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# WESTERN REGIONAL HONORS COUNCIL

45th Annual Conference  
April 13 – 15, 2018

Hosted by Chapman University  
Orange, California

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# CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

## FRIDAY

Registration

3:00 – 7:00PM

ALO HOTEL INSPIRATION ROOM

## SATURDAY MORNING

Registration Table Open

8:00 – 12:00PM

BECKMAN HALL 214

Workshop Session 1

9:00 – 9:50AM

Workshop Session 2

10:00 – 10:50AM

Workshop Session 3

11:00 – 11:50AM

Lunch & President's Welcome

12:00 – 1:20PM

SANDHU CONFERENCE CENTER

Scribendi Reading

1:30 – 2:30PM

BECKMAN HALL 404

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Workshop Session 4

2:00 – 2:50PM

Workshop Session 5

3:00 – 3:50PM

Workshop Session 6

4:00 – 4:50PM

Dinner

5:30 – 6:30PM

SANDHU CONFERENCE CENTER

Keynote Speaker

7:00PM

MEMORIAL HALL

## SUNDAY

WRHC Business Meeting

8:30 – 9:30AM

ARGYROS FORUM 205

Student Poster Session

10:00AM – 12:00PM

ARGYROS FORUM 209

Awards and Closing Ceremony

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ARGYROS FORUM 206



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DANIELE C. STRUPPA, PH.D.  
PRESIDENT

Welcome to Chapman!

I am pleased to offer you a warm welcome to Chapman University. To all visiting students, faculty, presenters, and conference attendees, I hope your experience at Chapman and the 2018 Western Regional Honors Conference is enjoyable and academically inspiring.

Chapman University is one of California's oldest and most respected universities. The student population of just over 8 thousand students brings vibrancy, youth, and innovation to the city of Orange. Chapman boasts 10 outstanding schools and colleges and 123 unique degree options, even offering students the opportunity to design their own major.

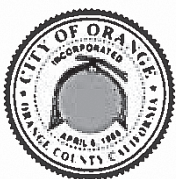
Our alumni network of over 50,000 graduates helps to keep our community connected socially and professionally both prior to and after graduation. Some of our prestigious alumni include the Duffer brothers, the creators of "Stranger Things", Justin Simien, the creator of "Dear White People", Randy Jones, professional baseball player, Joanna Rosholm, Press Secretary to Former First Lady Michelle Obama, and George Argyros, businessman and former US Ambassador to Spain.

Our students, staff, and faculty are eagerly looking forward to being your hosts during your time with us and to assisting in any way that they can to make your stay with us a most rewarding and memorable experience.

Sincerely,

Daniele C. Struppa





# CITY OF ORANGE

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Welcome to Orange!

I am pleased to welcome you to the City of Orange and to the 2018 Western Regional Honors Conference hosted by the Chapman University Honors Program. On behalf of the City, I am honored to welcome the guests, visitors, and conference attendees to our City.

The City of Orange is a quaint town 32 miles southeast of Los Angeles and is called home by over 140 thousand residents. Perfectly situated in central Orange County, the City is conveniently located for easy access to the beaches of Huntington and Long Beach, a quick trip to Disneyland or the Downtown Disney Shopping District, or a visit to Downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood. The City's central location makes it the perfect home base for a trip to sunny Southern California.

Old Towne Orange offers a historic and home-town shopping and dining experience, perfect for visitors of all ages. The Historic Old Towne Plaza, located just down Glassell Street from the University, is home to vibrant restaurants, locally owned shops, and antique stores. Guests will enjoy a relaxed and friendly atmosphere while they dine in the beautiful Southern California weather or window shop for vintage items, trendy fashions, or colorful toys.

I encourage all of you to make use of everything Orange has to offer, from small town shopping and dining to easy access to the region's biggest attractions. I hope that your stay in our beautiful City is enjoyable and memorable and that you come to visit us again very soon.

I hope to see you all around beautiful Orange or at the conference!

With a warm welcome,

*Mayor Teresa "Tita" Smith, MSW, LCSW*

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Mayor, City of Orange

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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# GENERAL CONFERENCE INFO

## Registration & Info Table

Please check in with the WRHC Registration and Information table to obtain your conference badge, program, and other conference materials. Registration will be available in different locations for three days. Please note which registration is the most fitting for you.

**Day 1:** Friday, April 13th, 2018

Location: ALO Hotel Inspiration Room

Time: 3:00 – 7:00PM

**Day 2:** Saturday April 14th, 2018

Location: Chapman University, Beckman Hall 214

Time: 8:00AM – 12:00PM

**Day 3:** Sunday April 15th, 2018

Location: Chapman University, Demille Hall 167

Time: 8:00 – 10:00AM

## Conference Badges and Meals

Name badge should be worn at all times. Name badges are required for all WRHC events. Badges may not be transferred. If you lose your badge, please contact a WRHC staff or student intern.

## Conference Sessions

All conference sessions and meals will be held on Saturday April 14th and Sunday April 15th at Chapman University. Please refer to the map on the opposing page for room locations.

## Media/AV

Each room includes a computer, screen, and audio. Any other equipment will be the responsibility of the presenter(s).

## Accessibility

An interactive map of the Chapman University campus is available online at [www.chapman.edu/about/maps-directions/campus-map/index.aspx](http://www.chapman.edu/about/maps-directions/campus-map/index.aspx). The link is also available on [www.wrhc18.com](http://www.wrhc18.com). Clicking “Accessibility” shows where the ADA accessible entrances are.

**If you need assistance or any accommodations while on campus, call the University Honors Program office at 714-744-7646.**

## Parking

Conference attendees are directed to park in Lastinger and Barrera Parking structures at Chapman University.

**Barrera Structure** – 200 W. Sycamore Avenue

*Located next to Dale E. Fowler School of Law*

Visitors may park all day Friday through Sunday on any level of the structure in any unreserved space.

Temporary permits are required and may be purchased at one of the permit dispensers located on levels 1 and 3 by the elevators. Be sure to place the permit face-up on your dashboard.

**Lastinger Structure** – 300 E. Walnut Avenue

*Entrance on Walnut Avenue and Glassel Street*

Visitors may park all day Friday through Sunday on either level of the structure in any unreserved space. Temporary permits are required and may be purchased at one of the parking kiosks located in the structure; NW corner, elevator lobby levels B1 and B2, or middle of east wall level B1. Be sure to place the permit face-up on your dashboard.

## Short-Term Parking Permit Costs:

\$2 for 2 hours

\$3 for 4 hours

\$5 for 12 hours

## WRHC

The Wester Regional Honors Council (WRHC) is a professional organization of faculty, administrators, and students dedicated to the promotion and advancement of undergraduate honors education. The WRHC represents honors programs in universities across the Western region.

The objective of this council shall be the promotion and advancement of honors and similar programs in Western colleges and universities.

## Old Towne Orange

We invite you, as you have time, to explore downtown Orange and the Orange circle just off Chapman University campus. Conference attendee discounts are available at select locations with presentation of your conference badge. Check the back of the program for more information and maps.



# friday

*April 13th, 2018*

## **REGISTRATION TABLE OPEN**

3:00 – 7:00PM

ALO Hotel Inspiration Room

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## **FREE TIME**

*Check out the shops and restaurants in the Orange Plaza listed on page 56 throughout the weekend for discounts! Other attractions nearby include the Outlets at Orange, Mainplace Mall, Disneyland, and nearby beaches. Feel free to explore Chapman University's main campus and film school, Dodge College of Film and Media arts!*

## **TRANSPORTATION FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**

*Shuttles to and from the hotels are available on Glassell Street north of Beckman Hall. For taxi service, call Yellow Cab at 714-444-4444. For wheelchair accessible vans, the company recommends calling a day in advance to reserve a vehicle.*

### **ALO/Ayres Shuttles:**

Saturday from 7:00 — 9:00AM

Sunday from 7:00 — 8:30AM and 1:00 — 2:30PM

### **Chapman Shuttles:**

Saturday from 7:00 — 9:00AM and 7:45 — 9:45PM

Sunday from 8:00 — 9:30AM and 12:00 — 2:00PM





# saturday

April 14th, 2018

## REGISTRATION TABLE OPEN

8:00AM – 12:00PM

BECKMAN HALL 214

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## WORKSHOP SESSION 1

9:00 – 9:50AM

### **“DEVELOPMENT” AND “DEVELOPING” NATIONS – ARGYROS FORUM 205**

POSTCOLONIAL ECONOMICS: THE LIMITATIONS OF GDP IN MEASURING DEVELOPMENT

*Alexander Ballard - Chapman University*

In sub-Saharan Africa, most postcolonial countries have failed to sustain long-term economic growth based on Gross Domestic Product (GDP) measurements. GDP, however, negates other important forms of economic development. This project outlines the limitations of GDP in capturing growth of African postcolonial countries and examines better alternative measures of growth.

THE PLIGHT OF WESTERN INFLUENCE: HOW THE ETHNOCENTRIC STANCE IN INTERNATIONAL POLICY HINDERS TRADITIONAL CULTURES

*Alexiana Royer – MiraCosta College*

This cross-cultural study looks at the unintended consequences faced by traditional cultures when Western influence results in dramatic policy change.

### **INTERDISCIPLINARITY IN THE CLASSROOM – ARGYROS FORUM 206C**

THE CHEMISTRY OF ART: STUDENT AND PROFESSOR PERSPECTIVES ON A NEW INTERDISCIPLINARY HONORS COURSE

*Professor Brandon Burnett, Professor Dianna Huxhold, Creelyssa Belnap, Alexia Kreinbrink – Weber State University*

In this presentation, we discuss a new honors course – Chemistry of Art. Students investigated several crosscutting concepts shared between chemistry and visual art; learned about different art media from macroscopic and molecular perspectives; and engaged contemporary art-making strategies to further explore the concepts in and through the visual arts.

## **SONGS AND SORROWS – ARGYROS FORUM 209A**

### **SONGS OF SWEETNESS AND SORROW: A COMPARISON OF LULLABIES IN AMERICA AND AFGHANISTAN**

*Marco Rodriguez – MiraCosta College*

This project investigates how the roles of women in patriarchal and balanced societies are reflected in the lullabies they sing.

## **NOT TO BE: THE TRAGEDY OF OPHELIA**

*Elona Dahi – Mt. San Antonio College*

While it is Hamlet who is primarily seen as the most tragic character in the play, this perception is reductive of the larger tragedy of Ophelia. A closer look at the text of William Shakespeare's Hamlet reveals the profound sadness, struggle, and tragedy in the life and death of Ophelia.

## **ETHICS AND SAFETY – BECKMAN HALL 104**

### **ETHICAL CONSUMPTION AND PRIVILEGE: ANALYZING CONNECTIONS BETWEEN ECONOMIC POSITION AND CONSCIOUS BUYING IN THE COSMETICS INDUSTRY**

*Shreshtha Aiyar – California State University, Fullerton*

My work stems from my frustrations in finding skin products that would improve my skin's quality and that were ethically made. I decided that I would rather formulate a research project that answered my questions regarding cosmetic consumer culture than try expensive products that failed to fix my skin issues.

## **ARE YOU SURE YOUR MAKE-UP IS SAFE? THE FDA REGULATION OF PERSONAL HEALTH CARE PRODUCTS**

*Kristy Beck – Crafton Hills College*

We take for granted having safe and healthy personal care products. But are they really? This is an examination of inadequate safety regulations for personal care products and adverse side effects of specific chemicals, concluding with suggestions for change in FDA policy.

## **ATHLETES AND ACADEMICS – BECKMAN HALL 107**

### **A CONCUSSIVE PARADIGM SHIFT FOR CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY VARSITY STUDENT ATHLETES**

*Jeanette Webster – Central Washington University*

I investigate the impact concussions have had on varsity athletes' personal and academic lives. I will take the information from a survey of these athletes and use it to further add to the existing paradigm shift in concussion management in academia through inclusive teaching styles.

## **THE RELIABILITY OF THE STANDING LONG JUMP IN NCAA TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETES**

*Corrina Reid – Southern Utah University*

This presentation discusses studies done that further the work of Au Sue. The purpose of this study was to determine the reliability of the Standing Long Jump (SLJ) test in NCAA track and field athletes.

## **SELF-PERCEPTION AND REPRESENTATION – ARGYROS FORUM 209B**

### **FROM GLORIA DELGADO-PRITCHETT TO TOM HAVERFORD: HOW PORTRAYALS OF IMMIGRANTS AND PEOPLE OF COLOR IN POPULAR MEDIA INFLUENCE STUDENTS' SELF PERCEPTION**

*Nadyah Spahn, Anisah Spahn – University of Colorado Boulder*

Many of us love *Modern Family* and *Parks and Recreation* but how often do we think critically about what the characters represent? In this presentation, we will focus on representations of immigrants and people of color, in popular media, and investigate their effects on students' views of their own identities.

## **CONSERVATION IN A CHANGING LANDSCAPE – BECKMAN HALL 204**

### **ICELAND: THE LAND OF FIRE, ICE, AND TIMELESS LITERATURE**

*Jolene Thiel - Flathead Valley Community College*

As environmental crises extend to even the most isolated parts of our globe, the traditional lifestyles of agriculturalists have become threatened. This presentation will utilize *Independent People*, by Haldor Laxness, to discuss the identities of Iceland's sheep farmers and the role they play in protecting the land they depend on.

### **SCIENCE ON THIN ICE: VICTORIAN GLACIERS TO THE PRESENT**

*Joseph Morrison, Erin Dockins – Montana State University Bozeman*

We investigate the ways in which the field of glaciology has transformed over the centuries from a field-based discipline intimately connected to the sport of mountaineering to the modern day reality of remote sensing and satellite/aerial photography.

