholarship opportunities!).

Don’t miss out on a great chance to meet peers who hold the same passions as you! If you missed our informational meeting just held on Tuesday, Sept. 24, please still contact us and we’ll be happy to answer your questions or give you additional information.

http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/affiliations/std.php
For more info e-mail: rachelponn@sandiego.edu.
Fri, Nov 8, 7:00-9:00pm at Centro Cultural de la Raza (2004 Park Blvd., San Diego 92101): The San Diego Multicultural LGBT Literary Foundation presents Queer Latinidad: Voices from Nueva York. This exciting literary event will feature a reading by both Charles Rice-González and Emanuel Xavier, two prolific, gay Puerto Rican writers from New York City who have never read in San Diego before. Help us celebrate the queer Latino experience and literature by queer people of color! This event is free and open to the public! Please share the details with your students, friends, and colleagues. For more information, email us at info@sdliteraryfoundation.org.

Charles Rice-González, born in Puerto Rico and reared in the Bronx, is a writer and long-time community and LGBT activist. He will be reading from his debut novel, Chulito, about a tough, sexy, hip-hop-loving, young Latino man, coming out and coming of age in the South Bronx.

Emanuel Xavier is an American poet, spoken word artist, author, and activist. His is one of the most significant voices to emerge from the neo-Nuyorican spoken word movement. He will be reading his poetry, as well as sections of his novel, Christ Like, which follows a young Latino man as he struggles to survive on the new York City piers in the 80's and 90's.
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Nicole Hardy Reading**

**Tues, Oct 15, 2013
12:30-1:30pm
Camino Hall 117**

Author Nicole Hardy will be making a stop at USD campus as part of her Southern California book tour in mid-October. She’ll be reading from her new memoir, *Confessions of a Latter-Day Virgin*, about growing up Mormon. All are welcome! Info: Dr. Halina Duraj, hduraj@sandiego.edu.

**Tues, Oct 1, 12:00-1:00pm in UC 107: Informational Meeting/Open House.** The Weight-Watchers @ USD Program is open to all USD employees, family, students and friends! You will be given a presentation detailing the exciting program by our Weight Watchers leader, Janice Chernitzy. We have two Series Options:

- 19-week series (17 week series + 2 weeks free) $186 TOTAL per person—20 person minimum
- 14 week series (12 week series + 2 weeks free) $156 TOTAL per person—15 person minimum

Have your payments (cash, check and credit cards accepted) ready the day of our Info Meeting (can also be taken in 3 split payments if necessary) so that we can start our Week One of the Program on Tuesday, October 1st! Mark your calendars and make the commitment to start a new healthier lifestyle through the Weight Watchers @ Work Program! For interest and questions, please contact Adriana Garcia at agarcia@sandiego.edu or ext. 2718.

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**Thur, Sep 26, 12:30pm in UC 128: Student Success Workshop: Balancing Multiple Demands.** College life brings choices and responsibilities. Learn techniques and skills to help you prioritize your responsibilities, balance the multiple demands of college life, and say “no” to opportunities when you are feeling overwhelmed. More info: www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops.

**Thur, Sep 26, 4:00-5:00pm in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): APA the Easy Way.** What is APA? How do you write a paper in APA format? How do you cite sources? Walk away knowing how to write a paper in APA style and how to incorporate cited references. Presenter: Hugh Burkhart. Register at www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php. Also offered on Tue, Oct 15, 12:15-1:15pm, and Tue, Nov 19, 7:00-8:00pm.

"My sorrow, when she’s here with me, thinks these dark days of autumn rain are beautiful as days can be; she loves the bare, the withered tree; she walks the sodden pasture lane."

—Robert Frost
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Want to study abroad? Consider the English Program Abroad, offering **SHAKE-SPEARE IN LONDON** for Intersession 2014!! English 280/420, January 3-24, 2014, with David Hay. We will spend three weeks in London reading five plays and seeing three or four productions as well as visiting historical sites related to Shakespeare such as The Tower of London, Middle Temple Hall, The Globe Theatre and Exhibition, Westminster Abbey, and a walking tour of Shakespeare’s London. We will also spend one day in Stratford-Upon-Avon. Productions booked so far are Richard II, with David Tennant, and Henry V, with Jude Law. Other productions will be determined by what is up while we are there, and field trips will relate to plays we are studying. Five free weekend days will allow students to explore on their own. Emphasis in the class will be on close reading and viewing, and on making Shakespeare real, understandable, and enjoyable. Registration deadline: Oct. 15, 2013. More info: [http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/program/courses/study_abroad.php](http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/program/courses/study_abroad.php).

