History Sweeps Teaching Honors

Honor Recipients Lead List Of 210 History Graduates

Buchanan Award winner Lee Shaker and three students who completed the Senior Honors Seminar lead the list of 210 undergraduates graduating with degrees in History this year.

Another 22 students will be taking MA and PhD degrees (see story, p. 3).

The undergraduate list includes 27 students who graduated in Fall 2001, another 27 who graduated in Winter 2002 and 29 who have registered to graduate after the Summer term. It also includes two student who graduated with a degree in History of Public Policy.

The largest group, 127 students, graduates this Spring.

Commencement ceremonies for History majors are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 16 on the Faculty Club Green.

The ceremony will be preceded by the History Department’s annual reception for graduating seniors and their families, which will be held from 10:30-12:30 in the History Conference Room, 4020 HSSB.

Shaker, who was tapped as the outstanding graduating senior in History (see story, p. 2) was also one of two majors selected for admission into Phi Beta Kappa, the nation’s oldest and most prestigious liberal arts honor society. Mattias Flores

Top TA, Teacher Awards Go to Cowan, Garcia

History continued its dominance of the Academic Senate teaching awards this year, with Maeve Cowan receiving the Distinguished Teaching Assistant award and Prof. Mario Garcia named as the Distinguished Teacher.

History TAs have now won that award for the second year in a row and the fourth time in the past five years.

Among the faculty, Prof. Randy Bergstrom won the Distinguished Teacher award in 1999 and Fred Logevall in 1998.

The award capped a banner month for Cowan, who earlier learned she had won the department’s J. Bruce Anderson award as outstanding TA in History, and then received a Graduate Opportunity Fellowship from the Graduate Division to work on her dissertation, “From Watergate to the Ethics in Government Act: Contested Visions of Presidential Autonomy, 1973-1978,” which she is writing for Prof. Laura Kalman.

History Prof. Al Lindemann, himself a former Distinguished Teacher award winner and chair of the Senate Committee on Effective Teaching and Instructional Support (CETIS) this year, said the committee “showed unusual unanimity” in selecting Cowan.

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"The professors with whom Maeve has worked were especially eloquent in praise of her," he said. "One wrote that 'Only ten minutes in classroom with Maeve is enough to sense she is something special.'"

All professors remarked on her ability to challenge her students, while projecting a genuine concern for them.

Student comments were, if possible, even more effusive, Prof. Lindemann said.

"Maeve’s scores on student evaluations were little short of astonishing. For many of her sections they were 90 per cent in the top or 'Excellent' category, and almost always over 90 per cent in the two top categories of ‘Excellent’ and ‘Very Good.’"

Prof. Garcia’s award took note of his 26-year record of dedication to teaching, during which time “he has served as both a mentor and role model to his students.

The citation quoted one student who wrote that Prof. Garcia “has inspired me to make a positive difference to the world.”

“He strives to integrate his research and his teaching,” the citation noted, adding that "his colleagues in the Chicano Stud-
JENNIFER SEE WON the Richard K. Mayberry Award as the outstanding graduate student in History at the department's annual Awards Ceremony on May 15.

A student of Prof. Fred Logevall, Jenn was cited in particular for the work she has done on a comparative study of the origins of what became known as the policy of containment early in the Cold War.

At the ceremony, the UCSB History Associates distributed more than $30,000 in awards and prizes, including funds collected in this year's scholarship campaign.

"This is what makes all of our efforts worthwhile," said Associates Pres. Monica Orozco, who co-chaired the ceremony with History Chair Jack Talbott.

Awards included prizes for best undergraduate and graduate papers written during the 2000-01 academic year.

The Stuart L. Bernath Prize for best undergraduate seminar paper went to COURTNEY SALERA for her paper, "Kristallnacht: What Makes Us Remember?"

Two students received the William H. Ellison Prize for best graduate seminar paper.

ERIN EDMONDS (Kalman) was recognized for her paper on "Critical Race Theory: Where Do We Go From Here?" and CORINNE WIEBEN (Lansing) for her paper on "The Political Life of Verdiana de Castelfiorentino."

