179 Majors to Graduate With Degrees in History

With the Class of 2000 Commencement on Sunday, June 18, a total of 179 students will have taken degrees in History in the 1999-2000 academic year.

Leading the list are 10 students who completed the department’s year-long Senior Honors Seminar. These are Brian August Bobb, Danielle Alice Corey, James Andrew Dankiewicz, Colleen Marie Egan, Leah Noel Etling, David Jacob Ginsberg, Shannon M. Hayes, Jade Danielle Hoff -man, Ashlee Nicole Logan and Steven Brock Williams.

Three majors—Brian Landon Barnes, Mindy Rae Simonson and Joan Marie Vignocchi—were among the 70 students selected this year for induction into Phi Beta Kappa, the nation’s oldest honor society, founded in 1776.

Other students taking degrees in History, History of Public Policy and Medieval Studies (including students who completed in Summer and Fall 1999 and Winter 2000) are:

- Randall Hunter Adams, Brad Christopher Allen, Deanna T Ames, Jesus Andrade, Diego Alejandro Arp.
- Alexander Merlin Batley, Constina Maria Baylor, David Alexis Beauchamp, Matthew Aaron Benton, Jonathan Lee Bergmann, Kimberly Susanne Berry, Laurent Robert Bertet.
- Stephanie Rene Bucey, Michael Talkington Buckhoff, Lara Alice Buckley, Susanah Martin Burns, Jessica Claire Bylo.
- Pamela Maria Campain, Maria DeJesus Cardona, Ross Norman Carmichael, Brazell Henry Carter, Joseph Andrew Cavaiola.
- David Adam Cederblom, Eric Wha Choi, Hunter Dragon Clark, Rosemary Elizabeth Clark, Jennifer Michelle Coate.
- Jason Gabriel Cooley, Tenielle Elizabeth Cooper, Hilary Anne Cox, Emily Claire Crandall, Danielle Suzanne Crane, Tiffany Jill Cripe.
- Christopher James D’anjou, Melissa Lynn Davis, Nicole Anastasia De Smit, Mark L. Diebel, April Sky Dunlop.
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For the first time in its 40-year history, the History Department will name one of its rooms after a local benefactor.

To no one’s surprise, this unique honor goes to Jo Beth and Don Van Gelderen, whose annual challenge grants have been the driving force behind the History Associates’ annual fund raising campaigns.

The History faculty voted unanimously to request permission to title its graduate reading room The Van Gelderen Room. The decision was kept secret in order to surprise the Van Gelderens.

The request wound its way through UC’s labyrinthine bureaucracy for almost a year before Department Chair Jack Talbott received the green light, just days before the annual awards ceremony.

“This decision is special in more ways than one,” Prof. Talbott said.

“First, although it is commonplace to name buildings and even whole schools after benefactors in private universities, the University of California tradition has been to name its buildings after faculty.

“Second, in almost every case departments that have named rooms after private individuals have done so only after receiving a bequest for that purpose.

“In this case, the History faculty took the initiative in order to recognize two very special and wonderful people whose generosity has come with no strings at-
Prizes Go to Nenzi, Cramer, Wish

Osgood Wins Mayberry; Paper

Ken Osgood and Laura Nenzi

Detto Nenzi won top graduate honors at the department’s annual Awards Ceremony on May 31, where History Associates Fellowships were also handed out to a dozen graduate students.


KENDRICK H. TOOMBS

The History Associates Board Prize for best paper produced in the 1998-99 Senior Honors Seminar went to Valdis James Wish for “American Reactions to the Russo-Finnish War of 1939-40,” which he wrote for Prof. Tsuyoshi Hasegawa.

The Dick Cook Memorial Award for outstanding service, named after the founding president of the History Associates, went to Joshua Ross Ashenmiller (Furner), and Nancy Lee Stockdale (Gallagher) won the J. Bruce Anderson Memorial Fellowship for outstanding teaching.

The Esme Frost Fellowship for the outstanding graduate student in pre-modern European history went to James Boone Emmons (Drake).

The Robert L. Kelley Fellowship for study of U.S. history and public policy went to David Samuel Torres-Rouff (Bergstrom).

History Associates Fellowships

The Jo Beth Van Gelderen Award for outstanding accomplishments by a re-entry graduate student went to Amy Ruthann Caldwell (Friesen).

Twelve other graduate students received History Associates Fellowships.

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in the way the past is put to use in the present.”

This interest underlies Brian’s senior honors thesis, entitled “So Often There’s Been People to Speak, But No One to Listen: Gender, Memory, and South Africa’s Truth and Reconciliation Commission.”

