OUR CAMPUS

The main campus for the University is located in historic Old Town San Diego, close to the Pacific Ocean and Interstate 5. The 22,000 SF facilities available at the University include several administrative offices, meeting rooms, testing room, sixteen classrooms, two student lounges, and two computer labs. A large conference room with the capacity to accommodate 80-100 people is located adjacent to the SDUIS main building. Old Town San Diego is considered the "birthplace" of California and is home to over 150 restaurants, shops and historical sites. Miles of oceanfront beach are within a few miles and Mission Bay, with more than 4,000 acres of bay, bike paths, grassy knolls and parks is approximately three miles north of Old Town. Within this range are the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) and San Diego State University (SDSU), where students of San Diego University for Integrative Studies can access library facilities as well as cultural and educational events. San Diego University for Integrative Studies is a non-residential campus serving a wide variety of students. It does not provide dormitory facilities or off-campus student housing. The school assumes no responsibility in matters of student housing and transportation. Information on housing and transportation in the San Diego area can be found at www.sicinonsandiego.com.
INSTITUTIONAL STATUS

In accordance with the provisions of California Education Code 94900 mid/or 94915, this institution received approval to operate from the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education. That approval to operate meant that the Bureau determined and certified that the institution met the minimum standards for integrity, financial stability, and educational quality, including the offering of bona fide instruction by qualified faculty and the appropriate assessment of students' achievement prior to, during, and at the end of its programs.

To earn approved status in California, a degree-granting institution must undergo a qualitative review and assessment of programs offered and of all institutional policies, procedures, and operations. The assessment is conducted by a comprehensive on-site review process performed by a qualified visiting committee composed of educators and other appropriate experts.

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The San Diego University is also licensed by the following agencies:

SDUIS students are eligible to take the licensing exams for Licensed Psychologist and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. SDUIS is also licensed as a continuing education unit provider to the following licensing boards:
California Board of Psychology, MCEP Accrediting Agency, license # SAN141, since 1999
California Board of Behavioral Sciences, license # CEP 1608, since 1999
California Board of Registered Nursing, license # CEP14193, since 1999


SDUIS is member of the Professional International Educators Roundtable (PIER)
The International Society of Sport Psychology
The Association for Humanistic Psychology
The Association for Transpersonal Psychology

SDUIS is currently applying for National Accreditation, Distance Education and Training Council (DETC)
COMMUNITY SERVICE

SDUIS is actively involved in serving our community. SDUIS is the custodian of thousands of records of eight closed California graduate schools. This work is done voluntarily and at no cost to the California Department of Consumer Affairs and the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education.

SDUIS is the site of the Brazilian Consulate General. Three times a year the Ambassador of Brazil and the staff of the Consulate General of Los Angeles open the doors at SDUIS to provide consular services to members of the San Diego community. The Brazilian Consulate at SDUIS dates for 2011 are: 26 and 27 of March, 16 and 17 of July, 19 and 20 of November.

In partnership with the Salvation Army, SDUIS conducts an annual toy drive and first bike donation to children from our community.

As part of the practical training courses and internships, SDUIS students are actively involved in helping others through their work at local counseling centers, drug and alcohol prevention and rehabilitation programs, domestic violence centers and hospitals. SDUIS students also volunteer at local businesses and community organizations.

SDUIS currently sponsors 48 children at an orphanage in South America, we provide English as a Second Language to the children with the purpose of helping them become gainfully employable at age 18 when they are no longer at the orphanage.

Most SDUIS staff have completed the training for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program, firefighters and citizens working together to build safer communities. San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel train and empower citizens in safe, effective neighborhood CERT teams. CERT San Diego instructors teach citizens to take life-saving action to help families, neighbors, businesses and communities get through the first few hours or days when emergency services are overwhelmed.
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Lamond Murray
Lamond Murray is an American professional basketball player who last played with the NBA's New Jersey Nets. Murray was selected seventh overall by the Los Angeles Clippers in the 1994 NBA Draft after a college career at the University of California. He has played for the Clippers, the Cleveland Cavaliers, the Toronto Raptors, and the New Jersey Nets throughout his 12-year, 736 games NBA career, averaging 11.3 points per game. After one season with the Nets, he re-signed with the Clippers in October 2006 and was released several days later. Lamond Murray is currently advancing his education to become a sport psychologist and work with other professional athletes and teams.

Rand Lundmark, M.A., CAS, CADC II
Rand C. Lundmark has worked in the addiction treatment field for over sixteen years. He is a certified Substance Abuse Professional (SAP), a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC II) in California, holds a Master's Degree in Spiritual Psychology from the University of Santa Monica, and is a Doctoral student in Transpersonal and Tibetan Buddhist Psychology at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies. Mr. Lundmark's experience includes development and implementation of addiction recovery programming as the Clinical Director, Director of Chemical Dependency, Dual Diagnosis, and Eating Disorder programs at area hospitals, residential, and out-patient treatment centers. The clinical staff at Balboa Horizons stands out as the single most vital resource of the Holistic Healing Program for Women. Our Professionals have been screened and selected for their background and success in the field of women's addiction, and recovery.

Don Peters, M.S.
Don Peters completed his Bachelor's in Research Psychology (with Distinction) from Louisiana State University, then went to work as a Counselor in Chemical Dependency at Starting Point of Orange County, in Costa Mesa. He later earned his Master's in Research and Clinical Psychology from Long Beach State, and joined the clinical staff at Charter Hospital, Fountain Valley as a Family Therapist, Chem/Dep and Psychiatric Units. His work at Charter was followed by a field staff position at UCLA's Drug Abuse Research Center in the NeuroPsychiatric Institute, where he conducted part of a comprehensive field study concerning cocaine and/or heroin addiction. From there Don went to work with USC's Neighborhood Academic Initiative as Academic Coordinator, before returning to CSULB for a Master's in Sport and Exercise Psychology, where he also worked as an Academic Advisor to Student-Athletes. Don is currently working on his PhD with a Specialization in Sport Psychology at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies, and is a Case Manager in the Residential Program at Sober Living by the Sea.
John Amaechi

John Amaechi cannot be defined by one label alone. He is a multifaceted speaker who has been booked around the world on such topics as diversity, sports, LGBT issues, politics and more. He is a former NBA player who famously turned down a 17 million dollar contract with the world champion Los Angeles Lakers in order to honor a prior commitment. Amaechi is also a New York Times best-selling author with his autobiography Man in the Middle. He is a community leader in his hometown of Manchester, England and through his ABC Foundation. John Amaechi is also more than all of these things. Amaechi's dreams were never solely about success in sport. Whether working with the Boys and Girls Club while at Penn State or adopting two teenage boys during his professional basketball career, Amaechi's focus has always been on his community and our youth. During his NBA career, he earned a degree in psychology and founded the ABC Foundation in his hometown of Manchester, England. The Foundation and its Amaechi Basketball Centre simply subscribe to Amaechi's theory that "no child shall go uncoached: in life or in sport." Amaechi's devotion to community and youth is also a foundation for his work in the United States. In February, 2007, Amaechi became the official spokesperson for the Human Rights Campaign's Coming Out Project, a program designed to help gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people come out and live openly. Through lending his voice to dozens of community chapters across the nation, Amaechi spoke about the need for a safe and supportive environment for LGBT youth. He has also given voice to countless nameless faces of the LGBT community through his support of the work being done by GLAAD, Life Works Mentoring, The Trevor Project, GLSEN and countless other important organizations. Additionally, in June 2007, Amaechi accepted invitations from Chicago, Los Angeles and Salt Lake City to be their Gay Pride Grand Marshall. Amaechi also continues to be a widely booked speaker and commentator in both the US and UK. His work in the UK finds him as a regular sport and current affairs pundit for the ITV, SKY, and the BBC, for whom he will be a lead commentator during their basketball coverage at the Beijing Olympics. He is also currently the face of Sport England's latest "Everyday Sport" campaign as well as an Ambassador for London's 2012 Olympic Bid. Amaechi's US appearances range from corporate speaking (Wall Street, Fortune 500 companies) to college engagements (Harvard University, Duke University, Columbia University) and non profit appearances (People of Color Conference, National Education Association). He is also a widely booked television personality appearing on such programs as CNN's Newsroom, Good Morning America, Real Time with Bill Maher and The Oprah Winfrey Show, an episode which received a GLAAD Media Award nomination for Best Talk Show. Amaechi resides in Los Angeles and London, which he affectionately calls "home."

Ansu Martin Sesay

Ansu Martin Sesay is an American professional basketball player, formerly in the NBA. Sesay attended Willowridge High School in Houston, Texas. He led his team to the school's first state title in basketball. Sesay starred at University of Mississippi, where he was named first-team all-SEC during both his junior and senior seasons and was the SEC's player of the year during his senior year. Sesay was selected 30th overall by the Dallas Mavericks in the 1998 NBA Draft. After the NBA's lockout ended, he tore his ACL during a condensed training camp and spent the entire 1999 season on the injured list. Apparently, there were some questions about Sesay's attitude in Dallas. Allegedly, the Mavericks were unhappy that he did not sit on the bench for games while injured and then failed to participate in the team's summer league program in 1999. He then spent the 1999-2000 season in the CBA, playing 54 games for
Rockford, where he averaged nearly 12 points and five boards per game. He played 127 regular season NBA games with averages of 10.2 MPG, 3.2 PPG and 1.8 RPG on .434 field goal percentage and .640 free throw percentage in 10.2 minutes per game. He also appeared in 4 playoff games for the Sonics. Sesay played in the Philippine Basketball Association for the Sta. Lucia Realtors in the summer of 2000, winning the Best Import award. In January 2005, he joined Italian league team Sedima Roseto (Jan-Jun 2005). From 2005-07, Sesay stayed with Carpisa Napoli (Eldo Napoli in 2006-07), where he helped win the Italian Cup title in 2006. In 2007-08, Sesay signed with another Italian team, Armani Jeans Milano, where he averaged 10.5 points, 4.9 rebounds and 1.4 steals in 14 Euroleague games. On August 2008, ALBA Berlin inked power forward Ansu Sesay to a one-year deal, with an option to extend it until the end of the 2009-10 season. While playing professional Basketball Ansu Sesay pursues his degree in Humanistic Studies at SDUIS.

Gordon Stafford
Gordon Stafford was born in Banff, Canada, but has lived in the United States for over thirty years, twenty years in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and for the last ten years in Faribault, Minnesota. Stafford has been married for twenty- six years, and his wife is an English teacher in the same school at which he teach, Shattuck St. Mary's. Stafford played professional hockey in Milwaukee for eight years while earning his teaching degree in secondary school English, and Master's Degree in Educational Psychology. He is currently an English teacher at Shattuck St. Mary’s, a private boarding school, and also coaches Shattuck's U19 Girls hockey team. Two of his former players were on the US Olympic Women's hockey team, twins Monique & Jocelyne Lamoureux. His enrollment in the Ph.D. program is the result of his experience as a hockey coach. For many years he has been interested in the pursuit of a degree such the one offered at SDUIS. Stafford states: "I am very happy to have found SDUIS so I can take the majority of it on-line." He plans to use what he learns at SDUIS to help in his mission as a hockey coach, but he also envisions helping other athletes and students achieve whatever potential they have in the myriad opportunities presented to the adolescents.