## **RESURRECTING ARTISTS AND ARTISTRY – ARGYROS FORUM 206**

### **DOROTHY M. JOHNSON: A TRUE PIONEER**

*Shelbie Condie – University of California, Davis*

Women writers in the Western genre is indeed an age of uncertainty. Are there even any? In the 1950s there was one: Dorothy M. Johnson. Her works are under appreciated because she is not a common name, and yet her stories were adapted into some of the most memorable films.

### **SARA JOYCE: CATALOGUE RAISONNE OF CLAY**

*Olivia Comstock – University of Idaho*

What happens to the work of little known artists after they die? For late Northwest artist Sara Joyce, her family preserves and shares her work. I became a part of this process through writing about Sara Joyce's clay pieces and her life.

## **THE NECESSITY OF REMEMBERING – BECKMAN HALL 202**

### **ABOLITIONIST FEMINISTS: THE GRIMKE SISTERS AND THE ANTI-SLAVERY STRUGGLE IN 1830s AMERICA**

*Jessica Jamtaas – Central Washington University*

The Grimke sisters' work with the Quakers and others galvanized support for the abolitionist cause and paved the way for the women's rights' movement. Despite strong resistance and criticism from several groups, including clergy and other women, the sisters inspired further generations to continue abolitionist and women's rights activism.

### **EXPLORING AND EXPANDING THE CANON OF CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERSHIP IN THE MODERN AGE**

*Camille Moore – University of Colorado, Boulder*

My presentation aims to expand the canon of civil rights leadership. I lay out the story of three civil rights leaders that have seemed to be forgotten over the course of time by discussing each leader's narrative, how they are remembered today and why people should care.

## **BALANCING IN/FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT – ARGYROS FORUM 206B**

### **THE AGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL UNCERTAINTY**

*Gavin Heady, Rebecca Travers – Casper College*

This presentation will address the relationship with society and nature, and how the uncertainty of nature will affect society. Our presentation will focus on the delicate balance we share with the environment, incorporating efforts needed to secure environmental justice, while supplementing the greater point of where our own balance lies.



## COMMUNITY AND COMMUNICATION – ARGYROS FORUM 202

### TAKING THE UNCERTAINTY OUT OF AN HONORS COMMUNITY

*Kathryne Foos, Alayna Gamboa, Elisa Davidson, Victoria Knight, Muskan Amin, Melissa Madrigal – University of New Mexico*

Honors colleges are known for being tight-knit communities. We will begin with a short presentation about our New Mexican community and then break into small groups to explore what defines a community and how best to develop and enrich that community to meet the needs of a changing student population.

### WAKING UP TO TRAGEDY: HOW AN HONORS COMMUNITY RESPONDED TO THE MASS SHOOTING IN LAS VEGAS

*Louisa Heske, Lila Brissette, Cory Corral, Jennifer Frazee – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

In the wake of the tragic mass shooting in Las Vegas, the Honors College at UNLV dealt with a question of incredible uncertainty: how do we respond to a major tragedy as an Honors College? We learned important lessons about empathy, preparedness, and the true meaning of “community.”

## PRESCRIBING: CHILDREN AND MEDICATION – BECKMAN HALL 205

### PREEMPTIVE OPIOID-SPARING PEDIATRIC PAIN PROTOCOL

*Samantha Meisenhelder – Mount Saint Mary’s University*

While research and surveys show the number of children who are prescribed anti-depressants, anti-anxiety medications, ADHD medications, pain medications, and antibiotics are on the rise, this research expands specifically on the bio-psycho-social problem of over-prescribing opioid pain medication to children. This research will be conducted as a clinical prospective human survey study, to contribute in the making of a new systematic way for doctors to prescribe medications to children.

### THE OVERLOOKED DRIVING FORCE IN HOMELESS CHILDREN: EFFECTS OF PRESCRIBING OPIOIDS

*Adriana Hurtado – Mt. San Antonio College*

The opioid crisis is having an unacknowledged effect on children leading to an overwhelmed foster care system requiring increased funding and unique attention. I will discuss the problem of an overburdened foster care system and how the opioid epidemic caused this before proposing solutions on a policy and personal level.

## BATTLING STIGMAS AND STRESS – BECKMAN HALL 206

### “WHAT’S WRONG WITH YOU?”

*Halle Smith – Mesa Community College*

This presentation is an analysis of negative stigmas surrounding individuals with mental disorders and individuals, with and without diagnosable disorders, who are active clients of psychotherapy or general counseling as well as the effects stigma has on the likelihood of people, clients and non clients, seeking help, their behaviors in sessions, and the likelihood of high success rates in treatment.

### AN EPIDEMIC OF THE MODERN WORLD

*Jeremiah Ludwig – Pima Community College*

Stress is on the rise in America, and the consequences could prove to be disastrous; the question is why, and what can we do about it?

## BUYING, SELLING, BARGAINING: ETHICS AND THE BUSINESS WORLD – ARGYROS FORUM 208

### STALEMATES IN BILATERAL BARGAINING

*Kurt Sweat, Angel Muleshkov – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

The bargain between buyer and seller deciding on the final price of goods when both have an outside option is considered in this presentation. Stalemates occur as they commit to previous offers to signal the strength of the outside option.

### **ATTITUDES AND PERCEPTIONS – BECKMAN HALL 213**

IT'S NOT POLITE TO STARE: AN EXAMINATION OF STUDENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS THEIR PEERS WITH DISABILITIES

*Kyle Harris – MiraCosta College*

Societal views of disabilities are not always positive nor accurate and can be largely observed in the current generations of students.

DISPROVING MUNCHAUSEN SYNDROME DIAGNOSIS FOR FRIDA KAHLO

*Isabelle Oldham – MiraCosta College*

In her biography, the art historian Hayden Herrera suggests that Kahlo had Munchausen Syndrome; however, analysis of Kahlo's medical history and paintings disproves this assertion.

## **WORKSHOP SESSION 2**

10:00 – 10:50AM

### **UNEXPECTED CONNECTIONS – ARGYROS FORUM 202**

UNCERTAINTY AND UNEXPECTED CONNECTIONS IN THE CLASSROOM: A CASE STUDY FROM BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

*Professor Evan Ward – Brigham Young University*

This presentation provides an overview of the Unexpected Connections course concept currently offered to Honors' students at Brigham Young University. The presentation also examines one example of the course that bridges the disciplines of Physics and History, which is entitled, "Uncertainty: Quantum Physics and Early Twentieth Century European Culture."

### **RESISTANCE AND RECLAMATION – ARGYROS FORUM 205**

QUESTIONING PROGRESS: COMMUNITY RESISTANCE TOWARD HIGHWAY EXPANSION IN THE BARRIOS OF NORTH DENVER

*Selena Piña – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

The most contaminated zip-code in the nation is 80216, the Chicana barrios of Globeville and Elyria-Swansea. This zip-code recently gained notoriety due to resident resistance towards Colorado Department of Transportation's interstate expansion plan. By analyzing public comments, we can gauge how and if their concerns were addressed in project planning.

VIVA LOS DOYERS: THE RECLAMATION OF AMERICA'S PASTIME BY AMERICA'S MINORITIES

*Andrea Gomez – Crafton Hills College*

This presentation is an examination of the relationship between the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team and the Hispanic community of Los Angeles and Southern California.

### **CREATIVITY AND CREATIONS – BECKMAN HALL 104**

THE ART OF WRITING AND DIRECTING A PLAY

*Sergio-Ariel Barrera – Central Arizona College*

Throughout this past year, I have: written, revised, work-shopped, staged, and produced my own original play. As with all productions, there were obstacles that had to be overcome and I wish to shed light upon these subjects and encourage other aspiring playwrights to do the same.

**AGRICULTURAL UNCERTAINTY – BECKMAN HALL 107****THE EFFECTS OF GMO'S ON THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR***Berenice Pelayo – Central Arizona College*

The purpose of this research is to identify the changes in the agricultural sector of the United States in regards to genetically modified organisms. The history, controversy as well as the risk-benefit factors will be discussed. Dialogue regarding mandatory labeling will be analyzed.

**VOICING EXPERIENCE – ARGYROS FORUM 206****BEYOND THE DEFINITION OF FEMINISM; HOW DOES AN INDIVIDUAL'S GENDER AND POLITICAL AFFILIATION AFFECT THEIR PERSPECTIVE OF THE FEMINIST MOVEMENT?***Marisa Ransdell – MiraCosta College*

This research project explores how the meaning of the word feminism and various social issues impacting women are understood by different groups.

**UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL VIOLENCE THROUGH THE COLLEGE WOMAN***Jacqueline Aguilar – Mount Saint Mary's University*

This qualitative study examines college-aged women's perceptions of what sexual violence is. Findings show that participants felt there was a significant increase in appropriation of sexual violence, there is a great need for more Title IX awareness, and school and family as influencing factors on their perceptions and understandings.

**REFLECTING ON THE PAST – BECKMAN HALL 202****NAZI ENVIRONMENTALISM***Ciana McConnell – Flathead Valley Community College*

Nazi Environmentalism is a discussion of philosophy, morality, and hypocrisy. This study aims to describe some of the many environmental plans the Nazi Regime had in place as well as who influenced these plans. Through this presentation, the philosophies of Martin Heidegger and Ernst Haeckel will be examined. Audiences should gain an understanding of how these German philosophers were influenced by Nazi ideals as well as how their ideas continue to influence society today.

**MYTHOLOGICAL ROOTS OF NAZISM: A LOOK AT HOW MYTHOLOGY INFORMED THE NAZI REVOLUTION***Sidney Russell – California State University, Bakersfield*

This paper examines how Nordic mythology provided a foundation for the Nazi regime, concluding that mythology supported Nazism but did not cause it and that it is important to study mythology to understand the past and learn from it, not as a means of supporting our own statements.

**SUPPORT AND SOLUTIONS – BECKMAN HALL 204****OUR FORGOTTEN CHILDREN: HOMELESS LGBTQ+ YOUTH***Morgan Pasquier – University of Washington Tacoma*

A vastly disproportionate number of homeless youth self-identify as LGBTQ+. This discrepancy has a variety of causes and consequences, and is often overlooked. This presentation aims to shed light on some of these causes and consequences, and suggests solutions so we can better help our most vulnerable population.

**LGBTQA+ AND ALLIES: THEIR RELATIONSHIP ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES***Sarah Halligan – Southern Utah University*

This project is my capstone project for Anthropology. It looks at the LGBTQA+ and Allies communities to understand both communities and also find out ways that Allies on campus can do a better job of supporting LGBTQA+ people. The idea is that this project could be used by Ally groups on any campus to make sure they are accomplishing their goals to help the LGBTQA+ people on campus.

## **SELF-DEFINITION, RESILIENCE, AND INTEGRATION – ARGYROS FORUM 206B**

### **RESILIENCE IN AN AGE OF UNCERTAINTY**

*Sierra Jones – University of Washington, Tacoma*

I will be discussing the research on resilience; and examine what has been learned about psychological resilience in individuals in order to delineate its significance and potential for understanding human development and treatment of anxiety, depression, and stress reactions.

### **CREATING CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE IMMIGRANT SERVICES, USING ANTHROPOLOGY**

*Meredith Nation – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

Current immigration integration services work towards integration, often at the cost of the immigrants' home culture. By exploring the definitions and goals of integration held by both the agencies and the immigrants themselves, and by applying a holistic, anthropological approach to the field of immigration services, solutions can be found.

## **INTERSECTIONS: THE LITERARY AND THE SCIENTIFIC – BECKMAN HALL 205**

### **POISONS & POTIONS IN SHAKESPEARE**

*Rachel Selhost – Flathead Valley Community College*

Poisons and potions are fundamental elements used to create inciting incidents within many of William Shakespeare's plays. This presentation investigates the reality and connection of poisons and potions used in three of Shakespeare's most famous plays, Romeo & Juliet, Hamlet, and A Midsummer Night's Dream.

### **SALEM WITCH TRIALS**

*Dillon Knuffke – Flathead Valley Community College*

This speech seeks to connect the fields of agriculture and literature. A parallel will be drawn between scientific research surrounding the Salem Witch Trials and literature in the form of Arthur Miller's play, The Crucible. The information provided will display the effect on the world when scientific research is lacking.

## **PERCEPTIONS OF "FEMALENESS" AND "FEMININITY" – ARGYROS FORUM 206C**

### **INTERNATIONAL SEXUAL DEMONIZATION: A CROSS CULTURAL EXAMINATION OF DEMONIZED FEMALE RULERS**

*Abigail Poelstra – Washington State University*

This presentation examines three prominent female rulers and the sex legends that arose around their reign. By going through the life and reign of each empress, the legends can be analyzed for their validity and their intended impact.

### **TOMBOYS AND GIRLY GIRLS: INTERNALIZED MISOGYNY AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF DEVALUED FEMININITY**

*Elan Tulberg – MiraCosta College*

Modern femininity is at stake as media's negative presentation of feminine attributes have manifested in internalized misogynistic attitudes and behaviors by women toward other women.

## **ADDRESSING THE INCONCLUSIVE – BECKMAN HALL 206**

### **NEW CONVERGENCE TEST FOR INFINITE SERIES**

*Edward Huynh – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

In 2007, Dr. Sayel Ali proposed the Second Ratio Test, which, while useful for series convergence, contains an inconclusive case. We will create a new test, analogous to old tests like Raabe's Test, that will address this inconclusive case.

## CONTEMPORARY SLAVERY/CHILD LABOR – ARGYROS FORUM 209A

### THE 21ST CENTURY MODERN SLAVERY

*Zara Doukoum – Gateway Community College*

Human trafficking is happening all around us. In the 21st Century we are still combating these modern day slavers. The effects on these children, women, and men are devastating and long lasting. The entire world is affected and under attack. This presentation will share some of these effects and how we are fighting against human trafficking.

