

SOCIOLOGY SCOOP

September 2023 Issue

CSUF Sociology

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY TUESDAY

ASI Farmer's Market
10am, Titan Walk

Basic Needs Services
10am-1pm, Titan Walk

WEDNESDAY 10/4/23

ASI Drop-in Art Workshop
1pm, TSU Grand Stair Studio

Soulful Wellness Wednesday
Drop-in Group
African American Resource
Center, PLS 180

THURSDAY 10/12/23

Internship & Career Expo
3:00-5:30pm, TSU

TUESDAY 10/17/23

Expressions: LGBTQ+
History Month
10am-2pm, TSU Pub

TUESDAY 10/24/23

Pumpkin Patch
4:00-7:00pm, Tuffy Lawn

THURSDAY 10/26/23

Graduate School Expo
2:00-4:00pm, Quad

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Advising Information

Registration for Spring 2024 begins in late October!

The course schedule is now available online. If you have not seen an advisor this semester, we recommend making an appointment soon. Appointments fill up very fast around registration. Appointments are available on a rolling basis; check back weekly if you do not see availability. *If you in one of our Sociology learning communities (FSLC/TSLC), please only make an appointment with Dr. Malagón.*

To make an appointment, visit:

<https://sociology.fullerton.edu/advising-tutoring/undergraduate-advising.html>



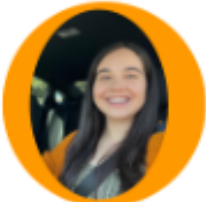
Grad Checks begin in late November for Spring 2024 graduation. The deadline to pay the \$115 fee is February 23, 2024. You do NOT need to have an advising appointment for a grad check.

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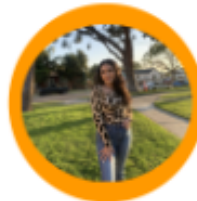
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Interested in Joining?

- » Please fill out and complete our application in order to be contacted and added into our Discord.
- » Scan QR code or copy & paste link into browser. Make sure to sign in through your school account in order to access the form.
- » Deadline for application and club dues are on October 3rd.



YAY!

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Faculty Highlight

Dr. Chris Gibson is an Assistant Professor in Sociology and the Faculty Advisor of Alpha Kappa Delta/Sociology Club. He obtained an Associate's Degree in English at a community college before transferring to UC Santa Barbara where he earned his Bachelor's degree in Global and International Studies. Dr. Gibson then attended UC Irvine where he obtained his Ph.D. in Sociology with a concentration in Environmental Studies.

Dr. Gibson recalls that he applied to the Sociology doctoral program because he was "fascinated with studying the macro scale function of societal structures." This interest began by taking a sociology theory course. He notes that in addition to the theory course, he had admirable mentors who taught sociology research. This further motivated his interest in sociology and also launched his aspiration of becoming a professor.



Now, Dr. Gibson's mission is to teach students about social inequalities in hopes of providing an impact on their educational journey in the same way that his mentors did for him. And, he hopes his research offers understanding, policy solutions, and teaching strategies to his students and that through this kind of work, we can understand and make our environment more stable and better for everyone, not just those who can afford it. Moreover, he wants to instill self-motivation and drive for his students to want to study and learn for themselves instead of purely taking a course to obtain a grade.

Ultimately, Dr. Gibson advises students to develop interpersonal relationships. Dr. Gibson provides multiple ways for students to build these types of relationships:

1. Develop robust relationships with colleagues, peers, and networks.
2. Come out from behind the Zoom screen and come to campus to engage and socialize.
3. Learn how to translate skills learned in class into real-life experiences that will help you prosper in your career.
4. Seek faculty support to navigate the gaps you want to fill, as sociology is a broad discipline.

Website Resources:
csuf desert studies center
<https://alphakappadelta.org>

Instagram Resources:
@csufsociologyclub
@ejclubatcsuf

Resource Highlight

Preparing for registration?

Thinking about what to do with your Sociology degree?

