

Annual Report: July 1, 2007- June 30, 2008

Intern Program:

Women's Center interns are an integral part of the Women's Center staff, contributing to the Women's Center mission, developing as student leaders, and providing services and programs around gender and social justice issues. Interning at the Center provides students with hands-on experience developing skills that will be useful to them in the wide variety of fields that they pursue after graduation.

Interns work closely with the professional staff, volunteers and the community and are responsible for programming and coordinating events, educating the campus on gender and social justice issues, creating the quarterly newsletter, and managing the facility.

The internship program is one of the most vital aspects of the Center's programs and resources. Professional staff devote work, emotion, and energy into maintaining and enhancing the program. Participants in the internship program develop skills that they can apply in graduate school and professional settings.

As the Women's Center has continued to grow, interns have been central to this effort and to the mission and vision of the Center. A primary goal of the internship program is to enhance and support students' academic experience at UCSD. Women's Center interns are able to explore new ways of engaging with their communities in an effort to advance the goals of achieving a more just and equitable society. The learning outcomes that guide the internship program are as follows:

Throughout the course of and at the completion of this internship:

- ❖ Interns will be able to make connections between theory and activism while developing a better understanding of the role of women in local, national, and international history.
- ❖ Interns will be able to articulate the herstory of the Women's Center on campus and confidently answer the question, Why a Women's Center?
- ❖ Interns will be able to challenge misconceptions while exploring why and how feminist activism continues to be relevant in today's world.
- ❖ Interns will enhance their knowledge of current events locally, nationally, and internationally, and will be able to further expand their definition of what constitutes a "women's issue."
- ❖ Interns will gain a better understanding of themselves and their values through self reflection and dialogue while considering how their actions fit within the larger community.
- ❖ Interns will be able to ask questions, analyze arguments, and make connections to enhance their critical thinking skills.
- ❖ Interns will be able to identify strategies for affecting change within the University community, as well as the broader global community.

- ❖ Interns will be able to discuss a variety of forms of oppression and their interconnectedness, so as to understand themselves and others in ways that move beyond the constraints of stereotypes and labels.
- ❖ Interns will be able to use the skills learned during their time at the Women's Center in continuing their work as leaders and agents for social change at UCSD and in the larger community.

Interns play a critical role in Women's Center programming and this year participated in over 50 programs and outreach events across campus and in the community. The majority of these events provided education, information, and resources to UCSD students. Below is a partial list of the programs that our 2007/2008 interns were involved in:

- ❖ Love is Free Program – Valentine's Day candy grams that educated UCSD community about Purple Rose Campaign against sex trafficking
- ❖ Over 25 Gender Buffet discussions including: Intersections: Women and Multiculturalism, Gender and Sexuality, Women and Horror films
- ❖ World AIDS Day Committee
- ❖ Women and AIDS display for World AIDS Day
- ❖ Collaborated on Luna Fest (a film festival with films by and about women)
- ❖ Creation and implementation of workshops for student organizations' high school conferences
- ❖ Co-facilitated White allies conference during LGBT Resource Center "Outing Racism" event
- ❖ Attended Western States Feminist Majority Leadership Conference
- ❖ 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence
- ❖ Collaborated with Associated Students Women's Commission on Women's Awareness Week
- ❖ "Be a Man, Act Like A Lady" workshop for Muir College
- ❖ "Living Herstory" art exhibit at the Women's Center
- ❖ Women's Center Movie Nights
- ❖ "Creating Their Own Path: Women Who Paved the Way" Exhibit
- ❖ Denim Day: an event to raise awareness around sexual assault
- ❖ Social Just Us BBQ
- ❖ Triton Spirit Decorating Contest
- ❖ Magazine and Coupon Swap
- ❖ Let it Loose! Project
- ❖ Women's Center Graduation Stoles Project
- ❖ Literature Out Loud
- ❖ First Generation College Women Zine
- ❖ Masculinity and the Border Patrol
- ❖ Help A Friend, Help Yourself: An Eating Disorder Education Campaign

Programs and Events:

**Women's Center Programs and Events
July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008**

DATE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	RECURRING PROGRAM
8/29/07	Mothers' Support Group	Monthly support group for mothers	Monthly
9/11/07	Women's Center Book Club	Monthly program co-sponsored with UCSD Bookstore	Monthly
9/13/07	Women's Center Moms' Book Club	Co-sponsored with UCSD Bookstore	Monthly
9/26/07	Women's Center Welcome Week Fest	Annual Welcome Week event	Annual
10/10/07	Yarn Factory	Monthly knitting/crocheting community building event	Monthly
10/11/07	Alison Kafer Lecture	Co-sponsored lecture that focused on access and integration of people with disabilities	
10/12/07	Gender Buffet	Weekly discussion group focused on issues of gender, sexuality, and social justice	Weekly
10/16/07	<i>Things We Lost in the Fire</i> Film Screening	Provided free tickets to UCSD students to attend community screening	
10/16/07– 10/30/07	Three Cheers for Title IX	A series of events to recognize and celebrate the 35 th Anniversary of Title IX, co-sponsored with the Office of Sexual Harassment Prevention and Policy	
10/17/07	San Diego Asian Film Festival	Co-presented <i>Tie A Yellow Ribbon</i> at festival	Annual
10/18/07	Love Your Body Day	An annual event to raise awareness around issue of media and body image	Annual
11/25/07 – 12/10/07	16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence	An annual event that raises awareness around gender violence	Annual
11/30/07	World AIDS Day	Participated in campus wide committee that plans and implements World AIDS Day activities at UCSD	Annual
11/30/07 – 12/2/07	Rape Aggression Defense Class	12 hour class facilitated by Women's Center staff	
11/30/07 – 12/2/07	Doula Training Workshop	Training for women to become birth assistants/doulas, co-	