Prof. Miescher praised Brian’s thesis as the product of a wide-ranging intellect that combines history and literature with a strong interest in social theory.

Brian is the 27th student to win the Buchanan Award since it was created by the Alumni Association in 1974 to honor Prof. A. Russell Buchanan, one of the founding members of the History Department who also served as Vice Chancellor of UCSB during a career that spanned 35 years, from 1938 until he retired in 1973.
Emeritus Prof. George Hadded Dies in Bay

Prof. George Haddad, one of the History department’s earliest members, died in San Francisco earlier this year.

Prof. Haddad came to UCSB in 1960, one year after the department was created, to teach Middle Eastern history. He retired in 1978.

A specialist in the history of Syria and his native Lebanon, Prof. Haddad quickly became a fixture in the department, teaching to overflow enrollments in courses that spanned the ancient, medieval and modern periods of Middle Eastern history.

His first book, published in Arabic in 1951, when he was only 21 years old, was entitled The Arab Conquest of Damascus.

Prof. Haddad was best known for two other books. Aspects of Social Life in Antioch in the Hellenistic Roman-Period, published in 1949, was an outgrowth of his PhD dissertation at the University of Chicago.

Other centers include Harvard, Princeton, Penn, Chicago and Georgetown.

Grad Students Walk Off With Jobs, Honors

Awards rained down like party favors this month.

Amy Caldwell (Friesen) received a Fulbright Fellowship to work in the Swiss archives next year, as did Eric Staples (Humphreys) for Morocco.

Three grad students received IGCC dissertation fellowships—the most awarded to any History department in the UC system. Selected were Ken Osgood (Logevall), Jake Hamblin (Badash) and Tryntje Helfferich (Sonnino).

In addition, Jennifer See (Logevall) received a $4000 travel grant to conduct research in France and Britain.

Mark Hendrickson (Furner) received a dissertation research summer travel grant from the All-UC Economic History Group.

On the job front, Deborah Gerish (Farmer) has accepted a tenure-track position at Emporia State University in Kansas.

And Ron Morgan (Cline), now a tenure-track assistant professor at Biola University, will publish Saints And Patrias: Sacred Biography And The Emergence Of Spanish American Identities with University of Arizona Press.

Dept Honors Van Gelderens

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A member of the Board of the History Associates since its creation 12 years ago, Jo Beth Van Gelderen has also created a fellowship to recognize outstanding graduate students who, like herself, entered graduate school after pursuing other careers.

In announcing the decision at the awards ceremony, Prof. Talbott described the Van Gelderens’ gifts as “a form of philanthropy that goes to the very heart of who we are and what we do.”

He also called attention to the critical role of Dr. Greg de Roulhac, second president of the History Associates, in getting the challenge grants started.

“We are indeed blessed to have graduates and members of the community who are so committed to advancing the goals of our department,” he said.

A surprised Jo Beth Van Gelderen said that she and Don have maintained the challenge grant over the years “because we can see the results every year, and that has been extremely satisfying.”

The Van Gelderen Room will be formally dedicated at a ceremony in the Fall, Prof. Talbott said.
President's Corner

Another year of History Associates has concluded. As always, the best event of the year is the awards ceremony attended by all the graduate students you have chosen to support. I wish more of you had been there. It makes your heart sing.

This year's award winners were a very impressive group of young historians whose enthusiasm for their chosen profession shows promise for the future of our nation. I was very happy to have a moment to talk to them. I tried to indicate to them that I thought our country was finally coming around to being a much more historically minded civilization.

To make my case, I noted that for the last five years biography books had been outselling novels in the nation's bookstores. Incredible as it sounds, this year civil war history books outsold books on religion.

And I told them that historical house museums are a growth industry with thousands created in the last few years alone.

Of course, there are plenty of other ways to measure the country's growing interest in history (I am sure you have already thought of a few) but I wanted to communicate to them my feeling of optimism for their possible futures.

I also told them that no matter what happens in their lives, that history majors are well prepared, come what may, because a historian's training is so inclusive and covers so many subjects and perspectives that they are the best prepared to "live by their wits."

The ceremony had a couple of innovations I want to draw to your attention. As you know everyone in our country is concerned about the state of education. Historians have an important role to play in improving the situation. So this year, the Board of the History Associates created a new award to honor teachers in UCSB's CH-SSP project. (For more information see "Awards" on this page.)

This an important development in the History Associates' mission, and we have more planned for the future. I hope you will be as excited about them as we are.

