Public Administrations Most Influential Faculty Member, 2008-09, Dr. Shawn Flanigan (center), meets with members of the Student Public Administration Association

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

This is an expanded version of a presentation Dr. Henry gave to alumni gathered at the home of Nikki (’67, MPA, ’72) and Ben (’69) Clay on April 26, 2009

Our Vision for the Future
As the School of Public Affairs enters its next 10 years of preparing San Diego’s government leaders, it is critical that our graduates enter the public sector prepared to deal with the many complex issues facing government today. Drawing on the unique strengths of our faculty, the School of Public Affairs envisions itself as a leader in public affairs education and an active partner and resource helping local and regional officials meet the challenges found within government administration, criminal justice and city planning. We aim to provide our students with a solid grounding in the essential elements of public affairs, to educate them as generalists, to be prepared to adapt to changing demands, and to provide experiential learning opportunities.

The School’s emerging and strategic emphasis areas are:
• A global outlook, with particular emphasis on border issues
• A focus on community, specifically engaging our alumni and local officials to share their expertise and act as a community research resource
• Professional and ethical development of current students and in-service professionals toward the ethos of the value of public service
• Expanding the School’s areas of expertise to include nonprofit studies
• Sustainable government, including planning and transportation

A Global Outlook
The School of Public Affairs has a long history of serving local government and it will remain a cornerstone of our existence. However, as globalization continues, we are engaging in teaching, research and community outreach on international issues, particularly along the U.S.—Mexico border. Our program in the Imperial Valley Campus in Calexico is one element in furthering cross-border study opportunities, as in the recently re-launched Trans-border Governance Certificate Program. We continue to internationalize our curriculum through hiring international faculty such as Dr. Salvador Espinosa and are actively seeking international exchange opportunities and student assistance for such opportunities and have faculty such as Dr. Jeffrey McIlwain and Dr. Paul Kaplan who are taking our students to universities abroad, while Dr. Roger Caves and Dr. Larry Herzog continue to frame their research in an international context.

The key to forging effective international partnerships and positioning the School as a regional center is reinvigorating SDSU’s Institute for Public and Urban Affairs. Under the direction of recently named director, Dr. Mounah Abdel-Samad, the Institute will emphasize comparative, international and regional affairs and will focus on advancing research that informs and engages public policy and practice. The Institute’s activities are central to the School’s vision and by providing regular reporting and building collaborations with other institutions will inform and engage public policy and practice.

A Focus on Community
The School of Public Affairs has long engaged in a scholar-practitioner educational model, enlisting prominent alumni and community leaders as lecturers alongside our faculty members. Within this model we are seeking to build community connections that take our faculty and students outside of SDSU’s traditional boundaries and engage a larger population of alumni and friends.

Our faculty will actively seek collaborations with local government agencies by making available faculty expertise and encouraging local government research projects and services that allow for more effective, evidence-based government and public policy practices. These efforts will draw from the current areas of expertise of the SDSU faculty including that of Dr. Dana Nurge an expert on gangs in the city who currently advises the San Diego Gang Commission and Dr. Maurizio Antoninetti and Dr. Sherry Ryan whose respective work on urban design and transportation for healthy living in urban communities is vital for our future growth.

We hope to engage alumni expertise for advice and direction by forming a 2020 Task Force that will assist in us honing our strategic direction and building these partnerships. We also intend to invite more alumni on campus by formalizing a visiting speakers series which will enhance the School’s presence and influence in the region and will result in greater opportunities. A key example of harnessing the power of our alumni is our desire to formalize a partnership between the School and the many current and past city managers who are SDSU alumni—we envision a formalized, strategic effort to promote city management as a career choice to our students and believe that utilizing our successful alumni to provide guidance and support in the classroom is a tremendous opportunity.

Professional Development
The need for educated, experienced public administrators nationwide has never been greater. In the State of California alone, 34%, or 70,000, state employees will be eligible to retire in the next five years (State of California, September 2007). By summer 2009, in contradiction to national trends, California public employees were retiring at 16% above the previous retirement rate. This year marks the largest amount of retiring employees in the state’s history. The School of Public Affairs has a history of educating students who go on to distinguish themselves in local, state or federal governments agencies, and remains committed to providing this valuable service to the region. Indeed, 50 percent of municipal workers are 45 years and older and there is real concern that the soon-to-be retiring Baby Boomer generation threatens to erode the entire municipal ranks from city managers and city planners, through police officers to sanitation supervisors. 53 percent of the middle managers in the federal workforce currently qualify for retirement and “because five of our eight public sector employees work in local government, city and county
governments are particularly at risk” (Benest, 2002:1). The concern is that “cities will soon face a serious ongoing shortage of replacement managers and professionals” (Mitchell, 2007). The challenge is how to replace retiring city and county managers and other professionals when traditionally “local governments rarely develop succession plans to replenish senior management” (Benest, 2002:2). In response to this “quiet crisis” the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) created a Next Generation initiative designed to attract and develop a wide and diverse group of people into the local government management profession, including students, early and mid-career professionals, and individuals from other fields. Its strategies include: (1) Promoting awareness of the local government management profession and encouraging individuals to consider careers in the field; (2) Helping new and early careerists obtain their first jobs in local government; (3) Engaging local government management professionals early in their careers; and (4) Building the leadership pipeline by engaging and developing promising individuals so that they are prepared to step into leadership roles (http://icma.org/main/sc.asp).

