

English Dept Newsletter

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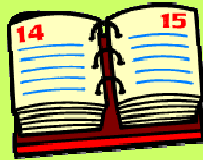
MAY 16, 2012

IMPORTANT DATES:

- May 17-23: Final Examinations
- May 18: Bike to Work/School Day
- May 25: NROTC Commissioning Ceremony
- May 27: CAS Graduation
- May 30: Employee Picnic
- June 4: Summer Session Begins

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Announcements

- **The McIntyre Foundation Awards \$5,000 to Scholarship.** Special congratulations to four English majors who received scholarships from the James McIntyre Foundation. Stayed tuned for future updates for next year's scholarship awards. Candidates for this scholarship must be **English majors** with financial need. Preference is given to minority students and to students who intend to pursue high school teaching as a career.
- **Fri, May 25, 1:30-3:00pm in KIPJ Theatre: Black Graduates Recognition Ceremony & Reception.**
- **Sun, May 27, 9:00am at JCP: College of Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Commencement.** Speaker **Bill Drayton** is the founder and chief executive officer (CEO), of Ashoka: Innovators for the Public. Drayton has pioneered the field of social entrepreneurship, growing a global association of nearly 3,000 leading social entrepreneurs who work together to create an "everyone a change-maker™" world. More info: www.sandiego.edu/commencement. Congrats to our English graduates!
- **Sigma Tau Delta Induction:** Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society, inducted eight new members on May 4, 2012, and awarded four graduating seniors their stoles for commencement. Jericho Brown, PhD, Department of English, gave the keynote speech. Missed it? To read his speech, please go to: www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/affiliations/std.php and scroll to bottom under "News". The new inductees are:

Eloisa Amezcua	Taylor DeVries	Madison Levine	Faye Mankowske
Lauren Cody	Marla Julian	Jennie Li	Kierstan Sandvige

The graduating seniors are: Eloisa Amezcua, Marla Julian, Lubna Nona, and Brittany Ramchandani. Congrats!!
- **Cropper Series on iTunes U:** Did you miss the Feb 24th Cropper Series Reading with **Ilya Kaminsky & Jodi Angel**? It is now up on the Cropper iTunes U channel: www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/cropper/series.php. Click on "Watch on iTunes U." **Watch for free!**
- **Cropper Series, Workshop Inspire Creativity:** Inside USD -- The Lindsay J. Cropper Memorial Writers Series gives USD students an opportunity not only to listen to professional writers, but also to see themselves as writers. Since 2004, nationally known writers have come to campus to read their published literary works on occasional Friday evenings during the academic year. The next day, a Saturday... (for full article, go to: www.sandiego.edu/cas/english, under "News.")



"Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself."

—Leo Tolstoy

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Student News



Congratulations to our English Department 2011-2012 **Honors Convocation Recipients!** The **Scholastic Achievement Awards** were presented to seniors **Kimberly Cunningham, Amanda Daly, and Crystal Walters.** The **Literary Achievement Awards** were presented to **Kyle Denuccio, Lisa Grove, Molly Maslak, and Christopher Sheehan.** For the **Writing Center,** the award for distinguished and dedicated service was presented to **Janet Easler and Joseph Holland.** For the **Southeast San Diego Tutoring Program,** the award for distinguished service was presented to **Alexa Capone and Courtney Causgrove.** Congratulations to all our honorees!



The following **English majors** were invited to join various honors societies:

Kappa Gamma Pi – National Catholic College Graduate Honor Society: Kimberly Norcia.

Mortar Board, Alcala Senior Honor Society Chapter – National Senior Honor Society: Anna Halligan, Sarah Jorgensen, Madison Levine, & Michael Mazzarella.

Phi Beta Kappa: Kimberly Cunningham, Amanda Daly, Raelene Halbert, & Crystal Walters.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Graduating English Majors! Jan/May/Aug 2012 graduates:

Amezcuca, Eloisa
Arrington, Chris
Berman, Erin
Blaney, Michael
Bleakley, Timothy
Boss, Emily
Bourdet, Ariana
Bunosky, Janna
Castro-Marin, Bianca
Causgrove, Courtney
Coghill, Ryan
Cornell, Patrick
Coto, Adrian
Cunningham, Kimberly
Daly, Amanda
Denuccio, Kyle
DePaepe, Chantel
DeYoung, Peter