Jon Coles
Jon Coles is the Ferris State Associate Athletics Director. He oversees the athletics department's business operations, serving as the marketing and promotions director, and coordinating game day management for football and hockey. Coles earned a master's degree in athletic administration from Central Michigan University in 2004 and was selected as the CMU Physical Education and Sports Department's Outstanding Alumni in 2007. He currently is working towards his doctorate degree in sports psychology at San Diego (Calif.) University for Integrative Studies. Coles, a 1995 graduate of Greenville (Mich.) High School, was a four-year All-Seaway Conference tennis performer for the Yellow Jackets and a two-time (sophomore and junior) team MVP selection. He competed in both tennis and basketball for four years and presently ranks second on the school's career leaders list for the most No. 1 singles victories.
Leslie Cordova, M.S.
Coach Cordova has been involved in athletics for over twenty years. She has been a coach of a sport or athletic performance for the past seven years. She combined her passion, experience and knowledge to create XSS to help others in athletic performance or anyone committed to achieving excellence in life through fitness training. She is currently working towards a PhD in Sports Psychology at San Diego University of Integrative Studies. She also has a Master of Arts in Education from Loyola Marymount University and a Master of Arts in Kinesiology-Sports Management from California State University, Long Beach as well as a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science from University of New Mexico. She has worked as an Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach at the University of Southern California, the University of Notre Dame and Loyola Marymount University.

Joseph Lenac
Winning Edge Sports Psychology was founded by licensed psychologist Joe Lenac. Joe has been active in competitive sport throughout his life, and his love of sports and psychology synchronized into the sports psychology practice of Winning Edge. Joe recognized the role that mental skills play in athletic success. He believes and teaches athletes that the single most important factor to consistent successful performance is mental training. Joe recognizes that athletes want to win, but winning is not an effective goal. "Winning" at Winning Edge is developing yourself to your full potential. By focusing upon personal goals and personal growth, our athletes succeed at every level of life and sport. As owner of Winning Edge, Joe brings his passion for sports and psychology along with eighteen years of professional experience to work with athletes, teams, coaches, and families. Our clients range from developing amateurs, to select juniors, to weekend warriors, to collegiate, to world class and professional. Winning Edge partners with athletes to strengthen confidence, achieve balance, and improve performance. Understanding the needs of the developing athlete is critical in today's competitive sport culture where athletes are specializing in sport at earlier ages. We recognize the sacrifices, long hours and hard work that competitive athletes endure. Winning Edge also partners with the athlete's family to improve communication, understand competitive needs, teach the skills of positive psychology, providing the foundation for our athletes to excel. Our expertise includes career transition when an athlete has decided to leave competitive sport due to injury, age, finances, and retirement. Joe is a Past President of the St. Louis Psychological Association, and a past liaison to the Missouri Psychological Association. He is a member of the Association for the Advancement of Sport Psychology, as well as a member of Division 47 (Sport Psychology) of the American Psychological Association. Joe is an adjunct professor at Logan University where he teaches Psychology of the Athlete. He ran collegiate division one cross country at St. Louis University. Joe continues to be a life time runner, tennis player, golfer, and snow skier. Joe holds a black belt in the martial art of Tae Kwon Do.

Craig Volimas
Craig Volimas was born and raised in southern California. He attended college in Oregon on a baseball scholarship therefore sports has been a big part of his life. Volimas is currently teaching Physical Education at an Elementary school in National City. He has worked with emotionally disturbed students for 10 years. Volimas received his B.S in Physical Education at San Diego State University and his Masters degree from Azusa Pacific University. Volimas ultimate goal is to start his own business incorporating psychology and training, and/or working for an Olympic team.
Consulting, the sister company of ALC that works specifically with athletes and coaches. Before forming ALC Performance Enhancement, Johnson experienced success as a trainer and consultant in the voice and data industry. He was Vice President of Technology Assurance Group (TAG), a national organization of leading independently-owned telecommunications companies. Sam was one of the first professional trainers that helped build the company from the ground up. He trained these companies throughout the United States via onsite and offsite live courses. Through teaching personality theory, motivational training, and better life practices, his courses helped his clients' companies increase sales, profit margins and to leverage their economic buying power. Johnson holds a Bachelors Degree from the University California San Diego in Modern European History, holds a Certificate in DISC Personality Theory, is professionally trained in Meyers Briggs Type Indicator, was personally mentored by the NBA's former Sports Psychologist of 13 years, and holds a Certificate in Sports Psychology from SDUIS. He is currently enlisted in the Masters Program at SDUIS, and in the process of finishing his thesis.

Chea Hutton
Chea Hutton spent most of her childhood in Charlotte NC, completed her undergraduate work at the University of North Carolina, at Charlotte, and is currently living in San Diego. She started attending SDUIS in 2001. She finished her Masters in Sport Counseling in 2004, now she is very close to completing her work for the PhD in Sport Psychology. She has been a figure skating coach for almost 14 years and loves applying what she learns from her classes with her students. Currently, Hutton teaches skaters from ages two to eighty six, and she also does some consulting part time with various athletes. Currently majority of her clientele is competitive figure skaters, but she has worked with cyclists, gymnasts, cross country as well as sprinters, and cheerleaders.

Jamie Haro
Jamie Haro graduated from Marquette University with dual Bachelor degrees in Exercise Science and Psychology. At Marquette, she was a scholarship athlete and NCAA participant competing in Cross-Country and Track. She is also a graduate of Lakeside School of Massage Therapy where she became an active licensed massage therapist for the past five years. She is nationally certified through the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCTMB) and holds a professional member status in the American Massage Therapy Association. She moved to San Diego to finish her Master of Arts degree in Sport Counseling from San Diego University for Integrative Studies and to work toward a PhD in Sport Psychology. Her unique background in massage, athletics, exercise science, and psychology has enabled her to work with many individuals and teams in enhancing athletic and human performance. Her professional experience includes working as a consultant and massage therapist to many high profile athletes and players in the MLB, NBA, and NFL. She has also worked with several Olympic divers and runners. Additionally, she has been involved with organizations such as Under Armour, being featured in their campaigns to promote a global performance training platform.
Katie Gallanti

Katie Gallanti was born in the UK, moved to Italy as a child where she lived until her mid twenties, where she completed my first round of university studies. She moved back to London, where she lived for eight years, and where she was a teacher of mathematics in schools with adolescent with emotional behavior difficulties. Gallanti has been living in the United States for the past 10 years. Her first degrees were in Physics; BS and MS degree in Physics with minor in mathematics. She also has a Masters of Arts in Transpersonal Psychology. Gallanti is currently enrolled in the Transpersonal Psychology, PhD program. Gallanti also has qualifications in counseling and the healing arts (Reiki, meditation, healing, etc). She is a writer and has had more than 40 feature articles published in magazines in the US and the UK in the field of spiritual psychology, adolescent psychology, metaphysics and current affairs. She is planning to begin to write her first book in the near future.

Michele Zelnick, JD, MFT

Michele Zelnick is an advisor and facilitator and has held leadership positions with organizations ranging from startups to those that are publicly traded, functioning in financial, executive, and general management roles. Michele's previous business and professional experience has included holding the position of President and CEO of asterion.com in Seattle, Washington, Senior Vice President and Division Manager with Unilab Corporation in San Jose, California, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Counsel with PLSI in San Diego, California, Corporate Controller and Director of Financial Operations with Lab Corp in San Diego, California, Attorney with the law firm of Mulaney, Kahan & Barry in San Diego, California, and Certified Public Accountant with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Montreal, Canada. Michele's clinical experience has included working as a psychotherapist at the UCSD Department of Psychiatry, the San Diego Veterans Administration Department of Psychiatry, and in private practice. Michele's educational background includes a Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy from the University of San Diego School of Leadership and Education Sciences, a Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego School of Law, a Masters in Accounting from McGill University School of Graduate Studies, and a Bachelor of Commerce from the McGill University School of Management. Michele is SDUIS certified in sports psychology. Michele is on the faculty at the San Diego University Sports Psychology Program and at its Graduate School of Business. He has been an instructor at the University of San Diego Marriage and Family Therapy Program and at the McGill University School of Management. He has presented on the subjects of strategic planning, leadership, personality typing, corporate governance, and sports psychology. Michele is a licensed psychotherapist with the California State Board of Behavioral Sciences and has inactive licenses in good standing with the California State Board of Accountancy and the California State Bar.

Fr. Joseph P. Tedesco

Joseph Tedesco has a BA in Psychology and Philosophy from the University of Dayton. He holds a Masters of Divinity from the University of Saint Michael's College, Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto and a Masters of Applied Spirituality from the University of San Francisco. He did his training in clinical counseling by completing a Masters of Mental Health Counseling, and a Post Masters Certificate in Clinical Counseling, from John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio. Tedesco is currently a PhD candidate at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies in Sport Psychology. His research includes the relationship of religion to sport and performance enhancement, assessment for the hiring of coaches in high schools, and
burnout in the high school athlete. He holds an Ohio License in Professional Clinical Counseling. His clinical practice is devoted to children, teenagers and their families. He started the Dayton Institute of Applied Sport Sciences in August 2004. Tedesco taught, counseled and coached in high schools in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Kalamazoo, and Dayton. Since 1996 he has been an adjunct professor at the University of Dayton and teaches courses in the Psychology of Adult Development and Aging, Child Development, Personality, Tests and Measurements, and Sport Psychology. Tedesco is known as the founding father of Southern Ohio Lacrosse. He is a frequent speaker and workshop presenter. At the November 4, 2004, Ohio counseling Association, All Ohio counselors Conference he presented a program titled, "Sport Psychology for the High School Counselor: Helping the Athlete in Transition Through the A-B-C Method." Tedesco regularly speaks to sports teams and coaches groups throughout the nation.

Richard Quincy, M.S., PT, ATC
Richard was named medical director for the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association in August 2007. As medical director, Richard oversees the health and well-being of more than 200 national team athletes plus medical programs supporting their needs, including supervision of USSA's unique physicians' pool. Richard completed his undergraduate work at Colorado College and his masters of science in exercise physiology at Michigan Technological University. He received a degree in physical therapy from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. In addition to being a licensed physical therapist and certified athletic trainer, Richard is working toward a Ph.D. in sports psychology at San Diego University for Integrative Studies.

Amy Stowell
Amy Stowell lives in Oceanside, is engaged to a chef, who works in a french bistro in Carlsbad and they are getting married in Carlsbad in July 2011. Stowell works full time, and goes to school full time. She moved to San Diego from Seattle, WA in July, where she lived for the last ten years. Stowell grew up in the Los Angeles/Orange County area, and graduated from the University of Washington (BA in Psychology). After her father passed away due to Huntington's Disease, similar to Parkinson's and Alzheimer's, Stowell became fascinated with the mind and brain, which lead to her to pursue her major in psychology. She has been introduced to metaphysical and spiritual methods, which has helped her a lot, during her grieving process. Stowell wants to incorporate psychology and spirituality, which lead her to enroll in a master's program in transpersonal psychology at SDUIS. Currently, Stowell works at a women's drug and alcohol rehabilitation center in Oceanside, CA. It is a residential facility where clients stay from 6 months to a year with their children. They earn their diplomas, get life and parenting skills, and counseling.