### THE UNBREAKABLE CHAIN OF CHILD LABOR: A STUDY OF POSTCOLONIALIST THEORY IN THE IVORY COAST

*Rebecca Dickson – University of Washington, Tacoma*

This presentation discusses the reliance on child labor in the Ivory Coast's cocoa industry from a perspective of postcolonialism, highlighting its origins, solutions from domestic and international bodies aiming to cease forced labor practices, and the complexities of ceasing child labor.

## SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES – ARGYROS FORUM 208

### SYNTHESIS OF PHOSPHORODIAMIDOTHIOATE USING N-HETEROCYCLIC PHOSPHINE (NHP)-THIOUREA

*Ngantu Le – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

Phosphorodiamidothioate and their derivatives have received significant attention for years owing to both their biological properties and pharmaceutical applications. Herein, bifunctional N-Heterocyclic Phosphine (NHP)-thioureas have been designed and applied in the synthesis of phosphorodiamidothioates. This improved reaction occurs under metal-free and room temperature conditions with good functional group tolerance.

### MAILLARD CONJUGATES OF SODIUM CASEINATE, DEXTRAN AND RESVERATROL FOR THE STABILIZATION OF MULTILAYERED NANOEMULSIONS

*Viral Shukla – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona*

The objective of this work was to determine the best combination of sodium caseinate (protein) and dextran (polysaccharide) to create Maillard conjugates (MC) for the use of stabilization of lutein and resveratrol nanoemulsions.

## WORKSHOP SESSION 3

11:00 – 11:50AM

## COACHING FOR SUCCESS – ARGYROS FORUM 202

### HONORS SUCCESS COACHING: UNIQUE INITIATIVES FOR OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

*Professor Ann McDonough, Tiffany Schmier – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

With goals such as pre-professional health care admission standards and competing with high achieving students, Honors students may face academic performance challenges in a variety of key disciplines. To better address these needs, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas offers a unique Honors Academic Success coaching program.

## THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF THE APOLITICAL – ARGYROS FORUM 205

### TEACHING IN INTERESTING TIMES

*Professor Amaris Ketcham, Professor Leslie Donovan – University of New Mexico*

From challenges to Title IX to #metoo, protests and counterprotests and “weaponized free speech,” identity politics to affirmative action investigations, daily life at the university reminds us that the apolitical classroom doesn't exist. In this roundtable, professors at the University of New Mexico will discuss teaching strategies for challenging times.

## **GLOBALISM AND THE INTERNET – BECKMAN HALL 104**

### **THE TRANSFORMATIVE INFLUENCE OF THE INTERNET: CHINA, RUSSIA, AND BRAZIL**

*David Kirichenko – University of Washington, Tacoma*

This research project highlights select case studies and provides an overview of how different countries view the internet in relation to state goals. The case studies of China, Russia, and Brazil show that these nation-states are utilizing the transformative power of the Internet to bolster their economies, defense, and cyber offensive capabilities.

### **CIRCUMVENTING THE RUSSIA THREAT: CYBERSECURITY RETALIATION**

*David Kirichenko – University of Washington, Tacoma*

Russia is potentially preparing for large scale cyber operations against the United States that will cause significant damage to the United States. The U.S. has been vulnerable to cyber aggression for too long without a strong response. The United States, in coordination with NATO, needs an aggressive and strong response to Russia's cyber hacks.

## **MAKING A LIVING: WOMEN AND WORK – BECKMAN HALL 107**

### **WOMEN'S DISCRIMINATION**

*Sumitra Gurung – GateWay Community College*

This presentation addresses inequality that women have faced throughout the years in education, workforce, positions in political leaderships, and earning the right to vote. It includes all of the consequences these women had to face in history in order to earn gender equality and how far women have come.

### **THE ABUSE OF POWER IN THE WORKPLACE**

*Andres Mendoza-Mada – Pima Community College*

This discussion is about power in the workplace and how management can abuse it. The abuse will be studied through three aspects; discrimination, sexual harassment, and unfair compensation. Possible solutions such as unionization and worker participation in decision-making will be discussed to limit or even eliminate abuse in the workplace.

## **WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN – ARGYROS FORUM 206**

### **WOMEN AS BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURS**

*Michelle Balingit – Mount Saint Mary's University*

Women entrepreneurs face more challenges than men, and one of the solutions to this is women supporting other women when it comes to mentoring, funding, and more.

### **THE GROUND WORK FOR EQUALITY: PROGRESSION OF WOMEN IN THE WORKFORCE**

*Andrea Cota – College of the Canyons*

Throughout US history, women have been oppressed in the workforce due to their position as child bearers. The trials of the Great Depression and World Wars launched the campaigns for women rights and equal pay movements. This foundation established the groundwork for the women's social and economic conditions of today.

## **WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN – ARGYROS FORUM 208**

### **EINSTEIN'S GIFT AND HABER'S CURSE**

*Mitch Edgar – Flathead Valley Community College*

Good vs. Evil, the ultimate human dilemma. How will it play out through the life of Dr. Fritz Haber? An in depth look into the accomplishments of Dr. Fritz Haber as described by the play Einstein's Gift by Vern Thiessen.



**DEVELOPING HONORS – BECKMAN HALL 202****NEVADA'S PEER MENTORING PROGRAM: THE BEGINNING, THE CHALLENGES, THE VICTORIES***Professor Erin Edgington, Kate Groesbeck, Daniel Lang, Erin Heenan – University of Nevada, Reno*

The Honors Peer Mentor Program, recently established at the University of Nevada, Reno, has fostered connections and a greater sense of community among the Honors students at the university. Though the program is relatively new, it has evolved significantly in the past two years and shows promise of more success in years to come.

**LOCAL RESOURCES: LACK AND IMPACT – BECKMAN HALL 204****COLTAN MINING AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT, ANIMALS AND PEOPLE OF CONGO***Vanessa Newman – MiraCosta College*

Coltan mining in Congo provides the materials necessary to make many modern electronics, but also leads to war, environmental havoc, and loss of endangered species.

**THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE SOUTH WEST***Ashley Gomez – Pima Community College*

The Colorado River is the lifeblood of the South West. Due to growing demand, consequences presently show agriculture strain and inevitable droughts. This research project is a comparative exploration of why Arizona, a more water-conservative state, takes on a larger economic burden from upstream consumers.

**COMPLICITY AND/OR IGNORANCE – ARGYROS FORUM 206C****IS IT TOO LATE NOW TO SAY SORRY? – EXAMINING THE UNITED STATES' ROLE IN THE RWANDAN GENOCIDE***Rachel Schneibel – MiraCosta College*

This presentation is an analysis of the United States' role in the Rwandan Genocide, and what motivates them to intervene – or not – in other countries' affairs.

**MORE THAN MAO: THE CULPABILITY OF OTHER CCP OFFICIALS DURING THE GREAT CHINESE FAMINE***Nikolas Massa – Washington State University*

My research uses sources from Chinese Communist Party officials to reevaluate the culpability of various officials in the Great Chinese Famine. It begins with the widely accepted placement of blame on Chairman Mao Zedong and works to establish a better dissemination of blame for the tragedy of famine.

**RELIGION AND PERCEPTION – BECKMAN HALL 206****ARE WE AS OPEN-MINDED AS WE THINK? UNDERSTANDING HOW RELIGIOSITY AFFECTS LGBTQ OPEN-MINDEDNESS IN THE WORKPLACE – THEORIES AND CASE STUDY***Ryan Montgomery – Brigham Young University*

This research explores the relationship of religious fundamentalism and open-mindedness, with a focus on analyzing self-perception fallacies of open-mindedness. The study surveyed 1,000 participants among several religious denominations; it revealed that participants exhibiting high religious fundamentalism have lower open-mindedness on average and a misperception between measured and self-reported open-mindedness.

**VERSES IN AND OUT OF CONTEXT: SEXUALITY AND THE BIBLE IN MODERN CHRISTIAN CHURCHES***Jordan Blakney – Central Washington University*

This thesis examines how specific Biblical passages and historical contexts are used by Baptist and Methodist churches in the U.S. when discussing same-sex relationships to challenge conversations about the importance and place of biblical context, its influence on religious communities, and their doctrinal development.



## **IDENTIFYING AND INTERVENING – ARGYROS FORUM 209B**

### **SERIAL KILLERS – A COMPLEX MIND AND BODY**

*Daniel Garcia – Mount San Antonio College*

Serial killers have become behavioral human mysteries in our contemporary world. Research from three main fields of study, Psychology, Sociology and Biology, has allowed us to understand the specific set of conditions that need to be present in order to create this abnormal human behavior that negatively affects our society.

### **THE PSYCHOLOGY OF BULLYING AND TECHNIQUES FOR EARLY INTERVENTION**

*Laura Yocum – Mount Saint Mary's University*

Bullying has become an epidemic in our society. This presentation seeks to inform how bullying can impact a child's psychological development, causing short and long-term effects. Early intervention techniques will be explored, as well as, ways to incorporate them in an early childhood educational setting.

## **THEATRE: (STORY)TELLING – BECKMAN 205**

### **CAUGHT "RED"-HANDED: OUSTING OLD THEATRICAL PRODUCTION PRACTICES FOR THE NON-TRADITIONAL**

*Ruth Faulkner – Southern Utah University*

Removing the traditional aspects of performance art, like a theatre venue, transforms the experience for audience and production team alike. The unique challenges experienced in one such non-traditional production will be discussed and demonstrated, as well as the ensuing exploration into the meaning of theatre and art as a whole.

### **THE NEUROLOGY OF DRAMA**

*Jolene Thiel – Flathead Valley Community College*

The human affinity to communicate is enhanced by our tendency to enact the emotional stories we care about. This presentation will examine the effects of theatrical storytelling, on both individuals and human societies, through the discussion of current neurological and sociological data.

## **PERPETUATING BIAS – ARGYROS FORUM 209A**

### **FAKE NEWS, BUT WHO SAID IT?**

*Cristian Cortez – University of California, Irvine*

In an age of political uncertainty and "fake news," we turn often to media and trusted sources for information. Ongoing research on motivated reasoning suggests we are not as successful at navigating our own biases in news media consumption as we believe, leading us to unsuccessfully separate fact from fiction.

### **WHITE SUPREMACY STILL THRIVES: ON THE UBIQUITY OF MODERN AMERICAN RACISM**

*Sam Kagan – Chapman University*

Most modern American whites misunderstand our relationship with race and racism. I will argue that these comprise a system of white supremacy, in which whites use unconscious prejudice to defend race-based advantages. Therefore, whites perpetuate white supremacy, usually without realizing it. Until we do, stopping white supremacy is impossible.

## LUNCH & PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

12:00 – 1:20PM

SANDHU CONFERENCE CENTER

*Lunch is provided for conference attendees. Hear from Danielle Struppa, President of Chapman University, and Richard Badenhausen, from NCHC.*

## SCRIBENDI READING

1:30 – 2:30PM

BECKMAN HALL 404

*Join the Scribendi staff to celebrate the unveiling of the thirty-second edition of the WRHC's award-winning literature and arts magazine.*

## WORKSHOP SESSION 4

2:00 – 2:50PM

### ARE WE CERTAIN ABOUT THIS "UNCERTAIN" PRESENT? – ARGYROS FORUM 202

IS "AGE OF ANXIETY" A SMOKE SCREEN? HAS LIFE EVER BEEN BETTER? AN EXAMPLE

*Professor Kim Andersen – Washington State University*

Can too much communication be a bad thing? Is excessive communication nurturing a general perception of 'anxiety' unfounded in the lives of most? In the 5th century the Romans left Britain to invading barbarian hordes causing real anxiety. Are we losing touch with reality in tweets, selfies, and political panic?

### LESSENING UNCERTAINTY IN PROCESSING HONORS CONTRACTS

*Professor Erin Edgington – University of Nevada, Reno*

Honors contracts are notoriously difficult to monitor. At every stage, from instructor approval to collecting completed projects, individual contracts may slip through the cracks. In order to lessen the uncertainty surrounding contracts, the University of Nevada, Reno Honors Program has recently streamlined its process.

### MICROROBOTS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCES – BECKMAN HALL 104

ARTICULATED FOUR AXES MICROROBOT

*Daniel Goto – Washington State University*

Current nano and micro assembly systems range in size from a few feet to several meters, which limits the number of units operating in one area. This research addresses this problem by creating microrobots that can assemble nano and micro scale objects.

*Matthew Reese – University of California, Davis*

This project uses sequence-to-sequence neural network modeling techniques to translate between English text and Abstract Meaning Representation (AMR), a formalized representation of meaning. Improvement of technologies like this will pave the way for major improvements in the ability of artificial intelligences to understand and process natural language input and provide well-formed, accurate, and understandable natural language output.

## THE USES AND MISUSES OF SCIENCE – ARGYROS FORUM 205

### INFORMED CONSENT

*Savannah Anderson – Flathead Valley Community College*

During a recent court case involving The Havasupai Native American Tribe and a well-known American University, boundaries are pushed regarding Informed Consent when scientists exceed the call of duty in examining a case of high diabetes amongst the Native American population. This presentation examines the cross-section between theatre and science.

### SCIENCE MATTERS

*Megan Abel – Southern Utah University*

My ideas about the pressing threat to science are compiled in a 20-25-page paper divided into three main sections entitled “advocating for science,” “at odds,” and “science and the public.” I will be giving a multimedia presentation that will include showing the photo series that inspired the writing of this thesis, accompany an oral presentation using excerpt material from my paper.

