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- Review Gears for Publication

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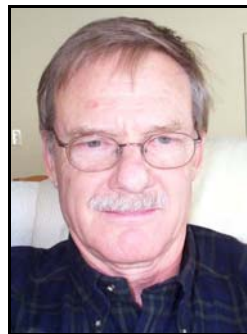
Senior Honors Thesis Program Participants Reveal Their Projects

Year commitment? 100 pages? No problem for these Law & Society students. Meet Senior Honors Thesis students Jeffrey Abarca, Jacqueline Binger, Brad Busam, Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu, and Christi Thompson. They are participating in the Law & Society Program's honors thesis course series, Lawso 196A-B-C, which requires that they each spend a year researching and writing a thesis topic of their choice under the direction of Law & Society faculty advisors. This year's advisors are Hillary Berk, Eve Darian-Smith, Lisa Hajjar, Dan Linz, Kathleen Moore, and Juliet Williams. The thesis is typically a written report or an empirical study on some aspect of law and society. Completion of the thesis program awards these hon-

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Introducing New Law and Society Professor... Elvin Hatch

Professor Hatch has taught in the Anthropology Department at UCSB since 1967, and transferred to Law and Society just last September.



Most of his teaching focuses on the history of anthropology and the theoretical side of the human sciences. His guiding principle is that, to understand the behavior of another person, including the laws and institutions they produce, we need to have a

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NEW PEER ADVISORS JOIN LAW & SOCIETY

The Law & Society Program welcomed Zepur Andonian, Maritess Escalante, and Anna Romanskaya to the peer advising team in January! Peer Advisors are available Monday through Friday from 10AM to 4PM to assist students with the Law & Society major.

Cindy Cortez, Academic Advisor for the Law and Society Program, is available to meet with students by appointment Tuesday through Thursday, and has walk-in advising hours on Monday and Friday from 10AM to noon and 1PM to



Advising Staff: Zepur Andonian, Cindy Cortez (Academic Advisor), Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu, Sarah Cramer, Anna Romanskaya, & Maritess Escalante

COME SEE US!!!

3PM. Appointments can be made at the Advising Office or by calling (805) 893-2318.

The Law and Society advising staff encourages all students to visit the Advising Office at 1832 Ellison Hall *at least* once per quarter to ensure timely graduation and fulfillment of major requirements. Too many Law and Society students are failing to graduate or meet major requirements simply because they have not filled out major petitions. Students are required to fill out a petition to declare the premajor, and again to declare the major.

**DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON?
SUBSCRIBE TO THE LAW and SOCIETY LISTSERV at**
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conceptual framework of some kind, or a theoretical point of view. His work on the history of anthropology is like the anthropological study of other societies, in the sense that he is interested in the conceptual frameworks (or different "cultures") that anthropologists operate with in studying people.

Hatch is also involved in the study of small-scale communities in the "developed" world. He's done field research in rural com-

munities in the central coast region of California, in New Zealand, and currently in the mountains of North Carolina.

Hatch's current field research in western North Carolina is on a small, rural county that consisted of primarily subsistence farmers until about the end of the 1950's. He is interested in changes in the local cultural frameworks that were part of this massive reorientation in their way of life.

His next field research will

also take place in the mountains of western North Carolina. He's interested in changes in local politics and political orientations that have come about since World War II and that have accompanied the breakup of the Democratic Party machine in North Carolina.

We welcome Professor Hatch to the Law and Society Program!

Law and Society Review at UCSB Gears for Publication!

After its enormous inaugural success, the *Law and Society Review at UCSB* is looking forward to its second annual publication, Volume 2, 2002-2003.

After the February submission deadline, the editorial board has been reviewing works submitted to the *Review*, selecting those works that are to be published, and deciding on cash award winners for the annual paper prize competition made possible by a generous grant from the Santa Barbara County Bar Foundation. The Santa Barbara County Bar Foundation Paper Prize Awards offers a \$500 first place, \$200 second place, and \$100 third place award to the top three submissions to the *Review*, as determined by the board and *Review* faculty advisors Eve Darian-Smith and Hillary Berk. Students who submitted their work to the *Review* will be notified of the board's decision by mid-April.

The *Review* would like to invite all students to a publication ceremony in May where all published authors and paper prize winners will be recognized for their significant achievements.

Volume 2 will be available at www.lawso.ucsb.edu/projects/review in May.