Courtney Evans
Courtney Evans originally grew up in Springfield, MO and currently lives in San Diego. She attended undergrad at DePauw University in Indiana where she received her BA in Psychology and Kinesiology. Evans played softball and ran track at DePauw. After finishing her program at SDUIS, she plans to attend SDSU and work towards a second Master and Ph.D. Evans always knew she wanted to be in the psychology field, but it wasn't until her senior year of high school that she realized she wanted to incorporate both physical and mental work into my therapeutic practice. Evans has worked the last two years in a children's psychiatric hospital and also in the medical field as a Neuromuscular Therapist. "Performing therapeutic massage has been an amazing experience." A majority of her clients are athletes and she has really seen, firsthand the tolls it can take on a person mentally and physically. Evan believes that emotions play a huge role in an individuals physical ailments, especially when considering posture, tension patterns, and recovery time. Her future goals are to eventually open a wellness center
incorporating both physical and mental work, work for a professional sport team, and to also work in the community focusing on youth sports and parental involvement.

**Rosalind C. Corbett - DiCiccio MS, RAS**
Ms. Corbett is currently Clinical and Project Director of First Phase to Recovery, a SAMHSA funded program for homeless women in San Diego County. She was most recently Director of Dual Diagnosis and Health Services for North County Serenity House, Inc. in Escondido, CA, a program for recovering women and women and their children. She was Assistant Director and Program Supervisor of a Mental Health Crisis Center for many years. She is currently co-chairperson of the San Diego County CADRE with the mission of implementing integrated treatment programs for mentally ill substance abusers. She is currently a Lecturer at San Diego State University in the School of Social Work. She is a Training Consultant with University of California at San Diego (UCSD). She is a Technical Assistance Trainer/Consultant for ONTRACK Program Resources, providing co-occurring disorders training for domestic violence shelter staff across California. She has a master's degree in counseling and guidance, from Atlanta University, Atlanta Georgia. She is a Registered Addiction Specialist (RAS), from Breining Institute. She has completed course work and is currently working on her dissertation for a doctorate in clinical psychology (Psy.D) at SDUIS. Additionally she is a spiritual counselor and has a Masters degree in Divinity.

**Janine Orlando**
Janine Orlando lives in Langley British Columbia, Canada. He is 41 years old and currently works as an Elementary School Counsellor and Teacher at a Fine Arts School in Langley School District in British Columbia, Canada. Orlando has a B.A in Psychology, M.A in Counseling, Bachelor in Education, and is working towards her PhD in Psychology with a focus on Sport Psychology at SDUIS. Orlando is a Personal Trainer, Moksha Yoga Instructor, Certified Weight Trainer and Registered Clinical Counsellor. She believes yoga has helped her turn a corner in her fitness and helped to calm her mind. Her main goal is to open a Moksha Yoga Studio and infuse sport psychology into the services provided at the studio. He also would like to work with both athletes and performers in all areas of the arts. She has been married since August 2008 and has a 8 year old step daughter She has only 2 classes left to complete before start working on her dissertation.

**Mike O'Malley**
Mike O'Malley lives in Minneapolism Minnesota and grew up in a small town in west-central Minnesota. For 4 years he lived in Fargo, North Dakota, while attending his undergraduate degree, BA in Psychology. Currently O'Malley works and live in southwest Minneapolis where along with one other trainer, he has opened a personal training and fitness facility called The Fixx Workout Studio ( [http://www.thefixxworkoutstudio.com](http://www.thefixxworkoutstudio.com) ). He loves what he does and loves helping people achieve their goals. O'Malley Is a certified personal trainer (CPT) through the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM), Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) through the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA), and is also certified in Active Isolated Stretching (AIS) and in Kickboxing as well.

**Michael Abell**
Michael Abell, is a 56 year old who lives in downtown San Diego. He is a graduate of the University of Southern California (USC), holding a degree in Marketing/Journalism. Abell recently retired after thirty-five years in the media business. He has worked for both ABC and CBS Television networks, and had his own advertising agency in San Diego for twelve years. Abell decided to become a student of SDUIS following selling his company, and having a desire to get an MBA.
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**Joseph Kolezynski, Ph.D.**

Joe holds a BBA degree in Accounting, a MBA in Finance, a MA in Sports Counseling and Ph. D. in Sports Psychology. He serves as Sports Psychologist for the UCSD Golf Team and is on the faculty of the San Diego Golf Academy and San Diego University for Integrated Studies. Joe has an illustrious and diversified background. His educational credentials and business experience enable him to impact individuals and organizations in a way that increases their effectiveness in maximizing their performance, productivity, and creativity. His qualifications include over thirty years of progressive experience in organizational communication, financial problem-solving, marketing consulting and personal development.

Joe was the founder of the Ascent Consulting Group, serving authors, speakers and other innovators by helping them take their ideas and products from concept to commercialization. The clientele served by Joe at ACG include Anthony Robbins, Deepak Chopra and Jay "The Juiceman" Kordich. Prior to forming ACG, Joe played an active role in the development of Anthony Robbins' multi-million dollar product-and-seminar promotion company. In 1986, Joe started as Mr. Robbins' first sales representative and quickly rose to Regional Sales Manager, trainer, speaker, and nationally the most successful independent promoter of Tony's live seminar events. As an entrepreneur in 1989, he founded and developed Ultimate Performance Incorporated, a franchise wing of Robbins Research International, Inc., where he successfully marketed Robbins' multi-media seminar programs for over 5 years before profitably selling his interest. Subsequently, he served RRI at the corporate executive level in the capacity of Director of Private Events and New Product Development. Throughout his association with Robbins Research International, Joe has been contracted by the organization as a consultant for both the company and their franchisees, throughout the U.S. and Canada, in the area of organizational skills and marketing techniques. Joe's credentials include over 16 years as a prominent executive with the Ford Motor Company, most notable hallmarked by his contribution to "Team Taurus" and the introduction of the Taurus vehicle line. During this time frame, he honed his skills in communication and human relations by serving as an instructor for the Dale Carnegie Human Relations Course.

**Lynn Lunceford, Ph.D.**

Dr. Lunceford studied at Sarah Lawrence College and the California School of Professional Psychology (CSPP). She earned her Doctorate of Psychology from the San Diego University for Integrative Studies, writing her dissertation on Selective Mutism: A Case Study. Dr. Lunceford specializes in family therapy and treating children with selective mutism. She works with parents and schools to build a behavior treatment plan to help children who have difficulty communicating overcome their anxiety.
Michael Gervais, Ph.D.
Dr. Michael Gervais, a Los Angeles based California licensed psychologist, develops systems and strategies for improving performance for individuals and organizations. As President of Pinnacle Performance Center, Inc. and Director of High Performance Psychology, Dr. Gervais has worked with professional and youth athletes for over 10 years. Dr. Gervais has consulted with numerous NHL, NBA, NFL, MLB, UFC, AVP, MLS, collegiate, Olympic, and high school athletes. Dr. Gervais is a published, peer-reviewed author of sport psychology systems for innovative strategies toward performance excellence. He is a nationally recognized speaker on issues related to high performance psychology and sport-based life skills programming. Dr. Gervais is the curriculum author of F.O.C.U.S. (finding our center using sport) and Late Night Sports, a nationally acclaimed life skills training program for high school- and college-aged athletes.

Sylvain Guimond, Ph.D.
Sylvain Guimond holds a Ph.D. in Psychology with a specialization in Sport Psychology and is also a doctor in osteopathic medicine. He graduated from McGill University in Exercise Physiology as well as in Spinal Biomechanical Engineering from the Aragona Institute in United States. He also graduated in Medical Exercise Therapy from the Holten institute of Norway. He studied psychology at the State University of New York (SUNY). He holds a specialization in posturology from the College d'Etude de la Statique de Marseilles in France. He also holds a clinical training in biophysics with Dr. Don Harrison from Parker College in United States. He is also a certified Psychotherapist from le Collège de Psychothérapie du Québec à Montréal. As an Accredited Professional he is a certified fitness appraiser from the Canadian Society of Exercise Physiology. He is an active member of the Canadian Council of Psychotherapy examinators. Dr. Guimond is a world class and a highly skilled lecturer. He was invited to the Olympic Games of Atlanta in 1996 and to World Academy of Posture and Associated Therapy of the University of Palermo in Italy. He is a pioneer in the therapy of neuromuscular disorder and the posture deviations. He is the founder of Biotonix, a biomechanical system translated in more than 5 languages and used in hospital and clinical settings in more than 25 countries. The American Medical Review Awarded him twice one for the advancement on health presented by Morley Safer in 2004 and on advancement for high technology presented by Michael Douglas in 2006. Dr. Guimond teaches at the faculty of continuous education of Life University in Atlanta, the Parker College in Dallas and for International Association of Chiropractor. Dr. Guimond has evaluated and treated high profile clients such as Tiger Woods, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and Dr. Patch Adams. Because of his unique invention and process he became consultant and evaluator to players from the NHL and NBA. Dr. Guimond is based in Montreal, Canada.

Marcus Plourde, Ph.D.
Dr. Marcus Plourde has a BS in accounting, a MA in Computer Information Systems, a Masters in Business Administration, and PhD in Transpersonal Psychology. His diverse work experience ranges from family owned businesses to multinational corporations, union and non-union employees, as well as supervising a variety of ethnic groups within the global marketplace.
Elizabeth Plourde, Ph.D., CLS
Dr. Elizabeth Plourde is a licensed Clinical Laboratory Scientist, with a B.S. in Biological Science, M.A. in Psychology, and Ph.D. in Psychology. Her training in the fields of both medicine and psychology is augmented by invaluable experience gained while working with cutting-edge medical research laboratories for over a decade. The Dr. Plourde’s well-rounded education and professional expertise provide the background necessary to research the 100-year history of medical literature to compile the information in an easily understandable format for all women. Her 20-years of research and expertise in the field of women’s health has resulted in her appearances on ABC’s 20/20, Berman & Berman: For Women Only, Good Morning America, The Gary Null Show, and numerous network news programs and radio shows across the country. She has also guest lectured at colleges, and universities, as well as women’s groups internationally.

Judith Cannon
Cannon has 30 years experience counseling with individuals, couples and families and has maintained a private practice as a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in the Dallas area for the last 20 years. She has taught in public and private schools and provided training, facilitation, and consultation to businesses, schools and community organizations. Cannon is an adjunct faculty at Texas Woman’s University where she teaches graduate students in the Marriage and Family Therapy Program and the Counseling Psychology Program. Her mission is to assist individuals, couples and families in achieving their goals and creating the life they desire.

Roy Kekahuna
The National President of the Blinded Veteran Association, was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii. He is a combat-disabled Vietnam veteran of the U.S. Army, having enlisted in June 1957 as a Private E-1 and retiring as an officer 14 years later. Roy worked for five years as a sales trainer for Sun Life of Canada and for 15 years as a Director of 11 divisions in the Morale Welfare & Recreation Directorate for different military installations of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and NATO. He later owned and presided over RWKK & Associates, a San Diego-based manufacturing representative specializing in government sales and contracting. Roy has earned two bachelor’s degrees, two master’s degrees, and a Ph.D. in sports psychology. In addition to BVA, he is a life member of five other veterans service organizations and the Elks. He has served as a District Director since 2004 and is a former San Diego Regional Group Secretary and Treasurer. He has been an active VA Medical Center volunteer and a coach/advisor in youth sports and recreation programs.
Robert Irwin, PhD
Robert C. Irwin, Ph.D. - Dr. Robert Irwin is a licensed psychologist in the state of California specializing in the burgeoning field of Performance Psychology. He is founder of, and a Performance Enhancement Specialist for Sport of Mind, Inc., a cutting edge coaching practice specializing in athletic performance and augmentation techniques for corporations and individual entrepreneurs. Dr. Irwin along with Jim Rohn International has created a highly effective and adaptable program for all athletes, entrepreneurs and corporate cultures that greatly improves overall communication, increases goal-oriented workflow and promotes team unity.

