

The COSS Herald

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New faces on campus

Last year marked a major transition for the College of Social Sciences, with the departure of both the dean and associate dean, as well as members of both the faculty and staff (see page 4 for more information on transitions).

Along with these departures, COSS gained new personnel, hiring faculty for the 2016-17 academic year in Sociology (Amber Crowell and Tim Cupery, featured in Issue #5), Criminology, History, Political Science, and Anthropology, as well as staff, in the form of a new Director of Development, and new counselors in the College Advising Center.

New Faculty

Criminology experienced a banner year for new hires, adding five tenure-track faculty to its ranks:

Andrea Arndorfer



Andrea Arndorfer received her B.S. in Psychology and in Criminal Justice Studies

from Iowa State University and her M.S. and Ph.D. (forthcoming December 2016) in Legal Psychology from Florida International University. Andrea's re-

search interests are centered around the interaction between psychology and the law. Specifically, her research examines the underlying psychological and cognitive factors involved in eyewitness memory during witness identification decisions and in identification confidence assessments.

She has also conducted related work investigating the influence of various tactics and procedures (i.e., the appearance change instruc-

tion) used during lineup administration on subsequent identification decisions.

Additionally, Andrea conducts research examining the underlying psychological, cognitive, and social processes that lead suspects, both juveniles and adults, to confess to criminal behavior in police interrogation. She is also interested in examining the consequences, aside from the risk of wrongful con-

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Work to begin on mural

Late last spring, students, faculty and staff gathered in the quad area outside of the Social Sciences building to offer ideas for the mural that artist and Fresno State alum Mauro Carrera may begin working on this fall. Pictured above are the efforts that a group of social science students put on canvas as possi-

ble ideas for the mural.

Work on the mural, which will be situated on the bridge and walls between McKee Fisk and Social Science, may commence sometime this semester, depending on when it receives approval from the various uni-

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Mural

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versity committees that must sign off on the project.

This past spring, the mural committee hosted several opportunities for students, faculty and staff to offer their creative input.

Conceptually, the mural will involve faculty and staff ideas on one wall of either Social Science or McKee Fisk, student ideas on the other, and a flow of each into the other over the bridge separating the two buildings.

The mural will serve as a fitting 'facelift' for the Social Sciences building, which underwent renovations to its electrical and air conditioning systems over the summer break.

The COSS Herald

The COSS Herald is a semi-annual publication by the faculty of the College of Social Sciences, highlighting the activities of the faculty, staff, & students, and providing a venue for social bonding among members of nine departments spread over five buildings on campus. *The COSS Herald* is not an official university publication.

The COSS Herald Staff:

Cristina Herrera, Co-editor

Andrew Jones, Co-editor

Submissions for the next edition of *The COSS Herald* should be sent via email to either cherre-ra@csufresno.edu or anjones@csufresno.edu. Images should be submitted in 'jpeg' format, while text materials should be in rich text format (rtf). The editors retain the right of refusal to publish any materials they deem to be obscene, pornographic, threatening, or boring.

Pub Crawl

Accepted Works

Book. *Mercados en Común.*

Estudios sobre conexiones transnacionales, negocios y diplomacia en las Américas (siglos XIX y XX), México, El Colegio de México, 2016. Maria-Aparecida Lopes and María Cecilia Zuleta (editors).



Book. *Proposing Prosperity: Marriage Education Policy and Inequality in America.* New York: Columbia University Press. Jennifer Randles.

Book. *The Voluntary Sector in Prisons: Encouraging Personal and Institutional Change.* Laura S. Abrams, Emma Hughes, Michelle Inderbitzin, and Rosie Meek (editors).

Book chapter. "Surveying Hard to Reach Populations: Lessons from the Field." 2016. *Oxford Handbook of Survey Research.* Lisa Bryant.

Book chapter. "Carne para 'las masas hambrientas.' Interconexiones del comercio de ganado vacuno en el Atlántico Norte, 1884-1914." Maria-Aparecida Lopes.

Journal article. "Redefining the Marital Power Struggle through Relationship Skills: How United States Marriage Education Programs Challenge and Reinforce Gender Inequality." *Gender & Society* 30(2): 240-264. 2016. Jennifer Randles.