Duncan, Cynthia
Elmore, Collins
Gac, Andrew
Garas, Nadia
Garcia, Alexandria
Gates, Morgan
Giraldo, Alexander
Graham, Ashley
Graziano, David
Grove, Lisa
Halbert, Raelene
Harrison, Jessica
Hoe, Francis
Huppert, Jonathan
Julian, Marla
Kerzner, Justin
Kormondy, Kaitlyn
Letchworth, Hanna

Lopez, Zamequa
Loyo-Rodriguez, Alexandra
Manson, Michelle
Martins, Nathaniel
Maslak, Molly
Mulligan, Erin
Nappi, Ashley
Nguyen, Marie
Nolan, Christine
Nona, Lubna
Olson, Brock
Petersen, Christopher
Peyman, Katherine
Phan, Phuong
Prado, Monica
Ramchandani, Britany

Rubin, Samantha
Salvo, Dalton
Schmidt, William
Sheehan, Chris
Stoney, William
Walters, Crystal
Wilson, Kelly
Worley, Hannah
Wren, Graham



Congratulations! We wish you well in your future!

Senior Spotlight! What are YOU doing after graduation?? These seniors have the following plans:

- **Emily Boss:** is moving to Denver, CO to attend the University of Denver in the fall for Masters of Library and Information Science degree.
- **Kimberly Cunningham:** will be joining the Match Corps program in August at their middle school in Boston.
- **Peter De Young:** will be working.
- **Nadia Garas:** will be volunteering at Red Cross during the summer.
- **Ashley Graham:** will be getting a full-time job and discovering herself.
- **Chris Petersen:** is going to the Grand Canyon for a rafting trip with his father and brother.
- **Tiara Rae** (English minor): will be traveling during the summer.
- **Will Stoney:** will be working this summer in La Jolla as a kayak guide.



**“Always
remember
that the future
comes one day
at a time.”**

**—Dean
Acheson**





Student News continued

Seniors: What are your post-grad plans? Summer internship? Graduate school? Summer workshop? Travels? Wedding? Volunteer Work? New job? Moving to new city? Did you graduate early—what are you now doing? Let us know your plans and we'll include in the newsletter! Photos welcome. Send to: carlap@sandiego.edu.



Intersession 2013: Study Abroad in Oxford & London, England! Take **ENGL 280 Intro to Shakespeare** or **ENGL 480 Advanced Shakespeare** with **Dr. Abe Stoll**. See Shakespeare's plays live in London! Program dates are January 3-22, 2013 (tentative). Program cost is \$4,800. Application deadline is October 15, 2012. Apply online at: <http://gointernational.sandiego.edu>. For more info visit the International Studies Abroad Office, SH 315 or x4598, or contact Dr. Stoll at astoll@sandiego.edu.

PLAN AHEAD! Summer 2013: Study Abroad in Paris, France! Take **ENGL: 228/370: Hybrid Dialogues: France & the Francophone Diaspora** with Dr. Atreyee Phukan. While designed to familiarize students with French literary terminology such as the colonial noble savage, Negritude, creolization, Francophone diaspora, etc., its main aim is to provide a comprehensive experience that will open unexpected windows into Paris during their residence. Some days in the week may include strategic walking-tours identifying sites of relevance to the course. A few examples of site visits that may be included are the Frantz Fanon Foundation, the collection of treasures from Africa and the Americas in the Quai Branly Museum at the Eiffel Tower, and the gold Obelisk at the end of the Champs-Élysées, all of which distinguish Paris as an epicenter of cultural exchange through the ages. Students will be introduced to some of France's most prestigious litterateurs and philosophers who wrote passionately about colonialism in the New World and trans-Atlantic slavery. Program dates: May 31-June 26, 2013. For more info visit the International Studies Abroad Office, SH 315 or x4598, or contact Dr. Phukan at phukana@sandiego.edu.



PLAN AHEAD! Summer 2013: Join Dr. Cynthia Caywood and Dr. David Hay for three weeks in the greatest theatre city in the world: London, England! Take **ENGL/THEA 494: London Plays in Production**. Our "theatrical season" will range from classical to cutting edge modern, from experimental plays to musicals. We will also visit a range of venues, from the Royal National Theatre to wildly alternative venues (empty warehouses? Abandoned subway tunnels?) This course fulfills the GE fine arts or literature requirement and counts towards the major or minor upper division elective requirements in both disciplines. Program dates: June 27-July 20, 2013. Program cost: TBA (includes tuition, housing, international insurance, tickets, & most excursions). For more information, see Dr. Caywood or Dr. Hay at



