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# Agenda

### Program begins at 7:00pm

~WELCOME~ Jose Lopez & Glendie Domingo-Lipar, Master of Ceremonies Nina S. Roberts, Ph.D., Faculty Director

> ~REMARKS~ Jennifer Summit, Ph.D., Interim Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

> > ~KEYNOTE SPEAKER~ Honorable Tom Ammiano, Former California Assemblyman

~AWARD PRESENTATIONS~ Video

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Sharron Watts: College of Liberal & Creative Arts. Major—Women and Gender Studies

Amanda Bent: College of Health & Social Sciences. M.A. TESOL Candidate, Department of English Language & Literature

Martin Blanco: College of Health & Social Sciences. Master's candidate, Gerontology

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### Welcome

Glendie Domingo-Lipar, M.A.

Community Partnerships &

**Campus Outreach Specialist** 

Dear friends and colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we host this very special awards ceremony to recognize the amazing and influential work of our students, faculty, and community partners. It is with deepest campus pride and our great honor to acknowledge the spectacular things they do! We salute the excellence, highlight outstanding accomplishments, and accentuate the efforts for all who make a positive impact on everyday life. Thank you for being here, for your continued support, and join us as we honor these superlative award recipients.

With gratitude,

*Nina S. Roberts, Ph.D.* Faculty Director Jen L. Gasang, M.P.A. Associate Director

*Jill Russell*, M.P.A. Operations Manager

*Jose Lopez, M.A.* Senior Program Coordinator

Student Assistants: Christian Gomez, Christopher Kilpatrick, Mary Lopez, Auranelle Munoz

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# ICCE: Who We Are & Special Recognition

The annual Civic & Community Engagement Awards Ceremony recognizes individuals and groups for their exceptional leadership, service, and collaboration. It is the essence of these achievements, and more, that strengthen the bonds of engagement connecting the university with the community.

We gratefully acknowledge our incredible community partners, faculty, and staff who are dedicated to creating experiential educational opportunities for our students. We remain indebted to faculty and partners who inspire student involvement in service to our community.



2017 marks the 10th anniversary of Institute for Civic & Community Engagement (ICCE) and 20th that the Community Service Learning program was established as an official university program at SF State.

ICCE was formed in 2007 from the union of two existing units of the University - the San Francisco Urban Institute (SFUI) and the Office of Community Service Learning. The former enjoyed a national reputation for its creation of innovative partnerships between the campus and community and government organizations to address critical issues of the urban environment. The latter enjoyed a diverse foundation of faculty support throughout the university who engaged their students in civic learning. Through the formation of ICCE, the partnerships of the SFUI broadened its base of

faculty and student involvement to bring a full range of perspectives to the engaged university of the Bay Area.

*Special thanks* to Professor Jerry Eisman, Ph.D. for his outstanding leadership at the helm of ICCE and his many years of service to this work. His mentoring and contributions have been exemplary and always genuine.

# Keynote Speaker



### Keynote Speaker

### Honorable Tom Ammiano

Former California State Assemblyman Tom Ammiano is a long-time San Francisco Democratic leader who has served the city nearly three decades as a teacher, civil rights leader, educator, Supervisor, and Assemblyman.

A native of New Jersey, Tom earned his B.A. from Seton Hall and his Master's Degree in special education from San Francisco State University. He taught English to children in South Vietnam as part of a Quaker program until 1968, when he returned to San Francisco to become a public school teacher shortly after the Tet Offensive.

Tom was elected to the San Francisco School Board in 1990 and was elected President of the School Board. In 1994, Tom won a citywide election to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. In 2000, after the institution of district elections, Tom was elected District 9 Supervisor, and he represented the Mission District, Bernal Heights and Portola neighborhoods. Tom was elected to the 13th Assembly District in 2008.

He served as President of the Board of Supervisors from 1998 to 2002. In addition to serving on the Board, Tom served on the Golden Gate Bridge Board and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. In the Assembly, Tom served as chair of the Assembly Public Safety Committee as well as chair of the LGBT Caucus.