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Research Roundup

Numerous faculty received release time and mini grants to conduct research for the upcoming academic year:

Dvera Saxton is examining strawberry fields as extreme environments for agricultural labor.

T. Hasan Johnson is preparing for the On-line Black Masculinities Studies Conference.

Annabella España-Nájera is investigating political municipal dynamics in communities in El Salvador.

Maria Aparecida Lopes is examining the role of meat within the marketplace.

Carlos Perez engages in historiographic research on the origins of the guano trade in nineteenth century Bolivia.

Hongwei Dong is conducting spatial-temporal analysis of home unaffordability in large American metro areas.

C.K. Leung is preparing a spatial historical and social archive of Fresno County.

Chih-Hao Wang is researching a geographic weighted regression approach to identifying spatial variations in built environments.

Mark Arvanigian is looking at the exercise of political power in late medieval England.

Lori Clune is doing research for a book on the Korean War.

Jill Fields is examining portrayals of Jewish identity in the television program, *Orange is the New Black*.

Ethan Kytle is doing historiographic research on Nat Fuller's Feast.

Blain Roberts is examining historically the juxtaposition of fashion versus frugality.

Frederik Vermote continues his historical analysis of the movement of currency and

missionaries in a global world.

Lisa Bryant is involved in investigating the design, implementation, and evaluation of efforts to increase voter registration.

Jeff Cummins is updating his book, *California: The Politics of Diversity*.

Melanie Ram is doing narrative research on Roma life stories.

Andrew Jones is analyzing data for a follow up survey of water usage among Fresno/Clovis residents for ULTRA-FACES.

Jennifer Randles is researching how to enhance understandings of healthy marriage and responsible fatherhood policies.

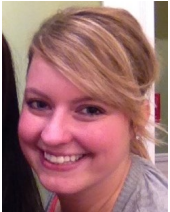
Loretta Kensinger is working on a manuscript revolving around the praxis and pedagogy of teaching feminisms.

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viction, associated with both true and false admissions.

Jordan Pickering



Jordan Pickering earned her Ph.D. in Criminology & Criminal Justice from the University of Missouri – St.

Louis. Dr. Pickering also earned an M.A. in Criminal Justice and a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Nevada. Her primary research interests include police use of deadly force, police-community relations, law enforcement training, and qualitative methods.

Allen Azizian



Allen Azizian received his PhD in Psychology from State University of

New York, Stony Brook. After postdoctoral fellowships at Scripps Research Institute, Molecular and Integrative Neuroscience, and then University of California, Los Angeles, Integrated Substance Abuse Programs, he joined the faculty at University of Southern California as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychology (non-tenure track).

He then moved to Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga where he worked in assessment, treatment, and administrative, including Chief of Psychology, capacities. In 2009, he was award-

ed a Fulbright research and teaching award to lecture at Yerevan State Medical University, Armenia. He has published frequently in scientific journals, and presented in national and international conferences. His clinical and academic interests are threefold: sex offender laws, prevention of sexual abuse, reintegration and community supervision of sex offenders. Dr. Azizian is a research and clinical member of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers.

Andrew Fox



Andrew Fox received his PhD in Criminology and Criminal Justice from Arizona State Uni-

versity in 2012. He is a member of the American Society of Criminology, the Western Society of Criminology, and the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Fox specializes in research related to street gangs, communities, and social network analysis.

From 2010 to 2012, Dr. Fox was the director of a project examining the organizational capacity of Central American Gangs funded by the Department of Homeland Security. He is currently a principal investigator with the Kansas City No Violence Alliance (NOVA), a collaborative effort of the University, the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department, the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, the U.S. Attorney's Office, the mayor of Kansas City, and the Missouri Board of Probation and Parole. In addition to program evaluation at NOVA, Dr. Fox has

trained crime analysts in social network analysis.

