

History Annual Report 07/08

Accomplishments for 07/08

Students

Louie Valdivia, undergraduate research award, Broome Library, Spring 2008. "The Lopez Family Migration Experience from Romita, Guanajuato, Mexico to Life in Moorpark, California beginning in 1922," paper written for ENG/HIST 334, Narratives of Southern California, Profs. Frank Barajas and Joan Peters, Fall 2007.

Graduate and PBAC plans:

Douglas Jenzen, enrolled in CalPoly San Luis Obispo, M.A. in History and Single-Subject Credential Programs, January 2008.

Stephen Maquinalez enrolled (January 2008) and Sara Martinez accepted into California Lutheran University, Single-Subject Credential Program.

Kathleen Delaney accepted into Arizona State University, M.A. in Communication.

Russell Winans, accepted full-time employment (Feb. 2008) with Student Affairs, New Student Orientation and Transition Programs, CSUCI

Huy Le, Ryan Lewis, Ryan Dolinar, and Dana Hayes in application process for law school (first two) and CSUN M.A. in History (second two).

Phillip Virrereal is applying for the UNLV M.A. in history.

Diego Malvar, Marine (has served two tours in Iraq) has been accepted to Officer's Training Program in Quantico, VA.

Forty six seniors completed Capstone projects: 22 primary source-based research papers and 24 internships at a variety of community institutions, including the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, the Museum of Ventura County, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, the CSUCI University Archives, the Camarillo Airport, Oxnard College, and Berkman Educational Services.

Program

Bracero Oral History Project, partnering with the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., the Center for Community Engagement and Center for Multicultural Engagement. (Frank Barajas and Marie Francois)

Undertook assessment final program learning outcome through a student survey addressing links between current and historical events, to be scored with a rubric. (Marie Francois)

Established student internships and potential student research relationship with the Olivas Adobe, City of Ventura. (Frank Barajas and Marie Francois)

Draft of history program strategic plan.

Draft of CCTC History-Social Science Single Subject Matter waiver proposal. (Rainer)

Hosted Events:

Thurs. Sept 27 – Author Peter Richardson, lecture: "American Prophet: The Civic Engagement and Public Scholarship of Carey McWilliams," 10:30-11:45 AM. (Organizer Frank Barajas)

Nov. 3 – Meeting of Friends of Ancient History, papers by Paul Scotton, CSULB, “Augustus and the Imperial Cult in Ancient Corinth,” and Walter Penrose, SDSU, “The Historicity of the Amazons: A New Approach.” (Organizer Lecturer Michael Blodgett)

Fri., April 26 – John Gillis, lecture: “First and Last Frontiers: Coasts in Human History,” 2-3:30 in Aliso Hall, part of the “Global Histories and their Futures” lecture series. (Organizer Rainer Buschmann)

Faculty

1 published book

Rainer Buschmann, *Anthropology's Global Histories: The German Ethnographic Frontier in New Guinea (1870-1935)* Forthcoming, University of Hawaii Press, 2008.

6 published articles

Frank Barajas, “An Invading Army: A Civil Gang Injunction in a Southern California Chicana/o Community,” *Latino Studies* 5, no. 4 (Winter 2007): 393-417.

Rainer F. Buschmann, “Oceanic Carvings and Germanic Cravings: German Ethnographic Frontiers and Imperial Visions in the Pacific, 1870-1914.” *The Journal of Pacific History* 42/3 (2007):299-315.

Rainer F. Buschmann, Review of *Räume öffnen sich: Naturhistorische Museen im Deutschland des 19. Jahrhunderts* by Carsten Kretschmann in *Sehepunkte: Rezensionjournal für Geschichtswissenschaften*, 7 (2007), N. 2 URL: <<http://www.sehepunkte.de/2007/02/10460.html>>

Rainer F. Buschmann, Review of *The People of the Sea: Environment, Identity, and History of Oceania* by Paul D'Arcy in *The Bulletin of the Pacific Circle*, 18 (2007): 15-16.

Rainer F. Buschmann, Review of *Strangers in the South Seas: The Idea of the Pacific in Western Thought. An Anthology*, edited by Richard Lansdown in *The Journal of the Contemporary Pacific*, 20 (2008): 275-277.

Marie Francois, “The Products of Consumption: Housework in Latin American Political Economies and Cultures,” *History Compass* 6/1 (2008): 207-242.

James H. Meriwether, "Endangering the Security of the Free World: Africa, the United States, and the Cold War," *New England Journal of History*, 64 (Fall 2007) 1:90-101.

James H. Meriwether, Review of David Hostetter, *Movement Matters: American Antiapartheid Activism and the Rise of Multicultural Politics* (New York: Routledge, 2005), *American Historical Review*, 112 (October 2007) 4:1223-24.

James H. Meriwether, Review of George J. Hill, "Intimate Relationships: Secret Affairs of Church and State in the United States and Liberia, 1925-1947," *Diplomatic History* 31 (3), 465–503, Published by H-Diplo, 19 September 2007

6 paper presentations

Frank Barajas, “Before Delano: Cesar Chavez and the Community Service Organization in a Southern California Community, 1958-1959,” National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS), Austin, Texas, March 2008

- Frank P. Barajas, panelist, "Event: Sacrifice, Opportunity, and Hope," Tues, April 1, 1030-12, 2008. Panel discussion with Barbara Macri-Ortiz, Oxnard lawyer and activist, and Lupe Anguiano, community activist.
- Rainer Buschmann, "Caught between Fluidity and Insularity: Pacific Identities in the Eighteenth, Nineteenth, and Twentieth Centuries." Invited paper for Conference on Pacific Passages: Reconnecting East, West, and Center in the Pacific Basin April 4 and 5, 2008 Huntington Library.
- Marie Francois, "Assistance and Governance: The Mexican Monte de Piedad from the Bourbon Era to the Restored Republic." Invited paper, III Congreso Internacional de la Asociación Mexicana de Historia Económica, Cuernavaca, Mexico, October 2007, on panel with Italian and Spanish specialists on Montes de Piedad.
- Marie Francois, "Laundry and Culture in the Colonial Twilight: Housekeeping as Cultural Production in Mexico City." Conference on Latin American History at the American Historical Association, Washington, D.C., January 2008.
- Marie Francois, panelist, "Michael C. Meyer: Perspectives from his Graduate Students," Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies (RMCLAS), Flagstaff, April 2008.

