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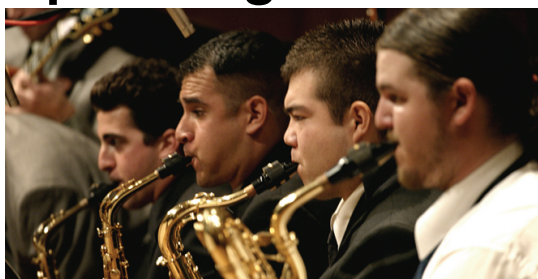
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Academic Affairs Division Newsletter



Powering Academic Success

Upcoming Events



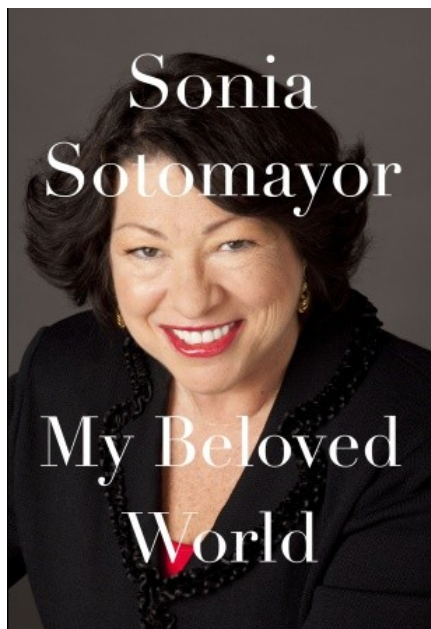
Live Music Events

- **December 1, Big Band Concert**, 7:30 pm, Music Concert Hall, Directed by Jeff Lewis
- **December 3, Latin Jazz Ensemble Concert**, 7:30pm, Music Concert Hall
- **December 4, Wind Ensemble Concert**, 7:30pm, Music Concert Hall, Directed by Dr. Edward Harris

AAD Staff Appreciation Breakfast



The Office of the Provost hosted the Academic Affairs Division Staff Appreciation Breakfast on November 20th. Entertainment was provided by Drum Café West. Raffle prizes were won, food was enjoyed, and the food donation drive was a huge success! The College of International and



Campus Reading Program

On Monday, October 20, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Sonia Sotomayor, visited SJSU. [Click here](#) for the Spartan Daily article. There are still opportunities to discuss the book!

All discussions are scheduled in **Clark Hall 100H:**

- **Tuesday, December 2, 2:00-3:00pm**



Reading by Steinbeck Fellows

On **December 3, at 7:00pm** in **MLK 225/229**, the Center for Literary Arts and the Martha Heasley Cox Center for Steinbeck Studies present a reading by the Steinbeck Fellows:

Yalitza Ferreras received a BA in English and a BA in Political, Legal, and Economic Analysis from Mills

Extended Studies won first place in the food donation, followed by the College of Education in second place, and the College of Social Sciences in third. Together we raised almost \$5,000 and filled 26 barrels of food for the Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo counties!

Opportunities



Director's Scholarship for Excellence Helps New Students Launch Their Education at the iSchool

Graduate students beginning the award-winning [Master of Library and Information Science](#) (MLIS) program at the San José State University School of Information during academic year 2015/2016, will have the opportunity to apply for scholarships with the newly created [Director's Scholarship for Excellence](#), the school's first-ever scholarships for new students. See more [here](#).

College and an MFA in Creative Writing from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Winner of a fellowship from the San Francisco Writers' Grotto, she currently resides in San Francisco where she is at work on a novel and a collection of short stories.

Cara Bayles holds a BA in English and Film Studies from Wesleyan University and a MFA in Creative Writing from Boston University. Her fiction has appeared in *Meridian* (University of Virginia), *Trop*, and the anthology *Watching the Cash Roll in Since 2012*. She will spend her year as a Steinbeck Fellow completing her novel.

Reese Okyong Kwon writing has appeared in *Ploughshares*, the *Believer*, *Kenyon Review*, *Southern Review*, and elsewhere. A recipient of scholarships from Yaddo, Ledig House, and the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, she has been named one of *Narrative's* "30 Below 30" writers. She is currently working on a novel.



What should our future as a



Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program

We are pleased to announce that the California State University is now accepting applications for the 2015-2016 Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (CDIP). Please contact graduate students and lecturers who may be interested in this program and encourage them to apply. San José State's track record with this program is quite good, as we consistently have been given these awards for a great majority of the applicants we have sponsored. Among those applying, lecturers have been most successful. The goal of the program is to increase the pool of qualified candidates for future CSU faculty positions by funding the education of doctoral students. Currently, the program is the largest of its kind in the nation.

Applicants in all fields in which CSU campuses employ faculty are eligible regardless of gender or ethnicity. The program gives primary consideration to candidates in fields in which CSU campuses anticipate the greatest difficulty in filling potential future instructional faculty positions, although this distinction is rarely made by the CSU committee that decides on the awards. It is open to

university be?