The History Associates Board Prize, created to recognize the best paper in the department’s year-long Senior Honors Seminar, went to BIANCA MURILLO for her paper, "Urban Experiences of Elite Women in Colonial Ghana 1880-1939."

JAMIE MORROW received the Nicholas and Lena Dumas Award for the best undergraduate paper on a topic in Greek History and Culture.

In other undergraduate awards, MELISSA KRAVETZ won the Marion Ramstad scholarship for study of European or Asian history. She will intern at the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D. C. this summer.

The Daughters of the American Revolution scholarship, awarded to a History major eligible for next year's Senior Honors Seminar for writing on a topic in American history, went to JENNA BERGER, who has undertaken an internship with the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation.

In graduate prizes, NANCY MCLoughlin (Farmer) was first recipient of the new C. Warren Apparel European History scholarship, created by the History Associates to honor one of their most stalwart supporters.

Other fellowships went to RHIMOU BERNIKHO-CANIN (Gallagher), HUGO HERNANDEZ (Rock), JON LEMMOND (Friesen), MARIA LOGRANO (Humphreys), YURIY MALIKOV (Hasegawa) and JON NIMO (Rock).

History Associates travel awards, to assist graduate students presenting papers at professional conferences, went to SARAH CASE (DeHart/Harris), JESSICA CHAPMAN (Logevall), ALex Fabros (Vargas), SUSAN SNYDER (Lansing) and DANIELLE SWIONTEK (DeHart).

Special UC-DC fellowships, created by the History Associates to help defray expenses TAs in the Washington, D. C. program, went to MAEVE COWAN and JOHN Sbardellati.
From The Chair

To My Fellow Graduates

It’s been an exciting four years. Time has flown. It seems only yesterday that I moved into a new space—spare and institutional-looking, but made more comfortable by a few things from home.

No sooner had I settled in than I faced new challenges: meeting people, writing long papers with short deadlines, making my way in an unfamiliar environment, being asked questions that seemed to have no answers. I did a lot of winging it.

Gradually I began getting the hang of it, or at least of a lot of it. Some parts were fun; some stayed boring, some remained excruciatingly dull.

I was always eager for summer to come, but I’m glad I stuck with it. I learned a lot about the university and myself. I made new friends.

I know more about people than I did before. But I also realize you can’t do this forever, and I am ready to move on to new challenges.

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We hope, however—we are even fairly confident, on our better days—that those majors to whom we say goodbye every year, will carry through their lives the intrinsic joy, satisfaction, and usefulness of knowing the past.

Jack Talbott
Chair
Department of History

7th Cold War Conference Draws International Field

Thirteen speakers from 10 different universities presented papers on topics that ranged from television programs to the Orthodox Church and from the beginning of the Cold War at the end of World War II to its heyday in the 1970s were featured at the 7th annual graduate student conference on the Cold War, held at UCSB May 17-18.

Prof. Robert Schulzinger of the University of Colorado delivered a keynote address entitled, “Return With Us Now To Those Thrilling Days of the Vietnam War.”

The two-day event also featured a faculty roundtable on the question of “Cold War Triumphalism,” featuring Profs. Mark Lawrence of the University of Texas, Austin; Walter Hixson of the University of Akron, and David Schnitz of Whitman College. Presenters came from as far away as Central European University in Budapest and the London School of Economics.

UCSB was represented by Maeve Cowan (Kalman) and Jessica Chapman (Logevall).
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was also selected.

The three Senior Honors Seminar students will be awarded Distinction in the Major for completing their thesis projects. The students and their topics are:

Donald Raymond Burnette, “Grafting Funding with Freedom: Early Twentieth-Century Agricultural Research and the Challenge of Scientific Liberty,” written for Prof. Osborne.


Cara Elizabeth Jennison, “To-Day’s Telegraphic Dispatches: Union Sentiment and San Francisco Newspaper Reports of the Civil War” (Prof. Majewski).

