CHABSS Newsletter

"The View From 4111"

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A Note From The Dean ...



Last month, CHABSS promoted career readiness (Strategic Plan Objective 4) throughout our second Career Week. Along with programming from the Dean's Office, 13 CHABSS departments were directly involved in creating alumni panels, networking opportunities, career readiness events, discussions, workshops, readings, and table information. Thank you to those departments who spent the time in organizing events to help our students prepare for life after undergraduate work.

This month, we will be navigating whatever election day brings. The campus has organized several support-focused opportunities for faculty and staff, including a session for navigating classroom dynamics on November 14 led by our very own Dr. Robert Gutierrez-Perez and Faculty Care Facilitator Dr. Rocio Terry.

* Processing Elections with Compassion and Mindfulness, November 6 from 12-12:50 p.m.
* Faculty & Staff Support: Maintaining Relationships During Emotionally

Charged Times, Virtual Session, November 7 from 12-1 p.m.
* Faculty & Staff Support: Maintaining Relationships During Emotionally Charged Times, in person with 1:1 appointments available, November 13 from 10-11 a.m.
* Navigating Classroom Dynamics: Tips for Difficult Dialogues Post-Election, November 14 from 12-12:30 p.m. Online.
Take good care of one another,
Liora

Student Success



Communication Student Hits Right Note

Most people give up when they're faced with rejection. Fifth-year communication major Andrew Minjares stayed persistent toward his goals after many setbacks, and that earned him a gold medal. Minjares' barbershop quartet, Rest Assured, placed in the top 20 in the nation last summer. In addition, the a cappella group he's a member of – internationally renowned The Westminster Chorus in La Mirada – captured first in the nation and scored a perfect 100 in the 2024 BHS International Chorus Championships.

Minjares' persistence pays off

Faculty Highlights



AIS Professor Reflects on President's Historic Apology to Native Americans

Professor Joely Proudfit (above, left) attended the recent event at the Gila River Indian Community in which President Joe Biden apologized for the devastating legacy of Indian boarding schools. She wrote about her experience witnessing the apology for the devastating legacy of Indian boarding schools. (Proudfit is pictured with Pauma-Yuima band of Luiseño Indians matriarch Juana Majel-Dixon, a longtime mentor and powerful force for Native American rights.)

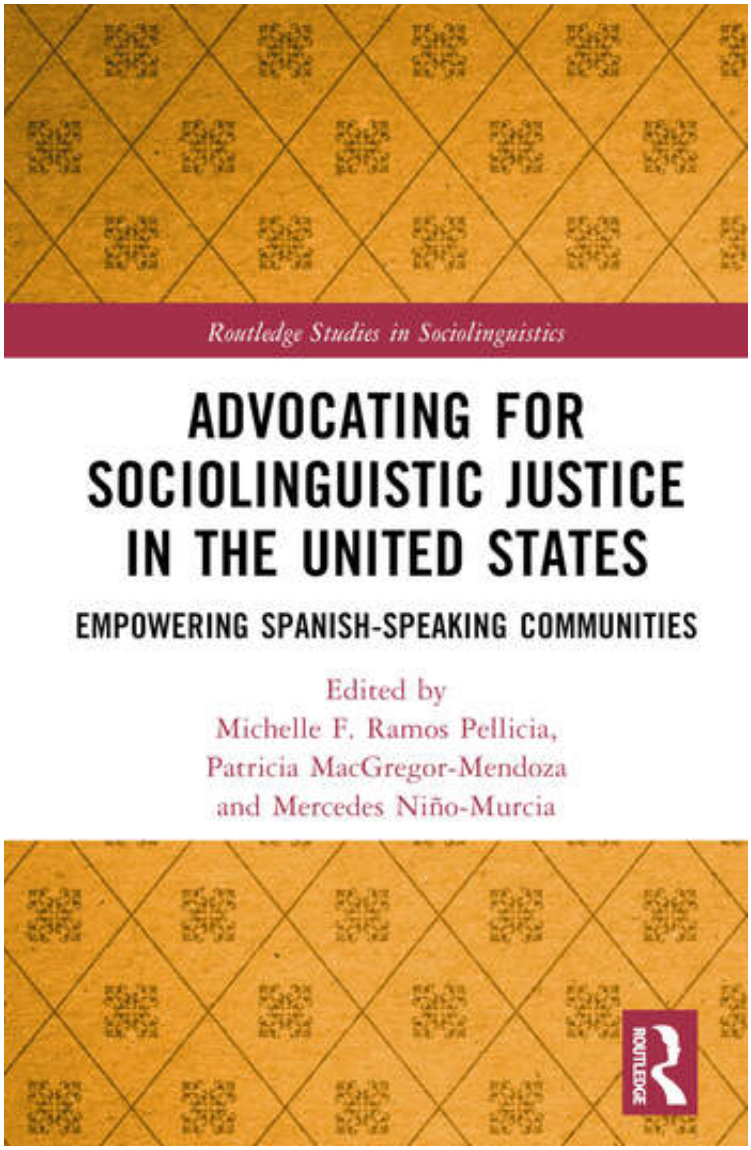
Proudfit shares her experience in historic moment



