The work of our faculty

2011-2012
At California Lutheran University, our faculty are focused on discovery. They lay claim to their profession not as dispensers of cold facts, but as researchers and innovators who bring their subjects to life. They strive for what is next, for the knowledge around the corner and a greater understanding.

This is why our students are such active participants in their own education. They see their professors as both leaders and fellow learners who guide them into chosen fields where passion fuels their pursuits.

We admire our faculty for their boldness, for daring to illuminate that which has not been preordained as conventional, for pushing the boundaries of knowledge. They teach at the leading edge, showing students a tomorrow whose understanding of the world—and ourselves—is greater than today.

It is with great pride that we honor their achievements and recognize their commitment to ever-expanding scholarship.

This edition of At the Leading Edge highlights the work of California Lutheran University faculty from June 2011 through May 2012. It includes conference presentations, journal articles, books, grants, exhibitions and performances, awards, and appointments.

Some believe that there must be a tradeoff between the role of researcher and that of educator. But for our faculty, there is no separation—just two facets of a single dedication. This is why our faculty members have co-presented with students at a number of professional conferences. Some examples:

- Assistant Professor of Chemistry John Tannaci and seven undergraduate students at the 243rd American Chemical Society National Meeting in San Diego
- Associate Professor of Psychology Marylie Gerson and six undergraduate students at the Western Psychological Association Convention in San Francisco
- Professor of Exercise Science Steven Hawkins, Associate Professor of Exercise Science Michele LeBlanc, and two undergraduate students at the Southwest Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine Conference in Reno

In addition to locations throughout the United States, Cal Lutheran’s faculty also made professional presentations internationally in Belgium, Canada, China, the Czech Republic, England, France, Greece, Ireland, Jamaica, Mexico, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, and Turkey.

Further supporting their ongoing research and work, our faculty received more than $4.89 million in grants and contracts. Grants were awarded from a variety of funders, including the U.S. Department of Education, Amgen, the Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation, and the City of Thousand Oaks.

A true hallmark of Cal Lutheran is our faculty’s commitment to inspiring students through one-on-one education, but—as this publication clearly shows—it is not at the expense of continued and expanding work in their fields. In fact, our faculty’s scholarship informs their teaching, making them also leaders in the classroom. So please join me in honoring their achievements as both innovators and educators.

Leanne Neilson
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
2012 President’s Award for Teaching Excellence

Marylie Gerson
B.A., College of William and Mary
M.A., Ph.D., Princeton University

Marylie Gerson, associate professor of psychology, was selected last spring as the recipient of the 2012 President’s Award for Teaching Excellence. This award was created in 1995 to recognize professors who are held in high esteem by their peers, the students, and the rest of the university community.

Gerson joined the faculty in 2001, and her extensive knowledge has enabled her to teach a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses, including research methods and clinical, developmental, and social psychology. A practicing clinical psychologist whose love of mentoring brought her to Cal Lutheran, she strives to excite and guide students in the many aspects of psychological inquiry, and is consistently a favorite among students. In addition to teaching, she also serves as the Coordinator for the Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship.

Recently, she and an undergraduate student co-authored an article, “PATH: A Program to Build Resilience and Thriving in Undergraduates,” which was accepted for publication in the Journal of Applied Social Psychology. She and her research team of six students also presented a research poster on “Stressor Characteristics and Explanatory Styles That Promote Resilience” at the Western Psychological Association Convention in San Francisco last spring.

She has presented and published extensively in the field, and her current research looks at identity development, openness to diversity, resilience, and the ability to thrive in the face of stressors.

Gerson graduated magna cum laude from the College of William and Mary with a bachelor’s degree in psychology. She earned a master’s degree in psychology and a doctorate in social psychology from Princeton University.

“Blending teaching with scholarship through mentoring deepens students’ critical thinking, allows students to ‘try on’ the profession, prepares students for their future work if the fit is good, and adds life to classroom examples and discussions.”

2012 Professor of the Year

Jean Kelso Sandlin
B.A., M.P.A., Ed.D., California Lutheran University

Communication assistant professor Jean Kelso Sandlin was selected by the undergraduate seniors as 2012 Professor of the Year. Prior to joining the Cal Lutheran faculty in 2007, she served as creative director for a full service advertising, marketing, design, and public relations firm in the Pacific Northwest for seven years. She has directed campaigns for nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, government development initiatives, environmental management companies, healthcare clinics and hospitals, and green retailers.

In addition to her agency experience, Sandlin has served on the staffs of nonprofit organizations, including United Way and the Oregon Children’s Foundation. She has also served as a writer for the Times Picayune, the largest daily newspaper in New Orleans.