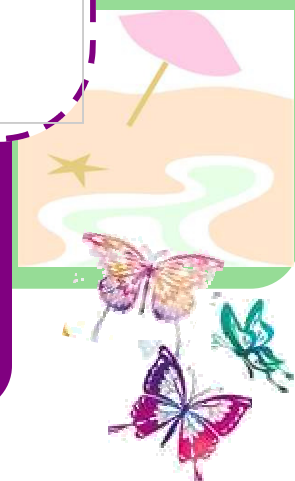
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What Can You Do With an English Major? Writing/Editing, Education, Publishing, Advertising, Public Relations, Business, Law, to name a few fields. Check out this web site that has an extensive listing of employer types with information and strategies! www.sandiego.edu/careers/students/major_career/what_can_i_do.php.

*Happiness
is a butterfly,
which
when pursued,
is always
just beyond
your grasp,
but which,
if you will sit
down quietly,
may alight
upon you.*

—Nathaniel
Hawthorne





Student News continued

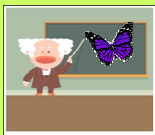
SBI: USD's School of Business Administration's **Summer Business Institute** for Liberal Arts, Humanities and Science majors and recent graduates who realize they may find themselves in business environments as they launch their careers. This 4-week intensive program prepares students for the future business environments they will encounter with an integrated business education in the fundamentals of finance, accounting, marketing, management and more. The program also includes excursions to area businesses to see management, marketing, finance and operations in action. **Dates: May 29, 2012 to June 22, 2012.** Apply today at www.sandiego.edu/sbi. **Space is limited.** *

Match Corps: Merrimack Valley is a full-time, 10.5-month urban education match tutoring fellowship in two high schools. Each Fellow works during the school day with two students at a time for five periods a day, and will have a personal caseload of 12 students all year long. More info: www.matcheducation.org/join-us/match-corps-merrimack-valley. Benefits: a modest living stipend (\$1428/ month, for 10½ mths); full health benefits; & a transportation reimbursement of \$60/mth; Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until June 25, 2012. *

*"All our dreams can come true,
if we have the courage to pursue them."*

—Walt Disney

* **DISCLAIMER:** Paid and unpaid internship opportunities are posted for informational purposes only. The postings do not constitute an endorsement by the University of the opinions or activities of the internship



Faculty News

Dennis Clausen, PhD, Department of English, was recognized at the College of Arts of Sciences End of Year Celebration on Friday, May 11, 2012, with a certificate and gift honoring his **40 years** at USD. Congratulations, Dennis!

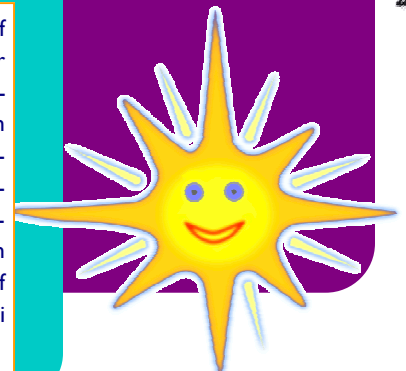
Irene Williams, PhD, Department of English, was recognized at the College of Arts of Sciences End of Year Celebration on Friday, May 11, 2012, with a certificate and gift honoring her **30 years** at USD. Congratulations, Irene!

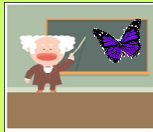
Jericho Brown, PhD, Department of English, continued work on his second book of poems, *The New Testament*. This book views the HIV/AIDS pandemic through autobiographical lyrics, persona poems, and the re-writing of Bible scriptures. It also explores the history and culture that surrounds African American identity by examining the concept of brotherhood.

Joseph McGowan, PhD, Department of English, completed the final proofs to "Manuscripts in Switzerland", a 154-page catalogue of manuscripts containing Old English and Old High German glosses housed at continental centers founded by Irish and English monks in the 7th-9th centuries (Einsiedeln, Reichenau, St. Gallen). He completed further chapters to "A History of the English Language" (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012).



Atreyee Phukan, PhD, Department of English, completed several chapters of her book project, *Being Indian: Indo-Trinidadian Literatures of Creolization (1950 – 1990)*. During spring 2011, Phukan's research was accepted for presentation at the "Caribbean Unbound" conference at Franklin College, Lugano, and an article is forthcoming in a collection of essays, *Beyond Windrush* (U of Mississippi Press).