Tinneke Van Camp



Tinneke Van Camp has a Master's degree in Criminology from the Cath-

olic University of Leuven, Belgium and earned a Ph.D. in Criminology from the *Université de Montréal*, Canada. She has conducted research at the National Institute for Criminalistics and Criminology, Belgium and was actively involved as a post-doctoral research fellow in a project concerning teen dating violence at the Department of Sexology at the *Université du Québec à Montréal*. Prior to joining the CSU, Fresno Criminology Department, Tinneke completed a Marie Curie post-doctoral fellowship from the European Commission and was teaching at the School of Law at the University of Sheffield, UK. Her research interests include, but are not limited to, consequences of victimization, restorative justice and procedural justice. Tinneke is the author of the book *Victims of Violence and Restorative Practices: Finding a Voice*, published by Routledge in 2014. Her publications also include a chapter on victim impact statements and restorative practices in *Justice for Victims: Perspectives on rights, transition and reconciliation* (eds: Vanfraechem, Pemberton & Ndahinda, 2014, Routledge) and contributions in multiple peer-reviewed criminology journals, such as the *International Review of Victimology* and the *Canadian Journal for Criminology and Criminal*

Justice She is the book review editor for the *International Review of Victimology*. At the CSU Fresno Department of Criminology Tinneke will be teaching Victimology and Comparative Systems of Criminal Justice.

The History Department added specialists in Mexican and Islamic history:

Romeo Guzmán



Romeo Guzmán comes to the history department from Columbia University where he earned his doctorate. As

a historian of Mexican migration, Guzmán has conducted research in Mexico and the United States and published in both academic and popular outlets in English and Spanish. His most recent academic publication, "The transnational life and letters of the Venegas Family, 1920s-1950s," uses the personal correspondence of the Venegas family to construct their arrival and settlement and the transnational strategies they used to navigate both the Great Depression and World War II. In addition to his academic work, Guzmán is the founder and co-director of the South El Monte Arts Posse's (SEMAP) public history and archive project, "East of East: Mapping Community Narratives in South El Monte and El Monte." Working with local educators, youth, elders, academics, and community members, "East of East" produces new archival collections and most importantly alternative historical narratives. It has received funding from Los Angeles City Department of Cultural Affairs, Co-

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The Dean's Corner



I am honored to be serving my second year as your Interim Dean. I learned a lot last year and look forward to building on the successes of last year to ensure that all of our social sciences departments, large, small, and middling, succeed and thrive. After attending HERS Wellesley last year and the Berkeley Executive Leadership Academy this summer I am well educated in the ins and outs of leadership and have gained some insights into the many issues facing higher education. I look forward to welcoming and working with our twelve new faculty. I am also excited that we have finally managed to hire a new development director, Ms. Diane Chrisman. If you have not yet met her, please do stop by and say hello. Her office will be located next to mine inside the Dean's office. She began July 1 and has already been busy making contacts in the community and talking about COSS plans and needs. I hope that this will be a year filled with new goals. I continue to be impressed by the work that all of you do in the classroom, in your academic research and in the community.

COSS Talks will commence on September 13th at 3:00 with Drs. Emma Hughes and Tom Holyoke. Dr. Hughes' talk will

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Faculty and Staff News



Student and Faculty engage in activist research

Dvera Saxton and her student Cornelio Santos, from the department of Anthropology, traveled to San Quintin, Baja California Norte, Mexico over Spring Break 2016 to do community-based activist research with farmworkers in the region who are demanding living wages, an end to rape and sexual assault in the fields, and other basic labor and human rights. They walked for four days alongside hundreds of farmworkers, from San Quintin to the border at Tijuana, who have created the first independent farmworker union in Mexico.

The walk intended to build public awareness of the abuses that farmworkers in the region face, and to put pressure on the largest berry agribusiness in the world: Driscoll's. The data Saxton and Santos collected has been used support a transnational #BoycottDriscolls campaign, including the hosting

of the second Farmworker Appreciation Week at Fresno State (an event started by Saxton last year). Both Saxton and Santos are active in the Fresno area boycott committee and went on the radio together with Madera organic farmer Tom Wiley's KFCF program "Down on the Farm" which will air in May. Saxton also made other media appearances with Spanish-language internet Radio3E and the evening news with Univision. Santos plans to use photographs, video, sound, and ethnographic fieldnotes collected during time in San Quintin to produce an educational video to help connect California farmworkers to goings-on in Mexico.