What is happening to the Law & Society Program Website?

PARDON OUR DUST!!! The Law and Society Program homepage (www.lawso.ucsb.edu) is currently under construction. We apologize for any inconvenience. In the meantime, Spring 2003 course offerings and faculty/staff/TA contact information is temporarily hosted at www.lawso.ucsb.edu/projects/review.

The Law & Society web design team in collaboration with UCSB LSIT expects to have the new site launched this quarter. Below is a preview of the new homepage.



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Welcome

The Law & Society Program, established in 1972, offers an undergraduate major leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree. The discipline of Law and Society is composed of scholars in many fields and countries, whose interests involve the place of law and legal systems in social, political, economic, and cultural life. Such scholars bring training in law, sociology, political science, psychology, anthropology, economics, and history, as well as in other related fields.

Although the discipline of law and society focuses broadly on developing both theoretical and empirical understandings of law, narrower areas within the field range widely. These concerns include, for example, the place of law in relation to other social institutions, the nature of law in the context of broad social theories, the legal decision-making of individuals and groups, the implementation and impact of specific legal acts, compliance with the law, police discretion and plea bargaining in the criminal justice system, legal rules and litigation, alternative dispute resolution, the role of lawyers, the functioning of juries, and law's relationship to language.

The Law and Society major at UCSB involves such a study of law and legal systems. The Program is interdisciplinary, and is designed to benefit both the student who desires a liberal arts education, as well as the student who intends to enter graduate or law school.



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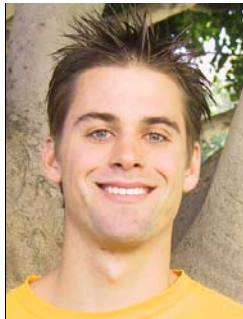
ors students with distinction in the Law & Society major at graduation. Read on for summaries of these undergraduate research projects.



Jeffrey's project looks at why the United States is unwilling to submit and comply with international institutions such as the United Nations, less inclined to work cooperatively

with other nations to pursue common goals, more skeptical about international law, and more willing to operate outside its structures when deemed necessary. He will examine the US government's policy toward Iraq, specifically, the US unilateral intervention in Iraq which can result in the use of force or war, focusing on legal documents such as the US Constitution, and the UN Charters, and Congressional Actions authorizing the use of force.

J E F F R E Y A B A R C A



Brad's project, "Customary Law and the Caste System," examines the gross inequality perpetuated by India's caste system, despite national law prohibiting it. According

to India's Constitution, "discrimination on the grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, or place of birth" is prohibited. Brad argues that the caste system is a reflection of more than simply a cultural practice, but rather these caste customs are informal rules that are recognized as binding law that takes precedent over law at both the national and international levels.

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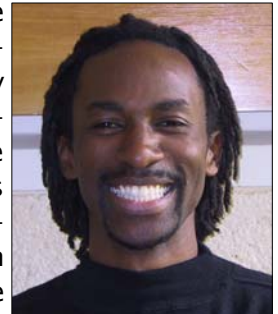


Jacqueline's project analyzes and critiques the U.S.'s objections to the 1998 Rome Statute for the International Criminal Court, which establishes a permanent court to try individuals for crimes against humanity, crimes of aggression, war crimes, and genocide. She will explore how the U.S. has disapproved of the Court and has taken actions, such as the American Servicemembers Act of

2001 and bilateral agreements with other countries, to protect American citizens from its jurisdiction. Her thesis argues that participation in such a court is beneficial to the U.S. and that actions such as the Protection Act and bilateral agreements are unnecessary.

J A C Q U E L I N E B I N G E R

Khixaan's project, entitled "The Bleeding Heart of Integration: Systematic Destruction of Black Animacy in America." He is exploring the reason why integration did not work the way America intended. He purports that the power dynamics in the negotiations surrounding integration were not changed and as a result the Black community was unable to self-determinate. Khixaan is researching the different legislation that was key to implementing integration, including *Brown v. Board of Education* and *Plessy v. Ferguson*.



K H I X A A N O B I O M A - S A K H U



Christi's senior honors thesis project looks at whether or not the David Attias trial has impacted the way in which UCSB students understand the law and legality. She is conducting a small scale causal-comparative study through a web-based survey. The survey will focus on whether or not Attias's insanity defense is viewed as legitimate and on students' knowledge and opinions

about the Attias case and the legal system in general. Christi hypothesizes that students who maintained a high level of familiarity with the case will understand law and legality differently than those who were less familiar.