Faculty News continued



Language Improvement Opportunity. Have you thought about learning or improving your French, Spanish, Chinese, Italian, or other language of interest? USD's International Center is now supporting the **Rosetta Stone** language learning program for all full-time faculty, staff, & administrators with a desire to expand their global competence. We have arranged a special agreement with Rosetta Stone where each subscriber is able to access every language & level available in the program for a significantly discounted price of \$40 for a 3 month membership or \$75 for 6 months. Rosetta Stone is accessible from any computer with internet access that has a microphone and speakers. Upon registering, you will be given your own account access.

Space is limited. More info at: www.sandiego.edu/international/faculty/development.php. If you have additional questions or concerns please contact Kelli Bagley at (619) 260-6801 or kbagley@sandiego.edu. Happy Learning!

Wed, May 16, 4:00-5:30pm, in KIPJ Room G & Patio: CEE Reception. The Center for Educational Excellence cordially invites you to a reception honoring CEE presenters, administrators, faculty & staff in recognition of their support & involvement during the 2011-2012 year. Travel grant recipients will be recognized & this year's top CEE participants will be awarded certificates. RSVP to www.sandiego.edu/cee, call x7402, or email cee@sandiego.edu. The CEE supports the university in all phases of pedagogical development. The center is committed to assisting in promoting the institution's core values of academic excellence, knowledge, community, ethical conduct & compassionate service.

Thur, May 17, 4:30-7:00pm in O'Tooles Lounge, UC: English Dept End-of-the-Year Party! All English faculty invited. Join us in O'Tooles for a year-end celebration, with beer & wine and appetizers. Hot & cold tapas, flat breads to munch on. Door prizes! We'll see you there!



Sat, May 19, 9:00am-1:00pm, at West Storage Facility†: USD Garage Sale. Reserve a table now! USD is having its very own garage sale! The garage sale is open to the San Diego community (general public) to buy, but only USD employees and students will be able to sell their items. Cash only! Employees and students are responsible for pricing their own items. All items that are left behind will be reused and/or donated. USD itself will be selling off some furniture. If you would like to sell your items at the garage sale you must register for a table. Contact Adriana Garcia at x2718 or agarcia@sandiego.edu. †West Storage Facility: 5330 Linda Vista Rd. (next to Alcala Park West).



Fri, May 25, 9:00am-12:00pm in the Manchester Exec. Conf. Center (Rm 208): Faculty Writing Retreats. The Center for Educational Excellence, at the request of the Junior Faculty Advisory Committee in the College of Arts and Sciences, has organized space to foster the writing productivity for all faculty. The Board Room in Manchester Executive Conference Center has been reserved Fridays. There will be a coffee break, with coffee delivery at 10:30am, half way through each retreat. The aim is to assign a block of time that will help faculty incorporate writing into their schedules. The format for these sessions is for faculty to work quietly on their own items with no discussion. This is the last quiet writing retreat for the semester.

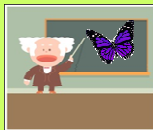
Wed, May 30: Final Grades Due. Faculty due-date for turning in final grades; through the Teach/Advise Tab in MySanDiego at www.sandiego.edu.



"If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with success unexpected in common hours."

—Henry
David
Thoreau





Faculty News continued



Wed, May 30, 1:00-4:00pm: Annual Employee Picnic. The excitement continues to grow as the date of our Annual Community Picnic gets closer and closer. The festivities will be held from 1:00 to 4:00pm at the Valley Soccer Field, located behind the Missions Parking Structure.

1:00–2:30pm – Lunch will be served

1:30pm – Program

2:00pm – Let the games begin!

2:00–4:00pm – Desserts will be served

Come and enjoy the food, drinks and games! Please remember to **bring your USD ID to the picnic to receive your complimentary employee gift.** Parking will be available in the Missions



Parking Structure. USD tram service will be available campus wide. The following contests, raffles and games are being planned for your enjoyment at the picnic: Cookie Contest, Salt Water Taffy Count Contest, Complimentary Employee Raffle, CHR@USD 50/50 Raffle, Chicken Toss, Scavenger Hunt, Carnival games, Trivia Questions Contest and the 2nd Annual Torero Cup Relay Competition. To be eligible to win some amazing gift cards, you must RSVP online to this year’s picnic at: <http://www.sandiego.edu/administration/businessadmin/humanresources/register.php>.

