

Cal State Fullerton

*Faculty Recognition
Scholarly and Creative
Activities*

Tuesday, December 10, 2024
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Titan Pavilion A

Recipient Award Presentation and Reception

Call to Order

Dr. Kathleen Preston
Executive Director, Faculty Development Center

Welcoming Remarks

Dr. Amir Dabirian
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Recognition of Faculty by their Deans

Dr. Arnold Holland • College of the Arts
Dr. Sridhar Sundaram • College of Business and Economics
Dr. Jason Shepard • College of Communications
Dr. Lisa Kirtman • College of Education
Dr. Susan Barua • College of Engineering and Computer Science
Dr. Celestina Barbosa-Leiker • College of Health and Human Development
Dr. Jessica Stern • College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Dr. Marie Johnson • College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Dr. Eric Hanson • Dean of the Library

College of the Arts

Heather Denyer, Theatre & Dance

Over the past two years, Heather has produced an impressive amount of varied and significant, even ground-breaking works. These includes book chapters, journal articles, and presentations on puppetry, women theatre makers, and transcultural translation. Her work has garnered recognition in the fields of translation, puppetry, African theatre, gender studies, and antiracist pedagogy. Heather has also engaged students in scholarship through meaningful public humanities projects. These include puppetry and dramaturgical projects shared on campus, creating a website developed entirely by students that showcases African playwrights writing in French for English-speaking scholars and a lobby display of students' African object recreations complimented by their researched podcasts rejecting Eurocentric historicizing. Heather teaches her award-winning essays and play translations to students and is in demand as a guest lecturer at other schools and as a speaker, moderator, and translator at conferences, thus positively representing CSUF across the country and around the world.

Hyun Sook Kim, Theatre & Dance

Hyun Sook Kim, Professor of Costume Design and Makeup, has a distinguished record of scholarly and creative achievements. In June 2023, she showcased her design work at the prestigious Prague Quadrennial of Performance Design and Space, being one of only seven U.S. costume designers selected. She also led a study abroad program, enabling students to attend the conference and engage with international artists, providing them with invaluable experiences. In 2024, she will present at the International Costume Conference, Critical Costume 2024, hosted by UCLA, where she will highlight Asian culture and heritage in her work. In 2022, she designed costumes for the nationally recognized South Coast Repertory in Costa Mesa and the Asian theatre company East West Players in Los Angeles. She involved her students in these productions, offering them professional industry experience. Her work has been highly praised by both the community and the professional theatre world.

Mary Anna Pomonis, Visual Arts

Mary Anna Pomonis is in an exciting phase of her career, with numerous recent exhibitions showcasing her work. Her work was featured in two solo exhibitions: *Smoke and Mirrors* at Eastern Washington University in 2023, and *Iris Oculus* at the Lancaster Museum of Art and History in 2020. As the founder of the Association of Hysterical Curators, Pomonis is currently organizing *Goddesses and Monsters: Toward a Feminist Iconography*, which will open at the SUNY Potsdam Art Museum this December. This exhibition reimagines goddess and monster iconography through a feminist perspective and a variety of media. In January 2025, she will open another solo show at Alto Beta Gallery and participate in *Affirmations: Mindfulness in Contemporary Abstract Painting* at the Wignall Museum, alongside a distinguished group of contemporary artists.

Katherine Reed, School of Music

Dr. Reed is a renowned musicologist specializing in popular and film music, earning a national reputation for her scholarly contributions. Her recent accomplishments include publishing the monograph *“David Bowie and the Moving Image: A Standing Cinema”* (Bloomsbury, e-book 2022, physical book 2023) and a media review in the *Journal of the Society for American Music* (August 2023). She co-edited the essay collection *“Adaptation, Rearrangement, and Music Across Screen Media”* (under contract with Routledge) and secured a contract for a second monograph on the film *“Velvet Goldmine”* (BFI/Bloomsbury). Dr. Reed presented her research at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame as part of the American Musicological Society’s lecture series (June 2023) and at six conferences, including *Music and the Moving Image* (NYC) and the *Society for American Music* (Tacoma, WA). She is also a dedicated mentor, faculty adviser, and esteemed colleague.

Chen Wang, Visual Arts

Chen Wang, an interdisciplinary scholar and creative practitioner, has excelled in faculty performance from 2022 to 2024. His work encompasses mobile app development, augmented reality (AR), and artificial intelligence (AI). Notable achievements include the award-winning Dump the Bump app and the AR-boretum project, featured at the 2023 AIGA National Conference. Wang co-authored two books on design and culture, and led the AI-integrated English Jueju project. He presented on AI-driven education at NYU and represented his college at ALL AI 2024. Wang's contributions to accessibility earned him the 2023 Teach Access Faculty Fellowship Grant, while his scholarly work was recognized with the 2023 CSUF Author Award. His diverse projects and accolades demonstrate significant impact across multiple disciplines.

College of Business and Economics

Sabrina Chi, Accounting

Dr. Sabrina Chi earned her Ph.D. from the University of California - Irvine. Her research interests are in taxation and financial accounting. She examines the consequences of tax disclosure and tax enforcement on corporate decisions. She is also interested in the role of information dissemination and acquisition in the capital market. Her work has appeared in leading academic journals such as *Journal of Accounting Research* and *The Accounting Review*. In 2023, she received the College of Business and Economics Scholar Award for her paper "Tale of Two Forecasts: An Analysis of Mandatory and Voluntary Effective Tax Rate Forecasts." Her research is relevant to various stakeholders beyond accounting academia as she often seeks industry experts' inputs. In 2022, she co-founded Southern California Tax Reading Group (SoCal TRG) to foster high-quality tax research among the universities in Southern California.

Adrian Fleissig, Economics

Since January 2022, Dr. Fleissig has published six quality publications covering a wide range of topics. These include the impact of U.S. and U.K. monetary policy on their economies, the effect of Brexit on U.K. consumption, EURO money demand, and habit persistence in food and asset demand. My research is well cited by faculty throughout the world. After multiple discussions with Dr. Leung and Dr. Esser of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Alcohol Program, Dr. Fleissig's research was used in their 2024 study to make recommendations to reduce excessive alcohol consumption. Dr. Fleissig has generated significant external funding that promotes CSUF and supports our faculty and students. These include International Trade Forecasts with Dr. Farka, Economic Impact of the Disneyland Expansion with Dr. Puri and Dr. Popp, Transportation Revenue Forecasting for the County of Orange, and the Southern Californian Leading Indicator.

James Gong, Accounting

Dr. James Gong is a full professor in the School of Accountancy. His Ph.D is from USC. His work focuses on executive compensation, management accounting and financial reporting. To what extent a manager's concern about reporting bad quarterly earnings numbers affects his/her operating decision has been of interest to accounting scholars for a long time. In a paper published in the *Review of Accounting Studies*, an A+ ranked journal, Professor Gong and his coauthors find that movie studio managers move up the release dates of movies with high expected revenues to boost quarterly earnings. Managers of publicly traded companies face pressure from the capital market and try to avoid anything that can reduce credibility with the capital market, decrease stock price, or hurt management reputation. In the movie industry, studio CEOs will speed up the release of movies with high expected revenues when it appears that their next quarterly reported earnings will be below expectations.

Shadi Goodarzi, Management

Shadi Goodarzi, Associate Professor of Management, has published a number of scholarly articles in leading academic journals in a variety of areas related to operations management, such as supply chain management, logistics, and renewable energy. Her research contributions include developing a machine learning model for solar energy efficiency, improving logistics management during the pandemic, and enhancing hydrogen production strategies. Shadi has successfully secured impactful research grants, such as one for \$107K from the Office of Naval Research, as Co-PI, to investigate overcoming junction resistances in carbonaceous conductors. She has also secured an intramural grant to examine equitable hydrogen supply chains.

Mohammad Habibi, Marketing

Dr. Mohammad Habibi has made significant contributions to the field of economics and business, particularly through his four research articles published in high-quality, peer-reviewed journals. His work primarily investigates the impacts of recessions on consumers and businesses. Notably, Dr. Habibi delivers a message of optimism to the business community, emphasizing how recessions can act as catalysts for future innovations and industry-transforming entrepreneurial ventures. He further provides practical frameworks, roadmaps, and lessons that guide business leaders, individuals, and policymakers in navigating the complexities of economic downturns. His research offers actionable insights into mitigating the adverse effects of recessions while fostering long-term growth. Dr. Habibi's influential work has garnered substantial attention within the academic and scientific community, with more than 5,700 citations worldwide, highlighting the relevance and impact of his research on global economic thought.

