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Intercollegiate Convention Takes on Modern Slavery by Breanne Schneider '18

The Intercollegiate Convention Against Modern Slavery was a three-day conference hosted at UCSD's School of Global Policy & Strategy in partnership with UCSD's Social Impact & Innovation program and the Collegiate Leadership in the Fight for Freedom (CLIFF). The conference was centered on educating young leaders about several facets of the issue of human trafficking as well as different approaches to addressing the issue. While at the convention, I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to attend sessions with a wide array of speakers from a multitude of organizations, including a human trafficking survivor and speakers from Project Concern International's Human Trafficking and Gender Equity department, USAID's Labor and Employment Rights department, Capital One's Anti-Money Laundering Department, and the Responsible Sourcing Network. The

conference was a truly constructive way for me to apply my knowledge of human trafficking from my membership in LMU's Espérer service organization to a wider context of issues. It also provided me with a space to engage in an open conversation with several young and aspiring leaders from a number of different schools in southern California. I am so grateful to have had this experience - I not only was able to make great connections with like-minded individuals, but was also able to add to my knowledge of such a prevalent and important issue. I hope to pass on this information to my peers moving forward.

(This is the second year of LMU student participation in this event. Ashley Lilligraven '18 and Oscar Orozco '17 participated last year at the Harvard Kennedy School in Cambridge, Massachusetts).

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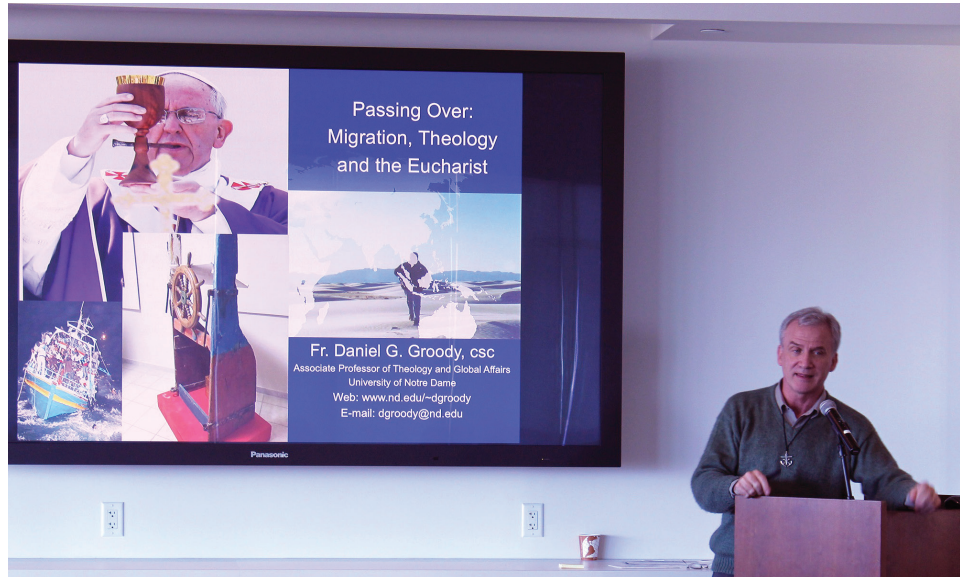
“Faith and Business Class...” Meets “The World on the Move...”

by Cathleen McGrath, Ph.D., Professor of Management, College of Business Administration

This semester, our Faith and Business: An Intercultural Approach class took the opportunity to attend the CSJ Center 2018 Symposium, “The World on the Move: Migration and Immigration in Uncertain Times.” In preparation for the symposium, our class was introduced to Catholic Social Teaching and explored issues of globalization and justice using the document, “Justice in the Global Economy Building Sustainable and Inclusive Communities.” [1] *Promotio Iustitiae* Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat: Task Force on the Economy, No 121, 2016. Together we discussed sections of the document that highlight the fact that advances in technology – information, transportation, communication, and production – have

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significantly increased the way we experience the world as interconnected. Businesses have become increasingly global in both



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production and consumption and with this a host of opportunities and problems have emerged. As a class we discussed the great potential for good that comes with globalization, including innovation in several sectors, economic growth, access to more information, and increased awareness of other cultures and societies. But globalization also introduces potential

problems, most notably, increases in poverty and inequality, violence, and environmental threats.

Through their attendance at the CSJ Symposium, students were able to explore issues of immigration that go along with globalization and reflect upon those issues from the perspective of Catholic Social Teaching. We attended Professor Harald Meier’s session, “Developing Entrepreneurial Skills Among Refugees / Immigrants” as a class and each student chose one more session to attend on their own.