C H R I S T I T H O M P S O N

Introducing your Spring 2003 Instructors



Hillary Berk is teaching Law & Society 140, Gender & the Law. With a background as a lawyer, mediator and policy analyst, her academic interests include conflict resolution, feminist legal theory, law and the changing family, and technoscience. Hillary has returned to California after working as an environmental lawyer, mediator, and teacher in Oregon.



Chris Cook is teaching Law & Society 180, Social Science and Law, which he hopes is a motivation for students to critically think about the world around them. Originally from Massachusetts, Professor Cook is now a doctoral candidate in Political Science here at UCSB. His dissertation focuses on the United States' intervention, or lack thereof, in post-Cold War humanitarian crises.



Lisa Hajjar is teaching Law & Society 122, Law & Globalization. Professor Hajjar holds her BA in International Affairs from Tufts University, MA in Arab Studies from Georgetown University, and Ph.D. in Sociology from the American University. Her research interests include human rights, international law, cause lawyering, social movements, and issues pertaining to race, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, and nationality.



Elvin Hatch is teaching Law & Society 120, Anthropological Approaches to Law. His research interests include history of anthropology, anthropological theory, the cultural dimension of rural communities in the US and New Zealand; current research focuses on the processes of modernity as a cultural force in the mountain South (US).



Stuart Streichler is teaching Law & Society 2, Socio-Legal Research Methods. His research interests include law, slavery, and race; constitutionalism; law and literature; American legal history; and legal theory. Other interests include hiking, music, and sports.



Jeanne Umana is teaching Law & Society 150, Alternative Dispute Resolution; Law & Society 170, Media Law; and Law & Society 192, Internship; in which her goal is to heighten her students' sense of personal commitment to the world around them. Originally from Massachusetts, Professor Umana received her Master's Degree from Simmons College and has studied at the Harvard Program on Negotiation as well as the Harvard Mediation Project. She is still working on her book sponsored by a grant from the Profant Foundation.

Juliet Williams is teaching Law & Society 130, Jurisprudence. Trained as a political theorists, Professor Williams has a background in the field of liberal political thought, with a special interest in questions concerning the legitimate scope and reach of governmental intervention in individual lives. Her current research focuses on the socio-legal culture of the U.S., with a focus on issues of gender and sexuality, including sex scandals and sexual harassment law.



JOIN LAW & SOCIETY IN CELEBRATING GRADUATION

Sunday, June 15, 2003 9AM

Law & Society will hold a smaller departmental ceremony immediately following the 9AM commencement.



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Law and Society Review at UCSB at
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Law & Society Dean's Honors List Fall 2002

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| <i>Alvarado, Nicole</i> | <i>Kim, John</i> |
| <i>Aragon, Rita</i> | <i>Lee, Eva</i> |
| <i>Avery, Brent</i> | <i>Lee, Joann</i> |
| <i>Bayegan, Farbod</i> | <i>Leventhal, Andrew</i> |
| <i>Boomer, Janine</i> | <i>Lindemann, Andrea</i> |
| <i>Bower, Alyssa</i> | <i>Lynch, Jennifer</i> |
| <i>Buetzow, Eric</i> | <i>McGowen, Sarah</i> |
| <i>Cahill, Jeffrey</i> | <i>Ngai, Virginia</i> |
| <i>Calma, Bliss</i> | <i>Olmstead, Reed</i> |
| <i>Chandler, Rebecca</i> | <i>Pitre, Natalie</i> |
| <i>Clithero, Leslie</i> | <i>Reznick, Brian</i> |
| <i>Cramer, Sarah</i> | <i>Richard, Gareth</i> |
| <i>Fisher, Alice</i> | <i>Romanskaya, Anna</i> |
| <i>Grant, Ryan</i> | <i>Slipakoff, Fayth</i> |
| <i>Hawk, Amber</i> | <i>Stutz, Michelle</i> |
| <i>Hernandez, Jennifer</i> | <i>Tan, Mary</i> |
| <i>Hurst, Lauren</i> | <i>Vacquier, Paul</i> |
| <i>Illinois, Jeffrey</i> | <i>Wood, Rebecca</i> |
| <i>Johnson, Lindsay</i> | <i>Zwang-Weissman, Yarden</i> |

Congratulations!