Pawel Kalczynski, ISDS

Dr. Pawel Kalczynski is one of the most productive researchers in the College of Business and Economics, with 80 publications and over 1800 citations. Since January 2022, he has published 16 journal papers (with eight different coauthors from six universities) in major journals in his field, such as the European Journal of Operational Research, Omega, Journal of Operational Research Society, Networks and Spatial Economics, Annals of OR, and Optimization Letters. He currently has four papers under review and several others at various stages of preparation. Since 2022, Dr. Kalczynski has presented his research at five major conferences in his field, including two in Europe. Since January 2022, his publications have been cited 472 times.

Hyunsu Kim, Management

Hyunsu Kim, Assistant Professor of Management, has published several peer-reviewed articles on consumer behavior and service innovation, in top-tier journals in hospitality and tourism management. In 2024, Hyunsu was honored with the College of Business and Economics (CBE) Scholar Award, bestowed on faculty members who have published peer-reviewed journal articles of the highest quality during the previous calendar year, as well as the CBE Continued Excellence in Publication Award. Hyunsu has also successfully secured a number of research grants, including one from the Hospitality and Tourism Research Centre at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, to investigate employee perspectives on the involvement of artificial intelligence in human resource management. Currently, he serves on the editorial boards of two high impact academic journals: the International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management and the Journal of Hospitality Marketing and Management.

Yuna Kim, Marketing

Dr. Yuna Kim has authored five journal articles in high-impact peer-reviewed marketing journals during the review period, addressing many important research topics. Her research focuses on integrating traditional branding strategies with emerging marketing phenomena. Specifically, her research projects have examined how non-profit organizations, luxury brands, and sustainable brands can develop innovative strategies to engage new consumer groups (e.g., Gen Z) and adapt to new policies (e.g., ESG). Additionally, Dr. Kim has conducted pedagogical research on how marketing education can effectively connect theory with practice, particularly within the evolving digital marketing landscape.

Yinfei Kong, ISDS

Dr. Yinfei Kong has demonstrated a consistent record of scholarly achievement, having published 45 papers in peer-reviewed journals, including prestigious outlets such as the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (P.N.A.S.), Annals of Statistics, Journal of Machine Learning Research, and Journal of Business and Economic Statistics. Additionally, I authored two book chapters. His work has garnered significant external support, with four major grants from sources like the National Institutes of Health and the California Department of Education, totaling several million dollars. Dr. Kong has also received the C.S.U.F. Intramural Junior/Senior Grant. He has presented his research at top-tier universities, including the University of Chicago, Texas A&M University, and the University of Science and Technology of China, as well as leading companies such as eBay, Inc. This breadth of scholarly output significantly exceeds the typical expectations of faculty and underscores his dedication to advancing academic knowledge and practice.

HanNa Lim, Finance

Dr. HanNa Lim's goal in scholarly and creative activities is to conduct impactful research to improve financial literacy and financial well-being of individuals, focusing on college students (especially first-generation college students) and vulnerable populations (such as racial/ethnic minority, immigrants, refugees). During January 2022-August 2024, HanNa and her co-authors published fourteen papers in peer reviewed journals and had sixteen presentations at national and international conferences. She also tried to bridge the gap between the research and practice, by contributing to the quarterly columns on insurance planning to Journal of Financial Planning, which is widely read by financial planning professionals, in 2022-2023. Her research on the importance of emergency savings was received the Best Research Award from the Financial Planning Association in 2023 and another research work of hers on college students' financial success plan received the Outstanding Symposium Research to Practice Award at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education in 2022.

Desen Lin, Finance

Dr. Desen Lin is an assistant professor of finance in the College of Business and Economics. His research focuses on real estate finance and economics and has published three peer-reviewed articles in the top real estate journals since January 2022. These studies contribute to the literature of real estate investment and housing affordability, showing community impacts and guiding local policymaking. His studies were presented at multiple national conferences in real estate and urban economics, and were acknowledged by intra- and extra-mural research grants and a best manuscript award in real estate investment. Recently, he received a research grant from the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy to examine a vacant lot greening program as a solution to urban vacancy in a post-industrial city. His studies raise public awareness of the issues in community divestment and housing affordability through multiple media outlets such as CBS News, Orange County Register, CNBC, etc.

Mitchell Livy, Economics

Between January 2022 and August 2024, Dr. Livy published three articles in respected economics journals: *Research in Economics*, *The BE Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, and *The Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*. This research focuses on the impacts of seasonality, environmental risks, and large shocks to the housing market. For example, the paper entitled "Price and liquidity dynamics for single and multi-family homes during housing market shocks" examines the heterogeneous effects of the housing market bust and recovery on single and multi-family homes between 2008 and 2016. These articles show a continuation of the work that Dr. Livy has published since joining CSUF in 2015.

Sinjini Mitra, ISDS

Dr. Mitra has been involved several research activities over the past three years, some of which are highlighted here. She published a book (Chapman & Hall), three journal papers, co-authored seven conference presentations, and has five papers currently in review (two of them undergoing revisions). One published paper is a single-author paper, and the rest two are papers resulting from inter-disciplinary collaborations (one includes student authors and a community partner). During this time, she has involved 5 graduate and undergraduate students in her research projects (one is currently working and two finished in Spring 2024). Of the latter, one undergraduate student presented his work at CSUF SCAR poster day and won 1st place from the College of Business and Economics. One of Dr. Mitra's co-authored conference papers won the "best paper award" in management education from the prestigious Academy of Management in 2023. Dr. Mitra is also a Co-PI on an NIH-sponsored collaborative grant since June 2022.

David Weng, Management

David Weng, Assistant Professor of Management, has been very productive, publishing in high quality journals in the field. His research is theoretically novel and practically important. For instance, he has applied the notion of political ideology, or the degree to which executives are politically liberal or conservative, to examine critical management issues, including CEO employee pay gap and firms' support for LGBT employees. David has successfully secured two intramural grants and the Innovation Grant Award from the CSUF Office of Research in 2024. Externally, his research projects have been recognized by international research associations as well. His paper entitled "Returning home: CEO pre-career overseas experience and firm cross-border acquisitions" has won the Best Paper Award from International Management Division of the Academy of Management in 2023.

College of Communications

Gayle Brisbane, Communications

Dr. Gayle Jansen Brisbane is an associate professor in the Department of Communications. Her scholarly agenda examines the media, gender, politics, and religion. Her 2022 solo-authored article "Religious identity, politics, and the media" was published in the *Journal of Communication Inquiry*, a best-quartile journal. Her 2023 solo-authored article, "What does morality have to do with it? What Haidt and Moral Foundation Theory reveal about why white evangelical Christian women in the U.S. advocate for politician Donald J. Trump" was published in *Howard Journal of Communications*. In 2023, she published a refereed book chapter titled, "Why evangelical Christian women voted for Donald Trump" in *U.S. Democracy in Danger*, published by Springer. She also produced seven shows for Titan Sports Network, which were broadcast on ESPN+ in collaboration with CSUF athletics and students. Three were finalists in a 2023 national competition. Recently, she led a study abroad group of 26 student journalists to cover the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris.

Roselyn Du, Communications

Dr. Roselyn Du is a professor in the Department of Communications. Her interdisciplinary research focuses on the impact of AI and algorithm technologies on media consumption and news literacy. Since January 2022, Dr. Roselyn Du has published one solo-author peer-reviewed book, one refereed SSCI journal article, and several invited works. Dr. Du carries out her clearly defined research agenda with uncompromised productivity to share at national and international conferences and the broader community. She is a sought-after panelist at top-tier academic conferences and a community forum speaker on technology and news consumption. She is an associate editor for *Media Asia*, a Taylor and Francis journal, and an editorial board member of *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, the AEJMC flagship publication. Dr. Du is also the principal investigator of multiple competitive research grants. She is currently carrying out an RSCA project as a preparatory step for federal grant seeking.

Lisa Erwin-Davidson, Communication Sciences and Disorders

Dr. Lisa Erwin-Davidson is assistant professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. Since joining CSUF in Fall 2019, she has been developing programmatic research in the area of implementation science. Her scholarship focuses on literacy development in people with complex communication needs arising from various disabilities, who use alternative augmentative communication (AAC). Between January 2022 and August 2024, Dr. Erwin-Davidson has seven peer-reviewed conference presentations. Four of the presentations were co-authored with undergraduate students and presented at national and state Speech-Language-Hearing Association annual convention as well as the 2023 National Conference on Undergraduate Research. Dr. Erwin-Davidson also was the first author of a co-published book chapter titled An interdisciplinary instructional framework: A collaborative approach to preservice training for early childhood special educators and speech-language pathology candidates.