At the regional level California’s city managers have begun to discuss the need to attract to their ranks more of the best, strong, ethical professionals motivated to add value to California’s communities. California’s city managers created sub-regional Next Generation Committees and San Diego County’s region has one of these committees. Its outreach goals include a speakers’ bureau and a desire to dialogue with ideas about recruitment. In this context our School plans a greater involvement with the Municipal Management Association of Southern California and with the San Diego County’s Next Generation Committee to explore ways that our programs can better serve the region’s needs.

SDSU’s School of Public Affairs is uniquely positioned to offer graduates both a world-class education and valuable practical experience: SDSU offers the only nationally accredited Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree in the San Diego area and the School’s location in San Diego, the eighth largest city in the United States, with its large urban area, international border, and military bases, provides unlimited opportunities for practical application of scholarly principles and career-building experiences.

The School of Public Affairs will enhance the current academic experience of undergraduate and graduate students by increasing their exposure to real-life government operations by redoubling our efforts to place students within the offices of elected officials and government agencies at all levels. As many government internships are unpaid, providing stipends and scholarships to students who enhance their education through this real-world experience is a primary goal of the program.

The School also seeks to provide opportunities for non-traditional students, specifically currently public sector employees, by providing professional development opportunities including classes, lecture series, professional certificates, and a resource center.

Nonprofit Studies
The nonprofit sector exists in partnership with the public sector and is a rapidly expanding area as government agencies look to increase efficiency and accountability through forming partnerships with community-based organizations. Many of our students express an interest in pursuing careers with local nonprofit organizations, yet currently we are limited in the number of approved courses with a nonprofit emphasis.

The School of Public Affairs, with its emphasis on public sector management and social organizations, is ideally positioned to offer a specialization in this area. With Dr. Shawn Flanigan on board providing nonprofit expertise we plan to slowly expand into this area of study, beginning with a nonprofit certificate program through the College of Extended Studies and building to a specialization within the traditional public administration and MPA degrees.

Sustainable Government
At this time sustainability is a key element of responsible government, and the School of Public Affairs intends to ramp up our efforts in this area by encouraging innovation and partnerships with agencies who are tackling this important issue. We are hosting the 2010 Association for Integrative Studies Annual conference on Sustainability and Ethics. Dr. Larry Herzog is developing a new course in planning for a sustainable future.

Through the Institute for Public and Urban Affairs we can examine sustainable government and its application in San Diego through a global lens. For example, the Institute could bring together international scholars and government officials for a discussion and idea-sharing seminar about San Diego’s water crisis or transportation challenges. Such a conversation would benefit not only our faculty but our students as well, as they would be exposed to alternative methods of dealing with the sustainability question and hear the global implications of government actions.

These are just some of the ways that the School of Public Affairs is orientating itself toward celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2018. We want to move from “yes we can” to “yes we did.” To achieve our multiple goals of being an engaged force in the region during the next ten years, we need our alumni and friends to play an active role in the partnership toward our success. Our success is your success.

* Dr. Henry would like to thank Amberlie Phillips, MPA for her assistance in drafting this presentation.

References

1 Graham Mitchell is the City Manager of Lemon Grove and the Chair of the San Diego County Next Generation Committee.

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Dr. Mounah Abdel Samad was appointed the new Director of the Institute for Public and Urban Affairs (IPUA) February 2009. He is excited about the opportunity to lead IPUA and collaborate with faculty in both the School of Public Affairs and in San Diego State to advance the mission of the Institute. Dr. Abdel-Samad received his Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, University at Albany in May 2007. His research has an international focus. His dissertation was a comparative study of Arab and American legislatures. He has studied legislative institutions in Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco and Tunisia. He has also published an article analyzing natural resource policies in Turkey, Iraq and Syria, and he is conducting research on water policies in the United States and the Arab world. In addition, he has been awarded a grant to study the impact or inclusion/exclusion in policy making on the use of violence in North Africa. Complementing his academic teaching preparation, he has professional experience working for a USAID funded project reforming management in local and national government in Lebanon. He compared and applied different administrative policies in an effort to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of more than 700 local government entities, oversight agencies, and the Lebanese Parliament.