The opportunity to engage in discussions with several experts in immigration provided a richness to our class exploration of global justice and Catholic Social Teaching. A few themes that emerged through reflection were the following:

Students saw clear connections between the speakers’ presentations and valuing immigrants because of the dignity that is inherent in their being. They explained that first one must see the dignity of others and then the actions of respecting others follows. Throughout the symposium we heard stories of the lives and experiences of migrants



David FitzGerald, University of California, San Diego



David Orth-Moore, Catholic Relief Services

that showed that the fundamental worth of every person exists in both good and bad conditions. Students appreciated the need to acknowledge human dignity by respecting everyone's rights to opportunities, freedom from persecution, and freedom from fear.

Students also saw that the relationship

between immigrants and host countries is often mutually beneficial. Speakers presented both qualitative and quantitative information to highlight the contributions of immigrants to their host countries. Immigrants bring a diversity of perspectives, an orientation to entrepreneurship, and an opportunity to learn from those different

from one's self. At the same time, students were aware of the challenges of migration including language barriers, culture shock, logistical challenges. Throughout the symposium, students worked to balance their understanding of the challenges and benefits of migration and were then able to form more nuanced perspectives on migration.

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Finally, after considering immigration and migration from multiple perspectives, students concluded that dialogue among migrants and people from host countries is key for people to develop fully in community and in relationship to each other. They saw that migration and immigration allow for a rich understanding of what it means to love one's neighbor. Seeing our neighbor is the first step toward living fully in community.



[1] "Justice in the Global Economy Building Sustainable and Inclusive Communities." [1] Promotio Iustitiae Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat: Task Force on the Economy, No 121, 2016.

For videos of panel sessions please contact Sheila Weisenberger at sheila.weisenberger@lmu.edu.



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Symposium on "The World on the Move: Migration and Immigration in Uncertain Times" by the Center for Reconciliation and Justice

Responsiveness in Refugee Crisis: A Case Study from Turkey & Seeking for Solutions

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 Visiting Professor, Loyola Marymount University
 Associate Professor of Strategy & Management
 Director, Leadership & Entrepreneurship Research Center
 Istanbul Commerce University

Loyola Marymount University - Ahmanson Auditorium
 Tuesday, January 23, 2018: 11.20am-12.50pm





From the Director

By Judith Royer, CSJ

LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD:

Reviewing the '17-'18 academic year, I would like to share with you several of the wonderful collaborations and resulting projects/networking events that have come from those collaborations during the past year. Highlights include an enlightening and well attended symposium on Migration/Immigration which came about with colleagues from a number of colleges, schools, offices and centers in the University. For this event, we worked with many colleagues from the past and many new voices from the University as well as the larger local and global community. We have begun planning meetings for the next Symposium, **January 29, 30, 31 2019. Save the dates.**

We are also proud to have hosted this year's Hidden Heroes, with a well-deserved list of awardees – Norma Bowles, Kea Jose, Tom King, Jonathan Rothchild and Henry Ward – sharing their inspiring stories with members of the University community and many of the awardee families and friends. The Center's Hidden

Heroes Awards Committee has now completed the review of submissions for the year and you will find the announcement in this issue of our newsletter. Again, **save the date** for the award ceremony, **November 3, 2018.**

We are especially pleased, for the second year, to have sponsored students from the Voices of Justice class and Espérer service organization to attend the Intercollegiate Convention Against Modern Slavery, hosted this year at UCSD's School of Global Policy and Strategy. We plan to continue to support students who wish to attend this annual series of conventions.

Looking now to the future, the CSJ Center is planning to fund a scholarship entitled *CSJ Center Scholarship* for LMU students who demonstrate special interest in issues of social justice and participate in one or more areas of service and action. Thanks to several generous donors, we already have a good start towards funding this scholarship. All donations are welcome. To give to the scholarship go to : lmu.edu/csjgive.

More about all of these events is found in other parts of this newsletter. My wish here is to thank those who helped make so many good things happen and those who are now helping us plan each of the above events for the coming year.

2018-2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Hidden Heroes

November 3, 2018

at 1:30 pm, Murphy Hall

Cindy Archer, Associate Dean for Clinical Programs and Experiential Learning, Clinical Professor of Law, Loyola Law School

Brooke Duplantier, English and Political Science Majors, member of Sursum Corda, Class of '19

Arturo Jordan-Gonzalez, Principal of Our Lady of Victory Elementary School, Compton, Double Alumnus, BA 2010, MA2012

Enrique Ramirez, Custodian, Facilities Management

Elias Wondimu, Publisher and Editorial Director, Marymount Institute

January, 29, 30, 31, 2019 CSJ Center for Reconciliation and Justice Symposium.

Living on the Edge: Causes, Consequences and Action focusing on issues related to poverty and homelessness and implications for LMU, Los Angeles and national and global communities.