Claudia Evans-Zepeda, Human Communication Studies

Dr. Claudia Evans-Zepeda is an associate professor in the Department of Human Communication Studies who has maintained an active and growing research agenda from January 2022 through August 2024. During this time period, she has published four book chapters and one journal article; she has also had nine competitively selected conference presentations. This work centers on critical and cultural consideration of Latina/o/x communication. Dr. Evans-Zepeda's most recent work has examined media representations of Latina/o/x people and culture. Unique to Dr. Evans-Zepeda's recent work is that her recent scholarship has centered on media, whereas her previous work was more focused on outlining theoretical notions related to Latina/o/x culture. Any new vein of scholarship undertaken by a faculty member is a monumental task. Dr. Evans-Zepeda's scholarship is worthy of recognition.

Erika Thomas, Human Communication Studies

Dr. Erika Thomas is an associate professor in the Department of Human Communication Studies. She has published five book chapters and one journal article from January 2022 through August 2024. Her work includes examinations of media representations of race and gender in a variety of media artifacts. Her work also considers the role of policy debate in the current landscape of higher education. She also has several on going projects which are currently under review. Dr. Thomas is worthy of this recognition due to her ability to maintain an active research agenda in the face of a variety of unique demands as she is the co-director of CSUF's intercollegiate forensics team. Additionally, in some of these publications she has worked with current and former students.

Ricardo Valencia, Communications

Dr. Ricardo Valencia is an associate professor in the Department of Communications. During this review period, Valencia has published five peer-reviewed journal articles. His research focuses on international strategic communications, critical cultural media studies, and collective identity building. His articles have been published in journals such as the Journal of Communication Inquiry and The Journal of American Culture and Public Relations Inquiry. As a public intellectual advocating for democracy and human rights in El Salvador, Valencia has published opinion pieces on The Washington Post, Foreign Policy, Univision.com, and American Quarterly and writes a column in the award-winning Central American newspaper, El Faro. His research and knowledge of the international and Latinx media has helped Valencia to become a better mentor to Latinx and first-generation college students, especially as faculty director for the college-wide Latino Communications Institute (LCI).

Mun Chee Yong, Cinema and Television Arts

Mun Chee Yong is an associate professor in the Department of Cinema and Television Arts. She is recognized for her creative work, the film "4 Sundays in September." In January 2023, she finished principal photography on her sabbatical project, a new short film "4 Sundays in September," made on a \$30,000 budget. The film, which she wrote and directed, was the fruit of her collaboration with the migrant community in Singapore. It tells the story of Mari, an Indonesian domestic helper who decides to abort her baby to avoid deportation. Six CSUF alums worked on this phase of the movie. The film won a nomination for Best Live Action Short Film at the 61st Golden Horse Awards. It will world premiere at the Golden Horse Film Festival in Taipei in November 2024. The Golden Horse Film Festival honors excellence in Sinophone cinema and is referred to as 'The Oscars of Asia' by the BBC.

College of Education

Erin Besser, Elementary and Bilingual Education

Dr. Erin Besser's research focuses on leveraging technology to enhance teaching and learning in the context of teacher education. Between January 2022 and August 2024, Dr. Besser has published three peer-reviewed articles, one book chapter in a peer-reviewed edited volume, and a revised book chapter in an updated edition of a seminal instructional design text, along with two additional publications. She has one article pending revisions and three more in progress (one in data collection and two in data analysis stages). Additionally, she has delivered three scholarly presentations. Dr. Besser was granted early tenure in 2023 and has consistently exceeded the criteria for "excellent" in scholarship and creative activities.

Alison Dover, Secondary Education

Dr. Alison Dover demonstrates outstanding scholarly activity, making significant contributions to the field of just, equitable and inclusive education. Since January 2022, Dover published one book (*Radically Inclusive Teaching with Newcomer and Emergent Plurilingual Students: Braving Up*, Teachers College Press), articles in top-tier educational journals (including the *Journal of Teacher Education*, *Urban Education*, and *Multicultural Perspectives*), and contributed two chapters to the most widely used multicultural education textbook nationwide. In 2023, she received two national book awards (including NCTE's James N. Britton Book Award) as well as the 2023 Outstanding Journal of Teacher Education Article Award (for her research on racial climate in teacher education). Dover is PI for multiple research collaborations with CSUF faculty, students, alums and K-12 partners, including a \$400,000 Spencer Foundation Research Practice Partnership Grant examining linguistically sustaining practice in secondary classrooms, and a \$150,000 Scott-Jewett Grant to launch an institute on transformative teaching at CSUF.

Tim Green, Elementary and Bilingual Education

Dr. Tim Green has had four peer-reviewed articles published, with another article in press. A common feature of the published articles is collaboration with others from different institutions. These collaborations have enriched Dr. Green's experience as a scholar by providing him with different perspectives on his teaching and expanding the reach of his work. Two articles were written with Chinese scholars from

Shanghai Normal University. These articles focused on cross-cultural collaborations, which has helped Dr. Green examine his teaching approach and practices. The other two articles focused on the innovative use of technology by PK-12 educators. Additionally, Dr. Green completed new editions of two books. One is a 5th edition of a textbook that is widely used in foundation courses in instructional design programs. This book has twice (2016, 2021) earned the Outstanding Book Award for the Design and Development Division of the Association for Educational and Communication Technology.

Julian Jeffries, Literacy and Reading Education

Dr. Julian Jefferies should be considered for his 2023-2024 accomplishments in scholarship. His research interests include social justice and decolonial pedagogy in teacher education and study abroad programs. He co-authored the article "The Slippery Work of Teaching About Whiteness and Privilege: Two Latinx Professor's Testimonio" in the Journal of Leadership, Equity and Research. This article theorizes a pattern of self-removal and deflection that White students engage in during a Master's program in Literacy in order to maintain their privilege and Whiteness invisible. Dr. Jefferies also co-authored a book called "Decolonizing Study Abroad Through the Identities of Latinx Students: A Manifesto to Reclaim Identities and Heritage" where he explored study abroad for Latinx youth as a way for them to reclaim, negotiate, and strengthen their own immigrant/Latinx/Chicanx and other identities. Implications include the need to rethink recruitment strategies, pedagogical experiences, language practices, and community partnerships that honor this population.

Sung Hee Lee, Special Education

Dr. Sung Hee Lee has demonstrated exceptional research productivity, significantly exceeding faculty expectations. Dr. Lee has published six peer-reviewed journal articles with one in-press. Additionally, Dr. Lee has delivered 11 high-impact presentations at national and regional conferences, often in collaboration with other colleagues and students. She has obtained seven grants during the time period under review. Dr. Lee's contributions have significantly advanced knowledge in our state, in the area of reading and literacy instruction, as well as in the Literacy Teaching Performance Expectations and Assessment. Dr. Lee's literacy-related grants, publications, and presentations help the department prepare special education teaching candidates and support seasoned special educators in the field.

College of Engineering and Computer Science

Sampson Akwafuo, Computer Science

Dr. Sampson Akwafuo's research focuses on managing volatile public health emergencies and tracking global outbreaks of Lassa Fever Viral disease. Over the past three years, he has published 16 high-quality papers as a lead or major author. Dr. Akwafuo has also mentored students through Project Raise and the ECS Engineering Social Justice program. His work has garnered significant recognition, including a 3-year, \$172K grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to support his research on machine learning models and optimization algorithms for health management.

Jin Woo Lee, Mechanical Engineering

Dr. Jin Woo Lee is an associate professor in Mechanical Engineering. He joined the department in Fall 2019, and has established an active and focused research program in engineering design. During the last three years, Dr. Lee engaged both undergraduate and graduate students in his research, and he had numerous peer-reviewed journal and conference publications. Design Science, International Journal of Mechanical Engineering Education, and Journal of Engineering Design were some of the journals he published his research work. He also published and presented at the American Society for Engineering Education conferences. Dr. Lee is a recent recipient of a National Science Foundation (NSF) award to foster engineering attitudes, identities, and motivations through student-centered entrepreneurial design education. He is also working on creating tools to develop engineering design skills that consider social, economic and environmental factors in another NSF grant. Dr. Lee also received the Amazon Software Development Collaborative award.

Rakesh Mahto, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Dr. Mahto has published two journal articles, with more papers currently under review. He has presented ten peer-reviewed conference papers and secured four external grants totaling \$314K, including the distinguished CREATE award from the CSU Chancellor's Office—a first for CSUF. Additionally, he has received eleven intramural grants, among them two RSCA and one EG-RSCA grant. His deep learning model for Alzheimer's diagnosis set a high accuracy benchmark at the time of its preprint. Dr. Mahto's IEEE IEMCON 2022 paper won the Best Presentation Award, and two of his papers have been accepted for the highly selective CSCE 2024 conference (19-25% acceptance rate).