## CULTURAL PRACTICES AND THE FEMALE BODY – ARGYROS FORUM 206

### CHHAUPADI PRATHA: THE PAST AND FUTURE OF NEPAL’S BRUTAL MENSTRUAL PRACTICES

*Carolina Stevens – Southern Oregon University*

In rural Nepal, menstruating women must stay in cowsheds while menstruating and cannot touch other people or most food. The practice endangers women’s health and often prevents them from completing their education. This presentation will discuss the causes and effects of this system and propose a program to eliminate it.

### FGM/C IN SENEGAL: INTERVENTIONS AND RECENT FINDINGS

*Lindsay Cannon – Washington State University*

This presentation will focus on the West African nation of Senegal, and will cover previous approaches to FGM/C intervention as well as the latest research findings about cultural influences on the practice, who continues the practice, and why.

## CIVIL WAR LEGACIES – BECKMAN 213

### HORRIFIC AND SACRED: THE ROLE OF MUSEUMS IN REINTERPRETING THE HISTORICAL NARRATIVE OF THE CIVIL WAR

*Katherine Bergstrom – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

There has been a rise in tension surrounding Confederate iconography in the south, signaling disparity between white and black southern collective memory. Using a revisionist historical approach, museums must reframe the iconography of the Confederacy to process the trauma of the Civil War and racism in the United States.

### DESTROYING DIE MORPHIUMSUCHT (MORBID CRAVING FOR MORPHINE): LESSONS FROM AMERICA’S FIRST WAR ON DRUGS

*Casey Heaney – MiraCosta College*

Opioid abuse has become a scourge in America today; understanding treatments from the first opioid epidemic after the Civil War may provide better treatments today.

## **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE LEARNING – BECKMAN HALL 107**

### **PLANNING AN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE LEARNING COURSE**

*Professor Rachel Osgood, Connor Weddle, Madison Anderson – Colorado School of Mines*

In this panel, I, with the assistance of honors students who accompanied me to Nepal, will discuss the creation of an international service learning course. The panel will start with a description and overview of the course by me, then students will demonstrate how they met the learning outcomes by sharing sample work, and we will offer assistance to anyone interested in creating a similar course in a concluding Q&A session.

## **EXPLORATION: AT HOME – BECKMAN HALL 202**

### **STUDYING “ABROAD” IN THE UNITED STATES**

*Heather Brock, Olivia Comstock – Southern Oregon University*

National Student Exchange (NSE) is an alternative to study abroad that allows students to study away from their home university in a new environment and attend programs at other US universities. Through our personal experience with NSE, we can speak about the process and the advantages for honors students.

## **CONFRONTING CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABILITY – ARGYROS FORUM 206B**

### **MOTIVATING MILLENNIALS TO MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE**

*Becky Alter – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

This research outlines a cutting-edge marketing strategy specifically geared to engaging the Millennial Generation in climate change mitigation. For a generation expected to befall the brunt of economic and environmental changes, this communication strategy emphasizes mitigating these impacts now, rather than in the future.

### **THE ADVANTAGES AND CHALLENGES OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOODS**

*Adrian Caro-Morales – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

There is no one simple solution to the pressing issues we face in regards to food production and sustainability; alleviating the challenges of our food system will require a careful and balanced implementation of the use of genetically modified foods, industrial agriculture, and small-scale organic farming where appropriate.

## **EXPLORING DIFFERENCE AND SEEKING UNITY – BECKMAN HALL 204**

### **COMPARING GREEK MYTHOLOGY AND CHRISTIANITY**

*Samantha Huey – Central Arizona College*

The significance of this project is to see the links among different religions. Once we can begin to see similarities between two very different religions, we might reach the point of seeing the similarities among each other. By comparing Greek myths to Christianity, this project starts a small climb towards the ultimate goal of connecting all the religions, and connecting all of us.

### **A LOOK INTO ISLAM**

*Leah Dight – Mesa Community College*

“A Look into Islam” is a brief history of Islam, an explanation of practices and beliefs, and a firsthand account of a non-Muslim visiting a mosque and attending a prayer time. This presentation aims to shed light on the Islamic community, alleviate fear, and show what modern-day Islam is about.

## **TREATING AND PREVENTING – ARGYROS FORUM 209A**

### **THE “LEINAD” SMARTWATCH: A DIGITAL SOLUTION FOR PREVENTING SKIN-CANCER**

*Daniel Adike – Scottsdale Community College*

The use of wearable monitoring devices is widely accepted in America, and has impacted the health and wellness sector. Skin cancer is a current health concern that appears to be strongly associated with sun exposure. The “Leinad” smartwatch can potentially help to monitor sun exposure, and thus prevent skin cancer.

## **INTERVENTION AND IMPACT – ARGYROS FORUM 206C**

### **WETLAND MITIGATION IN THE GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM: WILDLIFE POPULATION AND COMMUNITY RESPONSE**

*Rory Molacek – Montana State University*

This project addresses human handling time based on different marking methods on the Boreal Toad. Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists aim to find the method for mark-recapture studies that are least invasive as possible to the animal. One way that researchers can limit their negative impact on the creature is by reducing the time spent handling the animal. This project examines the true human handling time of the Boreal Toad based on different marking methodologies.

## **IDENTITY AND THE LGBT COMMUNITY – BECKMAN HALL 206**

### **EMPOWERMENT: A QUEER INTERDISCIPLINARY THESIS**

*Jesse Yelvington – University of New Mexico*

What is “empowerment?” Designed to act as an empowering process, this interdisciplinary research project grapples with questions of identity, self-representation, group membership, queer intellectualism and academia, poetry, interdisciplinarity, intersectionality, and more. Explore this project from conception to completion, contending with ethical research, community art, and social justice along the way.

## **CULTURAL IMMERSION: WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE CLASSROOM – BECKMAN 214**

### **BEST PRACTICES IN PREPARING FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS IN GLOBAL AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING: A SPOTLIGHT ON TRAVEL IMMERSION**

*Professor Michelle Melendres – Mount Saint Mary’s University*

This presentation will discuss the process, pedagogy, and best practices for the preparation in hosting undergraduate travel opportunities as well as present outcomes of past short-term cultural immersion trips offered through the Department of Sociology at Mount Saint Mary’s University with specific focus on addressing the needs of first-generation status.

## **WORKSHOP SESSION 5**

**3:00 – 3:50PM**

## **LIVING PARADOX – ARGYROS FORUM 202**

### **SCIENTIFIC UNCERTAINTY AND RETHINKING DECISION MAKING IN DEMOCRACY**

*Professor Prakash Chenjeri – Southern Oregon University*

Uncertainty is woven into the very fabric of scientific knowledge; scientific theories are routinely challenged and overturned, yet science impinges all aspects of modern life. This raises the question: How should citizens (in a democracy) navigate this paradox? This session presents a perspective through a course designed in the Honors College at Southern Oregon University.

## **MOTHERS AND “OTHERS” – BECKMAN HALL 104**

### **DILEMMAS AND DECISIONS: A CASE STUDY OF SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY WOMEN PROFESSIONALS**

*Rebekah Smith – Southern Utah University*

As a twenty-first century woman pursuing an academic career, I question what to expect. Now married, I hope to reconcile my desire for children with my academic dreams. My project evaluates how female faculty at my university balance careers with having a family and the Latter-day Saint culture in Utah.

## THE POLITICS OF JUSTICE AND THE LAW – ARGYROS FORUM 205

### THE TANGLED WEB OF OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM

*Rochelle Walker – Pima Community College*

The possibility of uncertainty never truly goes away. In my presentation, I will focus on the level of uncertainty that runs through our justice system. I will explore the ways in which the individuals in our legal system deal with the uncertainty inherent in it, and how they either combat or embrace this uncertainty.

### CONFLICT IN POLICY WITH TRIBAL AND CITY POLICE

*Nicole Paddock – Scottsdale Community College*

There are significant differences concerning policy, and potential conflicts between tribal police and city police within proximity of the reservation. The goal of this presentation is to detail and articulate some of these policy differences and conflicts in order to prevent potential issues with cultural differences and safety concerns.

## NAVIGATING MODELS AND POLICIES: ARGYROS FORUM 206

### THE TRIPARTITE AMERICAN JUDICIARY: THE INFLUENCE OF ROME’S MIXED CONSTITUTION UPON THE FOUNDING FATHERS

*Sammy Carey – University of California, Davis*

In this paper, I have discovered the extent to which the Romans influenced the Founding Fathers in the creation of the United States Judicial Branch. Their key influence lies in the separation of powers and checks and balances implemented during the Roman Republic but there is also a string of influence upon the English common law system which our Founders mimicked.

### THE POLITICS OF PRISONS

*Sierra Lewandowski – University of California, Davis*

Legislative redistricting in the U.S. operates on the principle of “one person, one vote.” The U.S. Census counts prisoners according to its “usual residence rule,” counting them in the district in which they are incarcerated. Prisoners receive political representation in districts they do not live- while being ineligible to vote.

## PARENTAL ATTITUDES AND PRACTICES – ARGYROS FORUM 206C

### AN INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECT OF SYMPTOMATOLOGY IN CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD) AND PARENT ATTITUDE ON PARENT PHYSIOLOGICAL AROUSAL

*Arielle Garcia – California State University, Fullerton*

This research examines the psychophysiology of parents of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and whether the behavior and symptomatology of children with ASD has any effect on or correlation to parent psychophysiological arousal, and whether parent attitude acts as a mediator or moderator of this relationship is being investigated.

### PREFERENTIAL ABERRANT PARENTING PRACTICES IN 21ST CENTURY AMERICA: AN INTERSECTION OF RACE, WEALTH, AND PRIVILEGE

*Brittney Bringuez – Chapman University*

There exists a growing faction of people, composed of specific demographics, who belong to and exist within the subculture of preferential aberrant parenting. This expanding parenting practice significantly influences the childhood, education, overall livelihood, and success of the children raised within these practices.



## **THE PAST IN THE PRESENT – BECKMAN HALL 204**

THE FORGOTTEN FIFTH: EMERGING PARALLELS BETWEEN LOYALISTS IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN MINORITIES

*Isabella Garcia – MiraCosta College*

There is a parallel in abuse suffered between the minority groups of the American Revolution and in contemporary American society after the 2016 Presidential Election.

PRESS, PROPAGANDA, & PERVERSITY: A COMPARISON OF THE CAUSTIC ELECTIONS OF 1800 AND 2016

*Nicole Beachboard – MiraCosta College*

Comparing the two presidential elections reveals why Hillary Clinton should have learned from the candidates, issues, and political schisms in the election of 1800.

## **ENACTING TRANSFORMATION – BECKMAN HALL 206**

POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER IN VETERANS

*Linda Boquilla – GateWay Community College*

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder is a common diagnosis between active and retired people from the U.S. military. Every day the number of the diagnosed are growing. In fact, behind every diagnosis there are different stories and challenges. A lot of stigma surrounds people with PTSD, which is something that can be changed through education, dialogue, and support.

MACRO IS THE NEW MICRO: HOW SOCIOLOGY CAN HELP OUR OLDER ADULT SUICIDE RATE

*Alan Hernandez – MiraCosta College*

Compilations of cross-cultural older adult suicide statistics show that sociological methodology can accurately predict older adult suicide rates. This showcases sociology's power to practitioners.

## **EXPLORATION: ABROAD – BECKMAN HALL 107**

ACADEMIC WORLDQUEST: SUPPORTING THE GLOBAL GOALS OF HONORS

*Professor Daniel Villanueva, Brandon Conner, Lidia Mezei - University of Nevada, Reno*

This panel introduces a student-facilitated activity supporting global education at the UNR Honors Program: The yearly Academic WorldQuest contest for local high schools. Honors Student Ambassadors will present the benefits to facilitation, including Honors student outreach and recruitment, internationally-themed programming and leadership opportunities, and ongoing collaboration with the Northern Nevada International Center.

## **THE POWER OF FICTION – BECKMAN HALL 213**

PERMISSION "GRANT"ED: DEPICTING LOSS AND GRIEF IN SHORT FICTION

*Jennifer Marsh – Dixie State University*

An original short story, "Mother, May I?" is about a young adult protagonist who experiences personal uncertainty as she decides whether or not to cut off her mother's life support. This story arose from personal tragedy, combined with the underappreciated scholarly demands of producing meaningful fiction.

EMPOWERING NATIVE AMERICAN TEENS THROUGH YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

*Shayla Bischoff – Metropolitan State University of Denver*

Native American young adults need access to young adult literature written by Native American authors; not only will exposure to culturally appropriate literature encourage young Native teens to read and write, but it will help them to navigate the social inequalities and afflictions they face in their communities.



**PENNED IN: WHO SPEAKS/WRITES AND WHO HEARS/READS? – BECKMAN HALL 202****WHO CENSORS WHOM?***Tessa Chrisman, Josh Rysanek, Paul Talley – University of New Mexico*

To what extent is speech “free”? Who draws the line? As editors for an undergraduate literary arts magazine, we understand that multiple factors determine reactions to content, be they taste or algorithms. Our exploration runs the gamut from banned books to subscription-based internet services and addresses individual, technological, and institutional censorship.

**EVALUATING AND LINKING – BECKMAN HALL 214****DISCRIMINATION, DESCRIPTIVE, AND HEDONIC SENSORY EVALUATIONS OF GLUTEN-FREE AND GLUTINOUS BREAD PRODUCTS***Viral Shukla – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona*

The objective of this work is to conduct a comprehensive sensory analysis of two gluten-free and one glutinous bread products, in order to determine their sensory profiles and the liking and preference among them.