Another wonderful moment was the History Department naming a reading room for our own Jo Beth Van Gelderen who has been an inspiration to all of us on the Board for her dedicated service both financially (she matches your donations) and by the measure of just plain hard work. Imagine hand signing and addressing

Pat Cohen Unearths Smut's Mother Lode

The Victorians had far more complicated attitudes toward sex than their prudish image suggests, History Prof. Pat Cohen told the May meeting of the UCSB History Associates.

"We like to think that sex was gone from the 19th century, unlike earlier or later periods, but it now appears that the Victorians had more heightened awareness of the significance, power, and pleasure of sex than even our era," she said.

Cohen formed this opinion after reading through an uncatalogued collection of newspapers from the 1840s that curators asked her help with when she was conducting research for her now-published book on the prostitute Helen Jewett.

"'Flash' was slang at the time for a man with no visible income who wore fancy clothes and jewelry," she reported. "Our phrase, 'a flashy dresser,' probably comes from this."

Cohen was intrigued.

"They weren't in any history of journalism books," Cohen reported. "I found myself asking questions—who published them? Who wrote them? What companies advertised in them?"

Pursuing clues in the papers themselves and in court records, Cohen was able to identify 12 men, for seven of whom a great deal of information existed. Three of these even made it into the Dictionary of American Biography.

"These were reasonably well-educated young men in

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ates Fellowships. The new fellows and their mentors are:

- John F. Baranski (Furner), John William Coleman (Logevall), Stephen Charles Cory (Humphreys), Jill Anne Meekins (McGee/Guerriini), Sharleen Naomi Nakamoto (DeHart), Ann Margaret Peterson (Plane).

- Michael Leonard Proulx (Drake), Matthew Thomas Racine (Dutra), Jennifer Whitmore See (Logevall), José Manuel Valente (Dutra), Evan Monroe Widders (Badash) and Edward Page Wilson (Frie-sen).

New Awards

Two new awards were presented for the first time this year.

The History Associates Outstanding Fellow Award was created to recognize an outstanding K-12 teacher participating in the summer California History-Social Sci-

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LETUS HEAR FROM
History
PhD Named
Oregon’s Top

ONE OF THE department’s own has been named Oregon Professor of the Year.
Dr. William Duvall, who completed his PhD in 1973 with Joachim Remak as his adviser, was nominated by his colleagues at Willamette University, where he serves as a professor of history, for the state’s Professor of the Year program, sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

Letters of support came from former students who included the current CEO of Adidas America and the director of Harvard’s Fogg Museums.

“It was a very nice honor, not the least important part of which was that colleagues chose to select and nominate me from a very strong Willamette teaching faculty,” Bill wrote, in response to a request.

He also wrote the following:
“I drove through Santa Barbara and the University this summer, and in addition to being stunned at the growth of both, I felt strong pangs of nostalgia. One of my former students is there now completing her degree in Religious Studies, and I must say I envy her a bit. UCSB was extremely her a bit. UCSB was extremely

Class of 2000 Graduates

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Lynn Fulbeck


Teri Gay Green, Amanda Marie Groszko, Hector Israel Guerrero, Sergio Gutierrez.

Heather Nicole Haggmark, Mark Edward Hallbeck, Sarah Maurine Heimsoth, Jason Clifford Henry, Brandon Nathan Hernandez, Jose Trejo Hernandez.

Esther Clara Hirsch, David Richard Hirschcl, Alec Bellinger Hobbs, Christopher John Hoffee, Patricia Jin Hong, Howard Hsu, Bachmait Thi Huynh.


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Debra Maho, David Romeo Martinez, Kevin Stanton McCabe, Patrick Joseph McInnis, Jill Christy Meshwert, Rochelle Lynn Mitterwald.

Nathan William Monroe, Jeffrey Michael Montooth, Amber Elizabeth Mooney, Evan Charles D Moore, Ronny Mor, Daniel Moreno, Eric M Morton.


Cheryl Lynne Ocampo, Ruben Orozco, Peter Leslie Oskin.


Christine Allison Phillips, Brett Walter Piersma, Sarah Elizabeth Powell, Corlei Nina Prieto.

Allyson Jessica Rathkamp, Matthew Lunn Reichman, Robert Daniel Rodriguez, Stephanie Eileen Roeder, Sara E. Rogers, Kyle Christopher Royer.

