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Dr. Bowman
Dr. Bowman went on a hiking trip in Utah with a USD colleague. Most surprising fact about Bryce Canyon: It looks like a giant real-life version of Big Thunder Mountain Railroad at Disneyland!

Dr. Bond
Dr. Bond spent most of his summer abroad, traveling to South Korea and Japan to present research and to Paris to teach a class on sexual communication in our study abroad program. Here is Dr. Bond and his students in front of the Moulin Rouge in Paris!

Dr. Stern
Dr. Stern spent the summer exploring San Diego County, New Mexico and southern Colorado with her three children. Lots of hiking, reading, and ice cream made it a great time. She capped off the summer in Vancouver, Canada, where she was a plenary speaker at the International Congress of Pediatrics discussing the intersections of media, adolescence and health.

**Dr. Stern will be on sabbatical and infrequently on campus during the 2016-2017 academic year. Dr. Stern’s advisees should contact Dr. Pace with any advising-related questions.**
This summer, Dr. Bowman and Erik Fritsvold (Sociology) published the book “Incarcerated Interactions: A Theory-Driven Analysis of Applied Prison Communication.” This book addresses relevant issues such as mental illness and wellness, the gendered experience of inmates, violence, the criminogenic effect of incarceration and the large-scale implications of prison gangs and their associated cultural influence, to name a few. Be sure to check it out!

Along with his co-authors, Dr. Bowman published an article in the journal Communication Education about student-centered learning this summer.

On assignment for Parade Magazine, Professor Bridges interviewed William Shatner to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Star Trek (August 27 issue). Professor Bridges, who has interviewed many celebrities throughout her career, also interviewed Tom Hanks, Captain Chesley “Sully” Sullenberger, and Clint Eastwood -- one of her all-time favorite actors -- for a cover feature on the movie “Sully” that recounts airline pilot Cpt. Sullenberger’s heroic feat landing a plane into the Hudson River with no lives lost.
LEIGH ANN BROWN

UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO ALUMNI AND FORMER NWSL CHAMPION RETURNS TO USD BUT IS SWITCHING GOALS TO NOW COACH TOREROS WOMEN’S SOCCER

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GOALS ACCOMPLISHED

Brown played a key role in leading the Toreros to two NCAA Tournaments (2004 & 2007) with a total of 45 victories. During Brown’s senior year, the Toreros finished 15-3-3.

After graduating in May 2008, Brown was drafted in the sixth round of the 2009 Women’s Professional Soccer (WPS) Draft by the FC Gold Pride.

On August 22, 2013, Brown received her first call from the United States Women’s Soccer Head Coach, Tom Sermanni, asking her to join the U.S. Senior Team, which she eventually helped lead the team to earn two caps.

Leigh Ann Brown is a University of San Diego 2008 graduate and former National Women’s Soccer League (NWSL) two-time champion.

While a student at USD, Brown played for the Toreros Women’s Soccer Team. After eight years of playing professional soccer post graduation, Brown is now about to embark on a new journey and become USD’s Assistant Coach for Women’s Soccer.

Brown, a San Diego native, moved back to North County this past year with her husband, Danny, who is also a USD alumni.

Professional soccer player, defense position, from 2008-2015 for the FC Gold Pride, Atlanta Beat, Philadelphia Independence, and most recently, FC Kansas City.

Brown recently married her college sweetheart, Danny Brown, who is a former USD Men’s Basketball player.

Brown led her team, FC Kansas City, to victory to become back-to-back NWSL champions in 2014 and 2015.

Brown received a Bachelors in Communication Studies with an Emphasis in Public Speaking and a Minor in Spanish. While playing for the Toreros, Brown’s position was outside midfielder.

“Live and Love”, is one of Brown’s favorite quotes, which she has a tattoo of. Brown says that to her it means do what you love and love what you do, which is the motto she tries to live her life by every day.
Nine lucky USD students attended the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia with Dr. Brinson. Two students attended the Republican National Convention in Cleveland. Students attended academic seminars, which included various notable speakers such as the Democratic National Convention Committee Chief Executive Officer Leah Daughtry, former Governor of Philadelphia Edward Rendell, Philadelphia District Attorney Rufus Seth Williams, and Action News Morning Anchor Matt O’Donnell. The focus of the week was to build students’ understanding of all that goes into a political convention.

In addition to the seminars, students toured the city of brotherly love and the convention center, attended the Tamron Hall show on MSNBS with Trever Noah as the guest, observed Bernie Sanders rallies, as well as various protests and DNC platform meetings.

Here are some student highlights of who they worked or were assigned to:

- Megan McDonell--The John King Show, Wolf Blitzer Show, and the Insider Politics Show for CNN
- Glenn McDonell--Free Speech Media; covered the protests outside the convention on East 4th street and The Free Speech Park
- Dakotah Quayle and Nasrene Bushara--CNN
- Helene Johnsen--Univision
- Alisha Le (2016)--Foreign Press
- Jacqueline Almeida--New York 1
- Brooklyn Dippo-Foderaro, Jennifer Givens, and Carrington Novo--Talk Media News
- Jared Scalar-Miller--Jennifer Palmieri, Hillary Clinton’s communications director.

Inside the convention, some lucky students scored floor seats to hear key note speakers, such as President Obama, First Lady Michelle Obama, Vice President Joe Biden, Bernie Sanders, Hillary and President Clinton. Students who attended the RNC were able to hear the controversial speech by Melania Trump, Ted Cruz, the Trump children, and Donald Trump.

Student articles link:
- Bernie Sanders Supporters Walk Out of Convention
- Sanders Delegates Walk Out During Clinton’s Speech
- Sanders Supporters Still ‘Feeling the Bern’ in Philly
- Sanders Supporters Looking to Third-Party Candidates
- Democrats Come Dressed to Shine
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