Solomon Debuts Art Projects at UCI And Across the World in Finland

Lucy HG Solomon, a professor in Art, Media, and Design has two new art projects in different parts of the world. Her art collective Cesar & Lois is presenting artworks in California and in Finland. The exhibition at UC Irvine's Beall Center for Art + Technology runs through December 14. Within her art collective, and in conversation with students in working groups, they have been thinking about the interactions with the planet on different scales, ranging from breathing with plants to planet-scaled biochemical processes that we are part of. The results are two distinct artworks that

engage with our interactions with the planet in different ways and interrogate the complex networked intelligence of fungi (Being Hyphaenated in California) and the intelligence of forests (Boreal Intelligence in Oulu, Finland) – each contemplated as models for remapping machine learning to nature. In November, CSUSM's STEAM Ambassadors will join Solomon in engaging the public at UC Irvine with a hands-on exploration of photosynthesis coupled with experimental printmaking using leaves and mushrooms. The curriculum for this workshop is being developed in collaboration with DaTA Lab students and STEAM Ambassadors.



MLS Professor Ramos Pelicia Editor on Critical Language Awareness Collection

Michelle Ramos Pellicia, a professor in the Modern Language Studies department, served as a co-editor of the newly released collection Advocating for Sociolinguistic

Justice in the United States: Empowering Spanish-speaking Communities with Mercedes Niño-Murcia (Iowa) and Patricia MacGregor-Mendoza (NMSU). This collection focuses on social awareness and critical language awareness with the goal of enlightening and empowering multilingual and multicultural communities across the U.S. One of the contributors, Jhonni Rochelle Charisse Carr is an MLS alumna and faculty at the University of California, Berkeley.

Ramos Pelicia co-edits book on social awareness & critical language awareness



Foroutan named one of Top 15 New Visual Artists Under 30

Ghazal Foroutan, an assistant professor in AMD, has been named to the Top 15 New

Visual Artists (under 30) list by Print Magazine. The article says of Foroutan: "Her creative pursuits are characterized by a self-driven approach with a keen socio-political focus, particularly advocating for social impact initiatives and women's rights. Her ability to read and write in both languages (English, Farsi) informs her design to push the boundaries of how two distinct forms can coexist harmoniously in one piece ... Foroutan's passion projects are deeply rooted in her identity and the challenges she has faced as an Iranian woman and immigrant in the United States, driving her to raise awareness and inspire change through design."

Print Magazine honors AMD professor



Samarasinghe's Film To Debut at IFFR

Rajee Samarasinghe, a lecturer in AMD, directed a new feature film, Your Touch Makes Others Invisible. The premiere will be in Rotterdam, Netherlands, at the 54th annual International Film Festival Rotterdam in January, but Samarasinghe hopes to be able to bring their film to local venues soon. As many as 100,000 people, predominantly members of the minority Tamil community, are estimated to have disappeared during the 26-year-long Sri Lankan Civil War. Through a synthesis of interviews, news clips and re-enactments this docufiction feature reflects on this harrowing history as families search for loved ones that disappeared without a trace.

IFFR to debut Samarasinghe feature film

Alumni Achievements



Once Undocumented, Alumna Now Supports Others Like Her

A 2011 graduate of CSUSM with a B.A. in sociology when she was an undocumented student, Carolina Valdivia is now a professor at UC Irvine and one of nation's foremost young voices on the plight of undocumented students in America. Though she has gained more security in her immigration status, Valdivia remains passionate about issues affecting undocumented immigrants. At 35, she has emerged as one of the nation's foremost young voices on the plight of undocumented students in America.

Sociology alumna is a champion for undocumented students



CSUSM Alumni Featured For Career Path in Tobacco Research

Class of 2024 graduates Karissa Tran and Nicolas Morales were featured in an article posted on the University of California's Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program website. Tran, a psychological science major, and Morales were part of psychology professor Kim Pulver and kinesiology professor Richard Armenta's program. This fall, Tran began pursuit of a Ph.D. in health psychology at UCLA while Morales started a master of public health program at SDSU with a doctorate on the horizon.

