The Chair’s Corner

“There is nothing permanent except change.” - Heraclitus

Welcome to the Fall communicator! As you read this, Fall 2014 semester at SJSU is in full swing. A quick walk across campus will confirm that the Department of Kinesiology, the College of Applied Sciences and Arts and San José State University are in the midst of some of the most significant changes in the long history of this institution. While these changes present the university with new challenges—navigating the campus chief among them—it also provides the department with unprecedented opportunities.

One of the changes that you may likely notice is that of department chair. While I am pleased and honored to be serving as the new department of Kinesiology chair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Shirley Reekie for the hard work and dedication she has contributed to the department! Though Shirley is no longer the chair, she has continued on as the Associate Chair and her advice, perspective and historical knowledge of all-things KIN have helped to make my transition as smooth as I could have ever imagined. Please join me in thanking Shirley for her service – Hail Spartan!

While I am new to the position of department chair, I have been with the department since 2002. In that time, I have taught a variety of classes in each of our program areas including activity, undergraduate, graduate and general education. In addition, I have served in many service capacities including, long-time member of the department’s general education committee, KIN graduate program coordinator, CASA representative on the Board of General Studies and the chair of the SJSU Student Fairness Committee. I look forward to putting this experience to work for the betterment of the department and to help further position KIN at SJSU as the premier Kinesiology program on the West Coast.

Among the exciting changes that students, staff and faculty encountered this semester are the newly renovated Yoshihiro Uchida Hall (YUH) building. The re-opening of YUH is part of a nearly 60 million dollar renovation of the primary KIN facilities including YUH and Spartan Complex (SPX). The renovation and relocation have, at times, been quite challenging but as anyone familiar with the “old” YHU will attest, the new facility is nothing short of amazing. In addition to top-notch teaching and laboratory space, we now host an instructional mat-room worthy of the perennially top-ranked SJSU Judo Club. Moreover, the new SPX, due to be reopened in Fall of 2015, will be a CSU-leading facility with advanced teaching and research spaces not to mention modern office space for faculty and staff as well as comfortable student lounge areas for both studying and socializing.

In addition to our fantastic new facilities, after several years without a new Tenure Track position due to state budget woes, I am pleased to announce that the department is currently conducting searches for new Tenure Track positions in Physical Education-Teacher Education and Sport Management respectively. The addition of these key faculty positions will help insure that we provide our students with a contemporary and relevant education in order that they can become dynamic leaders in human-movement related fields.

As you will see by reading though the following pages, our alumni, students, faculty and staff are accomplishing amazing things within the campus community and beyond. I feel extremely fortunate to be taking on the role of chair during this exciting time in the department’s history and welcome your suggestions for how we can continue to improve.

-Matt Masucci

Student News

The Clyde A. Burch Memorial Scholarships for students going into PT: winners May 2014 were Erin Enguero and Jonathan Young. Congratulations to both recipients!

Graduate students, Matt Gonzalez and Jordan Schmidt, were awarded the June McCann Scholarship to help defray the cost of attending the 2014 Association for Applied Sport Psychology conference in Las Vegas, NV.

Undergraduate student Erin Enguero was awarded the June McCaan Scholarship to help defray the cost of attending the 2014 California Physical Therapy Association conference in Oakland, CA.

Graduate Student, Andy Coffaro, was recently hired by BennettRank to write college football articles for FBS, FCS, Division II and Division III teams. You can see all of his articles here: http://www.bennettrank.com/author/andy-coffaro/

The SJSU ballroom dance club will host its 18th Ballroom Classic Competition on Saturday November 15th at the Calvary Gym in Los Gatos. 70+ events covering all levels of American Style, International Style, and selected Night Club dances. Come to compete (beginners welcome!) or to cheer on our SJSU dancers. For more information check the club’s web site (http://studentorgs.sjsu.edu/sjsubdc/#) or contact KIN major Nhu-y Tran, the club’s president, at sjsubdc@gmail.com.
Faculty News

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Jessica Chin on her award of tenure and promotion to Associate Professor!

