

IMPORTANT DATES:

English Dept Newsletter

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Announcements

Summer Session
Begins

• Jun 17: Father's

Jun 4: Pre-

May 30: Employee

- Day
- Jun 20: First Day of Summer
- Jun 25: Mid-Summer Session Begins
- Aug 6: Post-Summer Session Begins
- Sep 5: Fall Classes
 Begins

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- The McIntyre Foundation Awards \$5,000 to Scholarship. The McIntyre Foundation awarded \$5,000 to support the James McIntyre Foundation Scholarship. Candidates for this annual 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.
- Sigma Tau Delta Induction: Sigma Tau Delta, the English
 Honor Society, inducted eight new members on May 4, 2012,
 and awarded four seniors their stoles for graduation. Dr.
 Jericho Brown gave the keynote speech. Missed it? To read
 his speech, please go to: www.sandiego.edu/cas/english under
 "News".
- <u>Cropper Series</u> on iTunes U: Did you miss the Feb 24, 2012 Cropper Series Reading with Ilya Kaminsky and 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!
- <u>Dempsey Lecture</u> on iTunes U: Did you miss the March 15, 2012 Dempsey Lecture with David Staines, "Border Crossings: Margaret Atwood's American-Canadian Vision"? It is now up on the CAS iTunes U channel: www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/affiliations/dempsey.php. Click link, Watch for free!



"He that loves reading

has everything within his reach."

-William Godwin

- <u>USD Toreros Casting Call for USD Commercial</u>: Interested in appearing in a **television commercial** scheduled to air during the London Summer Olympics this July? Are you a University of San Diego student, faculty, staff member, or alumni? On <u>Mon, June 4</u>, between 10:00am-3:00pm, USD will conduct a free, open casting call in UC's Forum B. All casting call participants must also be available for filming, in San Diego, the week of June 18. interested in participating in the commercial casting call are asked to RSVP to <u>usdevents@sandiego.edu</u>. Please put "RSVP Casting Call" on the email's subject line. More info: <u>www.sandiego.edu/insideusd/?p=24495</u>.
- Just Released! Queen Victoria's Journals: for the first time the British Monarch presents the complete online collection of Queen Victoria's journals from the Royal Archives. These diaries cover the period from
 Queen Victoria's (1819-1901) childhood days to her Accession to the Throne, marriage to Prince Albert, and her
 Golden & Diamond Jubilees. Thirteen volumes in Victoria's own hand survive, & the majority of the remaining volumes were transcribed by her youngest daughter, Princess Beatrice. It is hoped that this historic collection will
 make a valuable addition to the unique material already held by the Bodleian Libraries at Oxford University,

and will be used to enhance our knowledge and understanding of the past. Link: www.queenvictoriasjournals.org/home.do?fwcc=1&fwcl=1&fwl.



NEWSLETTER ON HIATUS

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This is the last issue for the 2011-2012 academic year.

We will return in mid-August for a pre-Fall issue! Have a great summer!!



Summer afternoon, summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

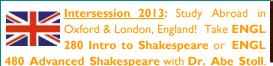
—Henry James





Student News

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.





We will spend the first week in Oxford, reading and discussing plays and relating them to the area and historical sites around Oxford. Possible field trips: Stratford-Upon-Avon, it's historical sites, and a possible production at the Royal Shakespeare Company Swan Theatre; Warwick Castle; Broughton Castle; Christchurch College, Oxford University; Bodleian Library; Ashmolean Museum. We will then spend two weeks in London doing further reading and seeing productions as well as visiting historical sites relating to Shakespeare. Possible productions: Richard II, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Macbeth, Measure for Measure, The Merchant of Venice. Possible field trips: a walk of Shakespeare's London; the Globe Theatre and Exhibition; the Tower of London; Westminster Abbey; Middle Temple Hall. Emphasis in the class is on close reading and viewing, and on making Shakespeare real, understandable,



and enjoyable. Program dates are January 3-22, 2013 (tentative). Program cost is \$4,800. Application <u>deadline is October 15, 2012</u>. 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 <u>astoll@sandiego.edu</u>.