Sandlin, who teaches courses in public relations and advertising, is dedicated to helping students acquire the skills and connections they need to work in the communication field. She is a member of Cal Lutheran’s Sustainability Task Force, and her students have tackled environmental issues in several class projects. She was named to the Pacific Coast Business Times list of Who’s Who in Clean Tech and Sustainability in 2010 and 2011.

2012 Cultural Diversity Professor of the Year

Colleen Windham-Hughes
B.A., Whittier College
M.Div., Claremont School of Theology
Ph.D., University of California, Santa Barbara

Assistant professor of religion Colleen Windham-Hughes was selected by the undergraduate seniors as 2012 Cultural Diversity Professor of the Year. Windham-Hughes, a deacon in the United Methodist Church, teaches courses in Christian thought, religion and modernity, and religion in culture. As director of the Theology and Christian Leadership Program, she helps students understand and appreciate different religions, cultures, and viewpoints. She works with students, congregations, and community organizations to develop internship experiences for students in the Theology and Christian Leadership Program.

Windham-Hughes, who joined the Cal Lutheran faculty in 2010, wrote her dissertation on “The Horizon of Birth,” which brings together philosophical inquiry into existence, theology, and political participation.
Gerhard Apfelthaler, Ph.D., Professor, School of Management

APPOINTMENTS
- Associate Editor, European Journal of International Management.
- Editorial Board Member, Emerging Business and Markets Review.
- Editorial Board Member, Journal of Case Research.
- Member, Membership Involvement Committee of the International Management Division of the Academy of Management.
- Member, Oman Accreditation Council (OAC) review panel as part of the 21st Quality Audit Report of Sultan Qaboos University.

PRESENTATIONS
- “Competency Development in Business Graduates: An Industry-Driven Approach” for Examining the Alignment of Undergraduate Business Education within Industry Requirements presentation with A. Azebedo and D. Hurst at the Administrative Sciences Association of Canada Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, July 2011.
- “Comics, Cartoons and Graphic Novels in Management Education” and “Emerging Markets: Economic Imperatives and Societal Needs” presentations at the Academy of Management Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, August 2011.

PUBLICATIONS

Chad Barber, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Biology

PRESENTATIONS
- “Fetal and Adult Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells Exhibit Distinct Lymphoid Developmental Potential” presentation at the Stem Cell Research and Aging Conference held at the Buck Institute for Research on Aging, Novato, Calif., March 2012.

PUBLICATIONS
- “Reduced production of B-1 specified common lymphoid progenitors results in diminished potential of adult marrow to generate B-1 cells” with E. Monteiro-Rodriguez and K. Dorr Randall, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 2011.
- “Developmental relationships between B-1 and B-2 progenitors” with E. Monteiro-Rodriguez and K. Dorr Randall, Cell Cycle, 10 (12) 2011.

Jamie Bedics, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate Psychology

APPOINTMENTS
- Assistant Clinical Professor, UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry & Bio-behavioral Sciences.

PRESENTATIONS

Robert Beilin, Ph.D., Senior Lecturer, Graduate Psychology

AWARDS
- Awarded the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT) Approved Supervisor designation, which is given to those professionals who have the educational, experiential and supervisory training required for the competent supervision of trainees and licensed marriage and family therapists.

APPOINTMENTS
- President, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, Ventura District.
- Executive Committee Member, Collaborative Family Law Professionals of Ventura County.

My scholarship and creative work as a director and playwright helps to bring my students into close contact with the world of professional theatre. They can then make better informed choices about whether they wish to pursue their own theatrical ambitions.

~ Michael Arndt
Theatre Arts
My research takes place in the K-12 community, which keeps me closely connected to the real world of educating young children. By staying relevant, I can help teacher candidates make connections between theory and practice so that they are successful when they enter the profession.

– Michael Cosenza

Teacher Education

William Blieden, Ph.D., Professor, Geology

AWARDS

- Elected a Fellow of the Geological Society of America. As the Society describes it, “fellowship is an honor that is bestowed on the best of our profession once per year at the GSA Spring Council meeting.” The honor recognizes outstanding scholarship, teaching and other distinguished service to the profession.

Michael Brint, D. Phil., Professor, Political Science

PUBLICATIONS

- “Thinking Like 21st-century Learners: An Exploration of Blog Use in a Skills-based Counselor Education Course” presentation at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision National Conference, Nashville, Tenn., October 2011.

Lisa Buono, Ed.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS


Michael Cosenza, Ed.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS


Nathan Carlson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Mathematics

PRESENTATIONS

- “Homogeneity in Non-regular Spaces” presentation at the Prague Topological Symposium, Czech Republic, August 2011.
- “Cardinality Bounds and Homogeneity” presentation at the Spring Topology and Dynamics Conference, Mexico City, Mexico, March 2012.