Governor Schwarzenegger appointed San Diego State alumni Blaine Bowman to San Diego Superior Court. Bowman, 44 of San Diego, has served as a deputy district attorney with the San Diego County District Attorney’s Office since 1990. In 1990, he was a civil litigation attorney with Lindley, Lazar and Scales. Bowman earned a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of San Diego Law and a Bachelor of Arts degree from San Diego State University. He was elected as a judge in June 2008 to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Edward Huntington. Bowman has been a part time lecturer at SDSU since 1996. He teaches Criminal Law (CJ 320) in the Fall, and Constitutional Issues (CJ 420) in the spring. He was selected as the Outstanding Lecturer by the Criminal Justice Honors Association in 2007 and 2009.

Dr. Larry Herzog and Denise de Alcantara were married on February 14, 2009 at Heritage park in Old Town. Dr. Herzog is Coordinator of the City Planning Program.
**Most Influential Faculty 2009**

The School hosted an Awards Ceremony Luncheon at Montezuma Hall in May recognizing outstanding faculty and students. Students voted on the most influential faculty members of the department. The following faculty members were recognized. Congratulations!

- **Blaine Bowman, Criminal Justice**
- **Walter Ekard, Public Administration**
- **Dr. Shawn Flanigan, Public Administration**
- **Dr. Alan Mobley, Criminal Justice**

**SDSU MPA Alum Takes Leadership Position at San Diego Unified School District**

Bernie Rhinerson, MPA ’78, recently joined the San Diego Unified School District as Chief District Relations Officer. In this position, Bernie will be a member of the Superintendent’s Cabinet and will manage several departments including the district’s Government Relations, Communications, and Community Relations departments. Bernie will be working to expand and enhance the school district’s relationships and communications with parents, employees, business partners, the media and all residents of the school district.

Since graduating with his MPA from the School of Public Affairs in 1978, Bernie has had a distinguished career as a public official and public affairs consultant in the private sector. Most recently, he was a partner in a leading public affairs firm, Southwest Strategies where he advised local governments and corporate clients on strategic communications and marketing programs.

Bernie has always been actively involved as a supporter of SDSU having served as a Past President of the Alumni Association and Chair of the PSFA Dean’s Community Advisory Committee. He has also been a member of our adjunct faculty for the past 4 years as an instructor of Public Policy and currently as the instructor for the Public Administration internship courses.

**Gregory Smith Retires from San Diego County After Distinguished Career**

Gregory J. Smith (MPA, ’73), recently retired from his position as San Diego County Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk. Smith worked for San Diego County for 32 years, and was the assessor – an elected office – for 25 years. Smith’s time as San Diego County’s Assessor, and later, as the County’s Assessor/Recorder/Clerk, made him the most-tenured assessor in the state, and longest serving assessor in San Diego County history. Smith has also taught in the public administration program in the School of Public Affairs at SDSU since 1986, teaching primarily public finance; and was the 2008 PSFA Commencement speaker. Greg, thank you for your years of service to San Diego County and SDSU, and best of luck in your future endeavors!
Two criminology conferences were held in San Diego in February. The 36th annual Western Society of Criminology (WSC) conference brought together almost 200 academics, practitioners and students to discuss Crime and Justice on the Border. The plenary session featured San Diego District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, Dr. James Austin President of JFA Institute, and Bessy Glaske, Chief Administrative Officer of Correctional Alternatives Inc. They were in San Diego discussing issues related to prison overcrowding and re-entry programs for prisoners returning to the community. Dr. Stuart Henry, Director of the SDSU School of Public Affairs, presented a paper on cumulative violence theory and school shootings. Dr. Jeffrey McIlwain, Codirector of the SDSU Homeland Security Program chaired a panel on border crime issues and discussed Border Security and Transnational Crime in his presentation. Nine SDSU criminal justice students volunteered to work at the WSC conference in exchange for one-day conference attendance.