**Sat, Sep 28, 10:00-11:30am in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): Preventing Plagiarism.** In this engaging and interactive workshop we will define plagiarism, discuss ways to prevent plagiarism, and review resources available to assist you with citing your research. Discussions will include unintentional and self-plagiarism and ways to prevent it. Presenter: Amy Besnoy. Register at [www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php](http://www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php). Also offered on Sat, Nov 2, 10:00-11:30am.

**Sun, Sep 29, 7:00-9:00am in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): Amazing Copley Library Race.** Explore, discover, and find what is in the library! Race through the library to answer the clues provided. One of our most popular events with new students! Presenter: Lorelei Sterling. Register at [www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php](http://www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php).

**Tue, Oct 1, 12:30pm in UC 103A/B: Student Success Workshop: Study Strategies.** Is studying how you did in high school not working as well for you in college? Learn how to get the most out of the time you spend in class, and the time you spend studying on your own. Get tips on note-taking, reading assignments, and other study strategies to improve your performance in college. More info: [www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops](http://www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops). Also offered on Oct 23.

**Thur, Oct 3, 12:30pm in UC 107: Student Success Workshop: Keeping Healthy.** Lack of attention to important health habits can lead to chronic health & academic problems. Learn how to be healthier and stay well through adequate sleep, balanced eating, and exercise! Learn to approach your life More info: [www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops](http://www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops).
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**Thur, Oct 3, 4:00-5:00pm in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): Extreme Google Scholar.** How well do you Google? Do you know Google Scholar? At the end of an hour you will know how to locate scholarly articles, link to articles through Copley Library, and find out how many times the article was cited. Presenter: Laura Turner, Head of Technical Services. Register at www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php.

**Mon, Oct 7, 7:00pm in UC 103A/B: Student Success Workshop: Faculty 411.** Get tips from experiences faculty members on how to succeed in college. Learn effective ways to interact with your instructors, and hear about common mistakes to avoid. More info: www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops.

**Wed, Oct 9, 7:00pm in UC 103A/B: Student Success Workshop: Exam Strategies.** Learn different strategies to prepare for short answer, essay, multiple choice, and true/false questions on tests. Explore new techniques for approaching tests and what to do on test day to increase your likelihood of success. Identify ways to use past exam experiences to improve on future ones. More info: www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops.

**Wed, Oct 9, 5:30-6:30pm, in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): Writing a Lit Review.** Do you need to construct a lit review but are unsure how? Maybe you don’t know what the term even means. At this workshop, learn how to plan, research, and composed a literature review. The material presented will pertain to all disciplines. Bring your questions! Presenter: Hugh Burkhart, Reference Librarian. Register at www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php.

**Wed, Oct 9, 7:00-8:00pm & Thur, Oct 10, 4:00-5:00pm, in Copley Seminar Room (CL 108): Research Skills for the International Student.** This workshop will introduce you to the library catalog, research databases, and library services. It will provide some tips and guidance to international students who need help navigating through library resources and doing college-level research in American schools. The session will be informal, so feel free to come with specific questions or concerns you might have from your own assignments or experiences. Presenter: Li Fu, Head of Access & Outreach Services. Register at www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php.

**Thur, Oct 10, 12:30pm in UC 128: Student Success Workshop: Studying Abroad for First Year Students.** Learn about the study abroad opportunity offered exclusively for the Class of 2017 called “The Second Year Experience (SYE) Abroad” - January 2015 in your choice of Florence (Italy), Shanghai (China), or Seville (Spain)! Other study abroad options and how to begin planning for them will also be shared. More info: www.sandiego.edu/usdcss/programs/workshops.

**STUDENT WORK/INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

*The Vista: Writers Needed! The Vista* is the University of San Diego’s weekly undergraduate student newspaper. At The Vista, we strive to provide students, staff and alumni with quality news. Look for our print edition every Thursday around campus. If interested in being a writer for USD’s The Vista newspaper, please contact managing@usdvista.com.

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**The Writing Center is now Open!**

**619-260-4581**

**Drop-ins Welcome!**

**Visit us at Founders 190B**

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“By all these lovely tokens September days are here, With summer’s best of weather And autumn’s best of cheer.”

—Helen Hunt Jackson

Fri, Sep 27, 1:00pm in Serra 215: Interviewing Skills Workshop. This workshop will help you develop effective interviewing skills. Topics include: How to present yourself to the recruiter; Appropriate responses to commonly asked questions; How to demonstrate interest in the position and knowledge of the organization. Based on employer feedback, we strongly recommend completing this workshop if you are taking part in on-campus interviews. Please RSVP to http://bit.ly/ISRSVP. Any questions? Contact Career Services at x 4654, Hughes 110, or www.sandiego.edu/careers.