Sabbaticals

Kathryn Forbes (WS)

C. K. Leung (GEOG)

Promotions

Tenure and promotion:

Hongwei Dong (GEOG)

Promotion to full:

Maria-Aparecida Lopes (CLAS)

Jeff Cummins (PLSI)

Keith Clement (CRIM)

Kathryn Forbes (WS)

Según Ogunjemiyo (GEOG)

Transitions

Sarah Whitley



As a result of changes in her husband's employment with a firm in

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Paparazzi



(Left) Fresno State Anthropology major Elio Santos, Fresno activist Miguel Villegas, Central Valley farmworker Francisco Ventura, Women's Studies-CLAS major Maria Guzman, and Assistant Professor of Anthropology Dvera Saxton modeling #Boycott Driscoll's t-shirts at the Farmworker Appreciation Day event on April 12, 2016. Contact Dr. Saxton if you would like a t-shirt (dsaxton@csufresno.edu).



FresCon and Preview Day coincided on March 12 on the grounds of Fresno State. (Above left) Sociology Club members Cinthia Quesada, Jocelyn Herrera, Mercedes Rosales, and Melissa Quesada pose with Andrew Jones and Chris Sullivan after a day of recruiting new students to the club and major....and photoshopping over the portraits of retired social sciences faculty. (Above right) An aging Thor (Jones) and Blade (Hasan Johnson) pose after their talks, "The Diversity Issue in Comic Books: Is Pop Culture Becoming More Multicultural?" and "Breaking the Fourth Wall: Blade and T'Challa and the Rise and Fall of the Graphic Media Industry Era," at FresCon II.

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Washington State, Sarah Whitley left Fresno State at the end of spring semester. Whitley continues to teach for the Sociology Department in the form of on-line classes as she transitions into her new position at Washington State University, Pullman.

Jenny Saechao



After nearly a year with the College Advising Center, Jenny Saechao received an offer of

employment and bid farewell to COSS on April 27 to take a position with the Institute of Technology.

Luz Gonzalez



Luz Gonzalez has been named the inaugural Dean of Fresno State Visalia. After a

year of extensive leadership development as an ACE Fellow, the former dean of the College of Social Sciences assumed what Provost Zelezney stated is a position that "is key to the successful launch of Fresno State Visalia, which is a key initiative in Priority 4 of our Strategic Plan."

The Fresno State Visalia Campus is a newly remodeled 10,000-square-foot, four-classroom building at College of the Sequoias, and will deliver both state-funded and self-support programs.

Provost's Awards

Larissa M. Mercado-López - Promising New Faculty

By Kathleen Schock



Larissa Mercado-López has been at Fresno State since 2013. Her accom-

plishments include creating the "Latinas in Academia Lecture Series: Forging Paths to Graduate School and Beyond," serving on the Chicano Youth Conference committee, serving as faculty adviser to the People Organized for Women's Empowerment and Representation and helping to plan the Chicano Latino Commencement celebration. In the classroom she is known for making multifaceted concepts easily accessible and for creating a dynamic and active environment to support student engagement.

Public Policy Award

John Dussich



John P. Dussich, Fresno State professor emeritus of criminology, received the

prestigious Ronald Wilson Reagan Public Policy Award at the National Crime Victims' Service Awards ceremony last April in Washington, D.C. for his work in victimology and victim services.

Dussich created the victim advocate concept, establishing the first such program in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in 1974. He is the founder of the National Organization for Victim Assistance, which he launched in Fresno in 1976.

The presentation was made as part of National Crime Victims' Rights Week – the annual observance to promote victims' rights and honor crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf. At the April 12 ceremony Attorney General Loretta Lynch honored nine individuals, programs, teams and organizations that provide services to victims of crime.

The awards are presented by the Office for Victims of Crime to recognize individuals and organizations that demonstrate outstanding service in supporting victims and victim services. The award recipients are selected from public nominations in 11 categories.

"I have worked with Dr. Dussich for more than seven years as a colleague and his commitment to victim services throughout his career make him well qualified for this award," said Dr. Yoshiko Takahashi, associate professor of criminology who nominated Dussich for the award. "His contribution and efforts to victims' rights, education and advocacy are admirable."