Peter Papadogiannis, PhD
As a consultant, lecturer, and former university hockey goalie, Dr. Peter Papadogiannis has been involved in a variety of athletic, organizational and academic settings. As a sport psychology consultant, Peter has developed various systems and strategies aimed at improving athletic performance. He has worked with numerous professional, Olympic, and amateur athletes and is currently a service provider for the Canadian Sport Sciences Institute and is a member of the Canadian Sport Psychology Association. Within organizational settings, much of Dr. Papadogiannis' work has been focused on the area of leadership development. Peter is the co-author of the Emotional Intelligences Skills Assessment Training Program and is also an adjunct faculty member of psychology at York University. Dr. Papadogiannis received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with an emphasis in Sport Psychology from San Diego University for Integrative Studies. He is currently a Research Associate at Multi Health Systems, where he consults on research projects focused on emotional intelligence and leadership. He is currently an adjunct faculty member of psychology at York University and Bronte College.

Hilary Stoke, PhD
Hilary Stokes, PhD, holds a doctoral degree in Transpersonal Psychology with a specialty in Tibetan Buddhist Psychology from San Diego University for Integrative Studies. She is a licensed psychotherapist in the state of California and holds Masters' degrees in Clinical Social Work and Kinesiology specializing in Sports Psychology. She has over 15 years of experience bringing mind, body and spiritual principles to medical and psychiatric hospitals, treatment centers for addictions, schools, alternative medical facilities, corrections facilities, and business organizations.

Kim Ward, PhD
Kim has been active in the property-casualty insurance business for 20 years. She is an expert in property-casualty multi-line ratemaking and product development, market analysis and business advice, asbestos and pollution reserve analysis, run-off/standard lines reserving and reinsurance commutation pricing. She is also an experienced mentor of actuarial students and can speak or train on a variety of insurance topics. Kim is a partner at Windsor Strategy Partners. She works with Windsor Strategy Partners' clients on a variety of property-casualty projects. She
She also provides training, education, and mentoring services to the property-casualty insurance industry. Kim was the Chief Actuary at American Association of Insurance Services (AAIS), in Wheaton, IL, a national rate advisory and statistical organization. There she was responsible for rating plan analysis for personal and commercial lines of business. Prior to AAIS, Kim was an Actuarial Director at CNA, where she was responsible for the modeling and quantification of asbestos, pollution, mass tort, and run-off reserves. Kim also worked at International Insurance Company and American States Insurance Company.

Regina Kelly, Ph.D.
She grew up in New Hampshire but has lived in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Washington, D.C. Gina has worked as a nurse in several hospitals, as well as an emergency room nurse manager. She has taught health classes at Plymouth State University and New Hampshire Technical College, and has been a counselor in the Counseling and Human Relations Center at PSU since 1999. She is founder and facilitator to several groups that deal with issues pertaining to relationships and coping with postpartum and stress. Gina began a private practice in 1991 and works with older teens and adults in individual, couples and family counseling. Regina earned her Bachelor of Science from Salve Regina College, a Master of Educaition from Plymouth State University, and Master of Science in Nursing from Boston College. She is currently a doctoral student working towards a Ph.D. in Transpersonal Psychology with specialization in Tibetan Buddhist Psychology.

Nicholas Molinaro, PhD
Dr. Nicholas Molinaro brings 20 years of clinical psychology expertise to SportsMinded Consultants for New Jersey athletes. You will find him an expert listener and intuitive problem-solver. Dr. Nick spent time racing sport cars, which has influenced his attention to the mental side of sports competition. Although you will find his expertise to cross between many sports, he has developed particular interest in working with golfers. He is the consulting Sport Psychologist to the Golf Zone in Flanders, NJ and teaches Sport Psychology in the Graduate Department of Psychology, at the College of Saint Elizabeth, in Morristown, New Jersey. Let Dr. Nick teach you how to strengthen your innate powers of focus, motivation, control and self-confidence. As your head game progresses, watch your athletic prowess pick up the pace — and look for benefits in your personal and career lives, too.

Edward Chavez, PhD
Edward Chavez is the founder and director of The Institute of Optimal Performance (IOP), in Colorado Springs, CO. Dr. Chavez earned his Doctorate in Sport Psychology, studying under Dr. Bruce Ogilve, who is often referred to as "The Father of Applied Sport Psychology" in North America. Dr. Chavez is considered one of the leading authorities in the area of optimal states of consciousness. Through extensive research, he was able to evaluate the variables associated with increasing the frequency of optimal states, or 'the zone', as well as assess the factors that prevent this state in athletes. Dr. Chaves is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at The University of Denver, teaching in
the Graduate School of Sport and Performance Psychology Program, as well as offering several courses through the Colorado Coaching and Hypnotherapy Training Institute.

Scott Iverson
Received his B.S. in Psychology from Radford University, located in Virginia, in 1995. In 1998, he moved to California to pursue his Masters and Doctorate in Sport Psychology. Scott's career goal, once he receives his degrees, is to work with collegiate and professional athletes in the areas of injury recovery, performance enhancement, as well as drug and alcohol addiction. He was a competitive gymnast for 13 years and competed for Radford University at the Division 1 level. Scott currently works full time, as he attends school, as a Sales Coordinator for a publishing company. Scott is enrolled in the Ph.D. Program in Psychology with Specialization in Sport Psychology.

Barbara Lemaire, Ph.D., is Assistant Chairperson of the IUPS Professional Coaching & Human Development Department and President of NextStep Coaching. A member of the board of directors of the IAC (International Association of Coaches), Dr. Lemaire has dedicated her life to self-actualization and peak-performance, and as a professional coach synergistically and effectively blends creativity, spirituality and psychology. In addition, she is Sales & Marketing Director for Coaching-Connections Magazine. Dr. Lemaire earned her doctorate in psychology at San Diego University for Integrative Studies and is a Reiki Master as well.

Deborah Briggs, Ph.D.
Earned her PhD Expressive Arts Therapy from San Diego University for Integrative Studies. She has been a Marriage, Family Therapist for 30 years specializing in biofeedback for stress related symptoms. Through her studies here at the University she has found creativity to be a powerful and effective tool to nourish and enjoy life while solving everyday problems. Currently relocated to San Diego, Deborah offers individual therapy, a weekly creativity seminar, and weekend workshops. She has been published in Awareness Magazine and has taught at Golden West College. Dr. Briggs holds both a Bachelor Degree in Psychology and a Masters degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from the University of Southern California. She is currently working towards her Doctorate in Expressive Arte Therapy at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies.

Gisela Sommer
Was born in 1947 in Germany and has been living in San Diego for the past 30 years. She runs a successful small business out of her home which allows her to pursue her studies and writing career. She has extensive training in meditation and hypnosis and teaches classes on dream interpretation and mind/body connection. She studied holistic healing with Bernard Jensen, meditation at Self-Realization Fellowship in Encinitas. Gisela is presently writing two books: Ms. Nellie And the Skunk, a children's book in verse about a mean-spirited German woman and a spunky skunk (both aspects of my own nature). The other book is called Waking Dreams: The Mystical Meaning of Stuff That Happens. Her goal for the future is to be a full-time writer and lecturer.
Cristina Versari, Ph.D.

Dr. Cristina Versari is the founder and President of the San Diego University for Integrative Studies (SDUIS) since 1999. She has a Ph.D. in Psychology with specialization in Sport Psychology and a Master Degree in Sport Psychology from Alliant International University, San Diego. She also has two Bachelor degrees, one in Psychology and one in Physical Education. In addition to her work at SDUIS, Dr. Versari works with NBA players helping them prepare for their second careers. She has been working with NBA players for twenty years and was responsible for the NBA/NBPA Education and Career Development Program for several years. In that capacity she was responsible for the counseling services to all 30 NBA teams and thousands of NBA players. Dr. Versari's work has been featured on national and international television and in newspapers including Court TV, MSNBC, FOX News, LA Times, Sports Illustrated, Psychology Today, The New York Times, San Diego Business Journal, San Diego Union Tribune, The San Diego Reader, Orlando Sentinel, Sacramento Bee, NorthJersey.com, UCSD Guardian, Sportv and Twain News. She is often interviewed by the media as an expert on professional athlete issues, specifically NBA players, in cases such as the Kobe Bryant case. Dr. Versari has presented her work at several international Sport Psychology conferences and has been invited to speak to psychologists and athletes on the subject of career transition and athletic retirement. She was the first professional sport psychologist to sign an exclusive contract with the NBA to provide the services to all teams.
Her work became known because of her success in helping professional athletes return to school to receive their degrees. Several NBA players are SDUIS students pursuing advanced degrees in Sport Psychology and Counseling.

Jim Bauman, Ph.D.

Jim Bauman is a licensed psychologist and a member of the United States Olympic Committee Sport Psychology Register. With an undergraduate degree in pre-physical therapy, a master's degree in education, and a doctorate in psychology, Dr. Bauman's educational background provides a diverse and relevant base to provide an equally diverse set of sport, educational, and psychological services that are directed at improving human performance. In 1999, Dr. Bauman was appointed to the full-time position of Sport Psychologist at the Olympic Training Center in San Diego, CA. Since then, he has provided ongoing consultation for 14 different Summer/Winter Olympic teams, numerous Olympic and International coaches, and more than dozens of individual Olympic & Para-Olympic athletes. Additionally, he has worked directly with athletes who competed in the Barcelona, Lillehammer, Atlanta, Nagano, Sydney, and Salt Lake City Olympic Games, as well as numerous National Championships, World Cups, World Championships, Pan-American Games, Goodwill Games, and World University Games. Dr. Bauman's primary expertise and emphasis is in performance enhancement with athletes, coaches, entertainers, performing arts, and businesses. To date, Dr. Bauman has more than nine years experience working with men and women's NCAA Division 1A sports and postseason play, and has worked with more than 60 different sports from the youth to the national and international competitive levels; multiple stage and theatre performers; multiple professional dancers; and conducted workshops for several coaching certification courses, coaches academies, and nationally recognized corporations. His professional work also includes sport psychology publications; radio and television appearances; and consulting with special military warfare personnel. Dr. Bauman is a member of the American Psychological Association and the Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology.

Raymond Trybus, Ph.D.

Dr. Raymond Trybus is a former Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at National University, Executive Vice President of Alliant University Foundation, and for nine years was the Chancellor of the California School of Professional Psychology (CSPP), San Diego. Dr. Trybus has authored seventeen book chapters, authored or co-authored five books, and has published more than twenty-two scientific journal articles and technical reports. For the past three years, Dr. Trybus was the project Administrator for Project ESSEA (from Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan, and Eritrea to America), and outreach-based mental health program for refugees and immigrants from those four East African countries who now live in San Diego. He is also regarded as an internationally known research expert on the psychological issues of persons who are hard of hearing or deaf. Dr. Trybus has received over $4,000,000 in external funds for his research projects from state, federal, and private agencies and has presented more than fifty papers at scientific conferences. We are greatly honored to now have the scholarly expertise of Dr. Trybus, who is also a licensed psychologist in the state of California, District of Columbia, and Maryland. He has extensive clinical experience and has been practicing and consulting for over 30 years. Dr. Trybus received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and M.S. in Psychology with specialization in Research Methodology and Design from St. Louis University.
Peter Lambrou, Ph.D.
Dr. Lambrou is a California licensed Psychologist and has worked with clients of a diverse background for over 20 years. Dr. Lambrou is often involved in research in various areas of his specialty including phobias, stress management, and eating disorder. He conducted and published a clinical experiment involving Energy Psychology applied to claustrophobia. Dr. Lambrou is an accomplished speaker, presenter, and workshop leader. He has been an invited speaker and presenter at the Pacific College of Oriental Medicine 13th Annual Symposium, the International Congress of Aesthetic Medicine in Ixtapa, Mexico; 2nd Annual International Energy Psychology Conference; International Forum for New Science; American Society of Bariatric Physicians 2007 Symposium; The Ken Blanchard Companies, The Anthony Robbins Companies, Apple Computers, American Airlines, and many other organizations. As a clinical instructor at the University of California at San Diego, and San Diego University for Integrative Studies, Dr. Lambrou blends experiential learning, case studies, and dynamic lectures and presentations to make the learning experience robust and engaging.