Anand Panangadan, Computer Science

Dr. Anand Panangadan's research focuses on addressing critical needs in California related to housing, food, and public health, with much of his work conducted alongside CSUF undergraduate and graduate students. Over the past three years, he has published 10 conference papers and 2 journal articles. His research on developing technologies for remote services in supportive housing is supported by a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Smart and Connected Communities program and has been recognized as one of CSUF's Big Ideas Campaigns. His paper, "Integration of Multiple Sensor-Based Wellness Systems for Supportive Housing Using Bluetooth Low Energy," won the Best Conference Paper Award at the 2024 IEEE 6th Eurasia Conference on Biomedical Engineering, Healthcare, and Sustainability. Additionally, a poster presented by Dr. Panangadan's team won the Best Project in Computer Science award at the 2023 ECS Projects Showcase.

Deepak Sharma, Civil and Environmental Engineering

Dr. Sharma has been actively engaged in impactful research over the past three years, with over seven published papers in reputed journals and conferences, many of which he has coauthored with his students. He is also coauthoring a book on engineering economics with a faculty colleague. Recently, Dr. Sharma secured a \$100,000 state grant to research high-speed rail as an alternative mode of transportation, analyzing its economic and environmental viability to inform infrastructure planning. In addition to his individual projects, Dr. Sharma collaborates widely across campus, working on interdisciplinary proposals with colleagues from various departments. Among these is a notable partnership with CSUF Parking and Transportation Services, focused on enhancing campus mobility through sustainable solutions. Dr. Sharma's extensive research, student mentorship, and campus partnerships demonstrate his commitment to advancing knowledge with practical, community-centered applications.

Kanika Sood, Computer Science

Dr. Kanika Sood's research centers on equitable teaching practices, promoting Latinx student retention, and examining how high-impact practices transform the learning environment in Computer Science. Over the past three years, she has co-authored 39 papers, including seven in 2024 alone, with 27 of these papers co-authored by CSUF students. Dr. Sood serves as PI or co-PI on several grants, securing over \$300K in funding for CSUF. Her achievements include receiving the NASA QEM Proposal Development Award and being named Best Presenter at IEEE IEMCON 2022.

College of Health and Human Development

Najood Azar, School of Nursing

Dr. Najood Azar's scholarship reflects her deep commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI). Her forthcoming paper on neurodiversity and DEI, accepted for publication in the American Journal of Nursing, addresses the critical need for inclusive environments in healthcare. Additionally, she led two-peer reviewed articles published in the Journal of Pediatric Nursing that focus on advancing pediatric nursing practice. Her leadership extends to include mentoring students, particularly in DEI-focused projects. She has guided undergraduate students in preparing abstracts for prestigious symposiums. Dr. Azar recently presented her DEI scholarly work at an international conference and the AACN Diversity Leadership Institute. Dr. Azar's focus on fostering inclusivity in nursing education and practice makes her a highly deserving candidate for this award.

Julie Brice, Kinesiology

Dr. Brice has developed an impressive publishing record, formed multiple international research collaborations, presented at international conferences, secured two intramural grants, and disseminated her research to the general public audience. Between January 2022 and August 2024 she has published 11 journal articles (five as first author, three as second author), four book chapters (3 as first author, 1 as second author), and a co-edited book (2023 FIFA Women's World Cup: Politics, Representation, and Management book). She is currently co-editing a companion book and has two manuscripts under review. Additionally, Dr. Brice has also published three articles for popular press (The Conversation) and has been interviewed for radio programming airing on NPR. Finally, she has also presented my scholarship in conferences in the United States, Canada, and New Zealand.

Kevin Cummins, Public Health

Assistant Professor, Kevin Cummins, in the Department of Public, has been actively conducting research in the area of substance use and social media among adolescents as well as adults. During the review period he was first-author or co-author on 12 journal articles published in high quality peer-reviewed journals. These publications included multiple mentees as co-authors. Dr. Cummins also has had multiple invited presentations, conference presentations, and conference posters. He also applied his statistical expertise in support of research conducted as part of the Tobacco Use Transitions and Novel Products TRDPR grant as well as the NIH Neurocognitive Aging and Analytics Research Education grant.

Guadalupe Diaz Lara, Child and Adolescent Studies

Assistant Professor Guadalupe Diaz Lara has made significant strides in research since January 2022, focusing on dual language learners, bilingual teachers, and educational equity policies. Over the past three years, she has published six peer-reviewed journal articles and a book chapter, being the first author on four of these works. Her research is highly relevant and directly applicable to educational practices. Beyond academia, Dr. Diaz Lara has written policy briefs and blogs for Spanish-speaking parents and presented her findings at parenting workshops and professional conferences, broadening the impact of her work. She is also deeply committed to student mentorship, involving students in her research and guiding them in programs like McNair and University Honors. This mentorship has led to student successes, including conference presentations, publications, and research awards, showcasing her dedication to fostering the next generation of scholars.

Matt Englar-Carlson, Counseling

Since joining CSUF, Dr. Englar-Carlson has built a national and international reputation through rigorous, impactful scholarship targeted at a broad professional audience, resulting in an impressive body of work that includes nearly a dozen books, over 50 scholarly articles and book chapters, and more than 100 presentations at major conferences worldwide. Recognized as a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, Dr. Englar-Carlson's work focuses on men's psychology, multicultural counseling, and inclusive therapeutic practices that resonate deeply with scholars, practitioners, and students alike. His recent work successfully bridges scholarship with real-world application, creating positive impacts in schools and community settings by delving into critical issues, such as cultural competence in counseling men from diverse backgrounds and promoting mental health equity. Dr. Englar-Carlson's dedication to scholarship goes beyond academic contributions, as he actively mentors students and junior faculty, helping them navigate their own scholarly pursuits.

Guadalupe Espinoza, Child and Adolescent Studies

Professor Guadalupe Espinoza has established an impressive and prolific record of research since January 2022. Dr. Espinoza's research program examines how adolescents' peer relationships shape their psychological and school adjustment. She is a leading expert on school bullying and cyberbullying experiences of Latinx adolescents. During the Covid-19 pandemic, Dr. Espinoza was able to shift her research program nimbly to address how adolescents were adjusting to the global health emergency as they quarantined at home, and then, made the transition back to school. In the past three years, Dr. Espinoza has published 5 peer-reviewed articles in scholarly journals, on which she was first author on 4, published 2 book chapters, gave 3 conference presentations, and was awarded 2 intramural grants. Finally, Dr. Espinoza has also mentored 9 undergraduate students during this time period, resulting in concrete outcomes, such as student co-authored conference presentations and publications.

Matt Hoffman, Kinesiology

Between January 2022 and August 2024, Dr. Hoffmann produced 18 scholarly pieces. He published seven peer-reviewed articles in top journals, such as the Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology and PLOS ONE. One of his first authored papers provided groundbreaking insights into the link between youth sport participation and mental health and has already been cited 67 times in the literature. This study garnered extensive national and international media attention and was covered by over 90 media outlets. Dr. Hoffmann also co-first authored one book chapter in the first ever text dedicated to unpacking the concept of the home advantage phenomenon in sport. Further, he has been extremely active in his professional organizations with 10 conference presentations at international, national, and regional levels, four of which were published as peer-reviewed abstracts. Six of the 10 conference presentations included CSUF undergraduate and/or graduate students as co-authors.

Melanie Horn Mallers, Human Services

Over the last 15+ years at CSUF, Dr. Melanie Horn Mallers has consistently demonstrated her commitment to scholarly excellence and creative activities, particularly for students from under-resourced and underserved backgrounds. As a Professor in Human Services, Melanie works closely with students to advance their personal and professional development. As an example, she has mentored McNair Scholars and currently supports students from Project Rebound (formerly incarcerated students). She is Co-PI for the Resilient Families Program, an 8-week intervention supporting under-resourced families (thus far with nearly \$400,000 in grants). She currently serves as Chair of the Aging Studies Program and as Co-PI and Mentor/Student Engagement Mentor for the MSTEM-Star Program, a \$1.6 million initiative supporting rising CSUF juniors aspiring to become aging scientists. Melanie continues to share her research at national conferences and in peer-reviewed journals, further demonstrating her commitment to advancing knowledge and supporting the next generation of scholars.

Alice Lee, Public Health

Public Health Associate Professor, Dr. Alice Lee, has been extremely productive in the area of scholarly and creative activity. During the review period, she published 16 peer-reviewed journal articles, 3 of which included CSUF student co-authors. She presented at national conferences, producing 6 posters and 3 oral presentations, which included multiple student co-authors. Dr. Lee encouraged her students to independently present team research; 7 students presented conference posters. Lastly, Dr. Lee has had success with external grant submissions. During the past year alone, she received a 5-year award from the California Department of Health Care Access and Information to develop a training program to support diverse students pursuing health-related careers, as well as an 18-month award from the California Breast Cancer Research Program to conduct a study on the pre-diagnostic experiences of young breast cancer survivors. The latter award also included a diversity supplement to support a CSUF undergraduate student.