Dussich, who joined the Fresno State faculty in 2003, is the founding secretary general of the World Society of Victimology, which was launched in Munster, Germany in 1979. He served as its president from 2006 to 2009. He was also instrumental in the founding of the American Society of Victimology.

Dussich has taught, conducted research and provided

victim services in Germany, Italy, Croatia, Bosnia, Israel, Sudan, Indonesia, Japan, El Salvador, Guatemala, Panama, Venezuela, Argentina, Colombia, Taiwan, India, Nepal and China.

In 1993 he was invited to Japan to teach victimology at Tokiwa University, the center for victimological studies in Asia. He conceived of and launched the Mito Victim Support Center. With the support of Tokiwa University he created the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute in October 2003, serving as its director until 2014.

Dussich also has been involved in the UN Liaison Committee at the World Society of Victimology and has made significant efforts to implement the UN Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power and related UN instruments concerning victims through the activities of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime.

He retired from Fresno State and became professor emeritus in May 2011 but has been in the Faculty Early Retirement Program since August 2011. He completed his FERP period this past May.

Humanics

Last May, the Humanics program, through its Students4Giving Philanthropy Project, awarded \$15,000 in grants to area community benefit organizations. The three: Warnors Center for the Performing Arts, Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Central Valley, and Lowell Community Development Corporation, each received \$5,000.

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lumbia's History in Action, KCET, NEH, National Performance Network, and won the Autry Museum and American Western History Association's 2015 Public History Prize. An alumni of California State University, Northridge (MA), UCLA, (BA), and Mount San Antonio Community College, Guzmán looks forward to joining California's largest public university system.

Stacy Fahrenthold



Stacy Fahrenthold joins the History Department as lecturer of Islamic World History. A historian of

modern Syria and Lebanon, migration, and displacement, she received her PhD from Northeastern University in Boston in 2014.

Her dissertation, titled "Making Nations in the Mahjar," examined nationalist politics among Syrian migrants in the Americas during the First World War and early French Mandate. Her research queries the impact of migrant communities on Middle Eastern politics, particularly during the Ottoman Empire's disintegration and the emergence of Arab nation-states.

Before coming to Fresno State, Fahrenthold was a visiting scholar at UC Berkeley's Center for Middle Eastern Studies and Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow at Williams College. At Fresno State, she will offer courses on migrants and refugees, gender and sexuality, and World War I in the Middle East. She will also

organize a new lecture series in Islamic History, featuring academic speakers on topics relevant to the contemporary Middle East and open to both campus and community. She enjoys gardening and wine-making and is looking forward to fine tuning these skills in Fresno's unbeatable climate.

Political Science landed a specialist in judicial politics for its program:

Ali Masood



Ali Masood is attained his Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of South Carolina. He is the Thurmond-

Atwater Fellow in Political Science and a graduate associate at the Judicial Research Initiative (JuRI). His research interests are in American institutions, judicial politics and political methodology.

His substantive research focuses on judicial decision-making behavior and the policy impact of the courts. He is particularly interested in exploring hierarchical interactions among the courts, especially U.S. Courts of Appeals responses to precedents of the U.S. Supreme Court. Methodologically, he is interested in applied Bayesian statistics, time series analysis, and formal modeling. His research has been published in the *Journal of Law and Courts*.

Anthropology added to their ranks, broadening their offerings in cultural anthropology:

Jenny Banh



Jenny Banh received her Ph.D. in Anthropology from UC, Riverside (2014) with a

Dissertation entitled, "Hong Kong Dreams and Disney Fantasies: How a transnational corporation indigenizes in terms of Labor, Space, and Consumption" under the supervision of Yolanda Moses. Banh received MAs in Anthropology (UC Riverside) and Cultural Studies (Claremont) and a BA in Anthropology (UCLA).

She has been teaching for over nine years in many different fields but primarily in the CSU system in Anthropology, Humanities, Ethnic and Women Studies. Recently her research has involved "Diversity, Higher Education and Excellence" which focuses on barriers and strengths of double minorities (i.e. SE Asians, Oaxacans, and Central Americans).

