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## 8:00 – 8:30 REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST (Student Union - Templo Mayor, Room 231)

## 8:30 – 9:00 WELCOMING REMARKS (Student Union - Templo Mayor, Room 231)

Ginger Shoulders, SSRIC Symposium Chair, SDSU

Dr. Edward Balsdon, Associate Dean of Graduate and Research Affairs and Professor of Economics, SDSU

Dr. Eniko Csomay, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Letters and Professor of Linguistics, SDSU

Dr. Stafford Cox, SSRIC Chair, CSU Long Beach

## 9:15 – 10:00 SESSION 1 (Panels 1A to 1E)

**Panel 1A: Mental Health (Student Union- Templo Mayor, Room 231)**

*Moderator: Dr. Gilbert Garcia, CSU Los Angeles*

Jose Lara-Ruiz and Kaitlyn Kauzor – Psychology, CSU Northridge

“MCI and mild Alzheimer’s disease patients’ cognitive and functional status as predictors of caregiver burden”

Danielle Roman – Sociology, CSU Los Angeles

“Why America Needs Mandated Mental Wellness Education in its Public School System”

Jacob Schreiber - Anthropology, CSU Long Beach

“Everyone Here is Sick: Constructing Identities of Illness Through Narrative in Assisted Living”
Panel 1B: Health and Pregnancy (Love Library, Room 430)
Moderator: Dr. Brian Gillespie, CSU Sonoma

Irisela Contreras Magana – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands
“Generational Differences Among Latina Fertility Rates in New and Established Destinations”

Panel 1C: Culture - Religion and Art (Love Library, Room 431)
Moderator: Elaine Rother, San Diego State University

Hala Alnajar – Sociology, CSU Bakersfield
“Oh a Scale of Faith: Muslim American Attitudes Towards Homosexuality”

Melissa Begey – Anthropology, CSU Long Beach
“The Fabric of Eco-Fashion: Discourses of Sustainability in an Undergraduate Textile Course”

Panel 1D: History and Politics (Love Library Addition, Room 76)
Moderator: Dr. Lori Weber, CSU Chico

Vanessa Magrigal – History, CSU Sacramento
“The Voice of the Farm Worker, The Voice of America”

Conor McGarry – History, CSU Dominguez Hills
“Indigenous Self-Government in Post-Conquest Central Mexico during the 16th Century”

Gabriel Quiroz Luarte – National Security Studies, CSU San Bernardino
“The Political Implications of the Dayton Peace Accords on the Partition of Bosnia and Herzegovina”

Andrea Wilson – Sociology, CSU Fresno
“Democratic vs. Authoritarian Narratives and Education for Peace or War”

Panel 1E: Education and Ethnicity (Love Library Addition, Room 78)
Moderator: Dr. Timothy Kubal, CSU Fresno

Alicia Garcia - Mexican American Studies, San José State University
“Addressing Latina/Latino Student Attrition Rates in Institutions of Higher Education: Listening to Those who Learn to Blame Themselves”

Maria Pimentel – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands

Gloria Solorzano – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands
“Educational Inequalities Among Latinos: A Spatial Analysis”
**10:15 – 11:00 SESSION 2 (Panels 2A to 2E)**

**Panel 2A: Environment: Policy and Resource Management (Student Union- Templo Mayor, Room 231)**
*Moderator: Dr. Ed Nelson, CSU Fresno*

Sargs Karavardanyan - Political Science, CSU Northridge  
“The American State Interactions in Climate Change Regulations”

Barbara Quimby – Geography, San Diego State University  
“Scalar Politics of Marine Resource Management in the Pacific”

John Shorack, - Social Sciences, San Diego State University  

Michele Zamora - Political Science, CSU Northridge  

**Panel 2B: Media and Technology (Love Library, Room 430)**
*Moderator: Elaine Rother, San Diego State University*

Trine Bay Larsen – Journalism, CSU Northridge  
“Asylum Seekers in Denmark and Their Information Uses”

Dara Seidl – Geography, San Diego State University  
“Privacy and False Identification Risk in Geomasking Techniques”

Jessie Smith, Cierra Barnes, Bianca Huicochea, Areli Reyes, and Devon Schutt – Psychology, CSU Monterey Bay  
“Technology Use During Dinnertime”

**Panel 2C: International Politics (Love Library, Room 431)**
*Moderator: Dr. Marcela García-Castañon, San Francisco State University*

Andrea Arango - Political Science, San Diego State University  

Breanna Bunnell - Political Science, CSU San Bernardino  
“ISIS Water Wars in Iraq: Battle for Control of Key Dams”

Jenilene Francisco - Political Science, CSU Northridge  
“Abu Sayyaf and Bangsamoro Identity”