Program helps students find career path in tobacco research

Save the Date



PROCESSING ELECTION RESULTS WITH COMPASSION AND MINDFULNESS

NOVEMBER 6, 12 NOON TO 12:50PM
VIA ZOOM https://csusm.zoom.us/j/554590653

Please join us to hold space for each other and use mindful practices to process our emotions in response to election results. Pausing and quieting so that we can have access to more clarity and compassion for all as we move forward.

MINDFUL CSUSM

Acknowledging our emotions as they arise without judgment.

Recognizing and honoring our common humanity.

Reconnecting with our deepest aspiration for ourselves and the world we live in.

CENTER FOR CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICES

&

STUDENT HEALTH AND COUNSELING SERVICES

Research Seminar Series

Amplifying Voices: Intersectional Approach to Gender, Space, and History in the Middle East

ACD 102 From 12:00PM-12:50
Nov. 19th 2024

Iran

Armaghan Ziaee



Dr. Ziaee will analyze gender roles in the evolution of Iranian homes, comparing traditional courtyard houses with modern villa-style houses. Courtyard houses reinforced social hierarchies and the politics of privacy, while modern houses, despite being seen as revolutionary, led to the re-domestication of women, changing family structures and women's domestic roles.

Find Out More!

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International Education Week

Learn, Share, Celebrate: A Global Perspective

International Education Week (IEW) is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This is a long held joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education as part of their efforts to promote the value of global awareness and understanding.



Voices from Abroad
Be inspired by student Study Abroad experiences!
Tuesday, November 19
12:00pm-1:00pm
Mark 102

"Academe & Me."
Be inspired by the Academic and Career Journeys of faculty and staff who have moved to the U.S. and built successful careers!
Tuesday, November 19
12:00pm-1:00pm
Cross Cultural Center- USU 3400

Research Seminar Series
Dr. Armaghan Ziaee, Amplifying Voices: Intersectional Approach to Gender, Space, and History in the Middle East!
Organized by the Committee on International Research & Graduate Studies & Research
Tuesday, Novemebr 19
12:00pm-1:00pm
ACD102

Come Learn about Pakistan!
Come learn about Pakistan's rich culture, history, and traditions!
Wednesday, November 20
11:30am-12:30pm
ELB 588

International Karaoke
Join us for an unforgettable experience at International Karaoke, where cultures unite and traditions come alive!
Wednesday, November 20
3:30pm-5:00pm
ELB 588

International Coffee Hour & Photo Contest
Join us for International Coffee Hour & Photo Contest – enjoy global flavors and captured memories from around the world!
Thursday November 21
12:00pm-1:30pm
ELB 588

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Nov. 6 — **Processing Election Results With Compassion and Mindfulness**, Zoom https://csusm.zoom.us/j/554590653, 12-12:50 p.m.
Nov. 7 — **Summer in Spain Language Info Session** MARK 322,12-12:50 p.m.
Nov. 8 — **Summer in Spain Language Info Session Zoom**, 1-1:50 p.m.
Nov. 10 — **University Choir** ARTS 111, 12-12:50p.m.
Nov. 14 — **Summer in Spain Language Info Session**, MARK 322, 12-12:50p.m.
Nov. 19-21 — **International Education Week** (see flyer above)
Nov. 19 — **Research Seminar Series Amplify Voices: Intersectional Approach to Gender, Space, and History in the Middle East**, ACD 102, 12-12:50 p.m.
Nov. 19 — **Summer In Italy OM 305 Info Session**, Zoom Meeting, https://csusm.zoom.us/j/83378078160
Nov. 20 — **CSUSM Theatre Arts Presents "The Motherf*cker With The Hat",** Arts 240, 7 p.m.
Nov. 21 — **January in Italy Health Meeting**, UNIV 444, 12-1p.m.
Nov. 21 — **CSUSM Theatre Arts Presents "The Motherf*cker With The Hat",** Arts 240, 7 p.m.
Nov. 22 — **Summer in Spain Language Info** https://csusm.zoom.us/j/88032868966#success
Nov. 22 — **CSUSM Theatre Arts Presents "The Motherf*cker With The Hat",** Arts 240, 7 p.m.
Nov. 23 — **CSUSM Theatre Arts Presents "The Motherf*cker With The Hat",** Arts 240, 7 p.m.Dec. 3 — **Wind Ensemble**, St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 7:00p.m.
Dec. 3 — **Summer in Italy OM 305 Info Session** Zoom Meeting, https://csusm.zoom.us/j/82007784376



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