Faculty awards or recognition

- Nian-Sheng Huang, "The Poor in Early Massachusetts," NEH-MHS Fellowship. The National Endowment for the Humanities & the Massachusetts Historical Society. Fall 2007.
- Jim Meriwether, Fulbright Senior Lecturing and Research Fellowship, 2007-08, University of Nairobi, Kenya
- Rainer Buschmann, Faculty Development Mini-Grant, California State University Channel Islands, \$7430. Spring 2007 (for Fall 2008)
- Marie Francois, Faculty Development Mini-Grant, California State University Channel Islands. \$7430. Spring 2007 (for Fall 2008)

Other faculty accomplishments

service

- Frank Barajas: Co-Chair, General Education committee; Chair, Chicana/o Studies Disciplinary Search Committee; Member History Disciplinary Search Committee
- Rainer Buschmann: Chair, History Disciplinary Search Committee; Member Chicana/o Studies Disciplinary Search Committee; Developed draft proposal for CCTC History-Social Sciences Single Subject Waiver Program
- Marie Francois: Chair, History Program; Co-Chair, GE Task Force; Member: Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Search Committee, Faculty Search Coordinating Committee, AVP for Faculty Affairs Search Committee, Senior Dean & Director of Martin V. Smith School Search Committee, Liberal Studies Program Committee, Center for Multicultural Engagement Advisory Board, Center for Community Engagement Advisory Board, History and Chicana/o Studies Search Committees, Student Affairs Coordinator for Equal Opportunity Program Search Committee, Moorpark College Latin American History Instructor Search Committee
- Jim Meriwether: Coordinating Committee for the History and Social Sciences Seminar, the University of Nairobi, the National Museums of Kenya, Institute Francais, and the British Institute of East Africa

scholarship

Rainer Buschmann:

"New Perspectives on the Pacific War," Invited lecture, Kyoto University, Japan, March 2008

"The Pacific Ocean Basin" in *Oxford History Handbook on World History* ed. Jerry H. Bentley (New York: Oxford University Press), article will be submitted by September 2008.

"Teaching World History as if the Pacific Mattered (a lot)," paper to be presented at the Pacific Branch of the American Historical Association, Pasadena, CA, August 2008.

Marie Francois:

"Washing, Drying, and Ironing in Mexico City: Work, Culture, and Class Relations in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century," Paper invited for Conference on Latin American History, at the American Historical Association Meeting, January 2009, New York City
Invitation to chair a panel on colonial credit and identity formation in Latin America at the American Historical Association Meeting, January 2009, New York City

"Housekeeping and Development in the Mexican North during the Porfiriato," article submitted to *Mexican Studies/Estudios Mexicanos*, under revision per readers' comments.

Invitation to present on housework at a K-12 teacher seminar on Latin American Labor History at the Latin American Institute, UCLA, July 15, 2008.

Nian-Sheng Huang:

Finished book manuscript on the poor in colonial New England.

Objectives 08/09

Student

Graduate students with a B.A. in history and send them on to graduate and post-baccalaureate studies or lucrative employment.

Increase number of history majors and history minors (and keep better track of the minors).

Improve the program website for better communication and access to forms and other resources for students.

Program

Develop M.A. graduate program long form for CSUCI, CSU, and WASC approval.

Development of a History-Social Science Subject Matter Waiver emphasis within the history major, which involves getting a proposal through CSU and CCTC oversight committees.

Involves coordination with other social science programs (Chicana/o Studies, Political Science, Anthropology, Economics).

Hire additional full-time tenure-track faculty to broaden expertise in World History, especially of South, Southeast and Central Asia, the Mediterranean, North Africa and the Middle East.

Development of program by-laws.

Continue bringing notable historians as speakers to campus.

Continue developing History Advisory Board, with membership drawn from Ventura County Museums (many of which host our internship students), Community College History Department Chairs and faculty, and middle and high school history teachers, to foster community ties for faculty and students.

Review and formalize existing student internship community partnerships and develop new ones.

Faculty

Frank Barajas:

Finish book manuscript on southern California labor history and submit for publication.

Rainer Buschmann:

Finish book manuscript draft "Defending the "Spanish Lake": Spain and the Eighteenth-Century Exploration of the Pacific."

Marie Francois:

Participate in the Global Studies minor.

Work with new and existing tenure-track faculty to develop a Latin American Studies minor proposal.

Participate in the development of Peace and Justice Studies, especially a gender studies emphasis.

Continue work on "Domestic Atlantic" book project.

See articles in progress through to publication.

Begin planning a public lecture series to mark anniversaries of Mexican Independence Movement (bicentennial) and Mexican Revolution (centennial) for 2010.

Nian-Sheng Huang:

Find publisher for book manuscript on the poor in colonial New England.

Jim Meriwether:

See to publication article "'Worth A Lot Of Negro Votes': Black Voters, Africa, and the 1960 Presidential Campaign"

See to publication "'When We Needed Those Students The Most': Kenya and the Student Airlifts"

Continue work on book manuscript "The United States and the Decolonization of Africa"