**Panel 2D: Education (Love Library Addition, Room 76)**
*Moderator: Dr. Katy Pinto, CSU Dominguez Hills*

Ginger Hashimoto - Public Policy and Administration, CSU Sacramento  
“Analyzing Factors that Predict Alumni Giving at a Public University in California”

Ian Klinger – Sociology, CSU Dominguez Hills
“Exploring the effect of advisor satisfaction on time to degree (TTD) for graduate students at a predominantly undergraduate institution”

Rebecca Lor – Sociology, CSU Sacramento
“Percentage of College-Educated Parents affect 2013 California School API Scores”

Nancy Nguyen - Sociology and Social Work, San Diego State University
“A critical race theory discussion of the Educational Opportunity Program”

Panel 2E: Family and Relationships (Love Library Addition, Room 78)
Moderator: Dr. Brian Gillespie, CSU Sonoma

Erik Boyd – Sociology, CSU Dominguez Hills
“Bullying of LGBTQ Youth: A Macro/Micro Approach on the Role of the Family and Educational Institutions”

Hector Palmeno - Sociology, CSU Fresno
“Long-Distance and Online Relationships: Studying Stigma through Sex, Education, Relationships and Age”

Nataly Velasquez – Sociology, CSU Sacramento
“The Differences Among Single Parents Attaining a Post-secondary Education”

11:15 – 12:00 SESSION 3 (Panels 3A to 3E)

Panel 3A: U.S. Politics (Student Union- Templo Mayor, Room 231)
Moderator: Dr. John Korey, Cal Poly Pomona

Jaydeep Bhatia - Political Science, CSU Chico
“The Liberal Advantage: Examining the effect of political ideology on human development in the U.S”

Roger Cortes-Chacon and Sasan Samadzadeh - Political Science, CSU Channel Islands
“Show Us the Money: The Hoyer-Murtha Race for Democratic Leader in the House of Representatives”

Lindsay Sanchez - Political Science, CSU Channel Islands
“Clash of the Titans: Race for the Majority Leader 2006”

Panel 3B: College Life (Love Library, Room 430)
Moderator: Dr. Timothy Kubal, CSU Fresno

Jeremy Juybari – Economics, San Diego State University
“Do Student Loans Affect College Major Choice?”

Crystal Moody – Sociology, CSU Los Angeles
“Sleep and GPA Among College Students”

Jessica Rayo – Psychology, CSU Long Beach
“The Influence of Gender, Depression, Anxiety, and Cortisol Technology on Abnormal Stress Levels among College Students”
Panel 3C: Language and Culture (Love Library, Room 431)  
*Moderator: Dr. Aya Ida, CSU Sacramento*

Chelsea Hunter – Anthropology, San Diego State University  
“Willfulness and Conservation: Authority and Resistance in Marine Protected Areas in Moorea, French Polynesia”

Mark Strother – Anthropology, San Diego State University  
“An evaluation of ecological knowledge variation among small-scale fishers on Moorea, French Polynesia”

Nicholas Sinetos – Linguistics, CSU Long Beach  
“Intelligibility of Italian to L2 French Speakers”

Panel 3D: Gender (Love Library Addition, Room 76)  
*Moderator: Dr. Lori Weber, CSU Chico*

Christian Alvarado - History, San Diego State University  
“Manufacturing a Gendered Nigeria: The Social Sciences at the University of Ibadan”

Emma Mackey - Latin American Studies, San Diego State University  
“With a Woman’s Face”

Gladys Valdovinos Cancino – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands  
“The Hidden Generation: Gender Differences in Social and Economic Outcomes of the 1.5 Generation in California”

Panel 3E: Nutrition and Health (Love Library Addition, Room 78)  
*Moderator: Dr. Matt Jarvis, CSU Fullerton*

Ashley Araiza – Psychology, CSU San Bernardino  
“Weight Stigma’s Impact on Cognitive Ability and Food Selection in Overweight Individuals”

Elba Scherer – Sociology, CSU Fresno  
“Understanding Obesity Discrimination”

**12:15 – 1:15 LUNCH AND KEYNOTE ADDRESS (Student Union - Templo Mayor, Room 231)**

“A 'Taste' of Data Visualization: Why and How to Reduce Chart Clutter”  
with  
**Cathy Cirina-Chiu**  
Managing Director, Social Science Research Lab, SDSU

and  
**Dipthi Battapadi**  
Senior Research Assistant & Internship Coordinator, Social Science Research Lab, SDSU

You have data. You want people to see it, engage with it, and remember it. This brief presentation will
describe some of the basic concepts of visual processing theory, and provide a practical display of how these concepts can be used to make charts more effective and to better display your key message.