Lina Kogan, Ph.D.
Lina Kogan holds a dual Ph.D. in Organizational Psychology and Clinical Psychology from the California School of Professional Psychology. She received her undergraduate degree in psychology from the San Diego State University. Since 1998, Dr. Kogan has acquired a solid foundation in the areas of conflict management, career development, individual coaching, research/dissertation consulting, team development, resource management, psychometrics, survey design and analyses, and change management. Dr. Kogan is also skilled at process and psycho-educational group facilitation, dialectical and cognitive behavioral treatments, crisis intervention/prevention, individual therapy, and mental health assessment. Her professional experience as a clinician includes positions at adult partial hospitalization programs, inpatient hospitalization programs, chemical dependence inpatient/outpatient programs, and day-treatment programs. Dr. Kogan designs and implements training programs on topics that include dealing with difficult people; dialectical behavioral therapy; team building; matching goals with personality traits; conflict resolution; ethics in organizations; group dynamics; effective feedback; emotion regulation; business writing; team building; and effective communication skills.

Robert Nideffer, Ph.D.
Dr. Robert Nideffer is a licensed psychologist and is president of Enhanced Performance Systems. He has written 15 books and authored over 100 research and/or applied articles. He is the developer of the Test of Attentional and Interpersonal Style (TAIS) which is used world wide to measure the attentional and interpersonal skills of high level performers in sports, business, sales and the military. Dr. Nideffer has worked with Olympic teams from the US, Canada, and Australia, and taught in psychiatry, psychology, and physical education departments in various universities. Dr. Nideffer received his Ph.D. in clinical and experimental psychology from Vanderbilt University.
Joel Fick, Ph.D.
Joel Fick received his Ph.D. and M.A. in Clinical Psychology from the California School of Professional Psychology specializing in Family/Child Health Psychology, and the B.A. from Gustavus Adolphus College. Dr. Fick is a California licensed Clinical Psychologist and was a clinician for Mental Health Systems Inc., Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist Supervisor for the Telecare Corporation, Clinical Director of the Weekend Program at Bayview Hospital, and Counselor for San Diego State University. He was appointed Postdoctoral Research Fellow for the Center for Behavioral Epidemiology and Community Health at SDSU, and has conducted partial hospitalization and community mental health treatment-outcome research. Dr. Fick teaches Practicum and Field Placement Supervision courses at National University and has conducted community health and communication seminars for SDSU. He teaches Developmental Psychology, Clinical Counseling Skills Training, Psychopathology, and Thesis/Dissertation Instruction at SDUIS.

Lisa Hazelwood Hunt, Ph.D.
Lisa Hazelwood Hunt is a supervising psychologist for the Dept. of Psychiatry Children's Hospital of San Diego and a licensed clinical psychologist in private practice in San Diego. Dr. Hazlewood-Hunt earned her Ph.D. at Northwestern University in Chicago. She was awarded a post-doctorate fellowship at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and has been a Psychology Fellow at Illinois Masonic Hospital, Dept. of Psychiatry. Dr. Hazlewood-Hunt has been actively involved in Jungian Psychology organizations for the past 14 years.

Mark McDonough, Ph.D.
Dr. McDonough is a California licensed psychologist specializing in the assessment and diagnostics, neuropsychological assessment of learning disabilities, ADHD, brain injuries and the dementing disorders keeps the practice quite active. Dr. McDonough consult's with many area hospitals, medical centers, public and private schools and rehabilitation units. Psychological assessments are done with all ages and can be used to address psychological strengths and weaknesses as they affect the person in the workplace, in legal situations, and academically. The particular test selection is guided by the person's particular history and the referral question(s). Dr. McDonough also sees a small group of select patients in therapy, addressing varied issues such as relationship concerns, adjustment difficulties, PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) and other assorted concerns.

Bapsi Slali, Ph.D.
Dr. Slali is a licensed psychologist in private practice in San Diego and Imperial Counties. Currently, she is doing individual and group psychotherapy in the areas of depression, abuse, performance, stress and family relationships. She is a co-founder of Kearny Mesa Psychological Services and the Center for the Treatment of Sexual Abuse. Dr. Slali
completed her bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology in India. She has done graduate work and received teaching fellowships at San Diego State University and the University of Houston. She earned her Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the California School of Professional Psychology.

Ronald A. Stolberg, Ph.D.
Dr. Stolberg graduated from the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology (PGSP) in Palo Alto, California. His specialty areas include child, adolescent, and family therapy as well as psychological assessment. He holds a current California license and has a private practice in San Diego. Dr. Stolberg has been teaching in the community for years and enjoys the opportunity to help shape future generations of practitioners in our field. In addition to therapy and teaching he enjoys the research side of the field as well, authoring a new suicide scale for the MMPI-2, several publications in assessment textbooks and journals, and presentations at both national and international assessment conventions.

Malcolm Avner
Malcolm Avner is an experienced coach, facilitator, and trainer. Over the past 25 years, he has guided the successful personal and professional development of hundreds of individuals, business owners, and other professionals. Malcolm utilizes workshops, seminars, one-on-one coaching, experiential learning, dream interpretation, energy therapy, roundtable facilitation, and cross-consulting to help individuals and businesses problem-solve, grow and improve. He has Master of Business Administration in Business Management and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Dallas.

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Randall McManus, Esq. is a California licensed attorney, real estate broker, and general building contractor. He received his JD from National University in 1986, and his bachelor's degree in Business Finance from San Diego State University. Randall is a successful real estate investor and hands-on property manager. Over the past 25 years, Randall has bought, sold, or managed, houses, apartments, hotels, mobile home parks, and vacant land. As a developer in 1998, he built and sold 48 new houses in San Diego County. As a practicing attorney, he has successfully defended an $11,000,000 lawsuit, and has won settlements of over $1,800,000. He specializes in real estate law, landlord tenant law, and contracts. Being a member of the Airplane Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and Sierra Club, Randall enjoys his free time flying, and backpacking in the Sierra Mountains.

Linda Nickell, PhD
Linda Nickell, Ph.D., received a B.A. degree from Western Michigan University with a dual major in Communications Arts and Sciences and in English and an M.A. degree in Educational Psychology from the University of Michigan. She attended the University of Michigan
completing a doctoral program in the Educational Psychology Department (today's equivalent of an Ed.D. degree) and received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the Professional School of Psychological Studies in San Diego. She counseled individuals and worked with large, court-ordered groups of men and women in the treatment of conflict-resolution and anger management for more than 8 years. She has been a member of the American Psychological Association since 1991. Dr. Nickell's approach to life has been one of teacher/student; one that has helped others to meet with, challenge and move through obstacles on a path of finding inner-peace. Dr. Nickell is an internationally recognized yoga teacher (RYT-500) by the Yoga Alliance. She teaches yoga (over 30 years) on an on-going basis along with her duties in the ESL program at SDUIS.

**Edmund DeLeon, MBA**

Edmund V. DeLeon graduated with a degree of Electronics and Communications Engineering in the Philippines. He was a board certified Engineer and worked for a few years with the Philippines' largest telephone company as a Traffic Engineer before joining the U.S. Navy in 1985. His first ship was onboard the carrier *USS MIDWAY* and his last ship was onboard *USS PELELIU*. While in active duty, he visited countries like Japan, HongKong, Thailand, Korea, Vietnam Singapore, Australia, Italy, Israel, Norway, Germany, France, England and Belgium. In 2005, he completed his Master's degree in Business Administration (MBA) from National University. Consequently, he earned his certification in Human Resources (HR) Management in 2006. In August 2008, he completed a successful 23-year career as a Career Counselor in the Navy and transitioned to civilian career. He started working with H&R Block in November 2008 as a Tax Professional. Shortly after, he started his own financial advising and tax consulting business. In August 2009, he accepted a federal position in the Human Resources area with the Department of the Navy. He is also the Chief Financial Secretary of a local church overseeing budget and payroll administration. He is happily married with 3 children in Chula Vista, CA.

**Doug Resh, MS**

Doug Resh holds a Master of Science degree in Food Marketing from Saint Joseph's University as well as a Bachelor of Science degree from Millersville University in International Business/International Studies and is finalizing a certificate in International Food Law from Michigan State University. Doug has developed his career in food marketing through the art of selling products here in the U.S. and exporting products throughout the world. Doug's management style is to provide exceptional customer service which exceeds client expectations and brings this mentality to his classroom. As an accomplished strategist and solution oriented manager, Doug has written articles on exporting, food marketing, restaurant reviews and additional topics relating to the food industry for an assortment of publications and has presented to organizations at various venues around the globe.

**Robert Rodgers, MBA**

Robert Rodgers received his MBA with a specialization in Technology Management from National University and a BS in Computer Engineering with a minor in Mathematics from Clemson University. Robert works as a
Edit Hegyi, Ph.D.

Edit Hegyi, M.D., PhD. received her Medical Degree in 1977. She specialized in Pathology and Internal Medicine. Before she came to California in 1992 to join a research group at the City of Hope National Medical Center, she practiced medicine as well as she was teaching at different Medical Schools, including The Albert Szent-Gyorgyi University in Hungary and The University of Paris (Sorbonne) Medical Faculty in Paris, France. Previously she also completed a post-doctoral fellowship at The Wayne State University Medical School, Detroit and at The University of Michigan Ann Arbor. She obtained her PhD. in Experimental Medicine in 1994, granted by The National Academy of Sciences in Budapest. Carl Rogers initiated her interest in person-centered psychology. Rogers, at his advanced age, in the early 1980s, visited Hungary with the intention of spreading the seeds of a different approach to psychology. Dr. Hegyi maintained special interest in psychology during her medical carrier. She was acquainted with transpersonal psychology in the late 1980s, while practicing in Paris at The Hotel-Dieu de Paris, as hematologist-oncologist. Many of her patients were fighting leukemia. While providing contemporary western medical treatment, Dr. Hegyi was also looking for additional help in psychology, to improve the quality of her patient’s life. While successfully advancing in the medical sciences, she developed a special interest in Tibet, and as part of it, in Tibetan Medicine. She became an advocate of the integration of Western and Eastern type of healing practices. When our University was founded she came aboard, and since than she teaches on-line classes, focusing on East-West dialogue. Currently, Dr. Hegyi works at The Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles.