The second meeting was a pre-conference to the WSC event hosted by California State University San Marcos’ Criminology and Justice Studies program and San Diego State’s School of Public Affairs. The topic was Critical Criminology and Justice Studies. The keynote address was entitled “Immigration, Exception and Denial: A Critical Inquiry into the Post 9/11 War on Unlawful Immigration” by Dr. Raymond Michalowski from Northern Arizona University. Other panel topics included:

- Discourse, Race and the State
- Military and Prison Industrial Complexes and Intersections
- (E)racing the Border: Immigration and Global Citizenship
- Youth and Identity: Preventionism, Captivity and Victimization
- Academia, Policy and Public Criminology

Attendees included 12 San Diego State Criminal Justice Students. Dr. Alessandro De Giorgi (San Jose State University) had the following to say about the conference:

I would like to share my enthusiasm for our first meeting. As a newcomer to the US, with some experience of critical criminology in Europe, I was full of expectations and being able to meet you was indeed a great experience. I think we should try to make this a regular, annual meeting.

The organizers of the critical criminology pre-conference are coordinating publication of the papers presented.

WSC was formed 36 years ago by retired San Diego State University Criminal Justice Professor Tom Gitchoff and his colleague Dr. June Morrison of the University of Arizona. Dr. Gitchoff recalls that “We wanted an association that would be closer to the west coast, ergo Western Society of Criminology. We sought and were granted assistance from American Society of Criminology (ASC), borrowed approximately $200.00 and paid ASC back the following year after our first conference. Our vision was to merge both academics with practitioners and also to give students an early introduction to the various areas of criminology-criminal justice. And last, but not least, was to keep a sense of humor, not take ourselves too seriously and make our conferences both fun and educational.”

We are all grateful to Drs. Gitchoff and Morrison for their vision. Their legacy lives on.
AWARDS CEREMONY

The School hosted their Awards Ceremony Luncheon at Montezuma Hall in May recognizing outstanding undergraduate and graduate students of the department. Congratulations!

Outstanding Undergraduate Students

Public Administration David Richards

David Richards graduated while working full time with the City of Poway. He also served as the President of the Student Public Administration Association and Secretary of the regional California Parks and Recreation Society. For the past thirteen years Dave has work for the City of Poway and currently serves as the Supervisor of Lake Poway.

Criminal Justice Lesley Wideman

Lesley Wideman was born and raised in San Diego and currently resides in Alpine. Lesley attended Valhalla High School and graduated with honors. Three years ago her goals were to become a lawyer. She enrolled at Cuyamaca College, then transferred to San Diego State. Lesley is finishing the paralegal program at Cuyamaca College and is working as a paralegal for a bankruptcy firm. With a clear focus, commitment, and dedication Lesley completed her criminal justice degree in three years with a 4.0 GPA. Next year Lesley plans to start law school.

Outstanding Graduate Students

Master of City Planning Michael J. Prinz

Michael Prinz is an Associate Planner with the City Planning and Community Investment Department (CPCI) in the City of San Diego. As a long-range planner for the Department, Michael is currently working on updating the Otay Mesa Community Plan. Prior to joining CPCI, Michael worked as a Research Analyst in the City of San Diego’s Office of the Independent Budget Analyst and at the Center on Policy Initiatives. He received his Bachelors degree in Political Science form SDSU in 2005.

Master of Criminal Justice Criminology Shanda Maree Angiloi

After receiving a Bachelor’s degree from UCSD in 2002, Shanda studied at USD in the Paralegal Program. After working as a paralegal for approximately four years and completing one year of law school, Shanda decided to pursue her passion for the legal field and began her Graduate studies at SDSU in the Criminal Justice and Criminology program. Shanda’s thesis is researching prosecutorial decision-making in San Diego County. Shanda hopes that her research will determine what factors influence prosecutor’s decisions on whether or not to charge a suspect with a crime and whether of nor to plea bargain with a defendant.

Master of Public Administration Jeffrey P. West

Jeffrey West grew up in the Washington DC area and completed his BA at the University of Maryland in Government and Politics. After graduation, he went to work for a government contractor, and still works in that field providing high-level customer interface, strategic planning, and grant/proposal development. During his career, Jeff had the honor of working as a Program Manager on a joint US Treasury/
GETTING TOO OLD FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOODS
by Maurizio Antoninetti; and Mario D. Garrett

The presidential Inaugural Ceremony was not only historical because it produced the first Black U.S. President, but also because it came when the national economy was at one of its historical lowest lows and at a time when our population is beginning to radically change. Of the many challenges facing America, one that is not receiving the appropriate attention but one which will have the most profound effect, is the aging of the Baby Boomers. Around the nation, droves of Baby Boomers are inexorably entering retirement age. According to the U.S. Census, in only two years those born between 1946 and 1964 will count for over 26% of the entire population. This means that, in another short decade, over 16% of the nation will be 65 years old or older. Why is this of importance to the new administration?