Karen Lee, Social Work

Dr. Lee has made significant contributions to social work and mental health research, particularly within the Korean American community. From January 2022 to August 2024, she published four manuscripts in high-impact journals, leading two of them. Her work has advanced understanding of mental illness and social work practices for Korean Americans. Dr. Lee also presented at four competitive conferences, addressing diversity practices, knowledge gaps, treatment inequities, and culturally relevant mental health programs for Korean immigrants. She secured and managed external grants, including a research grant on culturally competent integrated care for Asian Pacific Islanders, funded by Korean Community Services and the California Department of Public Health (2017-2022, extended to 2026). As principal investigator, she mentored students in research design, evaluation, and data analysis, resulting in several published articles. Dr. Lee also delivered an invited presentation and completed a local evaluation report, further showcasing her exemplary scholarship and commitment to advancing mental health services for Korean Americans.

Robert Lockie, Kinesiology

Dr. Robert Lockie was very productive from January 2022-August 2024. He published 68 peer-reviewed manuscripts (31 first author), with a focus on tactical strength and conditioning and first responder fitness. Moreover, out of these 68 publications, 13 included current or former CSUF students as first author, while 17 included current or former CSUF students as co-authors. Dr. Lockie also completed 31 conference abstracts/presentations during January 2022-August 2024, with nine as first author. Fourteen conference abstracts/presentations included current or former CSUF students as first author. He completed five invited presentations in the requisite period, for the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) and International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training. In 2023 and 2024, Dr. Lockie was recognized by Elsevier & Stanford University as one of the top 2% most-cited scientists in the world. Dr. Lockie was also awarded NSCA's 2024 Tactical Professional of the Year.

Lohuwa Mamudu, Public Health

Assistant Professor in the Department of Public Health, Dr. Lohuwa Mamudu, was highly productive in the area of scholarly and creative activities during the review period, publishing twelve blind peer-reviewed, high-impact factor research journal articles. In addition, he was awarded the Betty J. Cleckley Minority Issues Research Award by the Aging & Public Health Section of the American Public Health Association at the 2022 APHA Annual Meeting & Expo. He had seven research and scholarly presentations. He was approved and funded for six intramural grants. He mentored twenty-seven students in various research studies at eight CSUF research mentorship programs. He reviewed eighteen original research articles for six journals. He reviewed twenty-five abstracts for the 2023 and 2024 APHA Annual Meetings. He also served as Associate Editor of the CDC Preventing Chronic Disease Journal as well as on Sage Cancer Control's Editorial Review Board.

Rachel McClanahan, School of Nursing

Dr. Rachel McClanahan has demonstrated exceptional leadership in the field of school nursing, with a strong publication record and significant contributions to the profession. She has mentored numerous students, guiding them to publish in peer-reviewed journals such as NASN School Nurse Journal, and she has authored two chapters in the forthcoming fourth edition of "School Nursing: A Comprehensive Text." Dr. McClanahan regularly presents at state and national conferences, focusing on school nurse empowerment and role transition, often co-presenting with her former students. Her leadership in the California School Nurses Organization's State Data Collection Project reflects her dedication to evidence-based practice, while her work on the AB 1283 Stock Albuterol Law demonstrates her ability to translate research into policy change. Through various media, including podcasts, webinars, and publications, she continues to advance school nursing scholarship and practice. Dr. McClanahan's impactful scholarly contributions make her an ideal candidate for this Award.

Grace Yi, Social Work

Dr. Yi has shown a strong dedication to her research, publishing four articles in high-impact journals from January 2022 to August 2024, focusing on ethnically diverse older Asian American adults. She was the first author on two of these manuscripts. Additionally, Dr. Yi authored two chapters in the edited book "Social Work Practice, Research, Empowerment, and Education for Koreans in the United States." She presented her research at three major conferences: the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE), the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), and the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR). Her work has significantly advanced knowledge in health and mental health among Asian American populations. Dr. Yi has also been proactive in securing funding for her research, applying for the Resource Center for Minority Aging Research National Coordinating Center (RCMAR) fellowship and obtaining internal grants, including the Junior/Senior Research Grant and the EG-RSCA.

College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Alissa Ackerman, Politics, Administration, and Justice

Dr. Alissa Ackerman is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice. Her research in faith communities investigates what survivors need after harm and institutional betrayal. This has resulted in numerous research articles and reports for organizations, including one for the largest Jewish denomination in North America. She facilitates restorative justice processes within faith-based spaces to meet survivors' needs and hold institutional leaders accountable. She recently led a restorative justice project with the Department of Defense to build their restorative justice response to sexual assault in the military. She is currently working with the Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women to train community organizations on restorative justice for sexual harm. She recently co-authored an autoethnographic report on the previous six years of her work. Currently on sabbatical, Dr. Ackerman is conducting the first study to understand the nature and context of sexual, gender-based, and non-sexual harms across the Jewish world.

Lucía Alcalá, Psychology

Between January 2022 and August 2024, Dr. Alcalá published fourteen peer-reviewed articles in top-tier journals, surpassing typical expectations for HSS faculty. Her work, featured in journals like *Child Development* and *Applied Developmental Psychology*, uses mixed-methods to highlight biases in current methodologies, promoting a more inclusive developmental science. Her research has gained public attention from media outlets such as NPR and *Psychology Today*, and she was recently quoted in a *Washington Post* article and featured on a podcast about Latinx parenting practices. Dr. Alcalá's scholarly achievements have earned her several awards, including the SRCD's Latinx Caucus career excellence award, and fellowships like the US Fulbright Scholar. She has received multiple grants, including from the National Science Foundation. Dr. Alcalá is dedicated to mentoring undergraduates, junior faculty, and graduate students, co-authoring articles and serving in leadership roles such as co-chair of the RACE writing group and Faculty Fellow for Qualitative Research.

Brenda Bowser, Anthropology

Brenda Bowser is a Professor of Anthropology, was nominated for the 2024 Faculty Recognition for Scholarly and Creative Activities Award for her book *Landscapes of Movement and Predation*. Co-edited with Catherine Cameron and published by the University of Arizona Press, this book is the result of Bowser's extensive collaboration with an international, interdisciplinary community of scholars. Bowser and Cameron received the prestigious Amerind Studies in Anthropology award at the 2022 Society for American Archaeology conference to produce this work. The book emerged from an Amerind Seminar, a competitive annual symposium hosted by the Amerind Foundation and co-sponsored by the Society for American Archaeology and the University of Arizona Press. Additionally, it was selected for open-access publication by a consortium of presses. *Landscapes of Movement and Predation* is praised for its innovative decolonizing perspectives on Native peoples' experiences of refuge and societal rebuilding in response to colonial violence.

Brian Chung, Asian-American Studies

Dr. Brian Chung recently received notice of the acceptance of his essay in a leading peer-reviewed journal in our field.

Jorge Fontdevila, Sociology

Dr. Jorge Fontdevila is an accomplished sociologist whose ethnographic research on sexualities and HIV advances health policy goals while contributing to theoretical scholarship on semiotics and networks. He has widely published in sociological, public health, and sexuality studies journals. Most recently, Dr. Fontdevila has coedited the book *Interpretive Sociology and the Semiotic Imagination* (Bristol University Press, 2023). Along with co-writing the book's introductory chapter, he sole-authored a chapter that applies indexical semiotics to context-making in HIV risky sexual encounters. Applying Peircean semiotics to a pragmatist framework of social mechanisms, he shows how emergent properties of complex systems (e.g., HIV disparities) affecting migrant populations can be partly realized via semiotic mechanisms at the micro-level of sexual interactions. This work received the 2024 CSUF HSS Faculty Scholarly Achievement Award. A forthcoming work examines pre/post-migratory sexual changes among Latino bisexual men in an edited book by the University Press of El Colegio de Mexico.

Montserrat Fuente-Camacho, Modern Languages and Literature

During the review period, Dr. Fuente-Camacho published two peer-reviewed journal articles, three book chapters, and a book review. She submitted two more articles for review and delivered seven presentations at academic conferences. Her research focuses on literary and cultural studies through gender, (dis)ability, and social criticism lenses. She has a strong record of mentoring students in research. Notable publications include articles in *Hispania* and the *Journal of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences*. She also coordinated and created social justice projects at CSUF.

James Garcia, Psychology

Dr. James J. García's research focuses on racial/ethnic and LGBTQ+ People of Color health disparities. From January 2022-August 2024, Dr. García, produced an impressive eight peer-reviewed journal articles and four peer-reviewed book chapters for a total of 12 peer-reviewed publications in just two years! Across 2022-2024, he has collaborated with students in research mentorship, which resulted in 23 accepted poster presentations to local, national, and international conferences. Serving as Vice President of Outreach and Community Engagement for the Pomona Pride Center, he received grant funding from the State of CA Department of Health Care Services in 2022 to increase the visibility of the center and lead efforts to decrease substance use risk in LGBTQ+ persons in the Inland Empire. Therefore, Dr. García is a stellar candidate for excellence in Scholarly and Creative Activities.

