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Greetings From Los Angeles ~ June 2013

Dear Faculty, Staff, Students, Alumni, and Friends of the UCLA American Indian Studies Center:

This month, we celebrate the graduation of sixteen students participating in the American Indian Graduation Ceremony. They, along with other fabulous graduates who are members of our community, are moving on to new adventures, graduate programs, and exciting careers. We congratulate them on their accomplishments.

In this Year End Newsletter, we share some AISC highlights over the past year, including the visit of the Indian Law and Order Commission; the opening of the InSight Photography Exhibit at the Autry National Center; and the symposium launch of the Institute of American Cultures: *Superdiversity California Style*. We are delighted to highlight the outstanding accomplishments and careers of our Faculty Advisory Committee, as well as welcome new faculty and staff to UCLA. UCLA's amazing student groups continue to shine, and we recognize them here for their commitment, vision, and achievements.

I thank you for your continued interest in and support of the American Indian Studies Center and all programs at UCLA that support Native students, communities, and research.

Megwetch (thank you),
Angela R. Riley (Citizen Potawatomi Nation)
Director, American Indian Studies Center
Professor of Law

Staff



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Not pictured: Professor Duane Champagne, Associate Director/AICRJ Editor, 2011-13

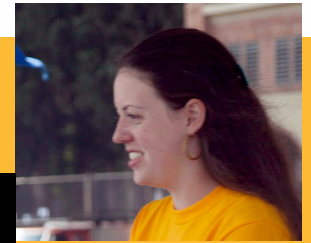
Also pictured: Meredith Duarte (Graduate Student Researcher, 2011-12); Leah Shearer (Research Analyst, 2011-12)



Congratulations to the Class of 2013!

The UCLA American Indian Studies Center would like to congratulate all those participating in the American Indian Graduation celebrations of 2013!

- Adeline Aranaydo, MSW
- Maria Ceja, BA
- Elizabeth Fasthorse, MA
- Patricia Gomes, MA
- Ulia Gosart, PhD
- Philip Hale, BA
- Ellen Harju, PhD
- Frank Herrera, BA
- Frank Kopcinski, JD
- Stephanie Mushrush, MSW
- Lawrence Mojado., MA
- Kenneth Ramos, BA
- Ryan Rhadigan, MA
- Christine Samuel Nakamura, PhD
- Madeline Soboleff Levy, JD
- Christina Snider, JD
- Daedra Staten, JD
- Theresa Stewart, ME
- Maria Tuche, BA
- Tyson Walker, BS



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Faculty Advisory Committee

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

We thank the members of the AISC Faculty Advisory Committee for their hard work and vision during the past year. Here are some recent career highlights:



STEPHEN A. ARON
PROFESSOR
Department of History

Stephen Aron's fields of interest are in North American Frontiers and American West and Early National U.S. Aron is also the Chair of the Institute for the Study of the American West at the Autry National Center. His current project is, *The American West: A Very Short Introduction*.



KEITH CAMACHO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Asian American Studies

Keith Camacho's research interests focus on Pacific Islander Studies, including colonialism and decolonization, militarism, migration, and tourism. In 2013, Professor Camacho was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure at UCLA.



JESSICA CATTELINO
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Department of Anthropology

Jessica Cattelino's work centers on indigenous sovereignty, economy, environment, and American public culture. Her current research project explores the cultural politics of water and land in the Florida Everglades, with a focus on the Seminole Big Cypress Reservation and the nearby agricultural town of Clewiston.



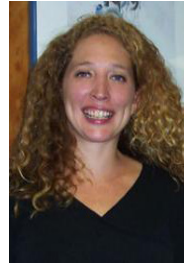
DUANE CHAMPAGNE
PROFESSOR
Department of Sociology

Duane Champagne's research focuses on processes of social change and institutionalization within Indian communities. In 2012, he co-authored *Captured Justice: Native Nations and Public Law 280* with Professor Carole Goldberg. Professor Champagne served as Associate Director at the American Indian Studies Center and editor of the *American Indian Culture and Research Journal* in 2011-2013.