Please join us for the final in a series of TED-like talks about the long-term future of our university. Our finest teacher-scholars will deliver a 30-minute lecture, "The Future of SJSU," to be followed by a 30-minute open discussion. The goal of these conversations is to provide a forum for thoughtful, positive discussions of our future as an institution so that we can focus our goals and begin to develop a strategy for achieving them. The lectures will be recorded, for those who are unable to attend:

- **Friday, December 5, at noon in MLK 225** - Professor Ronald Rogers, Department of Psychology



9th Annual Student Athlete Talent Show

Tickets are \$2 for students and \$5 for general public (or a new toy). Proceeds are donated to Toys-for-Tots. **December 8, 6:00pm, YUH Complex.**

domestic and international students and to those applying or already attending U.S. PhD institutions and some professional doctoral programs. This is a prestigious and generous award program, providing substantial aid to those who receive the awards.

The CDIP will lend participants who are full-time doctoral students up to \$10,000 annually to a limit of \$30,000 over a five-year period. After earning the doctorate, a participant who applies for and is hired in a CSU instructional (tenure-track or lecturer) faculty position will have 20% of the loan forgiven for each year of employment in the CSU. Recipients of the loan may enroll in any approved doctoral program at any accredited university in the U.S. Applicants are responsible for obtaining a CSU faculty advisor to assist them through their doctoral studies. Once in a doctoral program, awardees and their CSU mentors become eligible for additional funding for travel to professional conferences through the Chancellor's Mini-Grant program. For a program description and other information, please visit the [CSU website](#).

Online [application forms](#) are available. Make sure to obtain a Permission to Publish form to be submitted with your application. This form is a campus-specific document that is available only on the Graduate Studies website [here](#) (PDF).



Student Film Festival

SJSU Student Film
Festival, **December 18,**
7:00pm, Camera E Cinemas

Department Updates



School of Music and Dance Newsletter

The School of Music and Dance
announces its new monthly
newsletter. [Click here for the
November edition \(PDF\).](#)



Emeritus and Retired Faculty lunch with current **CASA**

Please submit fully assembled
applications with all materials in the
correct order to the **Office of
Graduate Studies, ADM 223B, or
by campus mail to extended zip
0030 by February 13, 2015.**

Applications will be reviewed by a
committee, which will make
recommendations to the President
for his nominations. Those
nominations will be forwarded to the
Chancellor's Office for system-wide
review. If you have questions,
contact David Bruck at (408) 924-
2484 or david.bruck@sjsu.edu or
contact Cheryl Cowan at (408) 924-
2485 or cheryl.cowan@sjsu.edu.

Appointment



Theresa Mendoza to serve as Interim Vice President of University Advancement

President Qayoumi announced the
appointment of Theresa (Tere)
Mendoza
as Interim vice president of University
Advancement while the campus
undertakes a national search for the

between the countries, according to department chair and proposal author Dr. Swathi Vanniarajan.

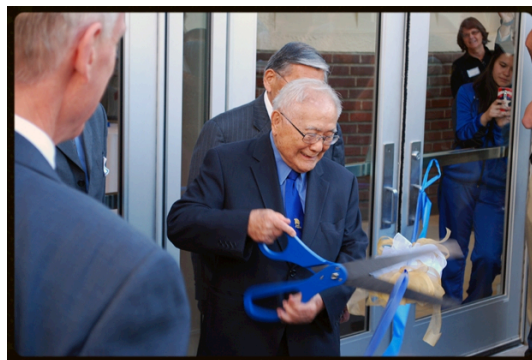
This award allows all instructors within the LLD department to work with their Pakistani associates to give them an educational opportunity while allowing faculty to gain professional improvement in regards to teaching.



Humanities Honors: After Sixty Years

October 3rd marked the 60th year anniversary for San José State University's Humanities Honors Program. Designed by four humanities professors, Rex Burbank, Jack E., Fink, O.C Williams, and Richard Tansey in 1954, the program was based on being a multi-disciplinary academic experience, which was to be taught in both lecture and seminar settings. It evolved into what is it today, a four-semester opportunity for students to fulfill general education requirements while experiencing a close-knit professor and student environment.

Professor Cynthia Rostankowski, the current Humanities Honors program director, states, "We have become more diverse, especially in the past fifteen years. We are all part of the



Yoshihiro Uchida Honored at Rededication of Uchida Hall

The festivities included a panel of speakers, taiko drummers, judo demonstrations in the dojo, guided tours of the renovated space that is shared by the College of Applied Sciences and Arts and the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, and the presentation of a medal for distinguished service from San José State University President Mohammad Qayoumi to Yoshihiro Uchida. The event was hosted by the Office of the President, the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, University Advancement, and the Department of Kinesiology. While the event celebrated the reopening of Uchida Hall, one of the primary focuses included honoring Uchida for his long history of service to the campus.