Tutors Needed! USD Torero Athletics is looking for individuals that can provide tutoring assistance to USD student-athletes in various courses. Subjects include but are not limited to the areas of: ENGLISH Composition and Literature; MATH; PHILOSOPHY; HISTORY; SCIENCES; THEOLOGY; and FOREIGN LANGUAGE – Spanish. All candidates should demonstrate the following abilities:
- Maintain a good academic record in coursework (includes coursework at non-USD institutions)
- Proficient in the courses providing tutorial assistance for
- Work comfortably in one-on-one or group settings
- Communicate effectively with individuals from various ethnic and educational backgrounds
- Adapt to different learning styles & methods
- Available for multiple hour timeframes during week (Sunday evenings & weeknights preferred)
- Arrive to scheduled appointments on time
- Comply with NCAA rules & regulations

Please contact Antwan Joseph at 619.260.5931 or ajoseph@sandiego.edu with interest or any questions.

Student Support Services is currently looking for tutors, including English (area of study): Student Support Services (SSS) provides free peer tutoring for an extensive selection of core curriculum and upper division courses. Both individual and small group tutoring is available and open to SSS participants enrolled at USD. SSS tutors must display academic excellence, possess expertise an academic content area as well as superior study skills. They must also be flexible, patient and sensitive to the needs of the SSS student population. Tutor Qualifications: Full time undergraduate or graduate student at USD; Cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale; Have at least first semester sophomore standing; Have earned an A or A-in the course(s) you want to tutor. If interested please contact Ryan Jumamil, Academic Coordinator for Student Support Services, at jumamil@sandiego.edu or 619-260-7580.

BE A TUTOR FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES !!!

We are looking for Tutors in the following subjects:
- Physics
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Math
- Languages
- History
- English
- Accounting
- Biology
- Accounting
- Psychology

FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE!!!
- Work up to 12 hours/week
- Must have a grade of B+ or above in the classes you tutor

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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“Now Autumn’s fire burns slowly along the woods and day by day the dead leaves fall and melt.”
—William Allingham
“Good friends, good books and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life.”
—Mark Twain

**Dean’s Open Office Hours in Founders 114:** Our new dean, Dean Noelle Norton will host open office hours every Wednesday from 4:00-5:00pm and Thursday from 9:30-10:30am. Faculty are welcome to stop by and discuss topics (such as: trends in online education, rank & tenure, contingent faculty at USD, core curriculum, Living Learning Communities, diversity & inclusion, student success, academic integrity, and office/classroom renovation).

**Thur, Sep 26, in Warren Auditorium, MRH (SOLES):** USD’s Real Estate Society invites you to its annual First-Time Homebuyers Seminar. The event will help educate prospective homebuyers on the opportunities and requirements of the current market through a panel discussion and Q&A session. The event is free and is open to USD faculty, staff, students and members of the Linda Vista community. Lunch will be provided. Lunch is from 12:15-12:45 p.m.; the seminar is from 12:45-1:30 p.m. Your RSVP is required to attend the lunch and the seminar. To RSVP please contact Myla Wilson of the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate by e-mail at mwilson@sandiego.edu or by phone at (619) 260-8803. This event is sponsored through a grant from the California MBA Foundation, which supports consumer education programs and affordable housing projects designed to benefit Californians.
**FACULTY NEWS**

Fri, Sep 27, 2:00-3:00pm in MRH 133 (SOLES): Tech Talk: Work, Education, Life…How did I Evernote without you? This presentation aims to help educators learn how to use Evernote to capture multi-media material and organize, share and sync them across devices. Furthermore, educators will examine how to use different add-ons on multiple devices. Presented by Randa Jad-Moussa, Department of Languages & Literatures. To register go to: http://www.sandiego.edu/cee/events/registration.php, or call Johnny Bobe II at the Center for Educational Excellence at (619) 260-7402 or email cee@sandiego.edu.

Wed, Oct 2, 5:00-6:00pm, Degheri Alumni Center (DAC) Lounge: Contemplative Living Group. You are invited to participate in a Contemplative Living Group which will meet during the semester to explore ways to respond more contemplatively to everyday experiences & to become more aware of our connectedness & communion with others. Group leader is Virginia Rodee, RSCJ, Assistant Vice President for Office for Mission & Ministry. There will be 8 weekly sessions beginning on Wed, Oct 2; attending all of the sessions is encouraged but not required. Dates: Oct 2 to Nov 20. RSVP by Sep 30 to rburns@sandiego.edu or x4656, Office for Mission & Ministry.