In 2005, 1,200 delegates participated in the White House Conference on Aging with the purpose of making nation-wide aging policy recommendations. One of their more revealing and least publicized final statements reads: “While many experts, popular pundits and the press have made predictions about how the aging of the baby boomers will affect the United States, in actuality, no one really knows with any certainty what will happen. What is clear is that the policy implications and ramifications are unprecedented in history. But one thing seems clear to all: communities are not prepared for an aging population, especially in the areas of transportation, housing, land use planning, public safety, parks and recreation, workforce development and volunteerism/civic engagement.”

What the statement did not address is how unequal these demands will be. These demographic changes will vary not just in terms of race/income/education but also in terms of geography. San Diego is unique in that we have one of the highest number of older adults in the country with 313,750 older adults (the fourth largest county, with LA county first, and beating Miami-Dade county in Florida). Suburban areas - especially the so-called first suburbs – are graying at a faster pace, having experienced in the 1990s a four-fold increase in their middle-aged-plus populations when compared to the under-35 populations. To add to this dynamic is the fact that growth of the elderly population will increase old-age dependency ratio (older adult population vs. the workforce), which will negatively affect existing services and benefits.

Not surprisingly, in San Diego county, several decades after the first suburban expansion, many of the original Boomers still live in the region. Furthermore, for the past ten years, the presence of older Boomers has significantly increased everywhere in the region, especially for those between 55 and 59 years of age. Today, a large share of older Boomers in San Diego resides in residential enclaves that are peripheral to the original urban core areas. These are neighborhoods characterized by low density and by a limited street network, which forces daily waves of commuters to be channeled into single collector streets and then into overflowing highways and freeways. A land use analysis of Census tracts with some of the highest concentrations of older Boomers reveals...
that services and activities are concentrated in particular nodal points, while vast residential areas remain underserved. Residential sprawl has clustered office parks and commercial areas close to major intersections where accessibility and business volumes are higher. At the same time, it makes them become spatially separated from the residential areas they are supposed to serve. Only places of worship and liquor stores mark their inconspicuous presence deeper into the urban fabric of these socially separated neighborhoods. Those of lesser income tend to reside near new and old trafficked areas, while better suburban homes flank countless cul-de-sacs dangerously located in many fire-prone areas. Lastly, only a very limited number of communities with the highest rates of older Baby Boomers are served by bus stops, a problem doomed to become predominant in the years to come when age will impact the ability of many older residents to drive.

What does all of this have to do with the new President and his economic recovery agenda? Well, since most Boomers all over the nation became homeowners during times of strong suburbanization, the neighborhoods where they live are not located at the extreme fringes of sprawl but, yet, they are built for cars. Sadly, neighborhoods lacking services, proximity to retail shops, and an effective transit system do not provide for healthy communities that are required to age well in place.

In a recent forum organized by the New York Times, a group of experts were asked to answer to the question: “What will U.S. suburbia look like in 40 years?” According to Alan Berube from the Brookings Institution, “in 40 years, the suburb won’t exist.” In his opinion, it will be replaced by new physical urban forms sustaining walkability and mass transit ridership. But, in order to transform suburbia and make it more sustainable and thus livable for everybody, aging Boomers included, greater emphasis must be placed on a regional approach to public decision-making.

Three years have passed since the White House Conference on Aging and little evidence of decisive programmatic and remedial steps have been taken, at national, state, or local level. Furthermore, the actual economic crisis and the ongoing real estate fast-deflating bubble are adding speed to the already fast moving demographic tsunami. Today, millions of working Boomers are looking at their retirement savings shrinking in size faster than ice cubes at the beach. Similarly, most of the 74% of Boomers who owned a house in 2004 have for the past few years used them as cash machines to pay for escalating consumptive lifestyles, which has increased overall debt rates and personal stress levels. If the realty equity that most Boomers were relying on to finance moving to a more appropriate age-friendly location or to an assisted living facility will no longer be available, an increasingly higher number of frail older adults will be forced to remain in their house and neighborhood despite it being unsafe for them to do so. How will we deal with these long-term issues if our elected officials persist relying on short-term agendas? More importantly, how soon will the Obama administration address the consequences of the demographic dilemma by looking at it as an opportunity to herald new questions about urban planning as well as Medicare, Medicaid, and the controversial Social Security, which some authors define as the largest Ponzi scheme ever? Or will the aging of the U.S. population and its geographic variability be allowed to come crashing to shore with unmitigated force.