Rommel Joseph Sachs, Carrie Dixon Sanford, Daniel Edgar Satorius, Cathy Chehadi Sawaya, Randall James Scott, Raja James Seshadri, Serge-Joe Shnorhokian, David Alexander Silva, Heidi Lynn Simmons.


Susan Alisa Tait, Dianna Ter Vardanyan, Alana Tillim, Jose Aguilar Toledo.


Steven Craig Wendt, Chance Garrick Williams, Michelle Ladan Williams, Sonja Williams.

Christopher A. Wilson, Valdis James Wish, Richard Baxter Wolf, Nathan James Woodside, Matthew Scott Wroblewski.

Kristy Lynn Zafiris, Loren Paul Zahn, Katrina Rae Ziegler, Joshua Mikah Zodikoff.

Awards Program Fetes Fellows, New PhDs

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ence Project co-directed by Prof. Sears McGee and Dr. Margaret Rose.

The prize went to Yolanda Espinosa of Walter Stieren Middle School in the Bakersfield City School District.

The Marion Ramstad Endowed Scholarship in History, created to recognize an outstanding undergraduate studying foreign history and culture, went to Blake David Strahan.

Department Fellowships RECIPIENTS of departmental dissertation fellowships were also recognized at the ceremony. They are:

Stephen Charles Cory (Humphreys), James Boone Emmons (Drake), Richard Standish Fogarty (Talbott/Mouré), Matthew Thomas Racine (Dutra), Dan Shao (Fogel), Justin Lee Stephens (Drake), Nancy Lea Stockdale (Gallagher), Danielle Jean Swiontek (De Hart), and Benjamin Chester Zulueta (Badash).

New PhDs

SEVEN STUDENTS completed all requirements for the highest graduate degree, doctor of philosophy in History, in 1999-2000.

Kevin Conrad Chambers (Rock), Gaston Enrique Espinosa (Garcia), Deborah Elain Gerish (Farmer), Robert Ransaeller Jenks (Graham), Maureen Ann McEnroe (McGee/Rappaport) and Kathryn Claire Statler (Logevall) completed in Fall 1999.

Christina Ziegler-McPherson (Brownlee) completed in Winter 2000.

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Another great year of UCSB History Associates' events is under way. You'll want to keep posted about events in the History Department as well. To renew your membership or join for the first time, just fill out this form and mail it with your check or money order (payable to UCSB History Associates).

Enclosed are my annual membership dues of $______

☐ Active $30
☐ Corresponding 15 *(Available to residents outside of Santa Barbara County only)*

In addition to my membership dues, enclosed is:

☐ $25 to obtain a UCSB Library card
☐ $______gift to the History Associates Graduate Fellowship Fund.
☐ $______gift to the History Associates Dick Cook Fund.
Gifts of $1,000 or more qualify for membership in the Chancellor’s Council.

Name: ____________________
Address: ___________________
City/Zip/State: ______________

Membership dues are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Gifts to the scholarship fund are considered a charitable donation.

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Ready to Join?

President’s Corner

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more than 1200 letters and envelopes for a recent mailing! May all of us have her energy and dedication. Congratulations, Jo Beth!

Lastly, I want to conclude by giving another appeal to all of you to write me about your ideas for the future of the History Associates. Now is the time to get us your ideas about how we might improve next year. Tell us how we might more successfully accomplish our mission to provide important and meaningful historically minded events or whatever you might think important for all of us to do. You might also have ideas about how to increase our service to graduate students and making the History Department more visible in the community of Santa Barbara. Let me hear from you!

Finally, let me finish by giving all of you members a rousing BRAVO for your efforts this year.

You will hear from us again in the Fall. Have a great summer.

Patrick O’Dowd
President

‘Flash’ Press

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their 20s when they put out these papers at a time when technical innovations such as the steam-driven printing press made it possible to publish with relatively little capital," she said.

One of these editors went on to take a medical degree and become a respected author of books on hygiene and family life.

His career symbolizes the interest these papers hold for social and cultural historians.

"There was a real symbiosis between these papers and respectable reformers," Cohen said. "They wrote about the same issues and shared many of the same advertisers," she said.

George Haddad

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At UCSB, in addition to a steady stream of articles on all aspects of Middle Eastern history, Prof. Haddad also translated a number of important modern works into Arabic.

"George Haddad began Middle Eastern Studies at UCSB," said Prof. Nancy Gallagher, who replaced Prof. Haddad after he retired.

"All of us in this field at UCSB continue to benefit from his contributions."

Prof. Haddad died February 22 in San Francisco, where he moved after retiring from UCSB. He is survived by his wife of many years, Fresia.