In 1997, San José State University renamed Spartan Complex West to Yoshihiro Uchida Hall in honor of Uchida's many years of service to the university and to the community. Uchida received the San José State University Tower Award in 1992, was inducted into the SJSU Hall of Fame in 1999, and into the SJSU "Legends

world. How do we see ourselves in that community?"

The twenty four-unit curriculum covers areas from religion, history, government, literature, music, and art.

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Library 2.014 Worldwide Virtual Conference

In October, the School of Information held the fourth annual Library 2.0 virtual conference. It was held entirely online October 8-9, 2014. The conference connected thousands of information specialists from around the world including Hungary, New Zealand, Norway, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates and Canada. [Click here](#) for the full story.

Season 2 Episodes of Green Ninja are here



SJSU's popular series returns! [Click here](#) to watch.

The Green Ninja Project is a collaborative SJSU effort joining students and faculty from the Departments of Meteorology and

Hall of Fame" in 2012--to name a few of the honors and awards bestowed on him through the years. [Click here](#) for the full story.



Kevin Jordan Awarded NASA Exceptional Public Service Medal

On November 19, Kevin Jordan, Professor of Psychology, was awarded the NASA Exceptional Public Service Medal at the NASA Honors Award Ceremony.



Kathie Kratochvil featured on Performing Arts Monterey Bay

Kathie Kratochvil, Coordinator of the Graduate Program in Television, Radio, Film and Theater, was

Climate Science, Geology, Animation and Illustration, Radio, TV and Film, Primary Education, Computer Engineering, and Computer Science. Support for the Green Ninja originally came from the National Science Foundation, but now includes funding from NASA, The City of San José and the County of San Mateo.

Comparative Award and Proposal Statistics for October 2014



RESEARCH FOUNDATION

October 2014 reports for the contract and grant awards received, and proposals submitted by the SJSU Research Foundation.

In summary:

- Awards - 40 awards were received for a total of \$3,721,238.
- Proposals - 21 proposals requesting a total of \$8,203,943 were submitted to sponsoring agencies.

Please note that these reports can also be found on the [Research Foundation's website](#) under "Quick Links." If you have any comments or questions regarding the reports or the other services of the Office of

featured in the October 5 edition of *Performing Arts Monterey Bay*. [Click here](#) for the full story.



IME Becas Scholarship Program 2014-2015 Grant

The IME Becas Scholarship Program 2014-2015 grant was awarded to co-PI's Fernanda Karp (Office of Student Affairs) and Julia Curry-Rodriguez (Mexican-American Studies). The grant award is \$40,000 to be awarded during the 2015 scholarship period for fall 2015 and spring 2016. Scholarships will range from \$1,500 to \$5,000.

IME Becas is funded by the Mexican Government Institute for Mexicans Abroad (Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior), The Mexican Ministry of Foreign Relations (SRE), and the San José Mexican Consulate. The goal of the grant is to provide scholarships to low-income Mexican or Mexican-origin students who require financial support to start, continue, or complete their education, from undergraduate and graduate programs.

Sponsored Programs, please contact
Jeanne Dittman at (408) 924-1434.

Update for STAR Act (SB 1440)



SJSU has added the most recent finalized TMC in Nutrition and Dietetics to the list of approved AA-T or AS-T degrees under the STAR Act (SB 1440). SJSU faculty have deemed 28 of the 29 Transfer Associate Degrees as similar to 53 of our degree programs at SJSU.

The following TMCs or Model Curriculum are currently being reviewed by the CCCs/CSUs or in the queue for discussion under the STAR Act:

TMCs:

- Biology
- Environmental Science/Studies
- Exercise Science
- Graphic Arts/Graphic Design
- Hospitality/Hotel Management
- Public Health Science
- Social Work

Model Curricula:

- Engineering - EE/Comp
- Engineering -
Mech/Civil/Aero/Manu



Outstanding Leadership Book Awards

Advances in Global Leadership, edited by Dr. Joyce Osland, Global Innovation & Leadership; Lucas Endowed Professor, Ming Li, Hull Business School; and Ying Wang, University of Western Australia, received the award for “Scholarship and Critical Thinking” at the Outstanding Leadership Book Awards 2014 in San Diego.



SJSU Designated a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance/Cybersecurity Education

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the National Security Agency (NSA), and the NSA's

- Information and Communication Technologies
- Nursing

You may also visit the [Undergraduate Studies website](#) for more information about the STAR Act (SB 1440). This website displays the 60 unit road maps for the 53 approved programs and includes department Advisor contact information.

If you have a story you'd like to see in the Academic Affairs Division Newsletter, please [click here!](#)

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Information Assurance Directorate designated SJSU as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance/Cybersecurity Education for the Academic Years 2014-2019.

SOTES



Reminder to Faculty: Encourage students to complete SOTES by Dec. 10th

This is just a reminder that your students have received their online course evaluation surveys. The students will receive automated reminders to participate in the course evaluations. The evaluation period closes Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2014 at 11:59 p.m.

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