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Justice Studies Convocation
December 13, 2015

SJSU | DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE STUDIES



Dr. James Lee

and the

Faculty & Staff of the Justice Studies Department in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts

Welcome you

to the

Department of Justice Studies Convocation Ceremony

honoring

Master of Science Degree Candidates in Justice Studies

and

Baccalaureate Degree Candidates in Justice Studies and in Forensic Science

Class of 2015

Morris Dailey Auditorium San José State University San José, California

Special Thanks to the Justice Studies Task Force

Today's convocation ceremony is made possible through the efforts of the Justice Studies Task Force.

The Task Force is made up of representatives from the three Justice Studies Student groups, recent alumni of those groups and friends of our department. The student groups are: Alpha Phi Sigma (National Criminal Justice Honor Society), Chi Pi Sigma (Criminal Justice Fraternity), the Forensic Science Student group.

These students, friends, and alumni have volunteered many hours to make today's celebration a success. The proceeds from ticket sales go to provide the graduate's gifts, rental of ceremony space, decorations and refreshments.

Funds remaining after expenses have been paid are disbursed to the student groups, help fund our outreach and enrichment events, and go to support student and departmental activities.

Department of Justice Studies

Transforming Justice & Empowering Communities Since 1930

Our Vision

Through community engagement and research, our faculty and graduates contribute to a more just society

Our Mission

The Department of Justice Studies develops critical actors for criminal and social justice in diverse and changing communities

Our Values

Learning: We value education and intellectual curiosity above all. The academic freedom of faculty and students is vital to our role of promoting life-long learning through intellectual inquiry, scholarship and the pursuit of knowledge.

Student, Staff and Faculty Success: We place our highest priority on ensuring the academic success and personal growth of the San José State University community.

Excellence: We hold ourselves to the highest standards and support continual improvement and innovation in all we do.

Integrity: We are accountable for our actions and expect honesty and fairness in all our work and interactions.

Diversity and Social Justice: We value and respect diversity, inclusion, civility, and individual uniqueness and recognize the strength these factors bring to our community and learning environment. All of our interactions should reflect trust, caring, and mutual respect.

Sustainability: We are committed to sustainability in all areas, not just environmental but also social sustainability.

Community and Service: We value collaborative relationships within and beyond the campus in order to best serve our mission.

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We are honored today to welcome Jess B. Guy as our convocation speaker.

Jess B. Guy

Justice Studies Distinguished Alumnus (Bachelor of Arts, 1970; Master of Science, 1989; Juris Doctorate 1998)

Jess Guy enjoyed a distinguished career in federal law enforcement before going to law school and becoming a Deputy Public Defender here in Santa Clara County. In addition to his legal and law enforcement careers, Jess taught in the Justice Studies Department and served as the faculty advisor for Chi Pi Sigma, the Professional Law Enforcement Fraternity, of which he is also an alumnus.



Jess attended SJSU in the turbulent 1960's and was a very active member of Chi Pi Sigma. After graduating, Jess became a Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. He worked a variety of assignments in California - including 16 months undercover working on outlaw motorcycle gangs and organized crime investigations.

Jess and his wife Valerie transferred to Alaska in 1973. He worked extensively with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and was appointed as an Honorary Sergeant in the RCMP for his contributions. In one investigation he made an undercover buy of over 2000 pounds of stolen explosives originally intended by the suspects to use against the Fairbanks Police Department. Jess worked in Oregon, Guam, Saipan and San Francisco on a variety of assignments from drugs to arms smuggling.

Jess was promoted to Resident Agent in Charge of ATF in San Jose, supervising investigations in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey, and San Benito counties. In 1990, in addition with his supervisory duties, he was selected as the first Team Leader of ATF's San Francisco Special Response Team. This team conducted high risk search and arrest warrants, witness and dignitary protection, as well as complex undercover investigations. He is proud to say that for the four years he ran the team no agent or suspect was seriously injured in any operation.

In 1994 Jess started law school, completing it in 1998. Four nights a week for four years! When he completed his law degree, Jess retired from ATF to pursue a career in law. Jess became a deputy public defender in 2000 where he worked as criminal defense attorney until December 2014, when he retired...again.

Jess comes from a family of Spartans: He has been married to Valerie, an SJSU graduate, for 41 years, and both of his children are SJSU alumni. His daughter is a police officer here in the Bay Area and his son is a fitness instructor at Google.