Banh's research includes fieldwork in sweatshop Labor in the Los Angeles, CA and Hong Kong, China areas with a focus on inequality in complex societies with a special emphasis on race, migration, globalization, labor, public policy, transnational popular culture, corporations, and higher education.

She was selected as the 2016 CAE presidential fellow by the Council of Anthropology and Education. Her edited volume *Anthropology of Los Angeles* will be published in 2017.

New Staff

Along with new faculty, the College of Social Sciences added to the ranks of staff, with new hires for the Advising Center, and a new Director of Development.

Director of Development

Diane Chrisman



Over the summer break, Diane Chrisman began working as the new Director of Development, replacing Kent

Karsevar, who left the position at the end of 2015 to become Director of Development at Ronald McDonald House.

Diane has eighteen years of experience working as the membership director at Sunnyside Country Club. She is a Fresno native and a Fresno State alumna.

Advising Counselors

Joseph Escoto



Joseph Escoto has previously served in the Advising Center as a graduate intern advisor, and became a full-time advisor

over the summer.

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Student news



Four CRIM students successfully took part in the Central California Research Symposium 4/20/16 (Above) Veronica Martinez and Samantha Luna mentored by Jenna Kieckhaefer, and (Below) Ryan Ditchfield and Laura Echeveria mentored by Peter English. Veronica Martinez won outstanding social sciences oral presentation.

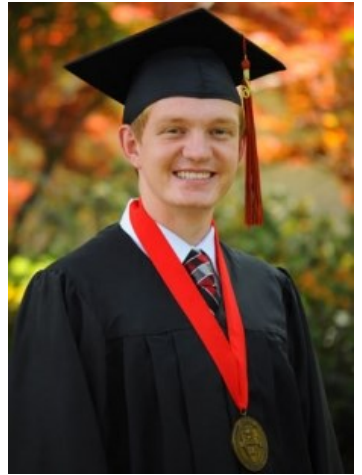


Food Recovery Network

Fresno State's Food Recovery Network, established by Sarah Whitley and Janine Nkosi, has collected over 64,000 pounds of food to date. Nationally, food recovery networks have recovered over 1,000,000 pounds. Locally, Fresno State students have worked with restaurants, farmer's markets, and the Fresno State University Dining Hall, collecting prepared food that has not been served, and assembling it at St. Paul's Catholic Newman Center on Friday nights for anyone in need of a free meal.

"While working on my thesis, I resigned from my teaching position to devote more time to my family and to the master's program," she said. Downie-Dack has since worked part-time from home as an administration assistant for a non-profit organization in Visalia. Downie-Dack traveled to Madrid and Sevilla, Spain to research her thesis on the Cursillos movement and its relevance to Catholic laity in southern Spain during the 1960s. Her thesis was nominated as the top thesis in the Department of History. After graduation, she plans to apply for adjunct college faculty positions in the Valley.

Ryan Ditchfield



Outstanding Graduates

Melody Downie-Dack



Melody Downie-Dack, of Lemoore, completed her M.A. in history with a 4.0 GPA. While pursuing her master's, Downie-Dack taught social studies and AP history full-time at Lemoore High School while coaching forensics before giving birth to her first child in spring 2015. She also has a master's degree in teaching.

Ryan Ditchfield completed a B.S. in criminology and political science with a 4.0 GPA. Ditchfield graduated from Clovis High School after moving to the U.S. from Zimbabwe in 2007. When he was 9 years old in 2002, a group of militia violently forced their way into the Ditchfield family home and shot his grandfather in the leg. "I can recall the events of that night as vividly as though they happened yesterday," he said. "Yet I cannot recall a single man's face." This snapshot in time is what fueled Ditchfield's desire

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Conference in France

Dvera Saxton, assistant professor of anthropology, traveled to Tours, France this summer to participate in an invited conference on pesticides and worker health. She was selected based on the quality of her prior publications on the topic.

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Journal article. "International Policy and Roma Education in Europe: Essential Inputs or Centralized Distractions?" Inclusion and Education Rights of Roma Children. Special issue of *Alberta Journal of Educational Research*, 61, no. 4 (Winter 2015): 465-483. Melanie Ram.