Eric Gonzaba, American Studies

From 1/22-8/24, Dr. Gonzaba has published three peer-reviewed articles, two public-facing articles, co-curated a museum exhibit (Mapping the Gay Guides: Understanding Southern California Gay History through Travel Guides), headed two ongoing public history projects (Mapping the Gay Guides, Wearing Gay History), and delivered fifteen conference papers or invited lectures to venues such as C-SPAN, Travel & Leisure, and conferences in US History, LGBT & Queer History, American Studies, and American Music. These exceptional achievements far exceed normal expectations of faculty scholarly productivity, especially in terms of the broad reach of Dr. Gonzaba's cutting-edge research on gay history and American nightlife.

Aitana Guia, History

Since January 2022, Dr. Aitana Guia has published a monograph *La rebel·lió dels vianants: El jardí del riu Túria al centre d'una nova València (A Pedestrian Rebellion: The Turia River Park at the Centre of a New Valencia)* (Bromera, 2023). This monograph has received two awards: the 2022 City of Alzira Award for Non-Fiction books and the 2024 Catalan Writers' Association Critic Award for Non-Fiction. She has also published a peer reviewed chapter "Food Fights: Nativism and Culinary Xenophobia in Europe" in *Digestible Governance: Gastrocracy and Spanish Foodways*, edited by Eugenia Afinoguénova, Lara Anderson, and Rebecca Ingram, 101-127. Vanderbilt University Press, 2024.

Brianna Harvey, Sociology

Dr. Harvey's research examines systemic inequities in both educational and carceral systems, prioritizing marginalized youth's voices to re-envision learning spaces as support and empowerment by employing community-rooted qualitative inquiry. Since 2023, Dr. Harvey has published two peer-reviewed articles focused on the experiences of disabled girls experiencing carcerality in schools and the foster care system, one featured in the premier education journal, *American Education Research Journal*. Dr. Harvey has two manuscripts under review and has secured an external grant from the Conrade Hilton Foundation to study Black foster youth now in college. She is active in professional associations, is sought out for collaborative projects on and off campus and is dedicated to her professional development. Her work has gained recognition through the HSS Dean's Faculty Scholarly Achievement Award is featured in the OC Register, CSUF News, and the UCLA School of Education and Information Studies Alumni News.

Veronica Herrera, Politics, Administration, and Justice

Dr. Veronica Herrera is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice and the Co-Director of the Social Equity Research and Policy lab. She actively pursues both internal and external funding for her research on labor trafficking, and on immigrants' experiences of victimization. She received two RSCAs (2019-20 and 2022-23), which were used to complete pilot studies for both lines of research. She recently published her labor trafficking research in the Journal of Human Trafficking. She has a labor trafficking grant proposal under review at the National Institute of Justice and will be submitting another to the National Science Foundation in January 2025. From 2020-2023 she was a Senior Researcher on a federally funded research project examining immigration, crime, and victimization. She spent her sabbatical (Spring 23) interviewing a community sample of undocumented immigrants in English and Spanish and analyzing qualitative data. She continues to publish, present at conferences, and mentor students.

Steven R. James, Archaeology Program, Division of Anthropology

Dr. Steven R. James has four peer-reviewed publications during the period under consideration. These include two significant chapters in an edited book entitled *New Deal Archaeology in the West*, University of Utah Press. These chapters and the entire book detail the history of federally-funded New Deal archaeology programs in the western U.S. during the Great Depression, a research topic largely unknown by historians, archaeologists, and other scholars interested in the history of Roosevelt's New Deal. Dr. James has two co-authored peer-reviewed articles published in *California Archaeology*, the leading journal of the Society for California Archaeology (2022, 2023). One of these articles reports on the joint CSUF-Cal Poly Pomona archaeology field class excavations in the San Bernardino Mountains. He also received an H&SS Summer 2024 Research/Writing Stipend and has given three papers at professional archaeology conferences, one involving his long-term study of native Hawaiian rock art.

Emily Kuffner, Modern Languages and Literature

During the review period, Dr. Kuffner published four peer-reviewed journal articles, three book chapters, an encyclopedia article, a faculty journal article, and four book reviews. She delivered four conference presentations and is scheduled for a fifth in November, also organizing a conference panel. Actively mentoring students, she served as Principal Investigator for a Scott-Jewett award for a bilingual theater festival and as Faculty Director for the Spanish Theater Group. Her research focuses on Golden Age Spanish literature with a strong emphasis on feminist theory, covering areas such as the picaresque novel, literary prostitution, early modern and modern Spanish female authors, motherhood, maternity, gender studies, and pre-modern Spanish cultural studies. Notable publications include articles in *Hispania* and *Humanities*. Her diverse research interests include natural theology, midwifery, and virginity in Spanish literature. Dr. Kuffner's accomplishments, including securing a Scott-Jewett Fund grant and mentoring students, highlight her dedication and recognition in her field.

Myungjung Kwon, Politics, Administration, and Justice

Dr. Myungjung "MJ" Kwon is a Professor of Public Administration. Dr. Kwon's research covers especially timely topics of telework and technological innovation of local governments. He has coauthored five peer reviewed articles and one published conference proceeding from 2022 through 2024. Dr. Kwon's research is impactful, though these works are still relatively new they have already been frequently cited by other research.

Morganna Lambeth, Philosophy

Dr. Morganna Lambeth has demonstrated remarkable scholarly achievements over the past three years. In 2022, her article "Resisting Tiny Heroes: Kant on the Mechanism and the Scope of Imaginative Resistance" was published in the *Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism*, underscoring her contributions to Kantian studies. This is the top journal in the subfield of aesthetics. By 2023, her book *Heidegger's Interpretation of Kant: The Violence and the Charity* was published by Cambridge University Press, offering a profound exploration of Heidegger's engagement with Kant, which was met with critical acclaim through panels such as the North American Kant Society Session at the Pacific APA. Her productivity continued in 2024 with the co-authored article "Reconsidering Heidegger's Temporal Idealism: Finding a Successful Argument with the Help of Fichte and Hegel" in *Epoché*, further showcasing her interdisciplinary approach and philosophical rigor.

William Marelich, Psychology

For the three-year period spanning January 2022 through August 2024, Bill Marelich has been lead or coauthor on 4 publications, including 3 peer-reviewed articles/monographs and 1 peer-reviewed encyclopedia entry for various journals and publishing houses. Of particular interest is the 2024 lead author paper in *Health Psychology*, (one of the American Psychological Association's flagship journals and thus a major contribution to the discipline) evaluating factors predicting nonresponse to a social/behavioral intervention from a randomized control trial (RCT) of mothers living with HIV. He also coauthored 8 conference presentations (all with CSU Fullerton students), including major international conferences such as the Association for Psychological Science (APS) and the American Psychological Association (APA).

Maged Mikhail, History

Dr. Maged Mikhail's research productivity is easy to quantify: six books – three of which are single-authored – and eleven articles and book chapters. Of these, one co-edited book and two single-authored articles were published within the past three years. In recognition and support of Dr. Mikhail's scholarly work, Fordham University's Orthodox Christian Studies Center awarded him a faculty fellowship in 2023, a prestigious honor given, as stated in the award description, to "the most compelling, exciting, and rigorous academic projects." Together, Dr. Mikhail's publications and awards place him among the preeminent scholars of Christianity in Egypt with a focus on the Coptic Church in the centuries before and after the first millennium.

Yuko Okado, Psychology

Between January 2022 – August 2024, Yuko Okado excelled in the following areas: (1) Extramural funding: Okado completed effort for a 3-year grant from the Department of Defense (the CareerFair.ai project, subaward total \$569,253) and secured a National Science Foundation CAREER Award (total expected award of \$979,212). These projects apply AI-based technology to disseminate mentoring and facilitate career exploration in STEM, with the latter project focused on understanding and supporting STEM persistence among Psychology students from underserved backgrounds; (2) Publications: Okado published three peer-reviewed journal articles in top-tier journals (two as first author) and five papers as

part of the proceedings for highly competitive national conferences (American Educational Research Association; Artificial Intelligence in Education), receiving a nomination for the best paper award at AIED 2023; (3) Student co-authors: Both of her first-author peer-reviewed journal articles, four of her published conference papers, and all of her eight conference presentations had student co-authors.

Zia Salim, Geography and the Environment

Dr. Salim published three journal articles – single-authored in *Habitat International* (7% acceptance, ranked #5 of 241 urban studies journals), single-authored in *Focus on Geography*, and coauthored in *Journal of Geoscience Education* (the flagship geoscience education journal). His research pipeline includes two publications in press – a single-authored publication and a coauthored chapter to be published by Cambridge University Press – and four manuscripts undergoing peer-review.