Here is the list of graduating seniors:

FALL ‘01

John Henry Binder, Alana Leigh Bloomberg, Randy Julius Bordalo, George Frank Carganilla, Mark Hamilton Carpenter, Jessica D. Diaz, Jonathan C. Foreman, Timothy Weston Fredricks.


Matthew Charles Moore, Sean P. Overlock, Chistopher Jens Peterson, Jose Abraham Pina.


Erin Elizabeth Gregg graduated with a degree in History of Public Policy.

WINTER ‘02

Angelica Alamillo, Kim Baram, John Thomas Bennett, Jessica Y. Cohen, Kristen Corinne Coke, Benjamin Leland Commons, Jeffrey Sulla Craven, Craig Mac-Donald Deutsch, Mary Elizabeth Donaldson, Heidi Quiroz Goodwin, Willie Michael Honig.


SPRING ‘02


Kelley Ann Bader, Zachary Sisson Baird, Adam Paul Bednar, Kenzo Emile Bergeron, Andrea Rose Bergin, Cambria Anne Bower, Curtis Hobart Brainard.


Denis Christopher Connolly IV, Carol Elayne Conroy, Matthew J. Cox. Patrick James Daley, Heather Jamal Daud, Justin Vincent Delmar, Tanya Louise Everett.

Vicki Eileen Fama, Michael Henry Figueroa, Julie Alexis Fisher, Haley Louise Frasca, Lauren Christie Fujio, Patrick Peter Furye.


Anthony William Haddad, Julia Hajdu, Sarah Elaine Hauptman, Django Strozzi Heckler, Miles Nathan Hirsch, Catherine Ann Holberg, Lauren Elizabeth Horner, Bryan David Howard, Chris M Hubbard.


Andrew Duncan Love, Karl Jan Lubbe, Rebecca Erin Lubrano, Mark Lynn MacKissick Jr., Emily Catherine Mackprang, Rafael Martinez, Molly Catherine McDonald.


Kiley Craig Noble, John Jun Noh, Rocio Guadalupe Nunez, Nathaniel Marcus Nylander, Brian Donal O’Shea, Carl Glen Olsen.

Jill A. Palmer, John Huy Phan, Justin Toshiro Phillips, Jeffery Martin Minor Pike.

Andrew Townsend Radsch, Timothy Michael Ricard, Matthew Adam Ridout, Lauren Marie Rotella, Felicia Phyllis Rove, Brooke Eleanor Rundle.


Nicholas Alexander Wolf, Gerrit Ryan Wood, Carolyn Laura Wylie, David Allen Yang, Jessica Robin Zeitlin, Joshua Steven Zimmerman.

Sarah Elizabeth Thibodeaux will graduate with a degree in History of Public Policy.

SUMMER ‘02

Noel Alaniz, Anthony Paul Andrade, Elizabeth Arroyo, Georgia Anissa Benigni, Peter James Brunton, Daniel Michael Conway, Malia Breannna Cooper, Matthew Daniel Cummings, Jeremy Arias Duer, Rebecca Lynn Ennis.


Kimberly Leanne Kiefh, Tomer Kleinman, Nicholas James Lejeune, Molly Margaret Martin, Michael Andrew McElhaney, James Lawrence Rieves.

Octavio Saldana Sanchez, Kimberly Lyn Sawyer, Sean Matthew Senti, Britney Angelina Wynn, John June Yamazaki.
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MA and PhD Awards for 2001-2002

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Completing this Spring are John Baranski (Furner), Steve Cory (Humphreys), Traci Heitschmidt (Marcuse), Rachel Howes (Humphreys), Yuko Nishikawa (Spickard), Kimber Quinney (Logevall) and Dan Shao (Fogel).

Seven more students plan to file their dissertations this summer: Jay Carlander (Harris), Sarah Case (DeHart/Harris), Jim Emmons (Drake), Alistair Hattingh (Rock), Tryntje Helfferich (Sonnino), Jose Valente (Dutra) and Ben Zulueta (Badash).

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