		sponsored with Association of Labor Assistants and Childbirth Educators	
12/10/07	Graduate Student Coffee Break	An opportunity for graduate students to visit the Women's Center and meet informally with the Graduate Community Coordinator	
12/11/07	Strong Women, Powerful Financial Strategies	Financial education workshop	
12/11/07	Finals Study Break	Create a space for students to study and de-stress from finals	Quarterly
1/11/07	National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	In recognition of National Human Trafficking Awareness Day conducted a collection drive on behalf of the Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition	
1/25/08	Allyson Tintiango-Cubales Book Launch	Launch of book, <i>Decolonizing Pedagogical Praxis: Teaching and Learning Critical Filipina/o American Studies</i> , co-sponsored with UCSD Ethnic Studies Department, Women's Center, and the Cross-Cultural Center.	
1/31/08	Graduate Student Reading Group on Gender and Sexuality	Reading group for graduate students interested in gender and sexuality	
2/6/08	Feminism is for Everybody: The Women's Center and YOU!	Workshop to introduce graduate students to the Women's Center, part of Office of Graduate Studies' Wednesday Awareness Workshops	
2/6/08	Multisectoral Responses to Gender Based Violence in Urban India	A lecture with Dr. Suneta Krishnan of the Research Triangle Institute, co-sponsored with Critical Gender Studies Department and IICAS South Asian Studies	
2/6/08	<i>VDAY: Until the Violence Stops</i> Film Screening	Documents how the Vagina Monologues grew into the international VDAY movement to end violence against women	
2/13/08 – 2/16/08	Vagina Monologues	Co-sponsorship with UCSD VDAY	
2/14/08	Love is Free!	Valentine's Day program to draw attention to the commercialization of love through Valentine's Day	

2/19/08	Tax Strategies Workshop	Financial education workshop	
2/21/08	Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Presents: Dr. Joan Heller-Brown	Co-sponsorship with WISE	
3/3/08	LunaFest	Co-sponsored film festival featuring films by and about women	
3/4/08 – 3/7/08	International Women's Day	A series of events celebrating International Women's Day including Womens Speak: The Many Voices of Working Women of Color in Conversation at UCSD and Giving it up for the Women, an open mic event	
3/5/08 – 3/7/08	Postcolonial' Futures in a Not-yet Postcolonial World Conference and Reception	Co-sponsorship with Ethnic Studies Department	
3/18/08	Super Vision: Women and Leadership at UCSD	A networking, professionalization, and support group for women supervisors at UCSD	
3/29/08	Women's Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony	Co-sponsorship with Women's History Museum; Department of Women's Studies, SDSU; San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women	
4/14/08	Denim Day 2008: Peace Over Violence	An event to bring awareness to issues of sexual assault	Annual
4/17/08	Five Steps You Can Take in a Volatile Market	Financial workshop co-sponsored with Ameriprise Financial	
4/17/08	Teatro Chicana	Co-sponsorship with Cross-Cultural Center, Chicana actors and writers discuss their new book, "Teatro Chicana: A Collective Memoir and Selected Plays	
4/18/08	The Stubborn Masculinity of Science and Engineering: Comic or Tragic?	Co-sponsorship with Women in Science and Engineering (WISE)	
4/25/08	Betita Martinez Book Signing	Co-sponsorship with Cross-Cultural Center, the Chicano/a-Latino/a Arts and Humanities Program, and the Latino Studies Research Institute, Writer and activist Elizabeth Betita Martinez signs and speaks about her new book <i>500 Years of</i>	

		<i>Chicana Women's History</i> , the first book-length version of Mexican American women's history	
4/28/08	Ann Wright Panel Discussion and Book Signing	Panel Discussion and Book Signing for <i>Dissent: Voices of Conscience</i>	
5/6/08	Forum on Marriage Equality	Discussion on the topic of marriage equality	
5/8/08	Border Patrol: Militarism, Race and Masculinity	An interactive discussion of issues of masculinity, race, and the border patrol	
5/9/08	Women Don't Ask: A Panel Discussion on Negotiation in Academia and Life in General	Co-sponsorship with WISE	
5/9/08	Julia Serrano	Co-sponsorship with LGBT Resource Center, spoken word performance	
5/13/08	Immigration Rights and Deportation Threats – A Round Table	A discussion about the issue of immigration	
5/29/08	Literature Out Loud	Poetry reading at the Women's Center	
6/5/08	Recognition and Resources for Graduating Activists	Co-sponsorship with Cross-Cultural Center and LGBT Resource Center, an event to honor and provide resources for graduating seniors	Annual
6/8/08	Export Quality	A play of monologues about Filipina mail order brides, part of the Women's Center's human trafficking project	
6/30/08	Children's Personal Empowerment Safety Education Program	Co-sponsorship with Pacific Coast RAD & radKIDS, children's personal empowerment safety education program (for girls and boys aged 5 to 7 years.	