Hilise Barbosa, M.A.,

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Arlene Mazak LMFT, PhD

Arlene is clinically trained as a marriage and family therapist with psychodynamic and transpersonal orientations. She is licensed in California, with private practices in Fountain Valley, Orange County and Encinitas, San Diego County. Arlene offers Hypnotherapy, Interfaith Spiritual Guidance and Life Coaching as part of her services. As a compassionate, non-judgmental listener, Arlene is committed to emotional healing, relational growth, and spiritual evolution. She explores concerns in terms of the overall strategies her clients have chosen for living your life. By healing the pain in client's deep psyche, she removes the powerful tendency toward repeating old dysfunctional patterns. She researched Eastern and Western approaches to eliminate mental suffering. Her services include several types of psychotherapy, regression hypnotherapy, interfaith spiritual direction, and life coaching. I'm a professor of adult development, East-West and transpersonal psychologies, world spiritualities, and cross-cultural counseling.
Will Stillwell, Ph.D.

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Lori Montross, PhD-

Lori Montross, Ph.D. is a full-time Research Psychologist at The Institute for Palliative Medicine at San Diego Hospice. As a Research Psychologist, she initiates and conducts research activities while also providing psychological treatment to patients in the Inpatient Care Center. She serves as a faculty member of the SDHIPM teaching team, and therefore offers mentorship and training regarding the unique psychological aspects of end-of-life care to students, staff, and other community constituents. Dr. Montross received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from Iowa State University in 1994, and her Master’s of Counseling degree from Arizona State University in 1997. She earned her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology at the University of Kentucky in 2003, and completed her clinical internship at the Cincinnati Veteran’s Affairs Medical Center. Afterward, she was chosen to become a National Institutes of Health Postdoctoral Research Fellow within the Psychiatry Department of the University of California – San Diego (UCSD), where she specialized in Geriatric Psychiatry. During her tenure at UCSD, she conducted both quantitative and qualitative research in areas of successful aging, suicide prevention, and medication efficacy. In 2005, she received a grant from the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD) to more thoroughly investigate the risk and protective factors for suicide among patients with schizophrenia. Later in 2006, she was selected to attend the Summer Research Institute in Suicide Prevention held at the University of Rochester, a venue reserved for the most promising young researchers in the United States each year. She has authored or co-authored more than 29 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters and abstracts, and has served as a reviewer for over six journals and international grant councils. She further brings more than 12 years of experience as an educator, with both teaching and administrative experience in community college, university, and private institutional settings.

Dr. Doris Lu-Anderson

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Life for wives of pro athletes no 'fairy tale'  
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Elin Nordegren entered a high-profile world when she married superstar golfer Tiger Woods.

STORY HIGHLIGHTS

(CNN) -- Erin Crispin feels a great deal of empathy for Tiger Woods' wife, who has been thrust into the spotlight.  
"It's a double-edged sword, because you get special treatment when things are going well, and you also get special treatment of another sort when things aren't," said Crispin, whose husband, Joe, is a former basketball player for the Phoenix Suns and the Los Angeles Lakers. "It really is a life of such high highs and low lows."  
When former nanny and swimsuit model Elin Nordegren married golfer Tiger Woods in 2004, she entered the unusual sorority of pro athlete wives.  
These women live a lifestyle the public envisions as glamorous, married to men who pull in multimillion-dollar salaries, travel the world and are able to provide a lifestyle of privilege for their families.  
But along with the good times comes an enormous amount of scrutiny in the fishbowl known as fame. "People tend to see the big-time athletes and think it is all glitz and glamour," said Crispin, who started the Web site Married to a Baller to share her experiences and help the wives of other pro athletes. "But this is our lives, and it's real."  
Share your thoughts on Tiger's 'transgressions'
To the NBA and Back

I'm sitting on bleachers in the Temecula Community Recreation Center, watching former "NBA legend," as the flyer describes him, Lamond Murray hold a basketball camp. The sounds of the thumping ball, the ringing metal hoop, echo in the high-windowed gym. For more than an hour, Murray's been running drills and barking orders ("Push it! Push it!"). Now it's game time. The kids, aged 10 to 16, girls and boys, are impossibly mismatched: midgets versus giants. Towering over all is 6' 7" Murray. Though retired, he's still agile at 36. Game on, I notice right off how every player has his/her NBA moves down pat — the no-look pass, the hand slaps after a foul shot, even the Michael Jordan fadeaway jumper. A dream come true, a few get Murray's behind-the-back pass. "Shoot!" he yells.

In 1994, the Los Angeles Clippers — ten years after the franchise abandoned fair-weather San Diego — drafted Murray, the seventh pick in the first round. They signed him to a five-year, $13.5 million contract. After he bounced around the league for 12 years, he returned to the Clippers briefly in 2006. Twelve intensely rewarding years as an NBA player, he tells me after camp. So why retire? "It wasn't my choice," he says. "When the Clippers let me go, I couldn't get a job anywhere playing ball. I wasn't injured. In my mind, I could still play, contribute. My body was maturing. I was a lot smarter. I had better tempo to my game. Everything was a lot easier. The older you get, the easier the game becomes.

"But I guess they wanted younger talent. Once you have over ten years in the NBA, they have to pay you a certain amount of money. They'd rather cut costs because most guys at our age..."
Andrea Butler was just 19 years old when her then-boyfriend, Caron Butler, was drafted into the NBA. Now a 27-year-old college student who is expecting their second child, Butler said her life is just like any other wife's and mother's, with the exception that her husband plays basketball for the Washington Wizards.

"I hate that people think we live this fairy-tale life," said Butler, who is pursuing a degree in social work. "People believe that money makes life easy, and that's not always so."

Butler said she has been disappointed with the attention focused on Woods and his wife since he crashed his SUV outside their Florida mansion.

"That's their personal life; let them handle it," Butler said. "We don't know what positive things they have done, but the minute something negative happens, [the media] jumps all over it, and everybody wants to know what happened, and that disgusts me."

On Wednesday, Woods released a statement on his official Web site, apologizing for his "transgressions," just as US Weekly magazine printed a story alleging that Woods had an affair with Jaimee Grubbs, a 24-year-old cocktail waitress. The magazine also published what it said is a voicemail message from Woods to Grubbs, imploring her to "please take your name off your phone" because "my wife went through my phone and may be calling you."

CNN could not independently confirm that the voice on the recording was Woods'.

Neither Woods nor his wife has spoken publicly about the allegations, in keeping with the private and protective nature both have exhibited concerning their family life.

The pair are the parents of a young son and daughter, and even before their marriage, Woods and Nordegren were tight-lipped about their relationship.

A 2004 Sports Illustrated story written when the couple was engaged noted that "Woods keeps a famously tight circle, and he has a history of bloodlessly excommunicating any intimate who crosses him."

Cristina B. Versari, director of the sport psychology program for the San Diego University for Integrative Studies, has been counseling NBA players since 1989. Whereas many sports organizations offer guidance to team members on how to deal with the lifestyle afforded them as professional athletes, there are fewer resources for the wives. Versari has helped fill that gap by making her counseling services available to family members.

Having a husband who is constantly away can be less than glamorous, Versari said. And many couples' marriages don't survive after the athlete retires because a wife may be unable to adjust to his returning full-time to the home.

"There are so many benefits these families have," she said. "The compensation is higher than many other professions, and there is the sophisticated lifestyle, but there is this other side that no ones sees."

Erin Crispin's husband now plays basketball in Italy, and she said she tries to keep the attention that comes with being an athlete's wife in perspective.

"What your husband is getting attention for is 1/100th of the person that they are," she said. "It's a different feeling when so many people are relating to your husband on just one dimension of who he is. I just have to step back and remember that these people are just looking at him through one lens, and that's how they know him."
aren't going to be contributing. Unless you're a Shaquille O'Neal, who's a future Hall of Famer," they're not interested. "Thirty-five is like a cutoff point."

I ask Murray, who sports a dapper mustache and well-trimmed goatee, if he prepared himself in college (he played three seasons at Cal) for life after sport. He says he figured, if he went pro, he could always come back to school. He also thought he'd need to earn the money to finish school. Yet it never occurred to him that he could finish college during his career on the court.

While playing, did he think about retiring? "As an athlete," he says, "you never really want to think about that." Instead, "Your life begins and ends with 'Am I starting tonight? How many minutes am I going to play? Will I get my 20 points?' That's all you worry about. People in your family tell you, 'That's all you need to worry about.' Guys would "never talk about it," he says. They'd only talk about investments that would help them in their "transition out of basketball." But think about it? Not with practice and games and travel. "Never. It was never an issue."

But, he says, things change. "It doesn't hit you until you're out of the game a couple years. Your routine is changed. You're at home. You don't have that camaraderie with your teammates." Leaving was "a shock." He was used to working out every day. Besides, he'd never been cut from anything. He played at high levels in high school and college. But over time, he says, players "get caught in the shuffle" of management, new coaches, new systems, player trades. Eventually, Murray left Los Angeles, then went to Cleveland, Toronto, New Jersey (his wife and children following him every step of the way).

The hardest part for Murray was losing the structure that basketball gave him. "Practice, team meals, meetings, games. Being a player. Having a role, something I could look forward to when I got up in the morning." When he retired, he says, "Now what do I do? You get depressed really quick. There's nothing to do. Even my kids have to go to school." Speaking of which, Murray at last was a part of his kids' lives. That took getting used to, "driving them to school, going to school functions."

It takes a year or two to make the adjustment, he says. It takes longer for "guys without kids or a stable family. They want to go right back into coaching because that's all they know. 'I want to be on the bus. I want to be around the guys.' But everybody can't coach. There's only so many jobs out there." Murray, surprising me, compares the player to an alcoholic. "You've done something for so many years, and you have other 'alcoholics' you deal with, and suddenly that's taken away, you have no one who's at the same level as you. Who do you talk to? Guys lose it. They want to kill themselves, self-sabotage with drinking, drugs, food. I've seen a lot of retired ballplayers who blow up to 300 or 400 pounds because they just sit on a couch."

As a young player, Murray was bored, chin in palm, whenever the NBA threw programs at him about managing his life or saving his money. The lightbulb went on when he watched a few
teammates, journeymen players, paying serious attention. He realized that he should have been listening so that at retirement he’d be ready. During his four preseason games with the Clippers in 2006, “I could feel something changing in me,” he recalls. That was incandescent, a realization that has led him to want to help other players avoid going through what he did.

Murray’s goal, once he finishes his degree in sports psychology, is to become a paid staffer in an NBA organization as head of player relations, helping rookies transition into the league, teaching them things that “their parents, their agents, their teams are not going to tell them.” The main thing players don’t know, he says, is that pro ball is a business. No one told him that his name is a brand, that his behavior could affect his brand, that he needed to protect his image. Too, teams don’t tell players enough about the “day-to-day grind. Social issues. How to deal with women. How to deal with other players. How players are different from each other. That’s the new frontier. The NBA does everything for you physically. But there’s not enough to help you mentally.” In short, players, both active and retired, need mentors. He cites Sam Perkins, who runs a mentorship program with the Indiana Pacers and is now their vice president for player relations. Murray hopes to be one of those mentors because “I’m living proof there’s life after the game.”

A Degree in Sport Psychology

Lamond Murray is one of dozens of ex-players who have studied psychology with Dr. Cristina Versari, a Brazilian who founded and directs the San Diego University for Integrative Studies. For the past 20 years, she has made it her business to study the psychology of pro athletes. “No one else is doing this,” she tells me in her Old Town office. “That’s why I started this school.” Part of the school’s mission is to train a new generation of sports psychologists who will answer this question: Why is the transition to a second life so hard?