PUBLICATIONS


Peter Carlson, Ph.D., Visiting Assistant Professor, Religion

AWARDS


PUBLICATIONS


Xiangu Chen, Ph.D., Professor, Philosophy

PRESENTATIONS


PUBLICATIONS


Barbara Collins, Ph.D., Professor, Biology

PUBLICATIONS

- “Pleistocene Continental Glaciers: A Single Ice Age Following a Genesis Flood or Multiple Ice Ages?” with L. Collins. Reports of the National Center for Science Education, September-October 2011.

Michael Cosenza, Ed.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS

- “Defining Teacher Leadership: Affirming the Teacher Leader Model Standards’” presentation and “Paving the Way for Partnerships with Public Schools in Southern California: Leadership Training Centers and Professional Development Schools” presentation with D. Erickson at the 100th Annual International Conference on Education, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 2012.
- “Holmes Model for Professional Development Schools” presentation at the first annual Southern California Professional Development School Consortium Conference at the University of La Verne, Calif., February 2012.

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To me, research and teaching are variations on the same theme: educating students.

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Harry Domicone, Ph.D., Professor, School of Management

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Higher Education in Taiwan and the USA: Similarities and Differences presentation at Chinese Culture University, Taipei, Taiwan, October 2011.
- The Value of an MBA: Rising, Falling, or Stuck in the Middle presentation at Assumption University, Bangkok, Thailand, February 2012.

Morris Eagle, Ph.D., Distinguished Educator in Residence, Graduate Psychology

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Editorial Board Member, Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association.
- Editorial Board Member, Psychoanalytic Psychology.
- Editorial Board Member, Psychologische Gesellschaft.

**PRESENTATIONS**
- "CLU IPV Intervention Program" presentation with M. Puopolo at the International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, Calif., September 2011.

Amber Engelson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, English

**PRESENTATIONS**
- "From Audience to Audiences: Negotiating Local-Global Englishes in Indonesia" presentation at the Conference on Writing across Borders, Penn State, State College, Penn., October 2011.

Deborah Erickson, Ed.D., Assistant Dean, Graduate School of Education

**PRESENTATIONS**

**PUBLICATIONS**

Rafaela Fiore Uizar, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Languages and Cultures

**PRESENTATIONS**
- "Una mirada postmoderna a la elfrásis literaria: Pintando confesiones en El común andaluz de Sylvia Molloy" ("A Postmodern Look to Literary Biphrases: Painting confessions in El común andaluz by Sylvia Molloy") presentation at the Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies at California State University, Los Angeles, October 2011.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Marylie Gerson, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Criminal Justice and Sociology

**PRESENTATIONS**

Marylin Barsen, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Psychology

**PRESENTATIONS**

Rafaela Fiore Uizar, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Languages and Cultures

**PRESENTATIONS**
- "The Geometry of Why Maps Look Strange" presentation at the Mathematics Ecetica seminar at California State University, San Bernardino, March 2012.

Kenneth Gardner, M.F.A., Professor, Theatre Arts

**AWARDS**
- Directed an Upward Bound acting class video that placed second in the 2011 TRIO Quest Awards national media contest, winning the Digimedia Silver Award. Students wrote and acted in the winning video. "A New Life," which deals with the subject of teen pregnancy.

Daniel Geeting, D.M.A., Professor, Music

**EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES**
- Featured clarinetist in the Faculty Artists Recital, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, Calif., September 2011.

Mary George, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice and Sociology

**PRESENTATIONS**

Gregory Freeland, Ph.D., Professor, Political Science

**AWARDS**
- Received a Certificate of Recognition from the California State Assembly for participation on a panel for the Oxnard College President’s Forum: African-American Town Hall Assembly at Oxnard College, Oxnard, Calif., November 2011.

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Board President, Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy (CCAUSE).

**PRESENTATIONS**

“Doing undergraduate research has expanded my knowledge of the process of research and has helped me to decide the direction I’ll take after graduation.” — Morgan Fippinger ’13
Rahuldeep Gill, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Religion

PRESENTATIONS
• “Locating Braj in Sikh Literature” presentation at the 50th Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, Wis., October 2011.
• “Sikh and Punjab Language and Literature: A Response to Christopher Shackle” presentation at the Sikh and Punjab Studies Conference at University of California, Santa Cruz, November 2011.
• “Identity and Religion: The Role of Ideological, Social and Spiritual Contexts” presentation at the Fourth Global Sikh Civil Rights Conference at the United Nations Church Center, New York, N.Y., April 2012.
• “Religion and Culture in the Sikh Tradition” presentation at the Making the Strange Familiar program at California State University, Fresno, April 2012.

Bruce Gillies, Psy.D., Assistant Professor, School of Management

PRESENTATIONS
• “Career Solutions in the 21st Century” presentation at the Maintenance Supervisors Association Conference, Santa Maria, Calif., October 2011.

Monica Grayalny, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Communication

PRESENTATIONS
• “Assessing the Voice of Conscience: Development of Remorse Experience and Expression Scales” presentation with P.M. Mongeau at the National Communication Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, La., November 2011.

