



**GRADUATE  
STUDIES FALL  
2024  
NEWSLETTER**

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## Caleb Chen

### *MA Public Sociology*

Caleb Chen was awarded a \$25,000 Agricultural Research Institute (ARI) NEXTGEN Fellowship to support his MA in Public Sociology thesis research on changes in cannabis genetics.

In addition to his MA thesis research, Chen will continue as a senior graduate research assistant on the Department of Cannabis Control Legacy Genetics Grant with Dr. Dominic Corva. He is also a journalist and cannabis judge under the moniker “The Highest Critic.” As part of the ARI NEXTGEN Fellowship, Chen will participate in Leadership and Communicating Science Workshops both virtually and in Sacramento.

“The Agricultural Research Institute (ARI) exemplifies the mission of the California State University system by working for California and its citizens through partnerships across the agricultural industry and beyond. Through the colleges of agriculture on four CSU campuses and allied disciplines across the CSU, the ARI conducts applied research to ensure the sustainability of California agriculture.”

Contact Caleb Chen for more information about his research:  
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## Regina Khoury

### *Environmental Systems - Geology*

Regina Khoury is a second-year graduate student in the Environmental Systems – Geology program and the 2023 recipient of the Alistair and Judith McCrone Graduate Fellowship. Results of her MS project will advanced our understanding of how and where magmas were stored beneath Medicine Lake volcano in NE California prior to their eruption ~12,000 years ago, which can help us monitor and predict future volcanic eruptions.

While a graduate student at Cal Poly Humboldt, Regina has also taught GEOL 109 Physical Geology labs, worked in the Geology Stockroom, volunteered on geology field trips and in geology labs, helped with new student orientations and student tours, and tutored numerous geology majors.

Contact Regina Khoury for more information about her research:  
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## Povheng Yam

### *Academic Research Psychology*

Povheng's research explores the factors that influence human stress responses from a neuroscience and endocrinology perspective. He is also interested in studying and developing interventions that enhance human emotional regulation.

He joined the MA in Academic Research via the blended program path which allowed him to take part in the Graduate program early. The Academic Research Program helped him develop skills in many important areas for example research methodology, statistical analysis, and research communication. This program is perfect for those who want to pursue a PhD program and a career in teaching.

During the pandemic, he co-founded a Cambodian student association remotely with colleagues from all around the United States.

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## Sandra L. Neumann

### *MA - Psychology*

Sandra was recently awarded the University of Wisconsin system's P.B. Poorman Award for Outstanding Achievement on Behalf of LGBTQ+ People.

She is currently an Associate Professor of Psychology at UW Stevens Point - Marshfield campus.

Sandra received her BA in psychology from Humboldt State University in 1995 and earned her MA in the same field in 1997.

In addition to her recent award, Sandra has been published three times. Her works include "Creating a "safe zone" for sexual minority students in the psychology classroom" (2005), "The "Why's" and "How's" of being a Social Justice Ally" (2009), and "Animal Welfare Volunteers: Who Are They and Why Do They Do What They Do?" (2010)

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# Faculty Spotlight 7

Dr. Jose Marin Jarrin,

Ph.D.

## *Fisheries Biology*

Dr. Jarrin teaches several upper division and graduate level courses and is a mentor to a handful of graduate students. He was recently awarded a \$1.1 million grant from the University of California Climate Action Fund to improve fish population resilience with local tribes.

his research is geared towards high-use and/or low-information/data-limited fisheries species, and towards the provision and analysis of vital early and adult life history data of fishes and crustaceans, especially with respect to impacts expected from local fishery pressures and climate change. In order to achieve this goal, he use a suite of techniques, applying varying methods and pursuing collaborations based on the problem at hand.

Dr Jarrin is originally from Ecuador and earned his BS in Biology from the University of Guayaquil, then proceeded to earn a degree in Biology from the University of Oregon and a Fisheries Science degree from Oregon State University. He has been featured in over 75 publications.