**A BITTERSWEET TRUTH: THE LINK BETWEEN SUGAR AND COGNITIVE DECLINE***Kylie Necochea – MiraCosta College*

Decreased spatial and verbal cognitive functions among those who consume processed sugars suggests that Alzheimer’s disease may be influenced by added sugar intake.

**MEDICAL (MIS)UNDERSTANDINGS – ARGYROS FORUM 206B****TEMPORAL LOBE EPILEPSY***Mallory Maas – GateWay Community College*

This presentation will be covering temporal lobe epilepsy, otherwise known as complex partial seizures. There will be information covering background information, history, what temporal lobe epilepsy is, the two main types, the affect of the seizures on different age groups, diagnosis, treatment, and other important factors to know on seizures.

**AEROSOL DRUG DELIVERY OF AMBISOME TO TREAT LIFE-THREATENING PULMONARY ASPERGILLOSIS***Janam Dave – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona*

AmBisome is a potent antifungal drug and the frontline therapy for a wide variety of fungal infections, it is traditionally administered intravenously(IV). We developed a standardized, closed aerosol drug delivery system to explore its efficacy in treating life-threatening fungal infections in a mouse model, to investigate improved treatment options.

**ADDRESSING RACE, CLASS, AND ETHICS THROUGH DIFFERENT APPROACHES – ARGYROS FORUM 209A****BLACK, WHITE, AND RED ALL OVER: SCOTTSBORO THROUGH AN INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE***Gelane Diamond – California State University, Fullerton*

My research examines the 1931 Scottsboro case through an international perspective. In addition to being relevant to domestic race relations, the Scottsboro trials provide a testament by which to observe the ideological divide between Leon Trotsky and Joseph Stalin. By linking these two histories, both domestic and international, my thesis suggests the global ramifications of American race relations during the interwar period.

**ETHICS IN BUSINESS***Francesca Martin – Mount Saint Mary’s University*

Why should businesses act ethically? The need for ethical leadership is increasingly important. I will first propose a business policy for ethical leadership practices in a company. I then will answer key objections including why should companies be ethical when they can publicly go unpunished for acting unethically.

# WORKSHOP SESSION 6

4:00 – 4:50PM

## **CULTURAL IMMERSION: WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE CLASSROOM – ARGYROS FORUM 202**

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM: CONNECTING CLASSROOM TO WORLD

*Professor Alexis Wheeler – University of Washington, Tacoma*

Community engagement and experiential learning are at the heart of the Global Honors curriculum, enriching students' understanding of real world dynamics. The Student Engagement Program (SEP) opens up classroom learning through site visits and discussions with current and rising local leaders across multiple fields.

## **EXPRESSING THE (FEMALE) SELF – BECKMAN HALL 104**

BREAKING GENDER NORMS THROUGH FASHION: LESSONS FROM O'KEEFFE

*Rana Chan – University of New Mexico*

From pantsuits to pink knit hats, the concept of empowered fashion is not new. Artist Georgia O'Keeffe's clothing choices set her apart from the women of her time by rejecting effeminate norms, teaching young women that clothing (whether wearing or making it) is a means of individualistic self expression.

WOMEN'S PERSPECTIVES AND THE POETRY OF WWI

*Mary Burr – Montana State University*

The multifaceted perspectives of the Great War are discussed through the lens of the female characters in Virginia Woolf's *Mrs. Dalloway*, utilizing multiple poems written by the oft-forgotten women war poets to create a more comprehensive portrait of the thoughts of the age.

## **PERILS AND POSSIBILITIES – BECKMAN 107**

EXAMINING THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF SYRIAN REFUGEES IN THE UNITED STATES

*Sandra Belat – California State University, Fullerton*

My research project is a policy analysis utilizing publicly available news, government, and civil society documents and data to project likely outcomes of the Trump administration's proposed policy on incoming Syrian refugees in comparison to other policy options.

THE WORK OF ART & THE ARTIST IN THE AGE OF THE INTERNET

*Joshua Lane – University of New Mexico*

Success as a creative in the age of the internet is an island that no map can navigate us to, but there are ways nonetheless. The beauty of the internet is that anyone can succeed, if only you know how to work hard, create excellent work, and how to adapt.

## **CREATING AN HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL – ARGYROS FORUM 205**

ENGAGING THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST: CREATING A SUCCESSFUL HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

*Mary McDonough, Santiago Gudiño-Rosales, Alexandra Zmuda, Kayce Singer – University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

From engaging faculty members to implementing quality events that attract students, starting a successful Honors Student Council can be a daunting task faced with uncertainty. This panel led by students in the Honors Student Council at UNLV explores the top three qualities that make an Honors Student Council successful, and how these qualities can be applied to start an Honors Student Council at your university.

**INSPIRATION AND EXPERIMENTATION – BECKMAN HALL 202****INSPIRING SUSTAINABLE LEADERSHIP: A MONTANA CASE-STUDY***Maddi Tandberg, Thomas McGrath – Montana State University*

In February 2018, the Montana State University Leadership Institute held a leadership summit focused on preparing MSU students to create and implement plans to make their community more sustainable. In this presentation, we will be discussing what worked and didn't work in this process, considering the essentials for student empowerment.

**PRACTICE MAKES PRACTICE***Samuel Shoemaker-Trejo – University of New Mexico*

My major in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts (HILA) contains a capstone project, an Honors course co-taught with an Honors professor. I would like to present the unique course that I designed with Dr. Leslie Donovan and cover its structure and methodology as well as impart the challenges I encountered therein.

**OPPORTUNITY AND EXPERIENCE – ARGYROS FORUM 206****A CONSTELLATION OF THE CHICANO STUDENT POPULATION: THE UNIQUE EXPERIENCES OF THE UNDOCUMENTED STATUS***Josue Luna – MiraCosta College*

The constellation of Chicano students diminishes their human potential to excel academically because the experiences of these students are not uniquely dis-aggregated by citizenship status.

**FIRST GENERATION LATINA STUDENTS PURSUING A MASTER'S DEGREE***Mariana Porras – Mount Saint Mary's University*

While research suggests that first-generation students frequently encounter obstacles, this research expands on existing literature related to the challenges encountered by first-generation graduate students. An analysis of participants' experiences through a qualitative approach will be discussed and the importance of educational professionals mentoring first-generation college students to demystify graduate studies.

**INTEGRATING ACADEMIC AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING – BECKMAN HALL 204***Professor Kenneth Osgood, Cortney Holles, Rachel Osgood – Colorado School of Mines*

This panel addresses ways of balancing academic and experiential learning in multiple settings: faculty-led study abroad trips, independent or semi-independent study abroad experiences, service learning courses, and Place as Text methodologies.

**DISCOVERING FOUNDATIONS – BECKMAN HALL 206****IT'S ALL GREEK (AND LATIN) TO ME***Taylor Hammack – Southern Utah University*

Human anatomy is notoriously difficult, in part due to substantial amounts of memorization. It certainly doesn't help that most anatomical terms originate from Greek or Latin. This led to the creation of a book of roots and definitions, the process of which included a great deal of trial and error.

**WHO IS THE TRUE FATHER OF CALCULUS?***Brenda Patino Flores – GateWay Community College*

During the renaissance era, there were many discoveries made in the world of science and mathematics. There were many men that played a role into the foundation of calculus. Two of the most important mathematicians were Sir Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz. Newton and Leibniz are both considered the fathers of calculus till this day.

## **SUCCESS THROUGH ENGAGEMENT AND GRIT – BECKMAN HALL 213**

### **ENGAGING STUDENTS IN A SMALL HONORS COMMUNITY**

*Samantha West – Dixie State University*

After a program reboot, the Booth Honors Program at Dixie State University has given students more responsibility within the program, enhanced connections with faculty, and used improved communication tools to better create an active learning community. These approaches have led to both successes and setbacks.

### **COLLEGE SUCCESS**

*Rebeka Moreno – GateWay Community College*

A psychologist named Angela Lee Duckworth shares a captivating personality trait called GRIT, the power of passion and perseverance. This is only one of three components of what it takes to be a successful college student, while taking full advantage of school resources and keeping a positive mindset.

## **ILLUMINATING THE UNKNOWN – ARGYROS FORUM 206B**

### **OH \$H!T: AN ANATOMICAL STUDY**

*Lindsey Tam – MiraCosta College*

This presentation presents original research on the physiological responses to swearing and explores the evolutionary value of this response.

### **HOW CERTAIN ARE YOU THAT YOU HAVE A GOOD MEMORY?**

*Miglena Ivanova – Montana State University Billings*

Even though people are often certain that their memory of common items is good, multiple studies have shown its actual faultiness. The present study examines whether or not interest and overall memory had to do anything with how accurate people's memory of famous logos would be.

## **NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE – ARGYROS FORUM 209A**

### **THE SEGREGATED CITY: AN EXAMINATION OF RACISM WITHIN THE CAPE TOWN EDUCATION SYSTEM**

*Nicole Carbone, Ashley Richards – University of Washington, Tacoma*

The legacy of Apartheid in South Africa has left a lingering effect on the educational outlook of many South Africans. In this study, we focus on the work of Non-Governmental Organizations in the Philippi Township, Cape Town, in the promotion of educational equality through community development and juvenile delinquency.

### **ALCOHOL AND DEVELOPMENT IN MALAWI**

*Brian Allen – Brigham Young University*

This honors thesis research was done while working with a local Malawian NGO, The School of Agriculture for Family Independence in Dowa, Malawi. My research consisted of finding linkages between alcohol use in the family and decreased childhood nutrition and education opportunity, the perpetuation of poverty, and increased sexual abuse and domestic violence.

## **DINNER**

5:30 – 6:30PM

SANDHU CONFERENCE CENTER

*Dinner is provided for conference attendees.*

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

7:00PM

MEMORIAL HALL

*Name badges are required for entry, as they serve as the ticket for conference attendees. Tickets for this event, for those not attending the conference, will be collected at the door.*

SATURDAY

# KEYNOTE SPEAKER: ANGELA DAVIS



Through her activism and scholarship over many decades, Angela Davis has been deeply involved in movements for social justice around the world. Her work as an educator — both at the university level and in the larger public sphere — has always emphasized the importance of building communities of struggle for economic, racial, and gender justice.

Professor Davis' teaching career has taken her to San Francisco State University, Mills College, and the University of California, Berkeley. She also has taught at UCLA,

Vassar, Syracuse University, the Claremont Colleges, and Stanford University. Most recently, she spent fifteen years at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where she is now Distinguished Professor Emerita of History of Consciousness, which is an interdisciplinary Ph.D. program, and of Feminist Studies.

Angela Davis is the author of nine books and has lectured throughout the United States as well as in Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, and South America. In recent years, a persistent theme of her work has been the range of social problems associated with incarceration and the generalized criminalization of those communities that are most affected by poverty and racial discrimination. She draws upon her own experiences in the early seventies as a person who spent eighteen months in jail and on trial, after being placed on the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted List." She also has conducted extensive research on numerous issues related to race, gender, and imprisonment. Her recent books include *Abolition Democracy* and *Are Prisons Obsolete?*, which are about the prison industrial complex, a new edition of *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*, and a collection of essays entitled *The Meaning of Freedom*. Her most recent book of essays, called *Freedom is a Constant Struggle: Ferguson, Palestine, and the Foundations of a Movement*, was published in October of 2015.

Angela Davis is a founding member of Critical Resistance, a nation organization dedicated to the dismantling of the prison industrial complex. Internationally, she is affiliated with Sister Inside, an abolitionist organization based in Queensland, Australia that works in solidarity with women in prison.

Like many educators, Professor Davis is especially concerned with the general tendency to devote more resources and attention to the prison system than to educational institutions. Having helped to popularize the notion of a "prison industrial complex," she now urges her audiences to think seriously about the future possibility of a world without prisons and to help forge at 21st-century abolitionist movement.



# sunday

*April 15th, 2018*

## **MONTANA AND CHAPMAN TRANSITION MEETING**

7:30 – 8:30AM

ARGYROS FORUM 205

*Transition meeting between Chapman University conference planners and Montana State University conference planners.*

## **WRHC BUSINESS MEETING**

8:30 – 9:30AM

ARGYROS FORUM 205

SUNDAY



# STUDENT POSTER SESSION

10:00AM – 12:00PM

HUMANITIES

ARGYROS FORUM 209

**Romae-Anne Aquino – University of California, Davis**

*BILINGUAL EDUCATION: LESS FALLOUT FROM HIGH-SCHOOL DROPOUTS*

Does bilingual education help foster a better society? In order to answer this broad question, the following question was proposed in order to narrow down the focus: “Does bilingual education help American students succeed?” Through an analysis of California counties with a specific focus on dropout rates, there may be better potential to analyze the impact of bilingual education more directly.

**Michelle Balingit – Mount Saint Mary’s University**

*WOMEN AS BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURS*

Women entrepreneurs face more challenges than men, and one of the solutions to this is women supporting other women when it comes to mentoring, funding, and more. Women entrepreneurs represents the primary or co-breadwinner in 2/3 of country’s families. Women entrepreneurs see the world in a different lens and do things differently than men.

**Brittney Bringuez – Chapman University**

*PREFERENTIAL ABERRANT PARENTING PRACTICES IN 21ST CENTURY AMERICA: AN INTERSECTION OF RACE, WEALTH, AND PRIVILEGE*

There exists a growing faction of people, composed of specific demographics, who belong to and exist within the subculture of preferential aberrant parenting. This expanding parenting practice significantly influences the childhood, education, overall livelihood, and success of the children raised within these practices.

**Talia Cain – Chapman University**

*DERAILING THE SCHOOL-TO- PRISON PIPELINE*

The American public school system fails to ensure educational equity for all students. Minority students face injustice and oppression that often place them on tracks headed for juvenile detention and/or prison. Using a Neo-Marxist lens, this project interrogates school practices, policies, and other factors to examine how schools contribute to the prison-industrial complex.