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– Austin Garcia ’13
Michael Hart, M.A., Instructor, Music

EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES

• Featured tuba player in the Faculty Recital, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, Calif., January 2012.

Steven Hawkins, Ph.D., Professor, Exercise Science

PRESENTATIONS


Timothy Haagst, M.A., Professor, Multimedia

APPOINTMENTS

• Executive Director, Kingsmen Shakespeare Company.

PRESENTATIONS

• “Illustration with Adobe Photoshop” and “Illustration with Adobe Illustrator” presentations at the Association of Medical Illustrators National Conference, Baltimore, Md., July 2011.

PUBLICATIONS


• Illustrations for Beren and Novak’s Genecology. 15th Edition by J. Berek, M.D., Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2012.


EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES

• Received Honorable Mention in the “Wide Open Photography and Digital Art” juried art show at the Thousand Oaks Community Gallery in June, for a digital art piece titled “Elbe River at Dresden.”

• Received Honorable Mention in the 2012 Thousand Oaks Art Association’s Annual Open Juried Art show for a piece titled “Jelly Spin”

Larkin Higgins, M.F.A., Professor, Art

PUBLICATIONS

• A hybrid text-based triptych – the title appears not in words, but in the image of a square casting a shadow – in Elwen Elvem, a biannual journal of literature and art, through California College of the Arts, San Francisco, 2011.

• “This way → sunset strip. ’939’” a text piece in SUNSET.UNFO! (Unified Narrative Freedom Organization), an “instant” printed anthology made available as part of the “Road Concert on Sunset Boulevard;” a site-specific simultaneous performance of artworks along the entire length of Sunset Boulevard, September 2011.

• OF MATERIALS, IMPLEMENTS, a combination artist’s book and poetic rumination involving the square, cube and rectangle. Dixie Kolktvik, Zürich, Switzerland, February 2012.

• A text-art piece titled “What is it about the word mosaic?” was one of six poetic exploration curations as wall art for Avenue 50 Studio Gallery in Highland Park, Calif., as part of the “Night and the City: L.A. Noir” program of events, November 2011.

• “Tender…As If Tea” mixed media artwork, exhibited and auctioned as a donation for the 5th Annual Los Angeles Press Benefit Auction to raise funds for the press’s mission “to create conversations between readers, writers, and artists” at Human Resources performance space, Los Angeles, Calif., November 2011.

• A Dusé Kolktvik reading at the Red Rover Series at Outer Space Studio, Chicago, Ill., curated by L. Goldstein and J. Karmin, March 2012.

Hace Hoang, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Political Science

PRESENTATIONS

• “Environmental Activism Among Low-Income Youth in Los Angeles” presentation and “Promoting Environmental Justice in ‘Overland’” presentation with G. Matawala at the International Making Cities Livable Conference, Portland, Ore., May 2012.

Cynthia Jow, Ph.D., Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS

• “Cultural Proficiency” workshop at the 10th Annual International Conference on Education, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 2012.

“By conducting research in the field of psychology with my faculty mentor, I have had the opportunity to find out that psychology is something I truly am passionate about and want to pursue as my future career.”

– Aaron Waters ’14

My work enables me to remain a student, which helps me connect with my students. I think it brings authenticity to what I am trying to do in the classroom – how can I ask them to work hard and to be enthused about learning if I don’t model that myself? – Michele LeBlanc, Exercise Science

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For years, I taught with success but did not fully understand the basis for that success. As my pedagogical research progressed, a teaching and learning model emerged that advances my teaching and guides professional development for other classroom teachers. This discovery continues to strengthen my teaching as I work and learn with my students.

— Michael McCambridge
Teacher Education

Louise Kelly, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Exercise Science

APPOINTMENTS
• Editorial Board Member, Journal of Athletic Enhancement.

PRESENTATIONS
• “Validity of Actigraph Uniaxial and Triaxial Accelerometers for Assessment of Physical Activity in Adults” and “Group Randomized Trial of a Novel Physical Activity Program to Increase Physical Fitness and Motor Skills in Children” presentations at the American College of Sports Medicine Conference, San Francisco, Calif., May 2012.

Victoria Kelly, Ed.D., Lecturer, Graduate School of Education

APPOINTMENTS
• Member, Economic Alliance of Northern Santa Barbara County University Attraction Committee.

PRESENTATIONS
• Superintendents leadership as the catalyst for organizational learning: Implications for closing the achievement gap” with G.J. Petersen in B. Afford, G. Perreault, L. Zellner and J.W. Ballenger (Eds.), Blazing new trails: Preparing leaders to improve access and equity in today’s schools. The 2011 Yearbook of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration.