Journal article. "From Tropical Plantations to K-cups: A socio-environmental analysis of the global journey of coffee." *National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYN)*, 2015-10. Madhusudan Katti, Andrew R. Jones, Mara Brady, and Beth Weinman.

Book chapter. "Cinco Hermanitas: Myth and Sisterhood" in Guadalupe García McCall's *Summer of the Mariposas*. Cristina Herrera.

Journal article. "Chicana Casualties of War: Loss, Vietnam, and Fractured Sisterhood in Stella Pope Duarte's *Let Their Spirits Dance*." *Label Me Latina/o: Journal of Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries*

Summer Institute

DeAnna Reese was chosen to participate in Columbia University's Institute for Research in African-American Studies (IRAAS) Summer Teachers and Scholars Institute (STSI), "The Many Worlds of Black New York."

"As part of the 2016 STSI I had the unique experience of learning about the history, culture, politics, and institutions of African-descended peoples through the lens of

Latino Literary Production. Cristina Herrera.

Book. *Introduction to Mexican American Studies: Story of Aztlan and La Raza*. 3rd Edition. Arturo Amaro-Aguilar and Matt Espinoza Watson.

Forthcoming

Book. *(Re)Mapping the Latina/o Literary Landscape: New Works and New Directions*. Cristina Herrera and Larissa M. Mercado-López, co-editors.

Book. *Voices of Resistance: Essays on Chican@ Children's Literature*. Cristina Herrera, Laura Alamillo and Larissa M. Mercado-López, editors.

Book. *Selena: A Musical Life*. Larissa M. Mercado-López

Journal article. "Gypsy Mothers or Decolonial Citizens? The Mother as 'Other' in Judith Ortiz Cofer's *In the Line of the Sun*," in *Label Me Latina/o: Journal of Twentieth and Twenty-first Centuries Latino Literary Production*. Larissa M. Mercado-López

New York in New York City. With 32 others from across the nation and globe, I explored various historical and contemporary themes, including race, drug laws and criminal justice, black immigration trends, "Harlem Nocturne"--a portrait of female artists during World War II; education and social movement unionism, civil rights in Brooklyn, and jazz and hip hop in the Bronx. The Institute was both informative and insightful as it deepened my understanding of the richness and complexity of the black community in New York-- home to Harlem and numerous other historic black enclaves, and among the preeminent capitals of Black America, and the Black World."

Advising Center

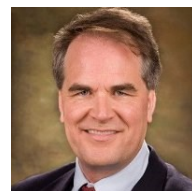
The College of Social Sciences Advising Center had launched its social media presence through Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The advising center will be sharing important information and updates, fun reminders for students, features of COSS faculty and staff for Tell Me Tuesdays, and some contests and interactive activities for opportunities to win prizes. If you would like to be featured or want to share some information and fun opportunities with our students, feel free to contact us at ssadvising@csufresno.edu or 278-4822. Get connected and stay informed with your advising center!

Publication wins award

Jennifer Randles' article, "Redefining the Marital Power Struggle through Relationship Skills: How United States Marriage Education Programs

Challenge and Reinforce Gender Inequality." is the winner of the 2016 National Council on Family Relations Jessie Bernard Contribution to Feminist Scholarship Paper Award.

Mullooly named editor-in-chief



James Mullooly has been named Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of School Administration Research and Development*,

the peer-reviewed journal of The Principal Research Center. The center is a non-profit education organization advocating for the highest quality education of children through the improvement of principal selection methods and development of school administrators.

Project Rebound

Fresno State is one of eight California State University (CSU) campuses partnering in a statewide effort to expand college access to formerly incarcerated individuals.

Project Rebound, modeled after San Francisco State University's program of the same name, will help current and formerly incarcerated persons and community college students who were formerly incarcerated enroll at Fresno State. For more information, access www.FresnoState-news.com

Opportunity to present at conference

The California Sociological Association has its annual conference at the Mission Inn in Riv-

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be entitled, "When the outside comes in: the role of community engagement in prisons (with stories from California and Uganda)." Dr. Holyoke will speak on "The Ethical Lobbyist." November 1st at 3:00 Drs. Hasan Johnson and Cristina Herrera will present. Dr. Johnson's talk is entitled, "Toward a New Conceptualization of and the Black Male Experience: Misandry and Anti-Black Male Racial-Sexism in Context" and Dr. Herrera's will talk about, "Brown and Nerdy: Girlhood, Identity, and the ChicaNerd in Chicana Young Adult (YA) Writing." All talks will be held at the Smittcamp Alumni House. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Those who attended

last year enjoyed the chance to get together with colleagues, to engage intellectually with colleagues' research and teaching, and the chance to discuss issues of interest to many of us in COSS.