He presented his authored and coauthored research (four papers and four posters, two coauthored with students) at an international meeting, two national conferences, a regional conference, and two CSUF conferences or research series. Dr. Salim authored three journal manuscript reviews (*Cultural Geography*, *CSU Journal of Sustainability and Climate Change*, and *California Geographer*), and he was invited to join the journal *Geography Compass*' editorial board. He secured two competitive intermural research grants (RSCA, 2024; Junior/Senior, 2022), and he received the Dean's Research Award for Associate Professors (2022) and the Dean's Faculty Scholarly Achievement Award (2023).

David Sandner, English

Sandner founded the US Latinx Science Fiction Collection in Pollak Library's Special Collections (2023), creating a website with students and writing "¡Latinxfuturism Ahora!" for *Latinx Visions: Speculative Worlds in Latinx Literature, Art, and Performance*, forthcoming. His Novel *Egyptian Motherlode* (co-written with Jacob Weisman) will launch in November, 2024. He published a novella *His Unburned Heart* (2024), novelette *Hellhounds* (2022, with Weisman), two short stories, and two poems (separately). A new short story and poem are slated for release. Sandner published *The Afterlife of Frankenstein: Mad Science, Automata, and Monsters Inspired by Mary Shelley, 1818-1918* (2023) and "Politically Fantastic" in *The Journal of the Fantastic in the Arts* (2022). "Tomorrowlands and New Frontiers: Los Angeles in Science Fiction," *Los Angeles: A Literary History* (Cambridge), "The Frankenstein Meme Experiment," *Teaching Science Fiction in the Literature Classroom* (MLA), and "Fantasy," *The Cambridge History of Children's Literature in English, Volume One, Origins to 1830* (Cambridge) will publish 2024/5.

Scott Spitzer, Politics, Administration, and Justice

Dr. Scott Spitzer is a Professor of Political Science. His research addresses presidential leadership, racial politics, the decline of New Deal Liberalism, and the rise of contemporary conservatism. Most recently authored an article utilizing archival sources from the Reagan Presidential Library, to show that the Reagan administration's welfare retrenchment efforts with the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 were organized around an overtly racially neutral approach to welfare retrenchment, which was implicitly aimed to exploit racial divisions and to appeal to conservative white voters. Dr. Spitzer has also connected his teaching and research in 2017 co-authored quasi-experimental study of Cal State Fullerton's Town Hall Meeting program, finding that the program successfully increased students' political knowledge, political efficacy, and interest in political engagement and that it did so through the critically important and mediating variable of students' sense of a strong classroom community.

Kenneth Van Bik, English

Kenneth's research addresses the global issue of language extinction by documenting endangered languages in Myanmar. It has been supported by an NSF grant resulting in several peer-reviewed publications and juried presentations including: two publications in 2023: "Issues of lexicon in South-Central Tibeto-Burman," published in *Himalayan Linguistics* 22.1 and "A developing community of collaboration in Indiana," a book-chapter in *Migration, Displacement, and Higher Education: Now What?*, published by Palgrave Macmillan; four juried conference-presentations in 2022-24: "A Lai perspective on verb serialization," and "Affecting valence in Lawmtuk-Ruawghawn" at the International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL55), "Verbal participant marking in Zotung" at the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society Meeting (SEALS32), and "EAT as a grammaticalization source for 'middle' in South-Central Tibeto-Burman" in ICSTLL56; and two juried poster-presentations at the Acoustical Society of America 2024 Annual Meeting: "Vocalic contrasts in Zotung" and "Vowel quantity/quality redux: Revisiting vowel contrasts in Hakha Lai monophthongs".

Elise Wang, English

In the past year, Elise published her first monograph, *The Making of Felony Procedure in Middle English Literature*, with Oxford University Press. The Society of Law and Humanities is organizing a forum and special journal issue on the book, featuring responses from senior scholars and a reflection from Elise, forthcoming in 2025. She also had two peer-reviewed articles accepted, one in *Exemplaria* and one in the *Modern Criminal Law Review*. Elise contributed to the *Encyclopedia of Law and Literature* and is editing a special issue of the *European Journal of English Studies* on race in law and literature. Her second project on conspiracy theories' narrative forms received funding from the Carnegie Foundation for two years of research. Elise has built a significant public profile, discussing conspiracy theories on *The Daily Show* and a Netflix documentary, and her work on felony with *The New York Times*.

Brandi Wells, English

In September 2023, Brandi Wells's debut novel, *The Cleaner*, was published in hardback by Wildfire/Hachette Book Group in the UK, followed by a US release by Hanover Square Press/HarperCollins in January 2024. The novel, which examines the capitalist workplace and its impact on workers, received starred reviews from *Publishers Weekly* and *Booklist*. *The Rumpus* featured the novel's opening in their newsletter. In January 2024, Wells curated a reading list on women's invisible labor for *Electric Lit* and published an essay in *Lithub* titled "Landlord, Teacher, Writer," discussing the role of work in their life. *Lithub* also hosted a podcast in March where Wells discussed their writing. *The Cleaner* was released as a paperback in the UK in April 2024, with a US paperback release planned for later in the year. Wells is currently working on their second novel, focusing on class, race, and trauma.

Mugdha Yeolekar, Religious Studies

Dr. Yeolekar has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to scholarship through the publication of three peer-reviewed articles and one book review. She participated in a prestigious five-day symposium on indigenous knowledge systems at the University of Notre Dame, the proceedings of which will result in a forthcoming publication that has already been accepted. Dr. Yeolekar has also presented her research at three international conferences and one national conference in religious studies, showcasing her work on a global stage. Notably, her project, *Spicing Academia*, stands out as the first collaborative endeavor from the Humanities and Social Sciences, engaging nine other faculty members. This innovative project was recognized with a DEFCON grant, underscoring its academic significance. As *Spicing Academia* progresses toward its completion, it is anticipated to culminate in the publication of an academic book.

College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Nick Brubaker, Math

Dr. Brubaker is the epitome of sustained excellence in Scholarly and Creative Activities. In 2024 alone, he mentored five students on distinct research projects. Dr. Brubaker received an external NSF grant that has led to generating high-end research at the frontiers of applied mathematics and physics. He is the recipient of two internal RSCA grants. He publishes in top notch journals, such as Physical Review E (with four students co-authors) and SIAM Journal of Applied Mathematics. Additionally, he has submitted three other papers, with three students as co-authors. In 2022, he published a book chapter in the American Mathematical Society series.

Jennifer Burnaford, Biology

Professor Jennifer Burnaford has an outstanding record of scholarship. As a Principal Investigator of the Multi-Agency Rocky Intertidal Network (MARINe), she plays a leadership role in a large-scale collaborative focused on development and implementation of standardized monitoring protocols for rocky shores along the North American Pacific Coast. From January 2022 to August 2024, her work in marine intertidal systems from San Diego, CA, through northern Washington State has been continuously funded through nine unique awards from federal, state, and local sources (including Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, US Navy, Washington Sea Grant, and California Ocean Protection Council), totaling over \$840,000. As lead or co-author during this period, she produced four technical reports (for federal, state, and local agencies), one book chapter, and one peer-reviewed publication (with a CSUF MS student as the lead author). In addition, she has been a co-author on 18 student presentations (seven at off-campus events, 11 at CSUF) during this 2.5-year period.

Riley Casper, Math

Dr. Riley Casper's research program is phenomenal, with six papers published since 2022, and an additional four currently under review. These include publications in one of the top journals across pure and applied mathematics, some of the oldest math journals in the world, and PNAS, whose reputation is well-known throughout the broader scientific community. This last article was cited by fields medalist Alain Connes! Further, while it is notoriously difficult to obtain funding for pure mathematics, Dr. Casper was awarded the ORSP Jr/Sr Grant in 2023, the prestigious AMS-Simons PUI Travel Grant, and has submitted a nearly \$200,000 grant proposal to NSF. Dr. Casper has spoken about his work at nine different workshops and conferences since 2022, including the European Congress of Mathematics in Spain, and his projects with undergraduates have led to innumerable poster presentations and talks, as well, including at the Joint Math Meetings, and the CSU Mathematical Sciences Conference.

Joya Cooley, Chemistry and Biochemistry

Dr. Joya Cooley joined CSUF in the fall of 2020, and has mentored over 30 CSUF students in research. Her research probes how chemical structures can be modified to yield desirable properties like heat-reflecting pigments for paints that combat climate change. Dr. Cooley and her students have given 50 presentations at local, national, and international scientific meetings. She has submitted 4 proposals (3 external) for research funding, all of which were funded totaling over \$1 million. She has written proposals for highly competitive data collection time at national laboratories, which house world-class research instrumentation. Dr. Cooley has obtained the equivalent of over \$100,000 in data collection time, and students regularly accompany her to national labs for the unique experience of this data collection. As a first, her recent grant from the Department Of Energy will establish a standing symbiotic partnership between CSUF, its students, and a California national laboratory.