Considering internship, study abroad, or a concentration?

Is it time to graduate?

To get support thinking through these questions and more, visit:

SOCIOLOGY ADVISING



Ms. Kim Palacios

Drop-in hours, In-person
are Mondays 2:00-3:00pm &
Tuesdays 11:00am-12:00pm

Appointments are available Mon-Fri



Dr. Anthony Alvarez

Wednesdays 12:30-2:00pm
(In-person)
Fridays 1:30-3:00pm
(Zoom)
Appointment Only



Dr. Maria Malagón

Tuesdays 11:30-2:30pm (Zoom)
Wednesdays 4:00-6:00pm
(Zoom or in-person)
Appointment Only
Learning Community Only

Checkout the Sociology advising website (<https://sociology.fullerton.edu/advising-tutoring/undergraduate-advising.html>) to schedule an appointment, find answers to frequently asked questions, and access helpful tools. Topics you might ask/discuss with one of our advisors include:

- What classes must I take to be on track to graduate by X date?
- I'm here to get help mapping out my pathway to graduation over the next X years.
- I'm struggling in my classes, can you provide me ideas of resources that can help me?
- What electives in Sociology and other departments go with my research/concentration interest?
- I'd like to discuss what I can do with my Sociology degree after graduation. What jobs are there and how can I best position myself to land a job I want?

TIPS FROM PEER MENTORS

1) Take advantage of on campus resources! Each semester you pay about \$670 in student fees. These fees give you access to on campus resources like TitanMED(<https://www.fullerton.edu/health/>), CAPS(<https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/>), the Student Recreation Center(<https://titanrecreation.fullerton.edu/>), ASI programs like the upcoming Pumpkin Patch, DIRC(<https://www.fullerton.edu/dirc/>), access to places to study and hold events in the TSU, and more.

2) Setting goals is important to achieving academic success. If you are not sure what your goals should be, campus resources like academic advising (<https://sociology.fullerton.edu/advising-tutoring/undergraduate-advising.html>) or the career center (<https://www.fullerton.edu/career/>) can help you. You might also find support on You@fullerton (YOU@fullerton.edu). You can also use goal setting tools like setting SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time based) goals to help you (<https://www.mindtools.com/a4wo118/smart-goals>).

TitanLink displays 300+ clubs & organizations to join!

TSU Food Court has GrubHub service!

ASI has student employment & leadership opportunities open!

DEPARTMENT KUDOS

Dr. Patricia Literte is a Co-Principal Investigator on a Scott-Jewett Fund for Student Success and Innovation Grant to increase underrepresented students' participation in the Cal State DC Scholars Program. The project aims to increase the number of underserved, specifically Black/African American and Native American/Indigenous students who participate in the program

And, **Dr. Jorge Fontdevila** has two recent publications. These include:
Cossu, Andrea and Fontdevila, Jorge (Eds). 2023. *Interpretive Sociology and the Semiotic Imagination*. Bristol, UK: Bristol University Press.
<https://bristoluniversitypress.co.uk/interpretive-sociology-and-the-semiotic-imagination>

Fontdevila, Jorge. 2023. "Stigma-embedded Semiotics: Indexical Dilemmas of HIV across Local and Migrant Networks." In A. Cossu and J. Fontdevila (Eds.), *Interpretive Sociology and the Semiotic Imagination*. Bristol, UK: Bristol University Press.
<https://bristoluniversitypressdigital.com/display/book/9781529211764/ch007.xml>

Please also join us in congratulating **Dr. Dana Collins** on her recent publications. "Eat that Nostalgia': Filipino Foodways and Food Consciousness in L.A." will appear in a University of Hawaii Press edited collection (Alyssa Paredes and Marvin Joseph F. Montefrio, eds.) entitled *Halo-Halo Ecologies: The emergent environments behind Filipino food*. And her fictional short story—*The Slaughter*—was accepted for publication and is forthcoming in the November/December issue of the *Sociological Review Magazine*.