# Recognition



### Fall 2017 Panetta Congressional Intern

**Tigran Agdaian, College of Health & Social Sciences** Major—Environmental Studies Minor—Urban Studies & Planning





### **Civic Engagement Fellows**

Nayeli Amaro Major—Political Science

Edgar Barraza Major—Environmental Studies

Mary-Katherine Fitzgerald Major—Sociology **Eunice Kim** Major—Asian American Studies

Celeste Lopez Major—Psychology

Rebeca Mayén Major—History Alexis Moran Major—Spanish

Pamela Ortiz Major—Studio Art

Shay Shields Major—Social Work



# Call to Service Initiative Grants

### 2016 Community Engaged Scholarship Faculty Grantees

### **GRADUATE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

Janelle Lawson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor Special Education & Communicative Disorders, SPED 330: Introduction to Disability

### **COLLEGE OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Ernita Joaquin, Ph.D., Associate Professor Public Administration, School of Public Affairs & Civic Engagement, PA 727 Service Delivery

Jeff Snipes, Ph.D., Associate Professor Criminal Justice Studies, School of Public Affairs & Civic Engagement, CJ 501 Criminal Law

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL & CREATIVE ARTS

Heidi Dunkelgod, Lecturer Design & Industry, DAI 324 GW Research & Writing for Design

Oscar Guerra Nunez, Ph.D., Assistant Professor Broadcast & Communication Arts, BECA 415 ADV TV Production Workshop

Joshua Singer, Ph.D., Associate Professor Design & Industry, DAI 627 Advanced Projects in Visual Communication Design

English Language & Literature, ENG 214 Second Year Written Compostion

Anita Cabrera, Lecturer Section 22 & 24: Language in Action

Georgia Gero, Lecturer Section 44: Issues in Social Justice

Herman Haluza, Lecturer Section 76 & 77: The Fragile San Francisco Bay

Amy Love, Lecturer Section 66 & 67: Social Justice in Contemporary America

Jerome Schwab, Lecturer Section 51 & 55: Writing Green



## Call to Service Initiative Grants

### 2016 Department/Program Grantees

### **COLLEGE OF ETHNIC STUDIES**

Lead: Grace Yoo, Ph.D., Professor, Chair, Asian American Studies

COLLEGE OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Lead: Elizabeth Brown, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Director, School of Public Affairs & Civic Engagement

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL & CREATIVE ARTS

Lead: Tara Lockhart, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Director of Composition, English Language & Literature

### 2017 Community Engaged Scholarship Faculty Grantees

COLLEGE OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Rekia Jibrin, Lecturer Criminal Justice Studies, School of Public Affairs & Civic Engagement, CJ 550 School Violence & Discipline

Pavlína Látková, Ph.D., Associate Professor Recreation, Park, & Tourism, RPT 470 CARE Break Alternative Spring Break

Aiko Yoshino, Ph.D., Assistant Professor Recreation, Park, & Tourism, RPT 650 Facilitating Wellness Through Leisure

### **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL & CREATIVE ARTS**

**Amy Glasenapp Latham, Lecturer** English Language & Literature, ENG 214 Second Year Written Composition: English

Mariana Ferreira, Ph.D., Professor, School of Humanities & Liberal Studies, LS 403 Performance & Pedagogy for Future Educators



# Call to Service Initiative Grants

### 2017 Partnership in Service Grantees

### COLLEGE HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Rekia Jibrin, Lecturer, Criminal Justice Studies, School of Public Affairs & Civic Engagement, CJ 550 School Violence & Discipline

### **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL & CREATIVE ARTS**

**Oscar Guerra Nunez, Ph.D., Assistant Professor,** Broadcast & Electronic Communication Arts, BECA 415: ADV TV Production Workshop

### 2017 Grantee for Service Learning Student Assistants

COLLEGE OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Oscar Guerra Nunez, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Broadcast & Electronic Communication Arts, BECA 415: ADV TV Production Workshop





### STUDENT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Sofia Alejandra Cardenas: College of Creative & Liberal Arts Major—Women & Gender Studies. Minor—Race & Resistance Studies