Douglas Eernisse, Biology

After 30 years at CSUF, Professor of Biology Douglas Eernisse continues to thrive in his student-based research program. Google Scholar lists 3775 career citations. Between 2022 and August 2024, he co-authored four peer-reviewed articles in top journals and an invited book chapter for a book on the topic of distributed vision in animals. A recent publication in the journal *Science* was the culmination of an NSF grant for which he was PI, with two Co-PI colleagues at other universities and multiple students in his lab supported by this grant. A publication in *Biological Bulletin* included his undergraduate research student as a co-author. All five publications included student co-authors from at least one of the involved institutions, including an article in *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, partly funded by CSU COAST. A current grant from the California Institute of Biodiversity has employed his graduate student since early 2024.

Jessica Jaynes, Math

Dr. Jaynes has significantly advanced data science education for underrepresented undergraduate students at CSUF. She has mentored 22 students, leading to several publications in prominent journals. Dr. Jaynes has been highly successful in securing grant funding, including the NSF SoCal Data Science grant (\$1.5 million, 2021–2023), which provided data science exposure to 96 students across three campuses. Her Project PIPE-LINE grant (\$1.3 million, 2022–2027) developed faculty workshops, hosted the first Data Science in the Classroom Conference, and created a public Web Forum to address equity gaps in data science education. Additionally, her NIH-funded grant (2024–2028) pairs CSUF students with UC Berkeley faculty for genomics research, and her NSF-funded CAP-INSPIRE grant (\$400,000, 2024–2026) promotes AI research among underrepresented groups. Dr. Jaynes' efforts have been transformational for the Math Department, NSM, and CSUF, creating pathways into data science and fostering student success.

Kristin Kurianski, Math

Dr. Kristin Kurianski has an outstanding record of scholarly and creative activities. Indeed, since 2020, Dr. Kurianski has published six papers in peer-reviewed journals and submitted two that are under review. Her work has appeared in prestigious journals such as the Journal of Nonlinear Analysis and Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering. Dr. Kurianski has been an PI or Co-PI on five funded external grants, which include funding agencies such as the National Sciences Foundation, the American Institute of Mathematics, and the American Mathematical Society. These fundings are a testament to the quality and influence of her scholarly and creative abilities. Dr. Kurianski has been unwavering in her commitment to mentoring students in research, supervising seven undergraduate students on different research projects.

Gina Passante, Physics

Dr. Gina Passante has an outstanding record of scholarship and mentoring of student researchers. Her area of expertise is physics education research with a particular emphasis on quantum mechanics. In the past 5 years, she published 17 peer review manuscripts, an additional 11 manuscripts in conference proceedings, and received three NSF grants to support her research activities. Many of her publications list both undergraduate and graduate CSUF students as co-authors. Her dedication to her student researchers and ability to write successful, large scale, externally funded proposals are a testament to her work ethic and creativity.

Stevan Pecic, Chemistry and Biochemistry

Dr. Stevan Pecic joined the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at CSUF in Fall 2018. His expertise is in the disciplines of medicinal and bioorganic chemistry. His research interests include the development of novel inhibitors of enzymes involved in lipid metabolism and their evaluation as potential non-opioid therapeutics for treating chronic pain. During his time at CSUF he has published 21 publications (with 40 CSUF students as co-authors) and one book chapter, in international journals that are state-of-art in the medicinal chemistry field. Dr. Pecic has mentored 50 undergraduate and 12 graduate students, they presented 72 times at local, national and international conferences and 43 students received scholarship and/or awards for their research accomplishments in his lab. Dr. Pecic's research at CSUF has been funded 12 times, of which 8 external, including four awards by the National Institutes of Health, totaling more than 1.3 million dollars in funding.

Melanie Sacco, Biology

Dr. Melanie Sacco established a student-centered research laboratory at CSUF in 2008 to study plant-virus interactions. During the pandemic, her research pivoted online to bioinformatics, discovering a new endogenous retrovirus in plant-parasitic worms called nematodes. This work led to a 2022 Journal of General Virology paper, including one graduate student co-author and new collaborations with nematology labs in California and Canada. Resuming research in-person allowed the completion of a virus protein mutagenesis project for a 2023 publication in Virology, including one graduate and seven undergraduate student co-authors. Dr. Sacco's research efforts are fully integrated into her teaching mission, with 54 undergraduate and 13 graduate students from CSUF and 11 community college students mentored to date on projects resulting in 70 student presentations at international, national, and regional conferences. Student engagement in her research currently extends into her BIOL 448 (Plant Molecular Biology) course, developed as a Course-based Undergraduate Research Experience (CURE).

Amelia Stone-Johnstone, Math

Dr. Amelia Stone-Johnstone has made outstanding contributions in student mentorship and academic scholarship. She has led ten students in research projects in mathematics education, providing them with guidance and hands-on experience. Additionally, Dr. Stone-Johnstone has submitted a journal article, currently under review, with seven students as co-authors. Her own scholarly achievements are equally remarkable, including the publication of two manuscripts and the receipt of two NSF grants supporting faculty professional development. The first manuscript examines the impact of corequisite courses on students' attitudes toward learning mathematics, while the second presents a model for instructor professional development to promote equity-minded active learning. These accomplishments reflect her dedication to advancing both student and faculty growth.

Jennifer Burnaford, Biology

Professor Jennifer Burnaford has an outstanding record of scholarship. As a Principal Investigator of the Multi-Agency Rocky Intertidal Network (MARINe), she plays a leadership role in a large-scale collaborative focused on development and implementation of standardized monitoring protocols for rocky shores along the North American Pacific Coast. From January 2022 to August 2024, her work in marine intertidal systems from San Diego, CA, through northern Washington State has been continuously funded through nine unique awards from federal, state, and local sources (including Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, US Navy, Washington Sea Grant, and California Ocean Protection Council), totaling over \$840,000. As lead or co-author during this period, she produced four technical reports (for federal, state, and local agencies), one book chapter, and one peer-reviewed publication (with a CSUF MS student as the lead author). In addition, she has been a co-author on 18 student presentations (seven at off-campus events, 11 at CSUF) during this 2.5-year period.

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Michaela Bettez, Open Educational Resources Librarian

From 2022-2024, librarian Michalea Bettez authored two peer-reviewed journal articles, a book chapter, and presented at four national and regional academic conferences. This exceptional scholarship includes engaging original research on open educational resources in art curriculum, preventing burn-out in new faculty hires, and incorporating diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives in library instruction practices. Notably, Michalea has also published in film criticism and popular culture in her work "Victims vs. Survivors in the Rape Revenge Fantasy: A Comparison of Black Christmas (2019) and I May Destroy You" and "Monstrous Older Women: Horrific Representations of Older Women's Desire and Sexuality in Genre Films." Michaela's contributions demonstrate exceptional scholarly and creative engagement and encourage a culture of collaboration among her library peers.

Anthony Davis, Copyright & Policy Librarian

Anthony Davis stands out among library faculty for his scholarship. His outstanding work includes establishing a Men of Color Collection for the Male Success Initiative at Fullerton using a \$15,000 RSCA Grant from the CSU Chancellor's Office. This collection includes the perspectives of the MSI Community, campus leaders, and students working together to handpick titles representing an array of life experiences. Anthony presented this work at the NASIG Annual Conference and authored a book chapter "Collaborating through Collections: the Male Success Initiative, Fullerton, Men of Color Collection." Anthony's scholarship also includes a peer-reviewed article on the use of streaming video in Ethnic Studies curriculum and multiple regional presentations on supporting underrepresented college students. Anthony received a Scott-Jewett Summer Community Engagement Grant for his work with Dr. Malone at CSUF's Institute for Black Intellectual Innovation. The library department is proud and grateful to Anthony for this amazing work.

Kellie Lanham-Friedman, Art & Makerspace Librarian

Librarian Kellie Lanham-Friedman demonstrates exceptional scholarly and creative engagement in just a few short years at CSUF. As a Digital Ethnic Futures Fellow, Kellie has focused on broadening digital humanities initiatives within the arts. In pursuit of these efforts she was awarded a \$15,000 CSUF Research and Scholarly/Creative Activities Grant to launch a Bolivian Musical Database Project in collaboration with Professor Vivianne Asturizaga in the Department of Music. Kellie also presented her research on supporting the Makerspace needs of University art students at the annual conference for the Art Libraries Society of North America in Mexico City. Kellie's scholarly efforts have connected her with Arts faculty across campus and advanced the overall mission and goals of the Pollak Library Makerspace. Congratulations, Kellie!