MISHUANA GOEMAN
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Department of Gender Studies

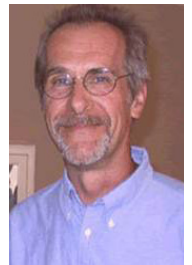
Mishuana Goeman's book, *Mark My Words: Native Women (Re)mapping Our Nations*, was recently published by the University of Minnesota Press. Professor Goeman was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure in 2013.



PAUL V. KROSKRITY
PROFESSOR

Department of Anthropology

Paul Kroskrity has spent more than two decades researching Arizona Tewa grammar, sociolinguistics, verbal art, and language ideology. Professor Kroskrity is the Chair of the Interdepartmental Program in American Indian Studies. In 2012, Professor Kroskrity published his edited volume, *Telling Stories in the Face of Danger: Language Renewal in Native American Communities*.



VICKIE M. MAYS
PROFESSOR

Department of Health Services

Vickie Mays is a Professor in the Department of Psychology, Professor in the Department of Health Services and the Director of the UCLA Center on Research, Education, Training and Strategic Communication on Minority Health Disparities. Her research primarily focuses on the mental and physical health disparities affecting racial and ethnic minority populations. In 2013, Mays co-authored "Using the science of psychology to target perpetrators of racism and race-based discrimination for intervention efforts: Preventing another Trayvon Martin tragedy," published in the *Journal for Social Action in Counseling and Psychology*.





PETER NABOKOV
PROFESSOR

Department of World Arts and Cultures

Anthropologist and writer, Peter Nabokov has conducted ethnographic and ethno-historical research with Native American communities throughout North America.

He is the Chair of the American Indian Studies Center Faculty Advisory Committee. Professor Nabokov is continuing his research and is working on a new book.



NANCY REIFEL
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
School of Dentistry

Nancy Reifel's research has involved investigations of the effects of new workforce models on the delivery of dental care. Through her affiliation with the Society of American Indian Dentists and

UCLA, Professor Reifel has directed a mentorship program for American Indian predoctoral and dental students. She has participated in preprofessional enrichment programs and activities to increase diversity at all levels of the UCLA School of Dentistry.



ANGELA R. RILEY
PROFESSOR
School of Law
Director, American Indian Studies Center

Angela Riley's research focuses on issues related to indigenous peoples' rights, with a particular emphasis on cultural property and Native governance. Professor Riley recently delivered a lecture, *Native American Lands and the Supreme Court*, in the chamber of the United States Supreme Court, introduced by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Her latest work, co-authored with Kristen Carpenter, "The Jurisgenerative Moment in Indigenous Human Rights," is forthcoming in the *California Law Review*.

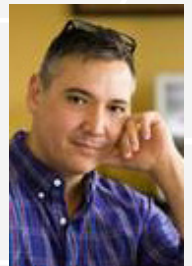
GREGSON SCHACHNER
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Anthropology

Gregson Schachner's research focuses on the emergence of social change, particularly transformations in leadership and settlement structure. In 2012, he co-authored "Refining correspondence analysis-based ceramic seriation of regional data sets" in the *Journal of Archaeological Science* with Matthew A. Peeples.



DAVID SHORTER
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Department of World Arts and Cultures

David Shorter's work explores other-than-human relations and the myths and rituals of Native people around the globe. Shorter recently gave a presentation on his new research project, *Going Glocal: Collaborating with Indigenous Language Learners on Globalizing Technologies*. He is working on a wiki project for Native languages, a user-driven website where speakers of endangered languages that can contribute to a working dictionary, chat, post audio and video clips, play word games and create a language-learning workbook.



KEVIN TERRACIANO
PROFESSOR
Department of History

Kevin Terraciano is Professor of History and was recently named Director of the Latin American Institute at UCLA. His research focus is on Colonial Latin American history, especially Mexico and the indigenous cultures and languages of central and southern Mexico.