**Zach Chacon – MiraCosta College**

*ALLONS DANSER: QUADROON BALLS, LES CENELLES, AND THE PLAÇAGE SYSTEM IN COSMOPOLITAN NEW ORLEANS, (17TH-19TH CENTURY)*

An analysis of the Quadroon Balls of the Placage System, with a look at the literary predecessor to the blues that emerged for this predicament.

**Jillian Christiansen – Idaho State University**

*DO GENDER-SENSITIVE PARLIAMENTS LEAD TO MORE DIVERSITY FOR WOMEN? A CASE STUDY OF THE SCOTTISH, WELSH, AND WESTMINSTER SYSTEMS*

A case study comparing the Scottish and Welsh Assemblies to the Westminster Parliament in order to determine if the former two are more inclusive than the latter, as they were set up to be more inclusive.

SUNDAY

**Genesis De Leon – Metropolitan State University of Denver**

*THE IMPORTANCE OF BILINGUAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG ENGLISH LEARNING STUDENTS IN THE U.S.*

Today, Latino children comprise a majority of the English Learning (EL) student population. Despite the increasing prevalence of English Immersion programs that teach all subjects in an English-only environment, English-learning children in grades between kindergarten through fourth grade acquire better English skills when taught primary subjects in their native language.

**Autumn Diaz – University of Washington Tacoma**

*INCREASING CRITICAL CONSCIOUSNESS TO COMBAT WITHIN-SCHOOL RACIAL CLIMATE DISPARITIES*

Empirical, longitudinal, mixed-method research studying the development of critical consciousness (CC) is presented to lend support for the implementation of social justice oriented curriculum in schools. This curriculum and CC development are proposed to combat within-school racial climate disparities as perceived by students of color throughout the lifespan.

**Isabella Garcia – MiraCosta College**

*CULTURAL REGALIA OR FASHION TREND: IS CULTURAL APPROPRIATION APPROPRIATE?*

Dominant cultural groups disrespect minority group's traditional cultures through appropriation: outside of standard cultural contexts, minority group's traditions are misrepresented. Appropriation should not be tolerated.

**Mackenzie Gray – Chapman University**

*UNCERTAINTY IS CERTAIN*

Perception is subjective. The age of uncertainty label is subjective. Valid opposing perceptions exist. This project will provide compelling alternative argument such labeling is scholarly capricious and self-serving; in the comparative, the present is no different than the continuum of all human history, few events affably more remarkable than others.

**Caleb Ingegneri – Rio Salado College**

*HERITAGE: CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND DIALECT*

A linguistic study of how Spanish dialects influenced culture and bilingual social life as a reference point for cultural identities and differentiated social groups. It evaluated phonemic, phonetic and lexical differences which Spanish speaking bilinguals in the United States recognized and regarded as cultural heritage.

**Taylor Killefer – Chapman University**

*THE DEATH OF TELEVISION?*

A look into the tumultuous existence of television, from the battle and eventual loss with the Big Screen to the birth of streaming content, which has popularized episodic content again. During this Second Golden Age of Television, we are met with another obstacle: net neutrality. Will the current administration barely make a ripple in the internet world or will they take it to the extreme and censor content?

**Erin Leithead – University of Washington, Tacoma**

*TAX-EXEMPT TRANSPORTATION BENEFITS AND THEIR EFFECTS ON INCOME INEQUALITY*

The average U.S. household spends 17% of their budget on transportation costs; potentially more in low-income households. This enormous cost is indicative of larger trends of a growing income gap seen globally in our capitalist system. This presentation is an analysis of how tax-exempt transportation benefits contribute to this disparity.

**Theresa Leo – University of Washington, Tacoma**

*SUGAR: THE LOSE ALL*

The poster will detail the negative humanitarian and health consequences of the sugar industry. The focusing on the United States as consumers, the Dominican Republic as producers, and the Haitian people as laborers. The goal being to promote consumer awareness through the education of the adverse health and humanitarian effects.

**Francesca Martin – Mount Saint Mary's University**

*ETHICS IN BUSINESS*

Why should businesses act ethically? The need for ethical leadership is increasingly important. I will first propose a business policy for ethical leadership practices in a company. I then will answer key objections including why should companies be ethical when they can publicly go unpunished for acting unethically.

**Grace McKenney – University of Washington, Tacoma**

*PRESERVING THE POACHED*

This poster presents the starting point of a discussion and potential solution to animal poaching. It discusses the multifaceted causes and multitude of places of poaching, as well as why we should care about, and try to solve, this problem. In an uncertain age, we need to begin this discussion.

**Aithuong Nguyen – University of Washington Tacoma**

*GENDER AND LAW: ABORTION IN THE UNITED STATES*

It explores the gender aspects of abortion, such as a woman's autonomy, and the idea that abortion laws and restrictions are gendered in the United States. Within the theme of "An Age of Uncertainty", both abortion and issues regarding abortion laws definitely fit.

**Alexandra Pinedo – Mt. San Antonio College**

*VENEZUELA'S DISPROPORTIONATE HYPERINFLATION*

Venezuela is in chaos due to hyperinflation and weak economic decisions. Although, many news outlets cover the tragic effects of Venezuela's crisis not many suggest solutions or that there is a solution. A close literary review shows that public newspapers could hold evidence of Venezuela's economic solution.

**Britany Renz – University of Washington**

*HOW MANDATING ETHICAL CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES WITH MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS WILL DECREASE DISPLACEMENT CAUSED BY GENTRIFICATION AND INCREASE OVERALL CORPORATE WELFARE*

A proposal to make Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) a legal requirement for corporations who are planning major construction developments. The proposal includes background on the theory of CSR, a detailed step-by-step plan of the requirements, the possible obstacles of achieving success, and the expected outcomes of the mandate.

**Rachel Selhost – Flathead Valley Community College**

*THE FICTIONAL PREDICTION OF CROP DIVERSITY*

Since the 1900's, global agricultural crop diversity has declined immensely. Moreover, Paolo Bacigalupi's fictional novel, *The Windup Girl*, predicts that the current decline will escalate to catastrophic outcomes. This presentation seeks to determine if crop diversity is capable of declining to the extent as portrayed in the novel.

**Aisha Taleb – Crafton Hills College**

**WHY NOW?**

Today's political climate has taken one of the most fascinating turn of events in the entirety of mankind, and its all thanks to women.

**Alisha Taylor – Metropolitan State University of Denver**

**TAKE A KNEE: STANDING UP FOR FREEDOM AND OPPRESSION**

August 26, 2016 San Francisco 49'ers Quarterback Colin Kapernick gains attention in national headlines to be the first NFL player to remain seated during the national anthem of the preseason football game. Like other professional athletes, Kapernick uses fame to show activism for oppression of police brutality again African Americans.

**Long Tran – University of Washington Tacoma**

**HOLLYWOOD WAR FILMS: A CULTURE OF VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

With discussions of Hollywood misrepresentations and under-representations becoming more prominent, research regarding racism and Islamophobia are more relevant than ever. A compelling approach to complement media studies is obtaining empirical evidence of the potential correlation between violence and hate crimes stemming from negative media portrayals of Muslims and Middle-Easterners.

**Connor Weddle, Madison Anderson – Colorado School of Mines**

**STUDENTS EMBRACE AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH TO NON-PROFIT WORK IN NEPAL**

Hike for Help, a NPO that leads community development projects in the Everest region of Nepal, implements a bottom-up approach, in which local people propose, organize, and implement projects to help their own community. This atypical approach offers unique benefits and significant challenges for student volunteers.

**Christa White – Idaho State University**

**THE AFFECTS OF THE ARAB SPRING ON FEMALE PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION**

We wish to know if the Arab Spring, a largely female-driven movement, did actually benefit female representation, determined by an increase or decrease in female representation post-revolution.

**Feddie Young – Central Washington University**

**STRUCTURING ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR**

This study uses semi structured interviews with 16 African American women between the ages of 18 and 24 to investigate the women's views of what factors influenced their decision to pursue a college degree.

**Garrett Anderson – Mt. San Antonio College***EXPLORING THE PROCESS OF THE STARS: NUCLEAR FUSION*

Scientists create different approaches to nuclear fusion technology, leading to advancements that produce energy surplus. There are currently four well known methods of nuclear fusion technology present: the I.T.E.R. project in France, Alcator C-Mod at M.I.T., N.I.F. at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and proton-boron fusion by Tri Alpha Energy.

**Pargol Arab – Crafton Hills College***ATTITUDES ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING: THE INFLUENCE OF PERSONALITY?*

The debate about changes in our climate, whether they are caused by human activity, and even whether or not they are occurring continues. A survey looked at how personality traits (agreeableness, openness, and conscientiousness), political orientation, and religiosity affect an individual's knowledge of and concern about climate change.

**Selam Ayale – University of Nevada, Las Vegas***FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE UTILIZATION AMONG ETHIOPIAN IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES*

The purpose of this study is to assess factors that facilitate or impede utilization of mental health services and examine the patterns of mental health service use in this under-researched immigrant group. The study will contribute to the limited knowledge about immigrant use of mental health services in the U.S.

**Kiley Ballew – University of Nevada, Las Vegas***THE ROLE OF EXTERNAL PRESSURE ON ATHLETIC INJURY ANXIETY AND TYPE OF ATTENTIONAL FOCUS*

Athletic injury is a problem that many athletes face. Athletes may experience negative emotions, fear, uncertainty, and other psychological problems during rehabilitation. The purpose of this study will be to examine how external pressure impacts psychological recovery in NCAA athletes, specifically looking at fear of re-injury, anxiety, and attentional focus.

**Megan Byars – Idaho State University***ATTITUDES AND STIGMA ASSOCIATED WITH PSYCHOTHERAPY AMONG LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS*

Law enforcement officers are repeatedly exposed to traumatic events, which puts them at greater risk for mental health issues. However, attached to their field is a strong cultural stigma against receiving psychological help. Receiving psychotherapy could be seen as a sign of weakness, that the officer is no longer fit for duty, and that repercussions from supervisors and peers could be possible.

**Sally Burke – University of California, Davis***EXPLORING COLLEGE STUDENTS' PERCEPTIONS OF A PHOSPHATE MODULE INCORPORATED INTO GENERAL CHEMISTRY CURRICULUM*

One common discussion among chemistry educators is the effort to make their chemistry courses more relevant to students. In this study, we explore one method of making general chemistry more applicable to the real world, by incorporating a socio-scientific problem into the curriculum.

### **Corey Case – Mount San Antonio College**

#### *EFFECTIVE SENTIMENT ANALYSIS*

Sentiment Analysis takes data and derives an opinion from that data using a variety of tools. The purpose of this analysis is to take words and thoughts from a movie review and compare it to the person's opinion who is writing the review to provide an accurate rating data cluster.

### **Savannah Cummins – Paradise Valley Community College**

#### *OCEAN WAVES: ENERGY IN MOTION*

As fossil fuel resources continue to be exploited beyond the rate of renewal, environmentally friendly energy sources are a growing necessity to keep our planet running. This poster explores the future of ocean wave energy by discussing the power potential of coastal waters and the methods to capture such energy.

### **Austin Dabbs – University of Alaska Fairbanks**

#### *BOREAL FOREST PERMAFROST SENSITIVITY TO SOIL MOISTURE AND SNOW DEPTH CHANGES*

In this project, we examined the sensitivity of permafrost temperatures to soil moisture and snow depth changes. We looked at five boreal forest ecotypes in Alaska and modeled their response to these variations. Using our results, we determined the variables that govern the resilience of the ecotypes to these changes.

### **Jennifer Frazee – University of Nevada, Las Vegas**

#### *THESE EMOTIONS ARE KILLING ME: LOW EMOTIONAL AWARENESS AND UNHEALTHY EATING HABITS*

People with low emotional awareness have trouble recognizing and processing their emotions. These emotion-processing deficits can lead to anxiety and depression, which can be exacerbated by the uncertainties of life. In an attempt to gain control, individuals may develop unhealthy eating habits. This can lead to development of eating disorders.

### **Ashley Gomez – Pima Community College**

#### *THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE SOUTH WEST*

The Colorado River is the lifeblood of the South West. Due to growing demand, consequences presently show agriculture strain and inevitable droughts.

### **Cassandra Green – University of Washington**

#### *THE HUMAN MIND & SOCIETY*

Dominant cultures create a type of pressure that can create standards, which then can affect the human mind and the society where these cultural pressures reside. It is a concept that works towards our unconscious mind because we were raised to adapt to it by our society.

### **Alan Hernandez, Jeffrey Jaureguy, Thomas Margolle – MiraCosta College**

#### *REAL WORLD APPLICATIONS OF MULTIVARIATE CALCULUS*

Exploration of the diverse applications of multivariable calculus in fields such as Computer Science, Physics, and Geoscience.

### **Miglena Ivanova – Montana State University Billings**

#### *HOW CERTAIN ARE YOU THAT YOU HAVE A GOOD MEMORY?*

Even though people are often certain that their memory of common items is good, multiple studies have shown its actual faultiness. The present study examines whether or not interest and overall memory had anything to do with how accurate people's memory of famous logos would be.



**Matthew Kennedy – Montana State University**

*BONE GREASE, CANNIBALISM AND POT POLISH: AN EXPERIMENTAL APPROACH*

Through experimental research and ethnographic literature review, the study of the peri-mortem osteological phenomenon “pot polish” is explored. Major findings include a likely overinterpretation of evidence for nutritional stress in the archaeological record, as well as a need for isolating causal variables and improved methodology in future (ongoing) research.