Order of Exercises

Faculty Processional Imperial March
John Williams

Graduates Processional Pomp and Circumstance
Sir Edward Elger

Welcome Dr. James Lee
Department Chair

Dean's Address Dr. Mary Schutten
Dean of the College

Special Recgonition Dr. James Lee

Student Address Suzy A. Covarrubias

Convocation Address Jess B. Guy
2005 Distinguished Alumnus

Presentation of Forensic Science

& Justice Studies

Bachelor of Science

Dr. James Lee

Dr. Steven Lee

Mary Juno

Degree Candidates

Dr. Veronica Herrera

Keep in Touch with Justice Studies

Sheree Martinek
Task Force Reprensitive

Presentation of the Class of 2015 Dr. James Lee

Recessional Brave
Sara Bareilles

Graduating Class of 2015

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Jonathan R. Alegria

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Nicole D. Wilson *

* Graduating with honors (3.20-3.49) Δ Cum Laude Honors – 3.50-3.69

Graduating Class of 2015

Candidates for Master of Science in Justice Studies

Pedja Ilic

Carla Schultz

Bachelor of Science in Justice Studies Human Rights Minor

Andrea Nicole Anderson

Ericka Linda Bundy

Laura Diaz A

Thomas Marian

Susana Rodriguez

Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science Concentration in Biology

Ali Saeed Alsehhi

Isaac Camarillo

Victor Changcoco *

Bich Thuy Tran Dinh

Virginia Phan *

Chau Buu To *

Kimberly Truong

Emily Turnquist ∆

Bachelor of Science in Forensice Science Concentration in Chemistry

Eric Kwong Ernesto Ramos

Honors Note: At San José State University, a student's SJSU and overall GPA's must meet the minimum GPA requirements. To qualify for the following Latin honors, BOTH the final SJSU and overall GPA's must be:

- 3.85 and above Summa Cum Laude
- 3.70 and above Magna Cum Laude
- 3.50 and above Cum Laude

^{*} Graduating with honors (3.20-3.49) Δ Cum Laude Honors – 3.50-3.69

Did you know?

The students being honored today are graduating from one of the oldest Justice Studies programs in the United States. The Justice Studies Department of San José State University has a long history of preparing students for a professional career in criminal justice.



In 1930, President T. W. MacQuarrie of San Jose State Teacher's College, was introduced to August Vollmer, Chief of Police of Berkeley, California. During the ensuing conversation the idea for, and value of, pre-employment police training was discussed. As a result of this conversation, on October 2, 1930, a two-year "technical training" course for police officers was initiated under the supervision of the Social Science Department. The *Police Administration Program* was the first degree granting program of its kind in the United States.

By 1934 the name of the program had changed to the *Police School*. Over the years, the curriculum was expanded to cover all stages of the criminal justice system. Since 1970, the curriculum has been further developed to include courses that address a full range of justice issues from family and community violence to discrimination and inequality under the law. The name change to *Justice Studies* in 2004 signifies the department's more holistic approach to studying justice and the emphasis on academic research in the law and justice fields.

San José State University's Justice Studies program has consistently been rated among the nation's best. The department has a longstanding reputation of academic excellence, and this tradition continues today as our curriculum changes and expands to meet the demands of an increasingly complex, globalized world.

Our graduates have gone on to become professionals within the criminal justice system, have careers in non-profit justice related agencies, and to

continue their education in law schools and a wide range of graduate programs.

We are proud of all the alumni who have graduated from our programs over the years and congratulate today's graduates! The SJSU Record Clearance Project salutes all Justice Studies graduates for their hard work and dedication to promoting justice.

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Record Clearance Project

Students in the San José State University Record Clearance Project (RCP) assist eligible people to clear their criminal records and make good on the promise of equal justice for all.

Long after RCP clients have served their sentences, their records hold them back from employment, housing, student loans and similar opportunities. Students make a difference by explaining legal rights, advising people of next steps toward expungement, and filing papers in court. RCP students' work helps people to better provide for themselves and their families, and to look forward to a brighter future.

Congratulations to the following RCP students graduating today:

Andrea Anderson José Hernandez
Elisia Araya Juan Herrejon
Jerahmeel Aveno Thomas Marian
Nina Bernardini Nerissa Marichalar
Ericka Bundy José Mendoza
Laura Díaz Ashley Salas
Roberto García Angulo Nicole Wilson





RCP: Changing lives, one petition at a time

National Criminal Justice Honor Society Fota Chapter

Our mission is to promote academic excellence, leadership, community service, and unity.

> We would like to congratulate the Iota Chapter Class of 2015!



Laura Diaz Oscar Rocha





Maria Mariscal



We wish the Fall 2015 graduates much success in their futures.



Congratulations to our Fall 2015 Graduates!