New AISC Faculty Hire



RANDALL AKEE,
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Public Policy
Randall Akee completed his Ph.D. at Harvard University in June 2006. Prior to his doctoral studies, Dr. Akee earned a Masters degree in International and Development Economics at Yale University. He also spent several years working for the State of Hawaii Office of Hawaiian Affairs Economic Development Division. Dr. Akee is a research fellow at the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development and at the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA). His main research interests are labor economics, economic development and migration.

IAC Visiting Scholar



RENYA RAMIREZ
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Department of Anthropology, Humanities Division at the University of California, Santa Cruz
Renya Ramirez was the 2012–2013 IAC Visiting Scholar at the American Indian Studies Center. Her research interests include Ho-chunk biography, Urban Native Americans, diaspora, transnationalism, Native feminisms, gender and cultural citizenship, and the relationship between Native Americans and anthropology, citizenship, and anti-racist education. While at UCLA, she taught Special Topics in American Indian Studies: Indigenous Visual Culture.

New Affiliated Faculty



BENJAMIN L. MADLEY
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of History
Ben Madley is an historian of Native America, the United States, and genocide in world history. He writes about California Indians as well as colonial genocides in Africa, Australia, and Europe, often applying a transnational and comparative approach.



TERESA MCCARTY
PROFESSOR
Department of Education
Teresa L. McCarty is the George F. Kneller Chair in Education and Anthropology in the Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, UCLA. Her research focuses on language education policy, Indigenous/language minority education, youth language ideologies and practices, critical literacy studies, and ethnographic studies of education.



STELLA NAIR
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Art History
Trained as an architect and architectural historian, Stella Nair studies the art, architecture, and urbanism of the Americas prior to the European invasion. Her scholarly interests include material culture studies, cross-cultural exchange, hemispheric networks, landscape transformations, spatial theory, and construction technology.

NEW TLCEE DIRECTOR



DWIGHT LOMAYESVA
DIRECTOR
Tribal Learning Community & Educational Exchange
Dwight Lomayesva III is a member of the Hopi tribe of Arizona and has served the San Diego American Indian Community for over 20 years. He began as Director at Tribal Learning Community & Educational Exchange in December 2012, which is made possible by a generous endowment from the San Manuel Band of Serrano Indians.

Highlighted Events



Indian Law and Order Commission Presentation, Q&A, and Reception

Tuesday, October 9, 2012

Under the leadership of the Commission's chair, former Colorado United States Attorney Troy Eid,

the Commission held an open meeting with the UCLA community in the Law School's Library Tower, presenting its work and responding to questions. Commissioner Carole Goldberg is UCLA Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel and the John D. Varat Professor of Law at UCLA School of Law. Fellow commissioners include Affie Ellis, Tom Gede, Stephanie Herseith-Sandlin, Jefferson Keel, Earl Ralph Pomeroy III, Theresa Pouley, and Ted Quasula.



InSight Photography Exhibit Opening at the Autry

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Seven American Indian youth living in the greater Los Angeles area were given digital cameras to

create a series of images to represent deep and intimate engagement with the photographers' location, identity, families (including pets), and dreams for the future. The students' works were showcased in an exhibit, held at the Autry National Center.



Inside Out: Social Justice, Activism and the 2012 Vote

Thursday, October 25, 2012

A diverse panel explored the meaning of the 2012 elections through a social justice frame, focusing on issues of race, class, and voter suppression efforts.



The Making of Saint Kateri – The First American Indian Saint of the Catholic Church

Thursday, November 29, 2012

Clementine Bordeaux and Rebecca H. Rosser led a discussion about

the historic event of Catherine "Kateri" Tekakwitha being canonized the first American Indian saint of the Catholic Church.



2012 Institute of American Cultures Fall Forum & Reception

Monday, December 3, 2012

Honoring the 2012-2013 IAC Visiting Scholars, Predoctoral/Graduate Fellows, and Research Grant Awardees.