Maurizio Antoninetti, Assistant Professor, School of Public Affairs, SDSU
Mario Garrett, Director, Department of Gerontology, SDSU and Center on Aging

Photo by Tom Farrington

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ALUMNI NEWS

Roger Kemp, MPA Alumnus, Published Again

Roger Kemp, Ph.D (MPA, ’74) recently published Cities and Sports Stadiums: A Planning Handbook. Roger received the 2007 Donald B. Lieffer Outstanding Alumni Award from the School of Public Affairs and is a prolific writer and established expert on local government management. Roger is a Fellow at The Academy of Political Science, Meriden, Connecticut and also has an article in the May 2009 issue of the ICMA’s Public Management Magazine entitled “Managing Government in Hard Times: Prudent Options for Balancing Public Budgets.” Kemp has served as a municipal Chief Executive Officer in three states during his career and has over 30 years of experience in the public sector. He has authored or edited over 20 books.
OUR STUDENTS

MPA Student, Robert Lopez, elected as Graduate Student President for Associated Students

Robert is currently the Director of Lending for a local non-profit called ACCION San Diego and is a SDSU MPA student. His responsibilities include underwriting, loan portfolio quality, developing and maintaining bank relationships, and community outreach. He received a B.A. in Urban Studies, with an emphasis in Public Administration from San Diego State University.

Robert has over seven years experience in banking and finance and is bilingual in English and Spanish.

Robert notes that it seems that the current structure of the Graduate Student Association emphasizes the importance of social experiences at SDSU. His goal is to make the graduate student experience at SDSU second to none by closing the disconnect that exists between graduate students and the university.

“We must have a fine balance between career advancement opportunities, internships, networking events, speaking engagements, and social gatherings that will make an SDSU graduate student an attractive commodity to any organization that he or she chooses to engage in.”

Opportunities for such events should be available to all graduate students, whether they commit entirely to education or work full-time while attending night courses.

Roberts’ ultimate goal is to gather your input, advice, and recommendations in order to make them a reality.

Local Media Profiles
19-Year-Old Graduate

The San Diego Union Tribune recently recognized Sean O’Callaghan (Criminal Justice,’08) for and graduating from SDSU at the age of 19. Making Sean’s story even more impressive is the fact that he was diagnosed with a learning disability in third grade and with epilepsy just before starting college! Throughout his undergraduate career Sean proved to be a determined student, taking up to 15 units at SDSU and 15 units at community colleges during the same semester. This determination paid off as he completed his bachelor’s degree in only two and half years. PSFA wishes Sean much success in his future academic and professional endeavors.

Summary of the UCLA 23rd Annual Land Use Law & Planning Conference, by Laura Haislip Graduate student in the Master’s of City Planning Program laura.haislip@gmail.com

This year’s conference reviewed the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) court cases from 2008, provided a summary of the new CEQA guidelines that were released on January 8, 2009, and touched on the passing of SB 375, AB 32, and other climate change bills that affect land use planning, zoning, and development laws. The audience included environmental and policy planners from both the public and private sectors, various members of the home building industry, environmental and policy lawyers, and students such as myself.

I found myself surprised and pleased to hear about the seriousness with which the conference speakers discussed climate change, including what to do about it now and how to handle it in the future. The new CEQA guidelines include several suggestions to get the ball rolling, and SB 375 mandates several actions which are good steps, and surprising steps, for the government to take against climate change. Some of these include encouraging local agencies to integrate or work more closely with regional agencies, since environmental impacts do not stop at jurisdictional boundaries and must be dealt with on a big picture, regional level, and similarly, mandating a Regional Land Use Plan, an entirely new approach to land use planning. Greenhouse gas (GHG) modeling is also now required in environmental impact reports to determine significance and threshold levels.

The biggest challenge we face in fighting climate change remains public perception. However, as developers build sustainably with energy and water saving techniques, not only do they generate good media and sell at higher rates than non-sustainable buildings, but we also set our feet upon the road to a world with less risk of disaster due to climate change. The next questions include what steps to take to adapt to climate change when it does happen, and what our resiliency strategy might be for the future, as in Australia, for the consequences of sea level rise and reduced snow pack.
FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Grants
Mobley, Alan co-wrote a successful $10,000 grant for community leadership development and legal services training for the San Diego Chapter of All Of Us of the organization None, who work to restore felons' civil rights.  Funding agency: Fund for Nonviolence, Santa Cruz, CA. March, 2009.

Publications


Presentations


Henry, Stuart and Nancy Flitcraft. “Access as the Kiss of Death for the Urban Research University”? SDSU’s Second Annual Diversity Conference, April 25, 2008.

Herzog, Larry, “Urban Design, Community Development and Sustainability in the U.S.” Two day workshop presented to a Delegation of City Planners, Shanghai, China. Global Leadership Institute, School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS), University of California, San Diego, November 19-20, 2008.


Herzog, Larry. “Rethinking Public Space in Urban Design,” Universidade Federal Fluminense (UFF), School of Architecture, Niteroi, Brazil, November 6, 2008.