Eric Kwong President 2014-2015 Public Relations 2013-2014



Ernesto Ramos

Forensic Science Students is a student organization that helps connect students with an interest in Forensic Science. Find us on the web: https://sites.google.com/site/forensicsciencestudents/

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Chi Pi Sigma xnx

Co-educational, Criminal Justice Fraternity

Since 1935, Chi Pi Sigma has provided hundreds of SJSU students aspiring to be criminal justice professionals with the educational, professional, and social growth needed to succeed in the field. We have alumni who have worked and are currently working on local, state, federal, and private law enforcement agencies all across the nation.

CONGRATS TO ELISIA ARAYA, OUR FALL 2015 GRADUATE!



From our family to yours, we congratulate all of the graduates being honored today, and we wish them happiness and success in pursuing their respective careers in the field of criminal justice.

<u>www.ChiPiSigma.org</u>



"Strength Through Moral Support"

Justice Studies Task Force

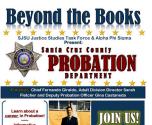
Special congratulations to Task Force



member Eric Kwong
who is graduating today!
Eric is our web master,
treasurer, photographer and
graphic artist all in one. He
has contributed greatly to the
Task Force.



Eric, we will miss you!



Founded in fall 2010, the Justice Studies Student Group Task Force was created to promote camaraderie and collaboration between the student groups in the Justice Studies Department: Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society, Chi Pi Sigma, and Forensic Science Students. The Task Force is made up of members of each of the JS student groups, as well as representatives from JS alumni.

This year the Task Force transitioned from a student group to an alumni group, broadening our focus to include alumni in a more active role in the department.

The Task Force hosts the annual *Confidence Challenge* in addition to Spring and Fall Convocation for the Department. The *Confidence Challenge* is a physical agility event in which teams made up of JS student and faculty compete against one another in a friendly but

challenging version of the physical agility test for law enforcement. The Task Force took over

the planning and hosting Justice Studies Department convocation ceremony in 2013. In 2015 the Task Force initiated our "Beyond the Books" series. The purpose of this panel discussion is to provide an opportunity for students to expand their knowledge of careers influencing the Justice System. The Task Force motto reflects their goal of helping our students experience the realities of the careers in the field:

"As Real As It Gets!"



Sheree Martinek, Veronica Herrera, Jan Hagemann, Robert Carrera, Brian Werner, Vanessa Shatto, Hannah Marcus and Eric Kwong at this year's 5th Annual Confidence Challenge



MOUNTAIN VIEW POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION



We congratulate the Class of 2015 **JUSTICE STUDIES SPARTANS!**

MVPOA is a diverse group of individuals dedicated to serving our community. From the police officer on patrol to the records specialist working at our front desk, we are all here to provide nothing less than exceptional service.

Mountain View Police is a progressive, community-oriented department and many of our officers are Justice Studies alumni!

WE INVITE YOU TO CHECK US OUT AT WWW.MVPOA.NET











CONGRATULATIONS JUSTICE STUDIES **CLASS OF 2015!**

Wishing you all the best as you begin this exciting new phase of your life! Considering a career in law enforcement?

Come to Morgan Hill!



The Morgan Hill Police Department is a great department with excellent opportunities for career advancement!

We have thirty-nine sworn police officers, six paid reserve police officers, and twenty-one non-sworn support personnel that serve

a community of 39,000 people.

Our department is comprised of three divisions: Field Operations (Patrol), Special Operations (Detective Bureau) and Support Services (Records and Dispatch). Specialty and Collateral assignments include Motor Traffic Unit, Street Crimes Unit, Investigations, SWAT, Hostage Negotiations, Social Media Officer, K-9 Officer, and School Resource Officer.





www.morganhill.ca.gov

The Morgan Hill Police Department is dedicated to working with our community to build partnerships to increase public safety and decrease crime. We are expanding our use of various types of technology to assist us with new crime fighting techniques.

The Morgan Hill Police Department is committed to deliver Intelligence-based police services by partnering with the community to reduce crime, apprehend offenders and improve Quality of life with integrity, professionalism, and respect.



Thank you to our donors

As we look back on all we have accomplished this year, we wish to acknowledge the following individuals and organizations who have generously supported the Justice Studies Department.

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Annual Deparment Showcase - October 16



















At our annual showcase and dinner, Ruben Chavez, Jr. was named Distinguished Alumus and Sheree Martinek was given the Janet L. Hagemann award. Alumni and friends celebrated student achievements and raised fund to support student success.

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Stay Connected ... Visit Us ... Partner with Us ... Let us know what you are doing. YOU could be the next Distinguished Alumnus, presenter at "Beyond the Books" or speaker at the Ann Lucas Lecture Series! An easy way to keep in touch is to join the Alumni Association. If you join San José State University Alumni Association, 50% of your dues come back to the Justice Studies Task Force to support student activities and events within the department!

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