Eric Kinley, D.M.A, Senior Lecturer, Music

EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES
• Featured pianist in the Faculty Artists Recital, September 2011, and the Faculty Recital, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, Calif., January 2012.

Myungsook Klassen, Ph.D., Professor, Computer Science

APPOINTMENTS
• Chair, Consortium for Computing Sciences in Colleges (CCSC) – Southwestern Region.

PRESENTATIONS
• “Improving Technology Gender Gap in the United States: Can We Learn from Other Countries?” presentation at the 17th International Conference on Engineering Education, Belfast, Northern Ireland, August 2011.
• “Search Web Page Classification Using Form Structural Characteristics” presentation at the 29th International Conference on Computers and Their Applications in Industry and Engineering, Honolulu, Hawaii, November 2011.

Michele LeBlanc, Ph.D., Nena Amundson Professor of Biomechanics; Associate Professor, Exercise Science

PRESENTATIONS
• “Undergraduate Research at Liberal Arts Institutions” presentation at the Christian Scholars Conference at Pepperdine University, Malibu, Calif., June 2011.
• “Site-specific relationships between muscle and bone in younger and older women” presentation with T. White (B.S. ’12) and S. Hawkins and “Prevalence and association of sarcopenia and osteopenia” presentation with S. Van Gorder (B.S. ’12) and S. Hawkins at the Southwest Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Conference, Reno, Nev., October 2011.
• “The effect of fatigue on shoulder muscle strength ratios in collegiate water polo players” presentation with B.J. Sanders (B.S. ’11) and S. Hawkins at the International e-Conference on Kinesiology and Exercise Science, October 2011.

PUBLICATIONS
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Kirk Lesh, M.A., Instructor, School of Management

PRESENTATIONS
• “Conveying Your True Impact: Using Qualitative and Quantitative Evaluations to Tell Your Story to Key Stakeholders” presentation at the Housing California Annual Conference, Sacramento, Calif., April 2012.

Helen Ahn Lim, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Criminal Justice

PRESENTATIONS
• “Understanding the Terror of Hate Crimes and the Impact on University Campuses” and “So You’re Going on the Market: Tips for Interviewing for Your First Full-Time Faculty Position” presentation at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, Newport Beach, Calif., February 2012.

Lina Loberg, Ed.D., Director of Study Abroad and Senior Lecturer, Languages and Cultures

PRESENTATIONS
• “Exploring Factors that Lead to Participation in Study Abroad” and “Research in International Education: Methods, Models and Impacts” presentations at the Association of International Educators Bi-Regional Conference, Reno, Nev., November 2011.
• “Research in International Education: Methods, Models and Impacts” and “Key Factors that Lead to Student Participation in Study Abroad” presentations at the Association of International Educators National Conference, Houston, Texas, May 2012.

PUBLICATIONS
• “Study Abroad as a Collaborative Endeavor” with G. Rhodes, A. Biscara and K. Roller, About Campus, January-February 2012 edition.

Kenneth Long, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Biology

PRESENTATIONS
• “Development of Neuroscience Lab Exercises Utilizing the SpikerBox and Biopac Data Acquisition System” presentation with J. Crump (B.S. ’13) at the Faculty for Undergraduate Neuroscience poster session at the 81st Annual Society for Neuroscience Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2011.

Maureen Reilly Lurie, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS
• “The Saturday Academy Collaboration with California Lutheran University” presentation with W. Kelly at The Migrant Education Program Annual Symposium, Ventura, Calif., January 2012.

Shanmee Lucas, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice

PRESENTATIONS
• “A Portrait of Relationship Dysfunction: The Impact of Technology on Domestic Abuse” presentation with L. Tovar at the National Academy of Criminal Justice Science Conference, New York, N.Y., March 2012.

Valeria Makarova, Ph.D., Lecturer, School of Management

APPOINTMENTS
• Executive Committee Member, California Coast Venture Forum/ Clean Business Investment Summit (CCV/IBS).

PRESENTATIONS
• “Teaching Students to Address Sustainability Through Market-based Solutions” presentation at the 2011 California Higher Education Sustainability Conference at California State University, Long Beach, July 2011.

David Marcey, Ph.D., Fletcher Jones Professor of Developmental Biology

APPOINTMENTS
• Editorial Board Member, Project Merlot (Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching), 2012.
• Consultant, Milwaukee School of Engineering National Science Foundation Grant, “Students Understanding energy – SUN,” Akin Batra, principal investigator.
Jose Marichal, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Political Science

APPOINTMENTS
• Section Chair, Race, Ethnicity and Politics Section, 2012 Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Portland, Ore., March 2012.

PRESENTATIONS
• “Bringing the Blogosphere into the Classroom: Strategies for Incorporating External Discourses” presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nev., August 2011.

Charles Maxey, Ph.D., Dean, School of Management

APPOINTMENTS
• Board Member: the Ventura County Economic Development Association.