Fri, Oct 4, 9:30-11:30am in MRH 135 (SOLES): Fabulous First Friday: Group & Teamwork in the Classroom. We are all aware of the value of group work—among the highest ranked employee attributes repeatedly reported by employers is the ability to work effectively in a team. Our discussion will be centered on the group’s interests and may include: • Student resistance and how to overcome it; • Group selection pros and cons of the different methods (randomly, by ability/experience, student choice); • Types of group work; • Strategies for facilitating group work; • Assessing group work learning outcomes and grading fairly. Fabulous First Fridays are monthly drop in discussion sessions about common classroom issues which are facilitated by experienced USD faculty. Ample time is given to share and tailor approaches to your own classroom situations and supplemental resource materials are provided. We welcome all faculty members to join us and discover, or rediscover, some of the best, research and experiential based, practices for teaching and learning. This session will be facilitated by Rangapiya Kannan-Narasimhan, Assistant Professor, School of Business Administration, and Keith MacDonald, Adjunct Instructor, Biology. Please note: you are welcome to drop in and out of the sessions as your time allows. To register go to: http://www.sandiego.edu/cee/events/registration.php, or call x7402 or email cee@sandiego.edu.

**ALUMNI NEWS**

Jackson Smith, 2013, English/Theatre double-major, writes us that he has a “sweet new gig” at The Old Globe Theatre! His title is Assistant Company Manager. It’s a full time position and he gets to see lots of shows for free. Congratulations, Jackson!

Anne (Slagill) Malinoski, 2011, is pleased to announce the birth of her son, Jack Thomas Malinoski. He was born in New London, CT on August 7, 2013 at 1:10am. Congratulations, Anne!

“It’s like going back to school. You know, autumn! Time for ‘Harry Potter’.”

—Robbie Coltraine
Did You Know? The New USD Mobile App (upgraded) is now available! Check your Course Schedule, USD Maps, Tram Schedule, Grades, Campus Events, and USD Sports Scores all in one place – the USD Mobile App! Download at: sandiego.edu/mobile.

Not On My Watch Campaign: USD and other universities in San Diego joined together during National Suicide Prevention Week to launch a county-wide “Not on My Watch” campaign to prevent death by suicide among college students. USD’s participation was launched during Alcalá Bazaar on Sep 10th where more than 400 “Not on My Watch” kits developed by the County of San Diego and the Community Research Foundation were distributed to students. To better address the needs of our community and in response to the painful losses our community has experienced as a result of suicide, USD has established a task force to engage all stakeholders in meaningful activities to prevent suicide. The Student Wellness area under Student Affairs is leading this process. We would like to encourage all members of our community to actively participate in this effort by visiting www.sandiego.edu/NotOnMyWatch/ to learn more about suicide prevention: 1. Learn how to recognize the warning signs of suicide; 2. Learn how to have a conversation; & 3. Become aware of the resources available on and off-campus, and how to obtain help for yourself or someone in need. There are a series of “Not on My Watch” activities on and off campus during the fall semester including:

Thur, Sep 26, & Tue, Oct 15, 12:30–1:30pm in UC Forum C: QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Trainings. QPR (Question, Persuade, and Refer), is a CPR-equivalent training for mental health emergencies. QPR defines the three action steps when suicide warning signs are observed and was recently listed in the National Register of Evidence-based Practices and Policies. E-mail wellness@sandiego.edu to register.

Sat, Oct 19, 10:00am–1:00pm at Embarcadero Marina Park near Seaport Village, San Diego: Out of Darkness Community Walk. Toreros will participate in this community walk organized by the San Diego Chapter of the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention to support local efforts to prevent suicide.

Sat, Nov 23, 9:00am–1:00pm in KIPJ: International Survivors of Suicide Day. Every November, survivors of suicide loss in our community, across the United States, and around the world come together for healing conferences in their communities and online for support and guidance. This year, USD is partnering with the San Diego chapter of the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention to host this event at the IPJ. Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/S3296ZD. Visit: www.sandiego.edu/NotOnMyWatch/ for more information.

BE BLUE, GO GREEN

Associated Students funded to add more water bottle refill stations around campus to make it easier for students to fill up their water bottles. Stations were added in the Student Life Pavilion 1st Floor and Serra Hall 2nd Floor. Where water stations were not feasible to install, existing water fountains were retrofitted to allow for better access for water bottle refilling. Please be mindful of the earth and all the resources it takes to produce plastic water bottles. Stop by the Torero Store to get your USD water bottle!

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Charles Daly, 2012, latest short short appeared this month in the debut issue of London’s ‘Not Your Eyes’ (link: http://notyoureyes.com/daly1.html). He is currently living in East Asia, and his website is: www.dalyprose.com.