**Pooya Khosravi – University of California, Irvine**

*INDUCED VESTIBULAR DYSFUNCTION USING OCULUS RIFT VIRTUAL REALITY WIDE-ANGLE HEAD MOUNTED DISPLAY: A PROOF-OF-CONCEPT*

The vestibular system of the inner ear plays a key role in maintaining stable vision and posture by processing the information received from proprioceptive and visual sensory systems. We used Oculus Rift VR headset to monitor vestibular and other changes in individuals immersed in cyberspace to evaluate vestibular dysfunction.

**Morgan Kindel – Chapman University**

*THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EPISODIC MEMORY, RESTRAINED EATING, AND HOMEOSTATIC APPETITE REGULATION*

This research investigates the relationship between restrained eating and episodic memory, as well as between episodic memory and appetite regulation. It aims to further identify the potential cognitive or behavioral mechanisms that are present in restrained eaters, but absent in normal eaters.

**Rebecca Maehara – Chapman University**

*A PUBLIC HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND SOCIOECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF BUILDING HOUSING NEAR FREEWAYS IN LOS ANGELES*

Living near a freeway presents major health risks. Yet, Los Angeles continues to build housing nearby freeways. This report presents socioeconomic, public health, and environmental perspectives to demonstrate the necessity of simultaneously prioritizing the health of both the city and its people.

**Zandria Michaud – University of Washington, Tacoma**

*AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL SOCIAL RULES*

This project explores three aspects of U.S. agricultural social rules, monoculture farming, food waste, and genetically modified organisms. The research examines not only the particular laws and norms but also the rule’s history, environmental or health impact, and future in a concise publicly accessible manner.

**Priya Mistry – Chapman University**

*MODULATION OF OCULAR EPITHELIAL CELL MUCINS EXPRESSION BY PRO-INFLAMMATORY CYTOKINES*

Abstract Dry eye is a common manifestation of ocular graft versus host disease (GVHD). Studies have reported elevated levels of inflammatory cytokines in tears of GVHD patients. Mucins are glycosylated proteins crucial for ocular surface hydration. An increase in inflammatory cytokines can cause changes in the mucins gene expression impacting tear film. Thus, the purpose of this study is to test the effect of proinflammatory cytokines on mucin expression of human corneal and conjunctival epithelial cells.

**Kiana Mitchell – University of Alaska Fairbanks**

*LEACHING BEHAVIOR OF BOILER SLAG AND FLY ASH IN SUB-ARCTIC ENVIRONMENTAL MEDIA*

Abstract Coal continues to be the most common energy source around the world, therefore understanding the potential hazards of coal combustion byproducts (CCBs) in the environment is critical. We characterized two CCBs, boiler slag and fly ash, and simulated sub-Arctic leaching conditions to understand how the CCBs react in the environment.

**Irene Ngo – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona**

*IMPACT OF TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION ON ARABIAN FOAL DEVELOPMENT*

This study is looking at the impact of the weather changes in California during the dry year of 2012 to the warmer, wetter year in 2017 and seeing the impact it has on Arabian foal development.

**Brenden Pelkie – Montana State University**

*INVESTIGATION INTO THE EFFECTS OF VARIED ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ON THE FORMATION OF MELT-FREEZE CRUSTS IN A SNOWPACK*

Snow melt-freeze crusts form when snow melts and refreezes, forming an interconnected crystal structure that has different characteristics than the rest of the snowpack. These crusts are created in a laboratory setting by varying air temperature or solar heat flux. Resulting crusts are characterized with CT scans and descriptive observations.

**Trey Porter – Paradise Valley Community College**

*HYDROGEN FUEL CELLS*

This is a poster board and model, with lights, of the inside of a hydrogen fuel cell. My poster and model show how hydrogen and oxygen combine to make an electric current within a fuel cell. As well, it shows how hydrogen is produced and stored in a fuel cell.

**Sandra Sandria – MiraCosta College**

*SCHIZOPHRENIC BREAKDOWN: THE CRITICAL ROLE OF KYNURENIC ACID IN COGNITIVE DYSFUNCTION*

Increased kynurenic acid in the brain, a result of defective interaction between the brain and immune system, contributes to the pathophysiology of schizophrenia.

**Bethany Sesti, Garrett Anderson – Mt. San Antonio College**

*UNLOCKING THE GLOW IN THE HEART OF THE OCEAN: MEDICAL ADVANCEMENTS USING BIOLUMINESCENCE IMAGING*

The development of bioluminescent imaging to advance health care in performing highly accurate diagnostic imaging procedures. The extraction and manipulation of bioluminescent proteins and light emitting chemical compounds, enhances the detection of cancerous tumors and enables scientists to examine the viability of stem cells and drug treatment.

**Jocelyn Shih – Mt. San Antonio College**

*ELECTROMAGNETIC [H]<sup>1</sup>YPERSENSITIVITY: IS IT [RE]<sup>75</sup>AL?*

Although Electromagnetic Hypersensitivity (EHS) symptoms and their severity make EHS seem like a real disease, it actually shares characteristics of being both science and pseudoscience.

**Viral Shukla – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona**

*MAILLARD CONJUGATES OF SODIUM CASEINATE, DEXTRAN AND RESVERATROL FOR THE STABILIZATION OF MULTILAYERED NANOEMULSIONS.*

The objective of this work was to determine the best combination of sodium caseinate (protein) and dextran (polysaccharide) to create Maillard conjugates (MC) for the use of stabilization of lutein and resveratrol nanoemulsions.

**Viral Shukla – California State Polytechnic University, Pomona**

*DISCRIMINATION, DESCRIPTIVE, AND HEDONIC SENSORY EVALUATIONS OF GLUTEN-FREE AND GLUTINOUS BREAD PRODUCTS*

The objective of this work is to conduct a comprehensive sensory analysis of two gluten-free and one glutinous bread products, in order to determine their sensory profiles and the liking and preference among them.

**Marisa Thornburg – California State University, Fullerton**

*COMMUNICATION IN A GENETIC COUNSELING SESSION: WORKING WITH ADOLESCENTS*

A literature review of genetic counseling and healthcare techniques employed when communicating with adolescents, following the principles set by the World Health Organization. The level of communication depends on the age of the child, their rights as a patient and how genetic testing will affect their developing lives.

**Benjamin Trudgeon – Montana State University**

*CLASSIFICATION AND APPLICATION OF BIOSURFACTANTS PRODUCED BY POLAR MICROBES*

Over the past five months, an extensive preliminary screening has been performed on over 30 polar microbes for their biosurfactant-producing abilities. Out of this group, four organisms showed substantial biosurfactant-producing abilities. Moving forward, the biosurfactants produced by these organisms will be classified and tested further for their remediation capabilities.

**Adriana Vanegas – Irvine Valley College**

*DRONES VS. CARGO TRUCKS: WHICH DELIVERY TRANSPORTATION METHOD IS MOST ECO-FRIENDLY?*

By utilizing several models to compare carbon dioxide emissions and vehicle-miles traveled from both cargo trucks and drones, it was evident that a hybrid freight transportation system that incorporates both cargo trucks and drones is not only the most energy efficient, it is also the most eco-friendly method to distribute packages.

**Jeanette Webster – Central Washington University**

*A CONCUSSIVE PARADIGM SHIFT FOR CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY VARSITY STUDENT ATHLETES*

I plan to investigate the impact concussions have had on varsity athletes' personal and academic lives. I am interested in taking the information from a survey of these athletes and using it to further add to the existing paradigm shift in concussion management in academia through inclusive teaching styles.

## **AWARDS AND CLOSING CEREMONY**

**1:00 – 2:00PM**

**ARGYROS FORUM 206**

*Join us as we wrap up the 2018 Conference. We will announce poster winners and the future logo for the WRHC!*

# ATTENDING INSTITUTIONS

Brigham Young University	Mount Saint Mary's University
California Polytechnic University, Pomona	Mount San Antonio College
California State University, Bakersfield	Paradise Valley Community College
California State University, Fullerton	Pima Community College
Casper College	Rio Salado College
Central Arizona College	Scottsdale Community College
Central Washington University	Southern Oregon University
Chapman University	Southern Utah University
College of the Canyons	The University of New Mexico
Colorado School of Mines	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Crafton Hills College	University of California, Davis
Dixie State University	University of California, Irvine
Flathead Valley Community College	University of Colorado-Boulder
GateWay Community College	University of Idaho
Idaho State University	University of Nevada Las Vegas
Irvine Valley College	University of Nevada, Reno
Mesa Community College	University of New Mexico
Metropolitan State University of Denver	University of Utah
MiraCosta College	University of Washington, Tacoma
Montana State University Billings	Washington State University
Montana State University Bozeman	Weber State University

# UPCOMING CONFERENCES

**2019**

Montana State University

March 29 – April 1



**2020**

Southern Utah University

April 10 – 12



**2021**

Washington State University

April



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# WRHC CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

## **ARTICLE 1: Name**

This organization shall be known as the Western Regional Honors Council (WRHC).

## **ARTICLE 2: Objective**

The objective of this Council shall be promotion and advancement of honors and similar programs in accredited colleges and universities located in the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

## **ARTICLE 3: Membership**

Membership in the Council shall be institutional membership only. Honors Colleges, Honors Programs, or similar academic units of accredited institutions or governing bodies of higher learning within the 13-state WRHC region listed in Article 2 are eligible to apply for membership, subject to affirmative President's Council vote. Each institutional member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote on WRHC agenda items at business meetings or when votes are called for other purposes.

## **ARTICLE 4: Voting Body**

One representative of each institutional member in good standing shall be entitled to vote in all transactions of the Council.

## **ARTICLE 5: Officers**

Officers of the Council: Definitions and Duties

The officers of the Council shall be a President, a Vice President, and an Executive Secretary/Treasurer.

The President, or in his/her absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the organization, shall appoint committees, shall maintain communication with members of the Council, shall offer advice to the WRHC conference coordinator, and shall perform other duties as pertain to the office of the President.

The Vice President is defined to be the conference coordinator of the current annual WRHC conference.

The Vice President shall assume the responsibilities of choosing a date and location for the conference in a timely fashion, disseminating the "Call for Papers," selecting the papers and presentations for inclusion in the conference, and performing all other duties applicable to this position.

The Executive Secretary/Treasurer (EST) is defined to be the person in charge of keeping minutes of the meetings of the Council and performing such other duties incidental to the conduct of his/her office as may be required of her/him. In particular, s/he shall collect and manage all fees and dues owing to the organization and shall be the custodian of the Council's funds. S/he shall make an annual report to the organization as secretary and submit annually a complete and verified statement of the financial condition of the organization. S/he shall also serve as liaison with the headquarters of the National Collegiate Honors Council. The EST shall be responsible for regularly updating the WRHC website.

### *Selection Process for Officers of the Council; Terms of Office*

The Vice President assumes the position of President at the business meeting of the annual WRHC conference. The President shall hold office for one year or until his/her successor is installed.

The conference coordinator of the following annual WRHC conference shall assume the position of Vice President at the business meeting of the current annual WRHC meeting. He/she shall hold this title until the business meeting of the following annual WRHC conference, at which point he/she assumes the role of President. In the event of the President's death or incapacity during his/her term in office, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the President sooner than the business meeting of the following annual WRHC conference.

The Executive Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected at an annual meeting for a three-year renewable term. The headquarters of the WRHC shall reside at the home institution of the Executive Secretary/Treasurer.

Ordinarily, new officers shall be installed at an annual business meeting. If it is not possible to elect a new Executive Secretary/Treasurer at an annual business meeting and/or to have the Vice President assume the role of President, then such an election and/or installation shall take place in a vote by mail.

The President shall hold office for one year or until his/her successor is installed. The President, or in her/his absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the organization, shall appoint committees, and shall perform such duties as pertain to the office of President.



The chair of the following annual WRHC conference will assume the position of vice-president and succeed automatically to the office of the president and shall hold office for one year or upon the death or incapacity of the President, whichever occurs first.

The Executive Secretary/Treasurer shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Council and perform such other duties incidental to the conduct of his/her office as may be required of her/him.

S/he shall collect and manage all fees and dues owing to the organization and shall be the custodian of the Council's funds. S/he shall make an annual report to the organization as secretary and submit annually a complete and verified statement of the financial condition of the organization.

S/he shall serve as liaison with the headquarters of the National Collegiate Honors Council.

Ordinarily, new officers shall be installed at an annual meeting.

#### **ARTICLE 6: Meetings**

The Council shall hold two annual meetings: one in conjunction with the annual meeting of the National Collegiate Honors Council and one in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Western Regional Honors Council at a time and place to be determined by the membership at an annual meeting.

#### **ARTICLE 7: Mail vote**

Between meetings, any question or item of business shall be submitted by the Executive Secretary/Treasurer to a vote of the Council membership by mail.

#### **ARTICLE 8: Amendments**

Any proposal to alter or amend this constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Secretary/Treasurer for suitable wording which clearly expresses the intent of the proposal and which is consistent with the other sections of the Constitution. The Executive Secretary/Treasurer shall distribute a copy of the proposed alteration or amendment to each institutional member prior to the annual meeting. Such alterations and amendments shall, upon receiving at a regular annual meeting a two-thirds majority of those institutional members in good standing present and voting, become a part of the Constitution.

### **ARTICLE 1: Dues and voting rights**

*Section 1.* The annual dues for institutional membership shall be seventy-five (75) dollars.

*Section 2.* Only those institutional members whose dues are paid by the time of the annual conference are entitled to a vote in the Business meeting of the Council.

*Section 3.* Any member in arrears for one year shall be dropped from the rolls.

### **ARTICLE 2: Annual Conference**

*Section 1.* The conference coordinator (Vice President) will plan the budget such that the conference will not end in deficit.