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. Apply online at: http://gointernational.sandiego.edu. For more info visit the International Studies Abroad Office, SH 315 or x4598, or contact Dr. Phukan at phukana@sandiego.edu.

Summer 2013: ENGL 494/ THEA 494: London Plays in Production with Dr. Cynthia Caywood and Dr. David Hay. Students will see 8 to 9 plays in production in London during the three weeks. A number of field trips related to the plays will provide context and background. Students will visit a range of venues, from the Royal National Theatre to small, off West End playhouses, and they will read and see a variety of plays, including classical, modern, and multicultural. If taken as English, this course fulfills the GE lit requirement and counts towards both the English major and minor. Program dates: June 27-July 20, 2013. For more info visit the International Studies Abroad Office, SH 315 or x4598, or contact Dr. Caywood at x4252 or ccaywood@sandiego.edu, or Dr. Hay at x7763 or dhay@sandiego.edu.









Scholar-Athletes: English majors Maddie Levine and Will Stoney were recently honored by the Athletic Department as "scholar-athletes." Maddie, a member of the Women's Cross-Country Team, and Will, a member of the Men's Rowing Team, had to maintain a 3.5 average during the 2011-2012 school year in order to receive the distinction. The awards were given to Maddie and Will at the annual Scholar-Athlete Luncheon; both students invited Dr. Cynthia Caywood to be their faculty guest. Congratulations Maddie & Will!

Wed, June 6, 10:00am-12:00pm, in Hughes 110: Seniors- Get Hired After College! USD Career Services invites you to a Job Workshop that is designed for USD seniors — all majors welcome. Topics include: 1.) Effective Use of LinkedIn for Networking, 2) Professional Etiquette, 3)





ATTENTION--SENIORS AND RECENT GRADS: Do you want to be an unusually effective first year teacher in a high-poverty charter school? If so, you should consider MATCH Teacher Residency--an innovative, one-year teacher residency program. We give recent college graduates one year of intense training. We then help them find positions in high-need schools, and continue to support them as they begin their careers in the classroom. What sets MTR apart from other teacher prep programs? 1) We're prescriptive, like a sports coach or piano teacher; you learn and practice very specific "Teacher Moves." 2) Trainees are specifically being prepared to teach in certain charter schools with a track record of "turning around" low-performing kids. 3) We have a very particular approach, which involves building relationships I-on-I with kids and parents, then using those relationships to run a tight ship in class, enforcing rules consistently, and pushing/demanding a LOT from our kids. MTRs wants you to go on to become full-time teachers in high-poverty, "No Excuses" charter schools. MATCH Teacher Residents have the option to serve at MATCH Community Day, or our previously established High School or Middle School. For more information about MATCH Teacher Residency, check out this video: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=32mkkuQnFYU</u>. Or go to our website: www.matcheducation.org/mtr.*



Be Part of History: Sail on the New Fall 2012 Semester At Sea (SAS) Voyage! Do not miss the chance of a lifetime to experience some of the most fascinating destinations in Western Europe, Africa, and South America on our upcoming fall voyage. Financial aid is still available! A Voyage of Educational Value: 14 international destinations (more than any other SAS voyage); Includes 8 of the 10 most popular study abroad sites (source: GoAbroad.com); 4 continents, 2 Atlantic crossings; Opportunity to sail with SAS Exec. Dean John Tymitz; and 12-15 transferable credits from the University of Virginia. Learn more on ne Fall 2012 website <u>www.semesteratsea.org/voyages/upcoming-voyages/fall-2012.php</u> or call (800) 854-0195. *

* 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 provider.

"Reading is a conversation.

All books talk.

But a good book listens as well."