Michael McCambridge, Ed.D., Associate Professor, Graduate School of Education

AWARDS
• Received the Honor Service Award from the Simi Valley PTA/PTSA Council for bringing theatre arts classes to the students of Vista Fundamental Elementary School. This program, staffed by CLU undergraduate education students, concluded its third year of providing Vista students an opportunity to experience and develop skills in theatre arts.

Ryan Medders, M.S., Instructor, Communication

PRESENTATIONS

Marja Mogk, Ph.D., Associate Professor, English

PRESENTATIONS
• “Oliver’s Family: Invisible Disability in Little Miss Sunshine” presentation at the Far West Popular Culture/American Culture Conference, Las Vegas, Nev., February 2012.

Nancy Myers, M.A., Senior Lecturer, Graduate School of Education

AWARDS
• Received the “Best Paper Award” for an original research paper titled “Reframing Teacher Leadership: Academic Study Proposal” presented at the 2012 Orlando International Academic Conference, Orlando, Fla., January 2012.

APPOINTMENTS
• Director, California Reading and Literature Project (CRLP).

PRESENTATIONS
• “Shining a Light on Student Literacy Achievement” presentation at the California Reading and Literature Project Kick-off Meeting, Thousand Oaks, Calif., October 2011.
• “Content Area Language and Literacy” presentation at the Oxnard Union High School District Board Meeting, Oxnard, Calif., November 2011.

Adina Nack, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Sociology

APPOINTMENTS
• Board Member, Council on Contemporary Families.
• Nominations Committee Member, Sociologists for Women in Society.
• Reviewer, Journal of Contemporary Ethnography.
• Member, Human Sexuality Academic Advisory Board for McGraw-Hill.

PRESENTATIONS
• “Moralizing Medicine: Constructions of Deviance and Stigma as Threats to Individual and Public Health,” day-long seminar presentation to the clinicians, researchers and scholars at the University of California, San Francisco’s collaborative research group ANDRH (Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health), San Francisco, Calif., June 2011.
• “Negotiating Motherhood in the Academy” presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nev., August 2011.

“The summer research program has been extremely beneficial in giving me an idea of what it is like to be a graduate student. It has also taught me how to approach a research project.” – Vanessa Orr ’14
Edyta Valko-Peina, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Editorial Board Member, Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice (JSARP).
- Visiting Faculty Scholar at New York University (NYU).

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Faculty Institutional Agents at a California Community College” presentation with M. Carrasco-Munargay and “Building the Capacity of Community College Practitioners to Become Responsive to Students of Color” presentation with F.H. Harris and E.M. Bensimon at the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE) Annual Conference, Charlotte, N.C., November 2011.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Chang-Shyh Peng, Ph.D., Professor, Computer Science

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Program Committee, 11th IEEE/ACIS International Conference on Computer and Information Science.

George J. Petersen, Ph.D., Dean, Graduate School of Education

**PUBLICATIONS**
- “Superintendent leadership as the catalyst for organizational learning: Implications for closing the achievement gap” with V. Kelly in B. Afford, G. Perreault, L. Zeller, and J.W. Ballenger, eds., Blazing new tracks: Preparing leaders to improve access and equity in today’s schools. The 2011 Yearbook of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration.

Mindy Puopolo, Poy.D., Director of Graduate Programs in Psychology

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Member, Ventura County Behavioral Health Community Leadership Committee.

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “CLU IPV Intervention Program” presentation with M. Eagle at the International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, Calif., September 2011.

Eva Ramirez, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Languages and Cultures

**PRESENTATIONS**

Bryan Rasmussen, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, English

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Darwin and the Future of Memory” presentation at the Victorian Futures Conference, part of the 2011 Dickens Project’s annual Dickens Universe Scholarly Consortium at University of California, Santa Cruz, August 2011.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Craig Reinhardt, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Computer Science

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Chairman, Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Computer Society Buena Ventura section.
- Officer, Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society, Buena Ventura section.

L. Jeanne Ricci, M.A., Lecturer, Graduate School of Education

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mariana Robles-Dalavy, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

**PRESENTATIONS AND PERFORMANCES**
- Featured soloist, “The Passion of Jesus Christ Experienced Through the Art of the Vocals”; a Lenten sermon and song collaboration, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oakes, Calif., March 2012.

Diane Rodriguez-Kiino, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Awarded a National Community College Leadership Fellowship by the National Community College Hispanic Council. The fellowship includes attendance at a leadership institute and engagement in collaborative projects with other fellows throughout 2012-2013.

- Associate Editor, Journal for Applied Research in the Community College.

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Making Community College Transfer Pathways Project Add Up for Teacher Education Students” presentation at the Student Transfer Professional Pathways Project at California State University, Long Beach, February 2012.
- “Making Community College Transfer Pathways Add Up for Criminal Justice Students” presentation at the Student Transfer Professional Pathways Project at San Diego State University, April 2012.

