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SJSU SAASC Annual Report, 2015-2016

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Introduction

The San José State University Society of American Archivists Student Chapter (SAASC) is pleased to submit to the Society of American Archivists (SAA) Executive Council the 2015-2016 Annual Report on this year's activities.

Members and Officers

Members

The following is a list of the SAASC members for the 2015-2016 academic year. The list is comprised of students enrolled in SAASC's group site on Canvas, the SJSU iSchool's online learning portal, who are also individual members of SAA. Although we have 146 people enrolled in our group site on Canvas, only 46 of those individuals are both students and individual members of SAA.

Baxter, Christina	Flowers, Jessica	Leung, Rebecca	Ocampo, Lissete
Berry, Tonisha	Folnovic, Catherine	Limberg, Jerry	Reynolds, Melissa
Braidotti, Victoria	Garcia, Julieta	Lucy, Catherine	Schack, Melissa
Carswell, Robert	Gillette, Ysied	Lutzker, Pamela	Schaub, Heather
Castle, Jennifer	Goss, Lauren	Ly, Helen	Secor, Darla
Caughlan, Katie	Hanson, Krysten	Mahan, Heather	Shellmon, Teresa
Conrow, Angie	Ingram, Marie	Martinez, Anita-Marie	Smith, Sarah
Cook, Natasha	Janes, Lisa	McKee, Kristin	Strauss, Robert
DiBello, Amy	Jimenez, Valerie	Mellinger, Amanda	Trutna, Tiana
Dobretz, Jami	Jostock, Molly	Montes de Oca, Victoria	Ushakova, Svetlana
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Events Team

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Web Team

Rebecca Leung, Web Team Leader Amanda Mellinger Melissa Schack

Summary of Events

Note: All virtual events were held via Blackboard Collaborate.

September 9, 2015 Annual Members Meeting (Virtual)

October 27, 2015 e-Portfolio Presentation (Virtual) with Beaudry Allen, SJSU iSchool

MARA candidate

November 10, 2015 Discussion on Diversity in the Archives (Virtual) with Colleen Cook

(Archives Coordinator for the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians), Rebecca Hankins (Associate Professor, Librarian/Curator and affiliate Faculty in Africana Studies at Texas A&M University) and Marisol Ramos (Subject Librarian/Curator for Latin American and Caribbean Studies,

Latino Studies, Spanish and Anthropology at the University of

Connecticut).

December 7, 2015 Copyright Laws and How They Apply to Information Professions (Virtual)

with SJSU iSchool Professor Margaret Driscoll. Co-sponsored by the

SJSU ALA Student Chapter.

January 28, 2016	Basic Archives Workshop (Virtual) with Dr. Patricia Franks, SJSU iSchool Associate Professor and MARA Program Coordinator.	
February 11, 2016	Tour of the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology Archives at University of California, Berkeley with Christina V. Fidler, SJSU iSchool alumna.	
February 18, 2016	Benefits of SAA Membership and Taking the Academy of Certified Archivists (ACA) Exam (Virtual) with Brenda Gunn, the Janey Slaughter Briscoe Archivist and Director for Research and Collections at the Briscoe Center at the University of Texas at Austin, and Sammie L Morris, the Director at the Virginia Kelly Karnes Archives and Special Collections Research Center at Purdue University.	
March 16, 2016	Digital Curation Practices and Professions (Virtual) with Alyce Scott, SJSU iSchool Professor.	
April 15, 2016	Tour of The Huntington Library in San Marino, CA.	
April 25, 2016	Current Trends in Preservation Management (Virtual) with Dr. Katherine Skinner and Sam Meister of the Educopia Institute.	
May 1, 2016	Records Management for Archivists (Virtual) with Eira Tansey, Digital Archivist/Records Manager from the University of Cincinnati, Steering Committee Member of the Society of American Archivists Records Management Roundtable and Student Chapter Liaison. Co-sponsored by the CSU, Sacramento SAA Student Chapter.	
June 18, 2016	Mini-conference/joint meeting at the California State Archives in Sacramento, CA with the CSU, Sacramento SAA Student Chapter. The event will include two speaker sessions, a tour and a social mixer.	

Projects

Team Structure

Traditionally, the SAASC executive team was comprised of five elected positions: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Events Coordinator and Technology Coordinator. In 2014-2015 SAASC updated our constitution to only require three elected positions: Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary. SAASC wanted to limit the number of elected positions to avoid ever having to disband the group. However, in order to offer superb programming and keep members connected/engaged, SAASC needs additional support for event planning, promotion and creation of web-based content. In response to this need, the 2015-2016 officers decided to form a team structure, made up of non-elected members. The Events Team and Web Team foster deeper involvement from more of our members. The teams have been critical to our operation and it is a structure that will most likely be maintained into the foreseeable future.

Membership Requirements

SAASC was notified by SAA in the Fall 2015 semester that our membership requirements did not align with SAA policy. In the past, SAASC did not require that our voting members also be individual members of SAA; however, this has always been a requirement for our officers. All appropriate changes were made to our constitution and members were notified that effective January 28, 2016 voting members of SAASC are required to be individual members of SAA. Although there was no pushback from members regarding these changes to our constitution, there were some students who expressed concern that the changes meant they could not get as involved in SAASC activities. We assured members that the changes to our constitution does not prevent anyone from following us on social media, subscribing to our blog, joining our group site on Canvas, contributing content to our open source digital publication *Archeota* and attending our events. The change to our constitution does affect those who wish to nominate themselves for office, vote in elections, join teams, form Special Interest Groups or become an editor of *Archeota*. We hope that these revised membership requirements will encourage more students to get involved in SAA.

Archeota

In Spring 2016 SAASC successfully released the third issue of *Archeota*, our official publication and voice of the student archivists at SJSU. In 2016-2017 SAASC aims to increase participation and diversify content.

http://sjsusaasc.weebly.com/archeota.html

Presenting at Archives*Records 2016

The 2015-2016 officers have been approved to present a student chapter poster at the 2016 SAA Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA. We are the first SAASC officers to receive funding from the SJSU iSchool to attend our parent organization's annual conference. We are thrilled to be presenting at SAA, to share with the larger archival community what our organization has accomplished, to learn and network.

Social Media Statistics

The following is a listing of our current member statistics on our social media platforms.

Delicious*

141 links

11 links added since May 2015

4 followers

0 followers added since May 2015

*The Delicious account has not gained in popularity and SAASC plans to disable the account before the Fall 2016 semester.

Facebook

375 followers

23 added since May 2015

Twitter

240 followers

63 added since May 2015