The **USD Trivia Questions Contest** will begin on Tue, May 22. There will be two questions posted each morning on May 22, May 23, May 24, May 25 & May 29. The Trivia Questions will also be posted on the picnic bulletin board located in the hall outside of the human resources office in Maher 101. All employees who want to participate must answer all questions – the winner will be the first person at the human resources office (Maher 101) on Wednesday morning (May 30th) with all of the correct answers. The winner will receive a prize and have a reserved table at the community picnic.

CHR@USD 50/50 Employee Raffle: this raffle will help to fund Employee Sponsored Wellness Programs (i.e., Yoga and Dine & Discover events). Raffle tickets are 2 tickets for \$1 or 12 tickets for \$5. Tickets are now available **from Carla in F174**. Tickets will also be available at the Community Picnic until 2:00pm. The winner, announced at the picnic, will receive half of the money raised and the other half will go to the Employee Sponsored Wellness Programs. **You do not have to be present to win.** Be sure to check the Human Resources 2012 Community Picnic website for all Contest and Raffle rules and details, at: <http://www.sandiego.edu/administration/businessadmin/humanresources/recognition/picnic.php>. If you have any questions, please contact Adriana Garcia at ext. 2718 or agarcia@sandiego.edu. See you there!



*“In dreams
begins
responsibility.”*

*—William
Butler
Yeats*

WebCT will be decommissioned on August 1, 2012: Information Technology Services – Migration to Blackboard. As the campus migrates to Blackboard 9.1. Please begin to plan your migration now! The new summer IT Training calendar will be released the first week of June, which will contain many training offerings, including the brand new SummerFest and Faculty Technology BootCamp schedules. Faculty are encouraged to sign-up for a workshop at www.sandiego.edu/tutorials/ to learn about new features, changes in the program, and USD specific information. All activation requests will be fulfilled in Blackboard 9.1. Summer courses are now being activated, and fall courses will be activated on August 1, 2012. Request your course activations here: www.sandiego.edu/its/idt/bb/course.php. All SP12 courses will automatically be migrated to Blackboard in mid-July. If you have other WebCT course content that will need to migrate to Blackboard 9.1 before August 1; follow the directions here: <http://bit.ly/migratecontent>. All faculty will be given a “Sandbox,” or a practice course to explore the new Blackboard system or to begin development and design of a new course. Sandbox courses may be requested here: <http://bit.ly/sandbox2012>. To learn more about the migration and support from ITS, please visit our website: www.sandiego.edu/blackboard.



CEE Suggested Summer Reading:

- **Silent Spring** by Rachel Carson. 2012-2013 USD Just Read! Selection and Center for Ethics in Science & Technology book.
- *The Fall of the Faculty: The Rise of the All-Administrative University and Why It Matters*, by Benjamin Ginsberg.
- *The Art of Changing the Brain*, by James Zull.



Alumni News



Charlie Daly, USD 2011, has an online blog called **Stacks and Droppers**. He writes: Friends, fans, and family, Stacks and Droppers is pleased to welcome master violinist Tai Murray to the orange typewriter series. She's the winner of numerous prizes and grants, described as 'flawless' by Muso Magazine and 'superb' by the New York Times. Check out Tai's interview and performance here: <http://stacksanddroppers.blogspot.fr/2012/05/tai-murrays-violin-has-287-years-on.html>. Next time: French novelist and painter Alizé Meurisse visits the orange typewriter. Thanks for reading, --Charlie dalyprose.com



Alums: What are your summer or fall plans? Graduate school? Travels? Weddings? Let us know what is new with you and we'll include in the newsletter! Photos welcome. Send to: carlap@sandiego.edu.



“There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you it's going to be a butterfly.”

—R. Buckminster Fuller

Be Blue, Go Green

RECYCLEMANIA! Electronic Waste— USD E-Waste Center.

The E-Waste Center will be open during the USD Garage Sale on Sat, May 19th! Offering the San Diego community a safe, secure and socially responsible way to dispose of the e-waste that has been collecting in your home and office for years: microwave ovens, VCRs, stereo components, cables & cords, TVs, computer monitors, CPUs, plus more! For complete list of items accepted, go to: www.sandiego.edu/ewaste. Open to the public. Hours: Mon-Sat 11:00am-3:00pm, located at: 5330 Linda Vista Road, San Diego, CA 92110 (the former Coca-Cola facility, next to the Alcalá Park West buildings). For more Information: www.sandiego.edu/ewaste.



Community

USD COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE!

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Employees and students are responsible for pricing their own items.

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“Change brings opportunity.”

—Nido Qubein