Robert Rumer, M.S., Lecturer, Bioengineering and Physics

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Using 3D Printing in Undergraduate Courses” and “Active Learning Modules in Digital Electronics” presentations at the American Society for Engineering Education-Pacific South-West Section (ASEE-PSW) Conference, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, April 2012.

As a performing clarinetist who will be giving his twenty-ninth yearly recital this fall, I think it is important for students to have the opportunity to see the faculty perform. They also become aware of what goes into performance: repertoire selection, planning, rehearsal, and, most important, practice. This becomes part of the culture they inhabit and a model for what is necessary for success in the arts.

~ Daniel Geeting
My research into dance and the classical performing arts allows me to bring the importance of arts into education, including business education.

~ Carla Walter
Management and Marketing
Brian Stethem, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLICATIONS

Walter Stewart, Ph.D., Professor, Languages and Cultures

PRESENTATIONS
- “Philosophy of Education in the USA Today: Some Dilemmas and Directions” presentation at the California Association for the Philosophy of Education Annual Meeting at Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif., November 2011.

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Russell Stockard, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Communication

PRESENTATIONS

John Tannaci, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Chemistry

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Samuel Thomas, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Religion

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLICATIONS
- “Eternal Writing and Immortal Writers: On the Non-Death of the Scribe in Early Judaism” in A Teacher for All Generations: Essays in Honor of James C. VanderKam, Leiden: Brill, 2011. Thomas was one of the lead editors for this two-volume work of essays by scholars from around the world, published as a tribute to VanderKam, a prominent and prolific scholar of the Hebrew Bible, the Dead Sea Scrolls and early Judaism and Christianity.

Nathan Tenney, Ph.D., Professor, Philosophy

PRESENTATIONS
- “Philosophy of Education in the USA Today: Some Dilemmas and Directions” presentation at the California Association for the Philosophy of Education Annual Meeting at Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif., November 2011.

Cecilia Travick-Jackson, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS
- “Voices from the Field: A Longitudinal Study of Teacher Action Research” presentation with B. Anderson Smith at the Fall Conference of the California Council on Teacher Education, San Diego, Calif., October 2011.

PUBLICATIONS

Janice Tucker, Ed.D., Associate Professor, Graduate School of Education

PRESENTATIONS
- Advisory Board Member, California Reading and Literacy Project (CRLP).

Seth Wagerman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Psychology

PRESENTATIONS
- “Academic Entitlement: Scale Development and Validation” presentation to the Department of Psychology and Social Behavior, University of California, Irvine, October 2011.
- “Understanding Academic Entitlement” presentation to the Department of Psychology, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Colo., January 2012.
- “Addressing Entitlement in College Students” presentation to the Department of Psychology, University of California, Riverside, May 2012.

“I learned a lot about myself and gained more self confidence throughout the research process. I’ve formed scholarly relationships with my peers and professors, and feel more comfortable doing research with others.”

~ Jessica Reid ’14

Ideas have a life. When the life of ideas connects to the individual lives and experiences of students, I remember that ideas aren’t just abstractions. To remember that is to remember why I got into this business in the first place.

~ Bryan Rasmussen

English
**Carla Walter, Ph.D., Associate Professor, School of Management**

**AWARDS**
- Received the “Trump Best Paper Award in Marketing” for the paper titled “Dance in Advertising: It Just Feels Good” presented at the Academy of Business Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nev., November 2011.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**PUBLICATIONS**
- Black Social Dance in Television Advertising: An Analytical History

**Allison Wee, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, English**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Abbe Kiyomi Yoshikawa, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Sociology**

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Dominican Heroes and Haitian Others: How schoolbook biographies shape the political and cultural legacies of Joaquín Balaguer and José Francisco Rella Gómez” presentation at the Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies at California State University, Los Angeles, October 2011.

**William Watkins, Ph.D., Associate Professor, School of Management**

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Board Member, Ventura County Housing Authority.
- Director, Ventura County Business Bank.

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “North Santa Barbara County Forecast” presentation in Santa Maria, Calif., September 2011.
- “Ormond Annual Forecast” presentation in Ormond, Calif., October 2011.
- “The Oregon Economic Forecast” presentation in Bend, Ore., October 2011.
- “Camarillo Annual Forecast” presentation in Camarillo, Calif., November 2011.
- “Central Oregon Annual Forecast” presentation in Bend, Ore., January 2012.
- “Santa Clarita Economic Forecast” presentation hosted by the Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corporation and College of the Canyons, Santa Clarita, Calif., February 2012.

**“Students grow in intellectual maturity through faculty mentorship beyond the classroom. As a humanities student doing summer research, I valued the time to sit and think, read, and analyze thoroughly on my own schedule without the stress of the school year.”