**Cathy Cirina-Chiu** received an MA from UC Berkeley in 1989 and an MPH from SDSU in 1994. She has over 15 years of experience providing program evaluation and survey research for Principal Investigators, state and county government agencies, and local non-profits in the areas of in-prison rehabilitative programming, parolee re-entry, health promotion, education, and youth violence prevention. Cathy is a member of the American Evaluation Association.

**Dipthi Battapadi** has been with the SSRL since 2013. In addition to her regular duties as a senior research associate, Dipthi trains and supervises all SSRL research assistants. She is also responsible for overseeing recruitment, selection, and training of all SSRL interns. Dipthi received her MA in Communication from SDSU in 2013. She is a member of the American Evaluation Association.

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**1:30 – 2:15 SESSION 4 (Panels 4A to 4F)**

**Panel 4A: Socioeconomics (Student Union- Templo Mayor, Room 231)**  
*Moderator: Dr. Ed Nelson, CSU Fresno*

Bridgette Hernandez – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands  
“A Spatial Exploration of Disability across Los Angeles Neighborhoods “

Mario Rosiles – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands  
“Mapping Two Decades of Disadvantaged Neighborhoods in Ventura County”

Jacob Winter - Political Science, San Diego State University  
“Homeless, Neighbors or Nuisance?”

**Panel 4B: Social Sciences (Love Library, Room 430)**  
*Moderator: Dr. Roger Frantz, San Diego State University*

Beau Bennett – History, San Diego State University  
“Guttural German’: Herbert Marcuse, the Media, and Student Radicalism in San Diego During the 1960s”

Danlan Li - Philosophy and Economics, Cal Poly Pomona  
“St. Thomas Aquinas’s Influences on Economics”

Steven Tinsley - Political Science, Cal Poly Pomona  
“Solar Power: Friend or Foe? What Americans Think About Solar Energies”

**Panel 4C: Health Care (Love Library, Room 431)**  
*Moderator: Dr. Marcela García-Castañon, San Francisco State University*

Ashley Becker - Anthropology and Geography, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo  
“Accessing Health Services in Rural San Luis Obispo County”

Hanna Stribling - Social Work, CSU Long Beach  
Ernesto Lopez - Public Administration, CSU Fullerton
“A Radical Solution to Veterans’ Health: Vouchers and Reform”

Panel 4D: Politics and International Relations (Love Library Addition, Room 76)
Moderator: Dr. Matt Jarvis, CSU Fullerton

Lale Pakradounian - Political Science, CSU Northridge
“Foreign Policy of Unrecognized States / Case Study; Nagorno Karabagh”

Panel 4E: Race and Ethnicity (Love Library Addition, Room 78)
Moderator: Dr. Stafford Cox, CSU Long Beach

Spencer Lindsay - Political Science, CSU Long Beach
“Jim Crow Lives: The Relationship Between Whiteness and Black Drug Arrests”

Brittany Marberry – Sociology, CSU Channel Islands
“Investigating Individual and Contextual Factors Related to Arrests across Latino Immigrant Generations”

Jen Marony – Sociology, CSU Northridge
“Tonight’s Top Story: Newsworthiness and Race on Los Angeles’ Television News”

Panel 4F: Media and Technology II (Love Library, Room 410)
Moderator: Dr. Regan Maas, CSU Northridge

Japhera Clavo – Sociology, CSU Sacramento
“Does Gender Affect Cyber Bullying”

Jessica Dozier – Geography, San Diego State University
“Improve Disaster Communication in Online and Offline Communities Using Social Media (Twitter) and Big Data”

David Stamps - Journalism/Mass Communications, CSU Northridge
“#WeMatterProject: An Exploration of the Black Lives Matter Movement, its successes and the impact of social media with regards to Black identity”

2:30 – 3:15 SESSION 5 (Panels 5A)

Panel 5A: Race, Politics and Religion (Student Union- Templo Mayor, Room 231)
Moderator: Dr. Aya Ida, CSU Sacramento

Nakia Brazier – Sociology, CSU Los Angeles
“Socioeconomic Dimensions of Informal Sector Participation: Sense Making of the Experiences of African Americans in the United States and Africans in Ghana”

Loreinne Helena - Latin American Studies, CSU Los Angeles
“Color Divisions: The Racial Issues that Define the Border between Haiti and the Dominican Republic”
3:15 – 3:45 AWARDS CEREMONY (Student Union - Templo Mayor, Room 231)

Award Introductions and Presentation

Awards:
- *Charles McCall Award* for best undergraduate paper
- *Betty Nesvold Award* for best graduate paper
- *Gloria Rummels Award* for paper demonstrating the best use of quantitative data

Congratulations to all of the student presenters!

Thank you for your hard work and for contributing to this symposium.

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