Herzog, Larry. Invited to give a keynote address: “Globalization, Latino Culture and Transnational Place Identity Along the U.S.-Mexico Border” to the Conference on “Ethnicities: Metropolitan Culture and Ethnic Identities in the Americas” University of Bielefeld, Germany, March 20, 2009.


McIlwain, Jeffrey. Presented a lecture on “Organized Crime and Irregular Warfare” to the Irregular Warfare Program at Joint Special Operations University, Hurlburt Field, Florida. (August, 2009)


**Professional Service**

Antoninetti, Maurizio, elected member of the SDSU University Campus Development Senate Committee.

Antoninetti, Maurizio, elected Policy Team Member, La Mesa - Spring Valley Live Well Initiative.

Calavita, Nico. Appointed to the Board of Diamond Management Inc. of the Jacobs Foundation.

Caves, Roger was appointed member to the International Committee of the ICMA.

Caves, Roger. As President of the National Faculty Athletics Representatives Association, convened a meeting of the Executive Committee in Salt Lake City, April 13-16, 2009.

Caves, Roger. Served as an external reviewer for the undergraduate Urban Planning Program at the University of Wisconsin, March 30 - April 1, 2009.


Flanigan, Shawn elected PSFA representative to the SDSU University Senate, 2009-2012.

Flanigan, Shawn invited to serve as Executive Board member of the Values, Religion and Deviance Section of the national Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action, 2009-2010.

Flanigan, Shawn invited to serve as External Grant Proposal Evaluator for the City University of New York Research Awards Program, 2009.

Henry, Stuart. Appointed by the Board of the Ethics Center for Science and technology as one of its Co-directors.


Henry, Stuart. Invited to Join the Board of SDSU's Scholars without Borders, April, 2009.

Herzog, Larry. "Urban Design, Community Development and Sustainability in the U.S." Two day workshop presented to a Delegation of City Planners, Shanghai, China, Global Leadership Institute, School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS), University of California, San Diego, November 19-20, 2008.


McIllwain, Jeffrey and Cezar Ornatowski (Rhetoric and Writing Studies) took graduate students to Poland to study historical and contemporary security issues and the legacy of totalitarianism in Central Europe. The University of Warsaw served as the host nation’s partner institution. (May/June 2009)

McIllwain, Jeffrey traveled to Chennai, Madras, India where he worked on setting up a graduate level semester study abroad program focusing on humanitarian assistance, disaster response, transnational crime, and Asian security issues. (June 2009)

McIllwain, Jeffrey provided his research expertise to the Planning Office of the Joint Readiness Training Center at Ft. Polk, Louisiana. (August 2009)

McIlwain, Jeffrey was/is part of an international team under the lead of Eric Frost that is facilitating U.S./Mexico cooperation on issues related to the H1N1 virus. These efforts are supported by both the U.S. and Mexican governments. (May-present, 2009)

McIlwain, Jeffrey and Eric Frost hosted donors and supporters of President Weber’s Troops to College Program (http://arweb.sdsu.edu/es/veterans/give.html). The Graduate Program in Homeland Security was selected to illustrate the university’s commitment to the integration of veterans, who with a combination of active and/or reserve members of the military, make up over 40% of the 130 graduate students in the program into graduate level or higher education. (May-present, 2009)

McIlwain, Jeffrey and Eric Frost hosted students ages 8-15 as part of SDSU housing the Elementary Institute of Science, an after-school program that draws high achieving students from under-represented backgrounds from all over San Diego. (August 2009)


Media Coverage


Caves, Roger was interviewed and quoted by Steve Berkowitz of USA Today on an athletics issue. The title of the article is “IMG jolts campus scene to give schools a cash boost” and appeared April 2, 2009. See http://www.usatoday.com/sports/college/2009-04-01-img-cover_N.htm

Caves, Roger was interviewed and quoted by Dave Downey of North County Times for an article on state ballot measures that appeared in press on April 25, 2009. The title of the article is “Region: Balanced Budget Hangs on Ballot.” See: http://www.nctimes.com/articles/2009/04/26/news/sandiego/zede4abf773b88f96882575a1005c0a39.txt

Calavita, Nico’s Union-Tribune article was commented on in a letter to the editor by Tim Blazer on September 27, 2008 http://www.sdsuniverse.info/sdsuniverse/news.aspx?s=70738

Collins, Kim. Interviewed for story about El Centro’s 25% unemployment rate. NPR All Things Considered, March 18, 2009


Espinosa, Salvador. Interviewed on the State Budget and how are state workers will be affected by cuts. Interviewed by Tori Peck for Cliff & Company Morning Show KSON-FM 97.3 & 92.1.