~ Rebecca Cardone ’13

**Darylene Williams, M.S., Senior Lecturer, Graduate School of Education**

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Instructional Strategies for Teaching Literacy to Struggling Readers in Content Areas” presentation at the 31st Annual CARS+ California Special Education Convention, Riverside, Calif., February 2012.

**Colleen Windham-Hughes, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Religion**

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Relational and Procedural Literacies in the Study of Religion” presentation at the Ethics, Religion and Civil Discourse Conference at California State University, Fresno, October 2011.

**Jean Wines, Ph.D., Professor, English**

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Maximizing the Impact of Study Abroad” presentation at the Fifth World Universities Forum at the University of the Aegean, Rhodes, Greece, January 2012.
- “Vocabulary Building Across the Disciplines: An E-Reader Initiative” presentation with J. Blanch at the Educuse West/Southwest Regional Conference, Portland, Ore., February 2012.

**Paul Witman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Management**

**PRESENTATIONS**
- “Web-based Evangelism Tools” workshop presentation to two groups of churches in the Grand Canyon Synod of the ELCA in Arizona, May 2011.

**Akiko Yausuke, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Sociology**

**APPOINTMENTS**
- Sociology Divisional Editor, Journal of Integrated Social Sciences.

**PUBLICATIONS**

“~ Akiko Yausuke Sociology

I encourage my students to become agents of positive social change by helping them describe social reality from perspectives of people they study and develop empathy for them through ethnographic field work and in-depth interviews.”
**Center for Equality and Justice**

Hao Heang, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Political Science

- $750 grant from the Community Leaders Association to fund the Chinese New Year Festival.

Dobby Chang, B.S., Lecturer, Languages and Cultures

- $700 grant from the Community Leaders Association to fund the Chinese New Year Festival.

Serge Galvez, Director, Upward Bound Programs

- $3,050,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to continue and expand the TREC Traditional Upward Bound programs, which prepare low-income and potential first-generation college students to continue their education beyond high school. The five-year grant will enable the University to continue serving 86 students a year from Oxnard's public high schools, and add 60 students a year from high schools in Los Angeles County.

- $18,330 grant from the Ventura County Community Foundation's Destino: The Hispanic Legacy Fund for the new Puente Hacia El Exito (Bridge Toward Success) Program working in seven local high schools. The grant will reach 20 underrepresented students who currently participate in Upward Bound and Upward Bound Math/Science Programs at CLU.

- $1,500 grant from the Community Leaders Association to help students gain first-hand knowledge about different religions in the Southern California area.

- $1,800,000 grant for ANSIRH's (Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health) grant from the Community Leaders Association to take Project: TSC (Transforming Science Careers) students to the Chiricahua Mountains of Arizona to research the behavioral ecology and evolution in two species of lizards.

- $750 Donna Fargo Grant to fund “Footprints in the Valley,” an Academic Service Learning Project in California History.

- $825,000 grant from the Netherland American Foundation, New York, N.Y., for the project titled “Preparing Teachers for Today’s California Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing.” This five-year grant will provide significant tuition support for present and future Deaf and Hard of Hearing teacher candidates.

- $1,800 grant from the French American Cultural Exchange for The Tournées Festival – “Integrity, Compassion and Diversity” Part VI: French Films at CLU Fall 2011.

- $3,000 grant from the Community Leaders Association to fund the 2012 Tournées French Film Festival.

- $5,000 grant from the Community Leaders Association to support the 3-D printer and outreach to local robotics clubs.

- $8,500 grant from the Netherland American Foundation, New York, N.Y., for the project titled “Preparing Teachers for Today’s California Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing.”

- $5,000 grant from the Community Leaders Association for a professional development symposium titled “Culturally Proficient Inclusion: Embracing our LGBTQ and Gender Non-Conforming Communities.”

- $2,000 grant from the City of Westlake for the Kingsmen Shakespeare Company.
ABOUT
CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1959, California Lutheran University is an institution dedicated to pushing the edge of knowledge and providing rigorous education in a small class environment. Our 166 full-time faculty members come to Cal Lutheran from some of the finest universities in the world.

Located between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara, our main 225-acre Thousand Oaks campus is complemented by two satellite locations in nearby Woodland Hills and Oxnard. Together, they are home to our dynamic liberal arts and science programs, with more than 2,700 undergraduate and 1,400 graduate students.

Through our undergraduate programs, we offer 37 majors, 34 minors, and 7 pre-professional programs. Additionally, our accelerated Adult Degree Evening Program (ADEP) is designed to meet the needs of part-time returning adult students.

Our highly regarded graduate programs include post-graduate degrees in business, computer science, education, psychology, and public policy and administration, with doctorates in educational leadership, higher education leadership, and clinical psychology. We also offer post-graduate credentials and certifications.

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