Contact Dr. Jarrin for more information about his research:  
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## **Andres Felix**

Pre-Doctoral Scholar  
College of Professional Studies  
BA  
Journalism News



## **Shairy Jimenez Delgado**

Pre-Doctoral Scholar  
College of Professional Studies  
MA  
Psychology Academic Research



## **Matias Solorzano**

Honorable Mentions  
McCrone Graduate Fellowship Recipient  
College of Professional Studies  
MA  
Psychology Academic Research







**Mark Taylor**

CPS - MSW

System-Impacted Student's and Supports

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**Emmett McMahon**

CPS - MS

Evaluating Critical Speed as a Predictor of Performance in Collegiate Cross-Country Athletes

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**Ali Pickering**

CPS - MSW

Gender Affirming Care  
Resources for Behavioral Health  
Clinicians: Open Door  
Community Health Centers

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**Nathan Boone**

CPS - MA

Testosterone reactivity and parental care motivation as a function of parental status in men

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**Sydney Sawyer**

CPS - MA

School Psychology Professional  
Portfolio



**Sophia Effa**

CPS - MA

Counseling Psychology

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**Josefina Barrantes**

CAHS- MA

Food Justice and Edible  
Landscapes at Cal Poly  
Humboldt

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**Crystal McKinney**

CPS-MS

Intergenerational yoga  
intervention on mind body  
spirit connection

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**Arianna Nova**

CAHS - MA

K-12 Educator

Experiences with Whole-  
Child Education: A Survey  
of Teachers in Northern  
California

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**Emily Lavrador**

CAHS - MA

Teaching Dystopia in  
Dystopian Realities:  
Trauma informed  
Pedagogy and the  
Dystopian Novel after  
COVID-19

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**Romel Robinson**

CNRS

Indigenizing Engineering  
at Mouralherwaq: An  
engineering project with  
the Wiyot People



**Jae Smith**

CAHS - MA

Cannabis and Labor in  
Humboldt County

# Fall Deadlines

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10/14

Last day for credit no credit

10/28

Last day to withdraw and receive a refund

11/04

Last day to withdraw

12/02

Courtesy Review

12/16

Final application deadline

12/20

Commencement

12/23

Last day to change grad date with out a fee

## Men's Rugby vs CSU MB 10/12

1PM - 3PM College Creek Field



## Mummenschanz 10/22

7 PM - 10 PM Van Duzer Theater



## Halloween Bash 10/31

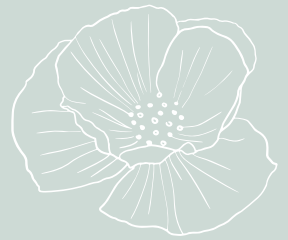
11 AM - 2 PM University Quad





## Green and Gold Days 11/14

11Am - 2PM University Quad



## Queer Joy 11/15

6PM - 8PM NH102 Goodwin Forum



## Humboldt Symphony 11/17

1:30 PM - 3PM Fulkerson Recital Hall



## Pink Martini 12/08

8PM - 10PM Van Duzer Theater



## Evening of Dance 12/12

7PM - 9PM Van Duzer Theater



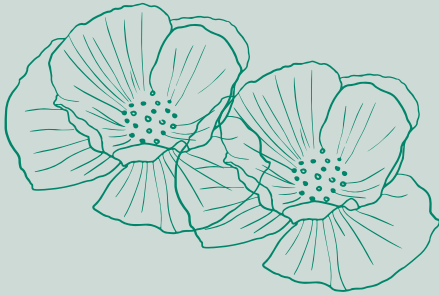
## Late Night Breakfast 12/16

7PM - 10PM Jolly Giant Commons



Friday December 20th

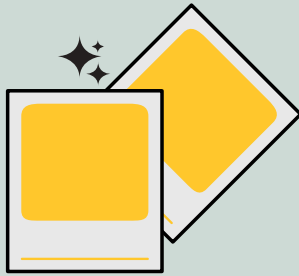
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Regalia



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**Congratulations Fall  
2024 Graduates!**



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