In 1989, Versari was hired by the National Basketball Association to counsel its players. The youthful-looking former swimmer says that, before her, no one helped athletes prepare for a second career, a different lifestyle, or a college degree. “During their active career, they have small problems,” she says. “They have a lot of people taking care of them: trainers, massage therapists, managers. Once they retire, everything is taken from them overnight. The structure that kept them together is gone. That’s when they really have problems.”

Retired players, she says, typically move back to their hometowns, and they lose contact with the organizations and team. The active players don’t have any contact with retired players. “It’s a strange dynamic,” she says. “Overnight, people who used to call stop calling.” Players find themselves suddenly friendless. They have no support system. Since most have played for several teams, they and their families have been
uprooted often, which adds to the isolation in retirement. “There’s nothing outside of sport that makes them feel the way they’re feeling when they’re playing. Nothing.”

As a way to understand the psychology of basketball players, Versari uses the Myers-Briggs personality assessment test. She has found, by studying more than 1000 players, that basketball players are predominantly introverts. They are sensing types who focus on the present and on concrete information. They are analytic thinkers and have an organized approach to life. She uses this data to help coaches and players understand who they are as players but more importantly how their personality traits might be harnessed for a second career. (She has studied 22 sports and found that basketball and baseball players are alike, while swimmers and wrestlers are extroverted, intuitive, and sensitive. Because of the many different positions in football, tests on players as to their personality type are so far inconclusive.)

During two long stints with the NBA, the last ending five years ago, Versari has found that almost every current player has “one focus — to stay.” In 2009, the NBA drafted 60 players. According to Versari, after the first season, typically half of those drafted are gone. “They are cut, and we don’t even notice. Their careers are over.” A few go to Europe, but not many. These young men have spent half their lives preparing for a career, “and it only lasts one season.”

She understands why most players are “in denial about their future. They have to focus on staying.” This gives birth to the rampant NBA fantasy: “I’m going to play one more year.” Active players always think they’ve got one more year to play, even if they don’t have a contract.

When the career is ending (the average stay in the NBA is a bit more than five years), “I get the phone call. They’ve been cut. They’ve been injured. They’ve been traded. They get a cold, and being sick makes them think, ‘What am I going to do if I can’t play anymore?’ That’s when they call me. When they’re ready. They’re not in denial anymore.”

Though many ex-NBA players go back to college and finish their degree, they don’t do it for the money. “They do it,” she says, “because they have promised their mothers.” Some NBA players, who haven’t blown their stash, don’t need a degree because they don’t need a career. It makes no sense for a player making $20 million a year “to go to college and graduate three years later so he can make $40,000 a year.” Instead, they have promised Mom because Mom has insisted that they get a degree when their sports lives are over. Hanging the diploma on the wall means Mom beams and the kids are motivated to take school seriously.

Retiring players face a fast adjustment with their wives. Versari compares an NBA wife to a military spouse, keeping the home fires burning while the husband/boyfriend is
away. During the player’s career, his wife has managed everything: children and school, the home environment, holidays and parties, finances, the sudden move prompted by a trade. For her part, the wife can lose interest in the man when he becomes a “nobody at home,” Versari says.

But the major problem is depression. “Without exception, they all go through it.” The adjustment takes four to eight years. “They eat more. They eat less. They sleep more or they can’t sleep. It’s a very long process.” Most don’t know they’re depressed, she says. They think they are alone: their friendship circle or network of support has dwindled so much they become frightened by their isolation and loneliness. They feel estranged from the game, from wives, from children they don’t really know. It’s rare for former NBA players to go into therapy. They’ll only go, Versari says, if “someone else [in the family] needs help. A son or a daughter.”

The psychological profile Versari is now working with she calls ADD: athlete development deficiency. “Players do not develop other parts of themselves.” She describes the teenage Kobe Bryant, a megastar with the Los Angeles Lakers the past ten years. He “spent every Saturday at home” as a teenager, “watching videotapes of basketball games.” He didn’t develop social skills; he didn’t develop his ego. He ate, slept, and dreamed basketball. “When players retire, they have to go back and build those other parts of themselves, parts that are missing and were never developed. It’s developmental arrest. The same thing happens to people on alcohol and drugs.”
On-field punch has happened in Idaho before
Emotions overtook sport Thursday, and a national expert said the lack of legal ramifications could be part of the problem

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The question popped up in bars, living rooms and Internet chat rooms as soon as people realized what had happened: Would Oregon running back LeGarrette Blount be arrested for punching Bronco Byron Hout in the face? The shot was heard around the sports world - it filled radio airwaves, captivated ESPN for hours and even pushed news off New York Times and CNN Web sites. But in the Treasure Valley, it landed with a sickening realization. We had seen it before. Less than a year ago, former Nampa High School football player Kip Ramos was charged with felony aggravated battery and booked into the Canyon County Jail just hours after punching his coach in the face after a game against Emmett High. It, too, was caught on film.

But unlike Hout, who snapped back up - aided by a furious coach Chris Petersen and staring with a stunned look at a national television audience - Nampa High coach Scott Wooldridge suffered a crushed nose and a broken eye socket. Wooldridge was clearly bleeding - and that immediate visual evidence of possible "traumatic injury" was observed by a police officer attending the game. And that traumatic injury is the factor that makes a battery a felony, said Boise defense attorney Jon Cox, a former Boise State football player who represented Ramos in his criminal case.

That was the difference between Ramos and Blount, Cox said. While Blount clearly hit Hout in the face while Hout was looking the other way, Hout did not appear to sustain any traumatic injury. Petersen said Friday that Hout was OK. "If there was evidence of what could be traumatic injury, like if Hout broke his jaw or cut his lip - or if (Blount) swung his helmet - that would be a different story," Cox said. A battery without traumatic injury is usually charged as a misdemeanor. But if the victim does not file a complaint, a criminal prosecution doesn't occur. Petersen said Friday Hout has no intention of pressing charges. But at least one expert said looking the other way doesn't help.

Cristina Versari, a sports psychologist who works with NBA players, said there should be zero tolerance for violence by college and professional athletes. "If it happened after the game, the rules should be the same as for you and me," Versari said. "It shouldn't be tolerated." She said one of the problems with college and professional sports is that athletes are treated differently. "They give them breaks that we wouldn't have," Versari said.

Versari, president and director of the Sports Psychology Program at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies, said college athletes - particularly those who aspire to be professionals - need to recognize that they are essentially business people who are selling a product and must behave professionally. "College players are benefiting because of scholarships," she said. "It's a business. Every time something happens like this, they are losing something - a lot of times, it's an economic benefit."

The outcome of Thursday's melee could have been worse for Blount. Police officials said Friday that Blount did not assault Boise police Lt. Tony Plott or the stadium security officers who escorted Blount off the field after he got in a verbal confrontation with fans after the punch

One interpretation of Zen goes something like this: It transcends language and communication and affects the most basic instincts and being. In Phil Jackson’s world, that again includes coaching basketball. Which is the absolute best thing for Kobe Bryant today. Come again?

The hoops planet will spend the next few months or so trying to discover why Jackson returned to guide the Lakers, why he would agree to help rebuild a 34-48 lottery team with little starting skill, a terrible bench and a star player whom he not-so-long-ago ripped in his book and asked management to trade before being shown the door himself.

Maybe it’s for the money ($30 mil, three years). Or the girlfriend (Buss, Jeanie). Or the opportunity to make history (10 NBA titles) and snuff out Red Auerbach’s cigar once and for all. Maybe we’ll never know, as much mystery as why another Jackson wore pajama bottoms to court and needs an umbrella for 70 degrees and clear skies.

But somewhere hidden in all the rubbish spewed forth yesterday from Staples Center about mending fences and rebuilding trust is this reality: Jackson’s return allows Bryant a tremendous opportunity to rebuild his image on and off the court, to enhance a likeness seriously flawed the last few years by a rape charge and the power struggle that led to the Lakers collapsing from champs to chumps. It’s true. Jackson might be the best thing to happen to Bryant. Again.

“Kobe Bryant is damaged goods,” said Dr. Richard Lustberg, a New York-based sports psychologist. “In many ways, he’ll never be viewed the same. (Losing) has led to his power being diminished within the organization. He is no longer a pristine figure. Kobe doesn’t have the respect of that team. They tolerate him, but he’s not well loved in the locker room. When Phil left, he did so with a very bad taste in his mouth. But now he no longer has to worry about the downside or risk of dealing with Darth Kobe.” Few things create change in great competitors like losing. Bryant isn’t stupid. He can read the standings and now knows how it feels to experience sport’s foremost catastrophe, which is to finish behind the Clippers. He can’t do it by himself, certainly not with the team’s current roster (you still need a point guard and inside presence to win, right?) and unquestionably not without a coach of Jackson’s standing and structure.

Some things will be different this time. The triangle offense will be run exclusively through Bryant, his tug-of-war with Shaquille O’Neal for stats and stature no longer an issue. But can Lamar Odom be to Bryant what Scottie Pippen was to Michael Jordan? And can Bryant ever become a selfless player on a full-time basis rather than a part-time one?

“The way the whole thing went down last time Shaq and Phil leaving L.A. and the Lakers then losing didn’t look good for Kobe in the end,” said Jud Buechler, the Del Mar resident who was part of three NBA championship teams under Jackson in Chicago. “He has always been a phenomenal player, but I do think if he is able to (co-exist) better now with Phil, it would help his career. “One common denominator between Phil and Kobe is they both want to win. So no matter what has been said or written about him in the past, or how things were left, that should become the most important thing. Phil did not come back to be mediocre, and I’m sure Kobe has never thought about anything in those terms.”

The Lakers can make the playoffs next season. Jackson is that good and if you don’t believe it, count up how many rings Jordan and Pippen and Bryant and O’Neal won before he coached them. But it’s a team with major salary cap problems, and any dreams of landing either Yao Ming or Amare Stoudemire following next season appear just that for now. Winning a playoff series has become an entirely different matter.

It was during the All-Star break that Bryant said he and Jackson didn’t have to like each other and be dinner buddies to win games, that he actually thought it beneficial for some kind of push-pull relationship between a player and his coach. He has that again. And for a player who is now the best on a bad team and whose popularity has quickly been surpassed by such young faces as LeBron James and Dwyane Wade, it might be smart to fall in line.

“I think you will see a different Kobe Bryant next season,” said Dr. Cristina Versari, the San Diego resident who has worked with all 30 NBA teams and was in charge of the league’s education and career development programs for years. “I think he has learned a valuable lesson that only (losing) can teach. I think he will be more of a team player than ever under Jackson now.” It won’t guarantee another championship. But it sure could restore that image a bit.
By Jalen Rose

Virtual... this NBA star wants his peers to know how he earned his degree in management studies after six years of online correspondence.

College - The number one reason why I decided to get my college degree online is that I would become the first of my mother's kids to have one. As excited as I was to be part of the Fab Five at Michigan, it still bugged me deep down inside that I went to school for three years [leaving after his junior year] and still didn't have my degree. I needed maybe three or four semesters to actually graduate. To get those credits, it took me six more years of work. It wasn't an overnight process.

The great thing about the NBA is that the players union has programs set up to help you get your degree online. So the first thing you need to do is contact a representative for player affairs. You don't even have to know what you want to study, but you have to be prepared to do the work. Make school a priority and take it seriously, just like you take your training seriously. You've truly been blessed to be able to play professional sports. But your education will be what drives you before, during and after that time.