*Section 2.* Fees for the spring annual conference will be approved by majority vote at the fall meeting.

*Section 3.* Conference surplus revenues shall be transferred to the WRHC account as soon as all revenues have been collected and the bookkeeping for the conference completed. The WRHC will consider helping host institutions with conference costs by giving them a certain sum of money, to be both negotiated between the WRHC council and the Vice President and designed to keep conference fees as low as possible.

*Section 4.* Refunds for members unable to attend the conference for a valid reason, will be considered by the officers after the conclusion of the conference depending on funds available less 1%.

*Section 5.* The host institution will reimburse itself for conference costs incurred including administration, copy and publication costs, and travel.

*Section 6.* Student conference fees will be lower than faculty and administrators fees.

*Section 7.* The conference chair will submit a written financial report, including a final conference budget, to the executive secretary/treasurer and next conference organizers no later than two months after the conference.

*Section 8.* WRHC will provide seed money upon request for the initial costs associated with planning a WRHC conference. Such seed money will be recouped from conference fees and returned to WRHC after the conference.

*Section 9.* The host institution of the WRHC conference will pay for the Scribendi reception at the WRHC conference through conference funds. In addition, the Scribendi winners attending the WRHC conference will have their conference registration fees waived by the host institution, which will pay for these fees through conference funding. Those persons who have been published in Scribendi will be encouraged to attend the conference but will not have their conference fees or other expenses waived.

*Section 10.* The conference host institution may invite up to four student interns to assist at the current conference from the institution hosting the following WRHC conference. Registration fees for these student interns shall be waived. A stipend from WRHC funds shall be paid to student interns for documented travel and lodging expenses at an amount to be determined yearly by the WRHC Executive Board.

### **ARTICLE 3: Scribendi, WRHC forum**

*Section 1.* The WRHC will support Scribendi financially annually for publication which is done by students in the Honors Program at the University of New Mexico.

*Section 2.* The WRHC will provide awards to students who win the competitions in each category.

*Section 3.* The WRHC will provide judges for the Scribendi contests.

### **ARTICLE 4: Special initiatives**

*Section 1.* The WRHC will provide stipends for WRHC students participating in an NCHC Honors Semester.

*Section 2.* The WRHC will provide travel awards for regional students who are elected to an NCHC position.

### **ARTICLE 5: President's Council**

*Section 1.* The WRHC President's Council will consist of no more than 5 WRHC members. The members will include the current WRHC President, the current WRHC Vice President, the former WRHC President, the current WRHC Executive Secretary/Treasurer, and one member to be appointed at large.

*Section 2.* The President's Council will be formed after a discussion between the current WRHC President and the most recent former WRHC president. Potential President's Council members will then be contacted and invited to be part of this council.

*Section 3.* The duties of the President's Council will be to help find a suitable location for the next WRHC conference, to discuss suitable locations with potential hosts, to provide advice to WRHC Vice President (conference coordinator) about the logistics and costs of the conference, to meet at the annual WRHC and NCHC conferences, and to discuss and help resolve unfinished WRHC issues that have been or will be raised at the bi-annual WRHC business meetings.

*Section 4.* If a serving member of the President's Council resigns or becomes ineligible to serve according to the WRHC Constitution and By-Laws, or if an officer does not attend two consecutive business meetings, the President's Council may name a new officer to serve the remainder of that member's term, subject to WRHC member ratification via a vote taken at a regular business meeting or via e-mail.

*Section 5.* Each President's Council position named in the WRHC Constitution and By-Laws shall be filled by a representative from a different WRHC member institution.

Multiple representatives affiliated with one member institution may not serve officer terms of any length on the President's Council simultaneously.

### **ARTICLE 6: Amendments**

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# OLD TOWNE ORANGE

*Repeatedly voted Orange County's favorite downtown, the streets of Old Towne Orange are lined with antique and collectibles dealers, specialty shops, art galleries, and restaurants. With its central Plaza Park, it has been the gathering place for Orange residents and visitors for more than a century. Old Towne Orange contains the largest Nationally Registered Historic District in California and its distinct look makes it a popular location for film and television production. Old Towne is also home to Chapman University, Orange City Hall, and the Orange Public Library and History Center, and is easily accessible from the Orange Metrolink Station or the 22, 57, 55, and 5 Freeways.*

Old Towne Orange offers plenty of options for food and entertainment. We encourage you to explore the historic district.

## **Here is a list of shops offering a discount to conference attendees:**

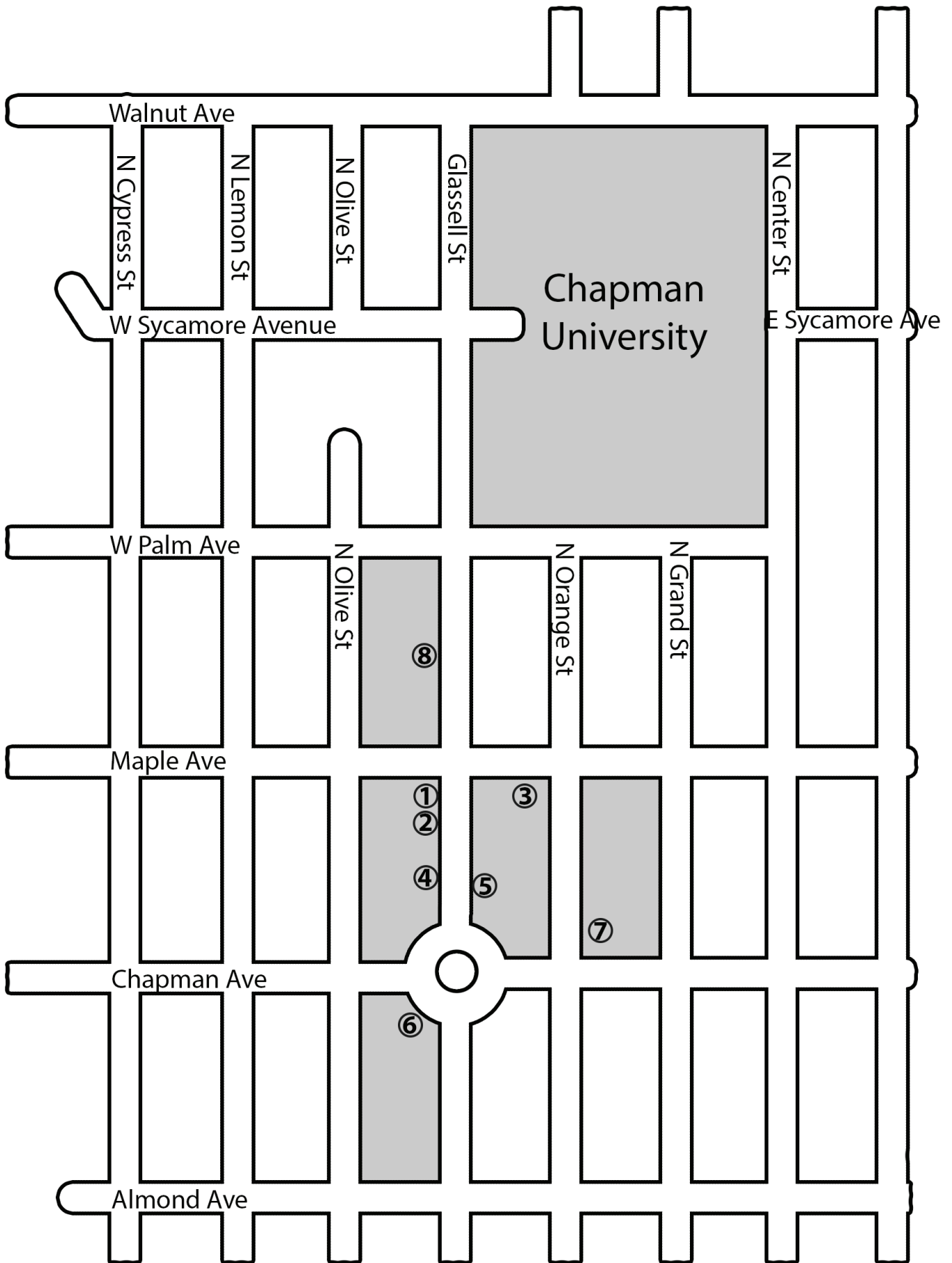
1. Big Red Comics – 10% off purchase
2. Coco Rose – 15% off purchase
3. Aussie Bean – 10% off purchase
4. Jalapenos – 15% off meal
5. SunnyDays – 10% off purchase
6. Felix Continental Cafe – 10% off meal
7. 1888 Center – 15% off purchase
8. The Dragonfly Shops & Gardens – create a free necklace

COCO ROSE

SUNNY DAYS



Felix Continental Cafe



# CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY DINING OPTIONS

## **Einstein Bros Bagels**

*Argyros Forum*

Friday: 7:00AM – 2:00PM  
Saturday: 8:00AM – 1:00PM  
Sunday: 8:00AM – 1:00PM

## **Qdoba**

*Argyros Forum*

Friday: 10:30AM – 10:00PM  
Saturday: 12:00 – 10:00PM  
Sunday: 12:00 – 8:00PM

## **Jamba Juice**

*Argyros Forum*

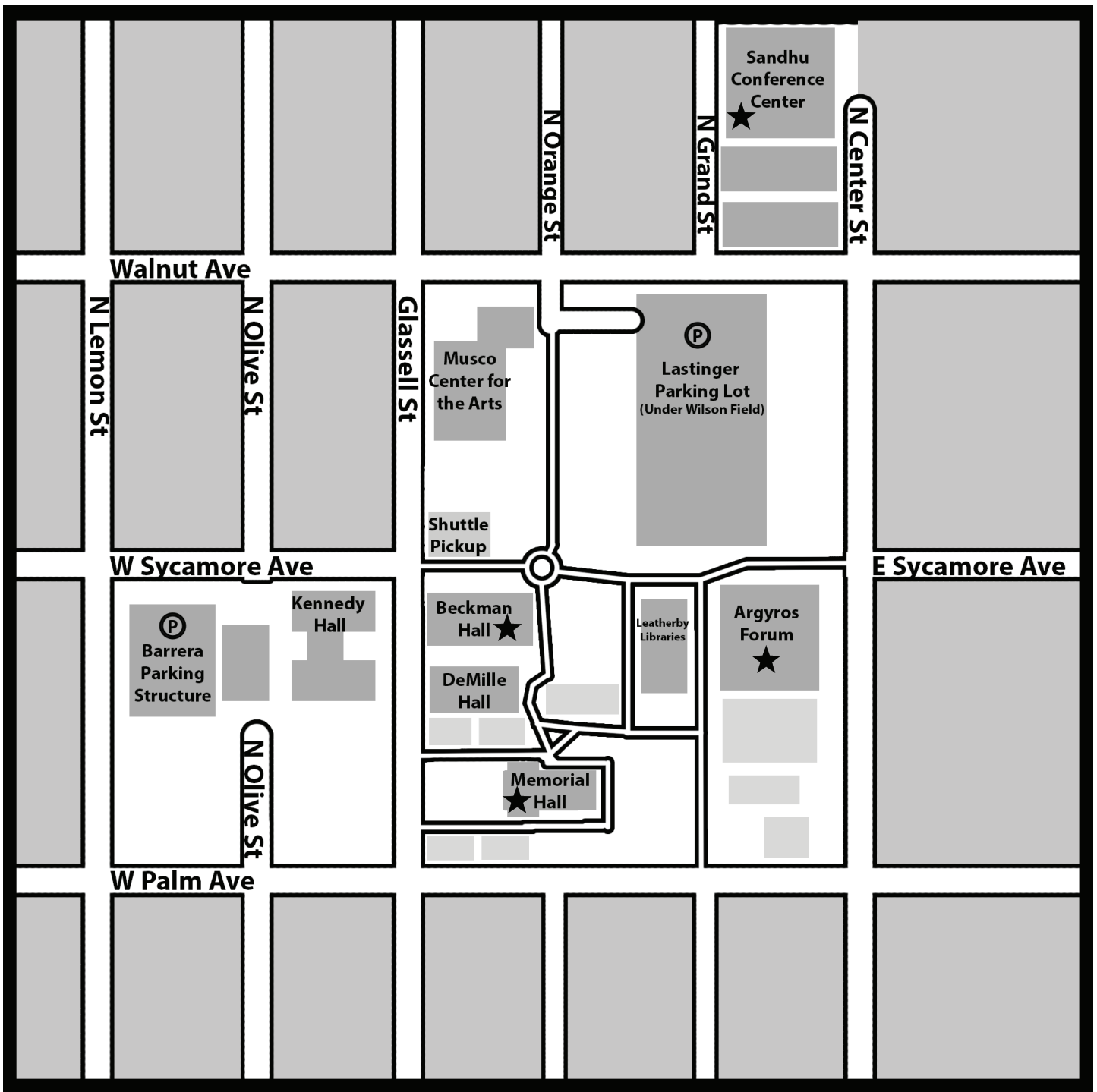
Friday: 8:30AM – 9:00PM  
Saturday: 2:00 – 6:00PM  
Sunday: 2:00 – 6:00PM

## **Starbucks Coffee**

*Beckman Hall*

Friday: 7:00AM – 8:30PM  
Saturday: 8:00AM – 1:30PM  
Sunday: 8:00AM – 1:30PM

# CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY MAP



Conference event locations are marked with a star ★.

Parking, denoted by a P in a circle, is available in Barrera Structure (located behind the Dale E. Fowler School of Law) and in Lastinger Lot (located underneath Wilson Field).

For taxi service, you can call Yellow Cab at 714-444-4444. For wheelchair accessible vans, the company recommends calling a day in advance to reserve a vehicle.