Sofia Alejandra Cardenas is pursuing a major in Women and Gender Studies and a minor in Race and Resistance Studies at SF State. Currently, Ms. Cardenas is an intern for the La Raza Centro Legal, a community-based organization dedicated to empowering Latino, immigrant, and low-income communities in San Francisco. Additionally, Ms. Cardenas has fostered community partnerships with numerous organizations such as Galleria de la Raza and Brava Theater to provide in-kind services to support the S.F. Chicano Film Festival. Ms. Cardenas also helped organized the 2016 student hunger strike that resulted in additional allocated resources to advance ethnic studies at SF State. Through these experiences in community service, Sofia has discovered her path and her purpose as a community organizer for social change.



#### Sharron Watts: College of Liberal & Creative Arts

Major—Women & Gender Studies

Sharon Watts is currently majoring in Women and Gender Studies and hopes to one day pursue a graduate degree in Public Health. Ms. Watts works as a parent educator in the SF public school district teaching other parents new ways to communicate with teachers. She also engages parents regarding key approaches for involvement in their children's education, as well as being active participants of educational curricula that is sensitive to the needs of the community. Her experience and work as a community leader led her to SF State where she has flourished and found ways to bring her life as a mother, activist, and student together in unison.





#### STUDENT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Amanda Bent: College of Health & Social Sciences M.A. TESOL Candidate, Department of English Language & Literature

Amanda Bent is a graduate student in the Department of English Language and Literature at SF State; her master's degree concentration is on Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). For the past two years, Ms. Bent has been involved with a service-learning initiative called Project SHINE (Students Helping in the Naturalization of Elders), where SF State students are paired with CCSF teachers in a non-credit adult ESL and citizenship class. Ms. Bent coaches, assists, and teaches adult immigrant learners in community-based ESL classrooms to further enhance their learning and career development, along with helping them discover new academic interests. As a student, she has been transformed by her experience at Project SHINE and looks forward to continuing this work as a future educator.



### Martin Blanco: College of Health & Social Sciences

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Master's Candidate, Gerontology

Martin Blanco is a graduate student in the Department of Gerontology. Mr. Blanco has demonstrated an exceptional record of community engagement at the local, state, regional, national and international levels. As a Gerontology graduate student, he has active associations with various community partners such as the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, Jewish Home for the Aged, California Pacific Medical Center, and Judah Street Clinic, to name a few. Finally, Mr. Blanco has been accepted to the MPH/Ph.D. program at George Washington University starting fall 2017 where he will focus on Community Health Policy and Research.



#### FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE LEARNING

Felix Kury, Lecturer, M.S. Counseling: College of Ethnic Studies Department of Latina/Latino Studies

Felix Kury teaches both health policy and reform issues facing Latinos in the U.S. He is the Founding Faculty Advisor and Program Director for Clínica Martín-Baró, an educational outreach and mentoring program located in SF's Mission District. This student-organized, free clinic is an essential provider of health care services for the Mission's most vulnerable and underserved population meeting the needs of uninsured and underrepresented patients since 2007. A diverse array of students is provided the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of community wellness as well as the importance of cultural humility. Professor Kury ensures students in the Clínica Martín-Baró, mentorship program is well equipped to promote health, advocate for change, and make a positive impact in the community they serve.

### STUDENT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE LEARNING

Jan Lhor Bruan: College of Ethnic Studies Major—Asian American Studies



Jan Lhor Bruan, an Asian American Studies student, has taken three Community Service Learning courses in the past two years, which include AAS 353: Filipino/American Identities, AAS 512: Asian American Children's/Adolescent Literature and AAS 681: Asian American Community Internship. He has exemplified a great passion and cares for Filipino WWII veteran's equity, an issue that has been a constant battle since 1946, the year that Filipino veterans were stripped of their rights. Jan Lhor has been able to engage in praxis—taking the knowledge and theory, he has learned from Asian American Studies into his work at the Veterans Equity Center (VEC). This nomination by Caroline Calderon, from the VEC depicts the vital relationship between our community partners and students thereby enhancing their academic growth through experiential learning.