Dr. Robert Schmidlein, Director of PETE and Lecturer, has been hired to consult by the Kingdom of Bhutan. The Ministry of Education and the Bhutan Olympic Committee has asked for a 3-5 year commitment to create health, physical education, and youth sport standards. Additionally, a framework and programmatic standards are being developed and implemented in 24 pilot schools. The MOE and BOC has also requested professional development workshops. These workshops focus on health, physical education, and coaching. The topics vary on season and the first workshop will occur in early January 2015. Throughout the next 3-5 years Dr. Schmidlein will be working in conjunction with Dr. Robert Munson, an educational policy professor at Columbia University.

As Dr. Schmidlein trains the new physical educators in Bhutan, Dr. Munson will lead education policy shifts at the governmental level. The long-term product of this consulting would be to create a formal partnership with SJSU Kinesiology and provide study abroad opportunities for current students.

Dr. Bethany Shifflett served as a panelist at the Western Society for Kinesiology & Wellness conference this October discussing tips and strategies for entering into and succeeding in academia.


Last spring, Dr. Jessica Chin presented her paper, “Hazing and sport team initiation: Experiences of Division I collegiate female athletes” at the Sport & Society in America conference in Greenbay, Wisconsin.

Dr. Chin also co-authored a paper with former KIN associate professor Dr. Jay Johnson entitled, “On the Fringe: Strategizing Play to Defray Conflict Within the Matrix of Team Membership, Community, And Sport Hazing”. The paper, which included work from their ongoing hazing research, was presented in June at the Asian Conference on the Social Sciences in Osaka, Japan.
Alumni News

Congratulations to KIN alumna Yang (Sunny) Zhang (MA, ’14) who gave a strong presentation at her first international academic conference this summer in Beijing, China. At the International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) conference, Sunny presented her paper, co-authored with Drs. Jessica Chin and Shirley Reekie, “Sport and academic development in the elite Chinese sport system: Experiences of professional wushu athletes”. After the conference, Sunny and Dr. Chin extended their trip to tour around China, visiting many iconic sites and famous landmarks in historical cities such as Luoyang and Xi’an. In addition, Sunny Zhang was also recently awarded the Western Society for Physical Education of College Women (WSPECW) 2014 President’s Educational Equity Scholarship. Great job Sunny!

Chelsea Loveall (BS, ’11) and Abby Linford (BS, ’09) graduated from Samuel Merritt University in May with their DPT degrees. Congratulations, Dr. Loveall and Dr. Linford.

Austin Toloza (BS, ’12) has been recognized by Life Fitness as one of the Top 10 Personal Trainers to Watch Global Finalist out of 1,700 personal trainers from 43 countries!

“I am pretty proud to be a Spartan coming from the Kinesiology program and being recognized as one of the Top 10 Personal Trainers in the world and wanted to use this accomplishment to motivate and inspire other Kinesiology undergrads as they enter the Fitness Industry.” -Austin Toloza

Swimmer Darcie Anderson (BS, ’14) named 2nd team Academic All-America - 1st swimmer to receive honor in school history!

Darcie Anderson (BS, ’14) - Mountain West Female Scholar-Athlete Of The Year

Vrashank Dave (MA, ’13), with determination and hard work, passed the license exam for Physical Therapy (National Physical Therapy Exam).

Jane Carter (Keel) of Los Altos, California has been recognized by the Board of Dance Teacher Magazine as the recipient of The 2014 Dance Teacher of the Year (private studio category) – this is one of the highest possible honors in the dance education industry. This award was presented to Mrs. Carter in New York City on August 2, 2014 at The Dance Teacher Summit.
# KINESIOLOGY COMMUNICATOR

## Tenative Winter Schedule 2015

*3 Week Session: January 5-January 16*

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http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGxpyv4eGz0QoLpQotMfQ?feature=guide

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Upcoming Dates:

December 10th, 2013 - Dead Day

December 11th-17th, 2013 - Final Exams

December 18th, 2013 - Make-Up Exams