We will continue to work on approvals for our mural project. If you are interested, there is still time to get involved. Our quad area is scheduled to re-open in November. It would be very exciting to have a mural to accompany the opening of the beautifully remodeled quad. The mural team has a Facebook page and held several very successful events last spring designed to generate ideas. When we finally unveil a mural we want it to be a mural that many people: stu-

dents, faculty, staff and the community had a part in designing.

We are also hoping to revamp our reception for our outstanding graduates. If you would like to serve on that committee please let me know. We would like to create an event that showcases the work of the college while also honoring our outstanding graduates.

Thanks to the efforts of Tim Ryan, our ASI representative last year and the new ASI president this year, we have established a student leadership council. This council has

a representative from every department and has plans to put out a newsletter, to increase mentoring opportunities for students and to work on a COSS job fair.

My goal for this year is to continue our efforts from last year to build a culture of collegiality while creating opportunities for intellectual engagement. I hope to build on those efforts this year in order to increase the visibility of our college at the university and in the community. Enjoy the year ahead. My door is open. Please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see me.

Student news (continued)

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to study forensic behavioral science and research eyewitness identification and why it can be difficult to recall details in stressful, violent situations. Ditchfield has been accepted into a Ph.D. program in social psychology at Iowa State University and intends to pursue a career in research and teaching in higher education.

Students publish on environmental issues

The Anthropology Department has announced the publication of a 4-part series on environmental issues in the Central Valley, authored by students in Professor Dvera Saxton's ANTH 128 Environmental Anthropology class. The editors at the Engagement Blog of the Environment and Society Section of the American Anthropological Association were really impressed with the quality of

the students' work.

Saxton wrote the introduction with contributions from anthropology student Victoria Sanchez. Three more student-authored pieces will be posted in the next coming weeks by students: Shay Perryman (ANTH), Ana Cruz (CRIM), Justin Bradey (ANTH), Alfred Lopez (ANTH), Chong Vang (ANTH), Yeng Vang (ANTH), Alexa Becerra-Almendarez (ANTH/PRE-MED), Emily Woods (PHIL, ANTH minor), and Lem Wheatley (ANTH).

Saxton is quite pleased with the accomplishment of her students. "We're excited to be putting Fresno State Anthropology on the map, to celebrate student success and growth, to bring unique analysis and perspectives to a diverse array of environmental issues and to share it with audiences far and wide. We hope to inspire other students of anthropology to follow suit in publishing their work on blogs."

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erside on November 4-5. Please consider presenting your work at our conference. For more information, go to our website at <https://cal-soc.org>. For more information, contact Ed Nelson (ednelson@csufresno.edu).

SSRIC Resources Available

If you are interested in including a section on quantitative analysis in your classes, please take a look at a series of exercises on the Social Science Research and Instructional Council's website at <http://ssric.org>. For more information, contact Ed Nelson (ednelson@csufresno.edu).

AFP International Conference

For the fourth consecutive year, Humanics@FresnoState AFP Collegiate Chapter had the largest collegiate delegation at the International Conference on Fundraising put on

by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) in Boston, Massachusetts, March 20-22, 2016. Two faculty, Matthew Ari Jendian, Director of Humanics@FresnoState, and Don R. Simmons, led a group of eight Fresno State Scholars. Four scholars—Adrienne Davis, Navmit Dhesi, Sonia Sanchez-Ramos, and Jessica Vierra—became the first undergraduate students to ever present a workshop at the International Conference, "Learning the Ropes of the Profession: Voices of Collegians Learning and Doing Fund Development Today."

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Lydia Moua



Lydia Moua joins the Advising Center on August 22nd, transitioning from being an academic specialist for Upward Bound in Student Affairs.