Henry, Stuart and Dana Nurge were interviewed for a story “Bad Effects of Economy on Crime is Ripples not Waves” by Will Carless, Voice of San Diego, July 12, 2009.


Kaplan, Paul was quoted in an LA Times story “Majority at Public Hearing Oppose California’s Proposed Lethal Injection Changes.” By Carol J. Williams, July 1, 2009.

McIllwain, Jeffrey. Provided a number of interviews on current cartel activities and related violence in Mexico on KNX News Radio 1070 (Los Angeles).


Mendez, Gonzalo. (Lecturer CJ). Quoted about his program in an article by Colleen Mensching “Probation Unit Supervises ‘Worst of the Worst’ DUI Offenders” North County Times, March 6, 2009.


Mobley, Alan, discussed the California Prison Crisis on KPBS “These Days” August 19, 2009.


Sparrow, Glen quoted in a story “Strong Mayor Antes Up: As San Diego City Faces an Economic Crisis, Eyes are Turned to Their Leader”
Students and Alumni

Angioli, Shanda and Larissa Tabin graduate students in criminal justice presented a paper at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. St. Louis, MO (November, 2008).

Barrett Cuetara, Richard (criminal justice, 1977) is a real estate attorney for Cowles and Thompson.

Brown, Jacqueline. Criminal Justice alumni and peer advisor has been accepted into The University of South Carolina School of Law starting this Fall.

Cadua, Estha (Criminal Justice student) selected as University Student Athlete of the Year. She plays tennis.

Hawkins, Michael is studying law at Thomas Jefferson Law School and is working at the Public Defender’s office while he attends law school.

Kemp, Roger. (MS Public Admin, 1974 and past Outstanding Alumni of the Year) has been appointed a fellow of the Academy of Political Science.


Kemp, Roger also has an article in the May issue of the ICMA’s Public Management Magazine May 2009, vol 91, No 4, entitled “Managing Government in Hard Times: Prudent Options for Balancing Public Budgets.”

Limon, Jose graduate student in criminal justice was quoted in an article by Will Carless "This Beer’s for You, Shoplifter" in the Voice of San Diego, November 21, 2008, and also appeared an NBC 7/39 News on the same topic.

McCullough, Betsy(MCP, 1976). Assistant to the Director of the San Diego City Planning Department, received the distinguished leadership award from the California Chapter of the American Planning Association.

O’Callahan, Sean recent CJ alumni, was featured in the North County Times and the San Diego Union Tribune in an article entitles “A College Grad at 19” by John Wilkens, February 4, 2009.

Poliquin, Cara (Criminal Justice student) received a Jaap de Zwaan Scholarship for 3000 Euros from Erasmus University, the Netherlands where she will be studying law during the 2009 - 2010 academic year.

Richards, Dave was selected as the 2009 Outstanding PA Student, and also as the Outstanding student of the Year for the whole PSFA College. There are 8,000 students in PSFA, which is SDSU’s largest College.


Wilcox, Lesley was selected as the 2009 Outstanding CJ Student.

Wilcox, Jeremy (criminal justice, 2004) is associate attorney with Davies and Rosenberry.

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The minor consist of 18 units, twelve of which are required:

PSFA 350 International Studies (3) - Awareness of international surroundings and creation of global citizens in PSFA disciplines. Basic concepts of culture and self-awareness, dimensions of culture, theoretical perspectives, behavioral patterns, and applications in PSFA disciplines.

PSFA 501 Study Abroad I (3) - Intensive study and practical applications of PSFA-related intercultural issues in a selected international setting. Areas of study within PSFA disciplines.

PSFA 502 Study Abroad II (3) - Intensive study of global PSFA-related professional career issues in a selected international setting. Focus on careers in disciplines within the College of Professional Studies and Fine Arts.

PSFA 550 International Studies Capstone (3) – Problem-based approach through which PSFA students describe, analyze, compare and contrast the ways that the visited culture/society/nation addresses a problem or issue relative to PSFA-related approaches taken in the US.

Electives – Take 6 units from among the following courses that have been identified as addressing international concerns:

- ART 357 World Art in Contemporary Life (3) [GE]
- CJ 570 Organized Crime: Domestic and International Perspectives (3)
- COMM 371 Intercultural Communication (3)
- DANCE 382 Dance in World Cultures (3) [GE]
- JMS 450 Using Media to Understand Cultures (3)
- MUSIC 345 World Music in Contemporary Life (3) [GE]
- NUTR 203 Cultural Aspects of Food & Nutrition (3)
- PA 580 Comparative Public Administration (3)
- RTM 404 Cross-Cultural Perspectives of Tourism (3)
- TFM 363 International Cinema (3) [GE]

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