Fred Hoxie on *This Indian Country*

Wednesday, January 9, 2013

Professor Frederick E. Hoxie delivered a lecture on his book, *This Indian Country*, followed by a conversation with Professor Peter Nabokov.



Superdiversity California Style: New Approaches to Race, Civil Rights, Governance and Cultural Production

Thursday, February 28, 2013 &

Friday, March 1, 2013

Superdiversity California Style

sought to initiate a conversation about cutting edge research relevant to understanding and managing the changing face of society.



Guest Lecture by Professor Deborah Miranda author of "Bad Indians: A Tribal Memoir"

Tuesday, April 16, 2013

Deborah A. Miranda tells stories of her Ohlone Costanoan Esselen family and the experience of California Indians as a whole through oral histories, newspaper clippings, anthropological recordings, personal reflections, and poems.



The Poaching of Our Wildest Dreams: Indigenous Peoples, Predation and the Law

Thursday, April 25, 2013

A presentation by Julian Aguon, a hybrid writer-activist-attorney. Presented by the American Indian Studies Center and Asian American Studies Center as part of the UCLA Environmental Justice Initiative.



Mishuana Goeman Book Reading and Discussion

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Professor Mishuana Goeman gives a discussion on her new book, *Mark My Words: Native Women (Re)mapping Our Nations*, followed by a conversation with Professor Jessica Cattelino.



UCLA American Indian Studies Interdepartmental Program

The UCLA American Indian Studies program seeks to provide a multi-disciplinary, academic approach to studying contemporary issues and problems in American Indian Society. The program has been designed for the maximum benefit to research scholars, potential teaching candidates, and those individuals who wish to pursue employment in governmental, tribal, or social service agencies that require additional academic training beyond the Bachelor's degree.



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STUDENT GROUPS



AMERICAN INDIAN GRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (AIGSA)

AIGSA seeks to enhance the academic environment and experiences of American Indian and other interested and involved graduate students. AIGSA also facilitates

interdepartmental communication and camaraderie among all UCLA graduate students interested in American Indian studies.



AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION (AISA)

AISA is an inclusive association, which strives to establish a strong relationship that supports all students in their efforts to receive an education here at UCLA. AISA

has developed student-initiated and student-run outreach and retention projects, American Indian Recruitment (AIR) and Retention of American Indians Now! (RAIN!).

Both projects geared toward the success of Native people achieving higher education. AISA also hosts the Annual Native American Heritage Week, the Annual American Indian Youth Conference/Basketball Tournament, and the Annual UCLA PowWow.

AMERICAN INDIAN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING SOCIETY (AISES)

AISES strives to encourage American Indians to pursue careers as scientists and engineers while preserving their cultural heritage.



NATIVE AMERICAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (NALSA)

The Native American Law Students Association is a national organization. The objectives of the Native American Law Students Association at UCLA are to provide a support network for Native American law students and to create a base from which work can be done for the advancement of Native peoples. In addition, the Native American Law Students Association strives to foster better communication among Native American law students, and the Native American community and the general public by providing a forum for the discussion of current Native American issues.



Giving

The Center's presence at UCLA has helped to ensure continued attention to the pressing issues impacting American Indians and indigenous peoples both in the US and abroad. Despite much success, severe cuts in state funding have greatly impacted our ability to continue this important work, and we must bridge the gap by relying on private sources to provide financial assistance for our efforts. The support of alumni and friends demonstrates our collective strength and commitment to the future of Indian country and indigenous peoples.

We hope that we can count on you for your support. Your individual tax-deductible contribution—every single one—will make a difference in enabling us to support American Indian Studies at UCLA and continue to further American Indian interests locally, nationally, and around the globe. No amount is too small.

If you are able to support our efforts, please mail a check payable to the UCLA Foundation (please indicate the American Indian Studies Center in the memo line) to:

Beatrix Richman
UCLA Development
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Or donate online at <http://giving.ucla.edu/aisc>

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Thursday–Friday, March 6–7, 2014 Conference

Good Native Governance:

Innovative Research in Law, Education, and Economic Development

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