-Mark Haddon





Fall 2012 English Course Just Added! Take ENGL 372 Film Noir with Dr. Fred Robinson. "Dark" films, mostly from the '40s and '50s, that draw on crime and detective stories, expressionist cinematography, and the changes in the U.S. wrought by the experience of war, to create a world of dark, urban streets, dreamlike staircases, toughing-talking men and siren women with guns, all of them implicated in an atmosphere of brutality and glamour. Meets Wednesdays, 6:00-8:50pm. CRN #4639 Engl 372, Sect 2.



Faculty News

Dennis Clausen, PhD, Department of English, was recognized at the College of Arts and 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 and 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 Eng-

lish and Old High German glosses housed at continental centers founded by Irish and English monks in the 7th-9th centuries (Einsiedeln, Reichenau, St. Gallen). Completion of 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).

Lisa Hemminger, Department of English adjunct faculty, successfully auditioned for <u>two</u> Department of Theatre Arts & Performance Studies' plays for Fall 2012! She will be performing in **Anatomy of Gray**, by Jim Leonard, Jr., directed by Lisa Berger (Oct 12-14, 2012, Black Box), and **The Beaux' Stratagem**, adapted by Thornton Wilder & Ken Ludwig, from the play by George Farquhar, directed by Terry Glaser (Nov 15-18, 2012, Shiley Theatre). Congratulations, Lisa!

Joe Jeon, PhD, Department of English, will be leaving USD for Pomona College in Claremont, CA (Los Angeles area) where he has received tenure. Congratulations, Joe, on your new appointment and book just published (*Racial Things, Racial Forms*, University of Iowa Press) and so much gratitude for your stellar contributions to the English Department and the College.

Jericho Brown, PhD, Department of English, will be taking a year's leave of absence from USD in 2012-2013 to accept a full-time appointment at Emory University in Atlanta. Congratulations and thank you, Jericho, as you step into a future full of hope

"If one cannot enjoy reading a book over and over again, there is no use in reading it at all."

—Oscar Wilde





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.

ENGLISH DEPT NEWSLETTER



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

joyment 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. 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!

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 work-



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.

"It was a splendid summer morning and

it seemed as if nothing could go wrong."

—John Cheever

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

Emily Boss, 2012, is moving to Denver, CO to attend the University of Denver in the fall for a Masters of Library and Information Science degree.



Nadia Garas, 2012, will be volunteering at Red Cross during the summer.

Chris Petersen, 2012, is going this summer to the Grand Canyon for a rafting trip with his father and brother.

Will Stoney, 2012, will be working in La Jolla as a kayak guide for the summer.



Charlie Daly, 2011, has an online blog called Stacks and Droppers. He writes:

Friends, fans, & family, Stacks & Droppers is pleased to welcome master violinist Tai Murray to the orange typewriter series. She's the winner of numerous prizes & grants, described as 'flawless' by Muso Magazine & '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. Thanks for reading, --Charlie dalyprose.com



Be Blue, Go Green



is to the body."

what exercise

"Reading is to the mind

—Joseph Addison

Bike to Your Destination This Summer!

With warmer summer weather upon us, get on your bicycle and get there by pedal power! Save fuel & money, plus get some great exercise. For a San Diego Regional **Bike Map**, go to: www.icommutesd.com/Bike/BikeMap.aspx, and check out what bike paths/lanes/routes are near you! From iCommuteSD.com.









is when laziness finds respectability.'

"Deep summer

—Sam Keen

San Diego Public Library Summer Reading Program

Friday, June 15, 2012 - Wednesday, August 15, 2012

Readers of all ages will explore the night this summer at the San Diego Public Library. Join the **summer reading** fun at your local library with prizes, entertainment, story times, music and, of course, lots of great books! It's a great way to enjoy reading over the summer. Adults – You are encouraged to read and explore with your kids to create a fun summer experience for the entire family! There will also be an adult component to the Summer Reading Program at certain branches. Info: www.sandiego.gov/public-library/services/summerreading.shtml.