#### STUDENT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE LEARNING



Grant Guzman: College of Liberal & Creative Arts Major—English Education

Grant Guzman was nominated by the staff members of 826 Valencia, a highly-respected nonprofit partner with SF State students and faculty. Mr. Guzman is an English Education major and has been involved in numerous programs, and was instrumental in forming partnerships with various San Francisco public schools. At 826 Valencia, he not only tutors the youth but also encourages them to express their words. His primary strengths are guiding students in writing difficult autobiographies and designing essays on immigration. Mr. Guzman has taken two Community Service Learning courses: ENG 417: Academic Literacy and the Urban Adolescent and ENG 419: Advanced Composition for Teachers. His immense patience, as well as the ability to use the Socratic Method to encourage creative writing approach, has been valued deeply by the youth he works with.



#### Kristina Vasquez: College of Health & Social Sciences Major—Kinesiology

Kristina Vasquez, nominated by one of her professors in the Kinesiology dept., has taken activity/education courses, which involves service-learning with outstanding community partners. During last fall 2016, for example, she dedicated her time to children with developmental disabilities at the Pomeroy Recreation and Rehabilitation Center where she applied what she learned in class to her hands-on experiences with the Center. She asked insightful questions related to her service-learning activities, adding to deepening her personal reflection, which ultimately benefits her peers in their learning. Kristina continued her passion for work with children beyond her service-learning course as she currently teaches adapted aquatics for a fitness program for young adults with disabilities.



#### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE LEARNING



#### NICOS Chinese Health Coalition: Kent Woo, Executive Director

NICOS Chinese Health Coalition and Mr. Kent Woo, Executive Director, is this year's recipient of the Community Partnership Award. Mr. Woo has been an invaluable asset in San Francisco's Chinatown district and has continuously engaged SF State students with pro-active, meaningful civic engagement opportunities. His collaborative spirit results in the completion of impactful community projects leading to the achievement of successful student learning outcomes and civic participation. Kent Woo's desire to sustain health equity and health intervention programs in the Chinese community have driven his compassion for community-based projects involving the collaboration of city agencies, community members, and SF State students. Mr. Woo, SF State alum, has mentored hundreds of students in their research endeavors, data collection, data analysis and coalition building; he is truly a treasured resource who benefits both community members and the university.



#### SF STATE NOMINATION TO THE BAY AREA JEFFERSON AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE



Kenneth P. Monteiro, Ph.D., Dean of the College of Ethnic Studies

This year's prestigious award is given to Professor Kenneth Monteiro who has served as Dean of the first, and still only, College of Ethnic Studies in the nation for 14 years. Dean Monteiro is committed to model a culture of communityengagement across the university. Throughout Dean Monteiro's tenure at SF State, he has successfully advocated and advanced the work of ethnic studies, strategically and collaboratively, while forging essential partnerships with communities throughout the Bay Area impacting change and progress around the world.

Dean Monteiro's accolades reflect his dedication and passion for both the university and the community. He leads "Super Sunday", for example, an initiative that recruits more African American youth through the Black churches to attend SF State. He works tirelessly with numerous community-based organizations such as the Bayview Hunter's Point Foundation, Black Coalition on AIDS, and AIDS Project of the East Bay. Additionally, San Francisco Pride awarded Dean Monteiro the 2013 Community Grand Marshal for his contribution to the LGBTQ community. He is also an esteemed faculty who has taught nearly 10,000 students in the Psychology department and as a K-12 instructor. Dean Monteiro also mentors faculty of color to make a greater impact on educational access and student success.

On behalf of the department chairs, this nomination (by Amy Sueyoshi, Associate Dean of the College of Ethnic Studies), reflects the enormous contributions of Dean Monteiro. She describes his work as it embodies the Jefferson Award:

66 Dean Monteiro's work, in keeping the doors open and the lights on, has been nothing short of inspirational. He is crucial to the educational attainment of countless students who have passed through its doors. He also advises other programs across the globe dedicated to higher education of the poor and underrepresented."



### Acknowledgements

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