As far as selecting courses go, find out what interests you. Part of being an athlete is being able to manage your affairs financially. That's why I wanted to take classes in that area. That major [a BS in Management Studies] made sense to me. Two careers that I want when I'm done playing is to be an NBA executive and an NBA coach. Hopefully, I can wear a lot of hats like Isiah Thomas or Doc Rivers, guys who are retired, but are still part of the game. Shaquille O'Neal is trying to wear all the hats he can, too [last year, O'Neal received his MBA from the University of Phoenix, an accredited online school]. When Shaqs done playing, as many options as he has on the floor when he has a man guarding him, he's going to have plenty more off the court. Those are the guys I look to for inspiration. If you do go for your degree, you have to do it for the right reasons. A lot of athletes don't know that you want to be taken as seriously in the work force after your playing days are over if you don't have a degree. The world doesn't care that you averaged 25 points over 10 years. It doesn't work like that.

Believe in the opportunity to take your life to the next level through continuing your education. Defy the naysayers the same way you do as an athlete. Put the same time, energy and pride into saying, I want to be a college graduate as you do in saying, I want to be a great athlete, and it will happen for you.

Five Steps to Getting Your Degree Online

1. Do the research Web sites such as www.worldwidelearn.com are decent places to start, but you still may need someone to help you navigate the wealth of information out there. If you don't want to go through an official league program, try contacting Cristina Versari (cversari@sduis.edu, 858-254-0303) at the San Diego University for Integrative Studies. Versari worked for the NBA for over a decade and helped more than 1,000
San Diego University for Integrative Studies Initial Resource Confirmation

Chad Hartman on behalf of Initial Applicants
Tue 6/28/2016 12:57 PM

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Dear Dr. Versari,

We are in receipt of your response for additional information regarding San Diego University for Integrative Studies. As indicated on the phone message that I left this morning, the Initial Resource Visit will be conducted as previously discussed, this Thursday, June 30.

The attached confirmation contains specific details of the visit. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Chad Hartman
Senior Accreditation Coordinator, ACICS
March 7, 2019

SENT VIA E-MAIL ONLY

Dr. Cristina Versari
Chief Executive Officer
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Subject: Invitation to Continue with Initial Accreditation Application

Dear Dr. Versari:

ACICS has lifted the suspension on its consideration of initial applications. Given that San Diego University of Integrative Studies (SDUIS) had previously made significant progress on its application and was in the process preparing for its full team evaluation, the institution is invited to continue with its application.

Please log into the ACICS Member Center using the username and password created during the registration process to review all the documents previously submitted to ACICS for revision and currency. The institution must submit the most recent Audited Financial Statements as the data initially reviewed and approved are outdated. Additional updated documents must be provided as necessary.

Also required at this time is the institution’s completion of the ACICS Placement Verification Program (PVP) for the most recent six months of placement. The use of this system is critical for the completion of the initial Campus Accountability Report (CAR) which will be submitted later in the process. Therefore, the prompt collection of placement data, for graduate/employer verification and ACICS validation is essential. The institution can log into their PVP account via www.acicspvp.com. The login information is identical to that for the institution’s Member Center username and password.

Following the review and approval of the audited financial statements, the institution will be notified when its application has moved to the next phase and what documents are required at that time. ACICS notes that the institution hosted the Initial Resource Visit on June 30, 2016, and the ACICS staff identified seven (7) areas of concern that required a response. Given that another resource visit will not be conducted, the institution must provide a narrative report on its ongoing
compliance with all areas identified in that report. This report must be submitted via the Initial Application “Response to Initial Resource Visit Report” task. It is also noted that at the time of the resource visit, the institution offered three Ph.D., a Psy.D., and a DBA programs. ACICS has been advised that the Ph.D. and Psy.D. programs have been terminated but there is still enrollment in the DBA program. As part of its narrative report, the institution must provide details on the termination and teach out of all students in the DBA program, which must be concluded prior to the hosting of the ACICS onsite evaluation visit.

ACICS may determine that additional information is needed from the institution to demonstrate its ability to comply with ACICS standards. Additionally, ACICS may determine that the institution is unable to meet its standards in a reasonable timeframe and reject the institution’s application. The institution will be advised as to when it may reinitiate the initial accreditation.

ACICS is required to call for public comments on institutions applying for accreditation. Your institution’s name will be posted on our Web site. Any comments received from the public or other accrediting or state agencies will be considered in the application process.

After the self-evaluation materials and supporting documents have been received and reviewed, including submission of a Campus Accountability Report via the ACICS Portal, the Initial Grant visit will be conducted by an evaluation team. The report of this visit, the institution’s response to it, and any additional information received that may be relevant to the Council’s consideration will be presented to the Council at its next meeting, and a decision on your institution’s application will be made. The scheduling of the Initial Grant depends on the travel schedule of the Council staff and the date all application materials are received relative to the scheduled Council meetings. Each year the Council meets in April, August, and December.

The Council requires that the chief on-site administrator of an institution applying for initial accreditation attend an ACICS Accreditation Workshop prior to the Resource Visit. The next Initial Accreditation Workshop is scheduled for May 8, 2019 and given that the institution previously attended a workshop in 2015, it is necessary that you attend this upcoming session.

Appendix A of the Accreditation Criteria contains the ACICS Bylaws. Application for accreditation and membership in ACICS constitutes your agreement to be bound by the provisions of the Accreditation Criteria, including the ACICS Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, regardless of whether your institution becomes a member of ACICS by receiving accreditation.

Please note the assigned ID Code and use it on all correspondence sent to the Council office. If you have any questions about these procedures, please feel free to contact me at pwgiliam@acics.org, or Ms. Karly Zeigler, Manager of Policy and Institutional Compliance (kzeigler@acics.org) as we look forward to working you and the institution through this process.
Sincerely,

Perliter Walters-Gilliam
Vice President, Accreditation

c: Mr. Michael Marion, California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
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May 02, 2019

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PhD and PsyD programs: We have discontinued admissions to these programs, but we have a total of 10 students remaining.

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Cristina Versari, PhD
Chief Executive Officer
School Detail

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**School Code:** 24179416  
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Currently Approved Programs:

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- Conversation for Fluency
- Intensive English Program
- TOEFL Test Preparation

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Dr. Ray Trybus  
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Dear Dr. Trybus:

This letter amends our letter of August 28, 2018 to provide clarification on the corporate owner – USA ELC, Inc. – of USA English Language Center. No further change to our letter of August 28, 2018, which is reproduced below, other than the addition of the above-referenced corporate entity to the ownership structure after the change, is intended or implied, including any change to the grant of final approval.

This letter is written to confirm **final approval** of a change of ownership, albeit without a change of control, of the **USA English Language Center at San Diego University for Integrative Studies**, consummated further to the receipt of a special consideration by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education & Training (ACCET) at its August 2018 Commission meeting to make this transition while undergoing reaccreditation and/or deferral of accreditation, notified to the institution on August 9, 2018. The application and supporting documentation evidenced the transfer of ownership of USA English Language Center, formerly accredited as a division of San Diego University for Integrative Studies, solely-owned by Cristina Versari, to a new corporate entity, USA ELC, Inc., also solely-owned by Cristina Versari. Therefore, the Executive Committee of ACCET has determined that this is a change of ownership without a change of control. The following ownership structures are noted for the record:

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**Ownership Structure after the Change:**
It is noted that following the change, the institution will operate at the same location and with the same fiscal year.

In accordance with federal requirements, an accrediting agency may designate the change of ownership and/or control as the effective date of its approval only if the accreditation decision is made within 30 days of the change. The institution received notice of the Commission’s notice to allow this change of ownership, albeit without a change of control, on August 9, 2018. Therefore, the change of ownership is effective on that date. This approval is not contingent upon any further action on the part of the institution. Specifically, the requirements of the institution to submit a management report and host an on-site management visit are waived.

If we can be of further assistance on this or related matters, please contact the ACCET office at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

William V. Larkin, Ed.D.
Executive Director

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- A $100 filing fee.
- A separate, non-refundable $15 service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form or document.

**Important!** Corporations in California may have to pay a minimum $800 yearly tax to the California Franchise Tax Board. For more information, go to https://www.ftb.ca.gov.

Note: Before submitting the completed form, you should consult with a private attorney for advice about your specific business needs.

For questions about this form, go to www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/filing-tips.htm.

Corporate Name (List the proposed corporate name. Go to www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/name-availability.htm for general corporate name requirements and restrictions.)

1. The name of the corporation is **USA ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTER**

Corporate Purpose

2. The purpose of the corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the General Corporation Law of California other than the banking business, the trust company business or the practice of a profession permitted to be incorporated by the California Corporations Code.

Service of Process (List a California resident or a California registered corporate agent that agrees to be your initial agent to accept service of process in case your corporation is sued. You may list any adult who lives in California. You may not list your own corporation as the agent. Do not list an address if the agent is a California registered corporate agent as the address for service of process is already on file.)

3. a. **STUART HURWITZ**

   Agent's Name

   b. (b)(6)

   Agent's Street Address (if agent is not a corporation) - Do not list a P.O. Box City (no abbreviations) State Zip

Corporate Addresses

4. a. **3900 HARNEY STREET**

   Initial Street Address of Corporation - Do not list a P.O. Box City (no abbreviations) State Zip

   b. Initial Mailing Address of Corporation, if different from 4a City (no abbreviations) State Zip

Shares (List the number of shares the corporation is authorized to issue. Note: Before shares of stock are sold or issued, the corporation must comply with the Corporate Securities Law of 1968 administered by the California Department of Business Oversight. For more information, go to www.dbo.ca.gov or call the California Department of Business Oversight at (866) 275-2677.)

5. This corporation is authorized to issue only one class of shares of stock.

   The total number of shares which this corporation is authorized to issue is **100**

This form must be signed by each incorporator. If you need more space, attach extra pages that are 1-sided and on standard letter-sized paper (8 1/2"x 11"). All attachments are made part of these articles of incorporation.

Make check/money order payable to: Secretary of State

Upon filing, we will return one (1) uncertified copy of your filed document for free, and will certify the copy upon request and payment of a $5 certification fee.

Incorporator - Sign here

Print your name here

By Mail

Secretary of State

Business Entities, P.O. Box 944260

Sacramento, CA 94244-2600

Drop-Off

Secretary of State

1600 11th Street, 3rd Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814
EIN

Congratulations! Your EIN has been successfully assigned.

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Legal USA ENGLISH LANGUAGE
Name: CENTER
WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 83-1554629. This EIN will identify you, your business accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

When filing tax documents, payments, and related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear off stub and return it to us.

Based on the information received from you or your representative, you must file the following form(s) by the date(s) shown.

Form 1120 08/13/2018

After our review of your information, we have determined that you have not filed tax returns for the above-mentioned tax period(s) dating as far back as 2017. Please file your return(s) by 08/28/2018. If there is a balance due on the return(s), penalties and interest will continue to accumulate from the due date of the return(s) until it is filed and paid. If you were not in business or did not hire any employees for the tax period(s) in question, please file the return(s) showing you have no liabilities.

If you have questions about the form(s) or the due date(s) shown, you can call us at the phone number or write to us at the address shown at the top of this notice. If you need help in determining your annual accounting period (tax year), see Publication 538, Accounting Periods and Methods.

We assigned you a tax classification based on information obtained from you or your representative. It is not a legal determination of your tax classification, and is not binding on the IRS. If you want a legal determination of your tax classification, you may request a private letter ruling from the IRS under the guidelines in Revenue Procedure 2004-1, 2004-1 I.R.B. 1 (or superseding Revenue Procedure for the year at issue). Note: Certain tax classification elections can be requested by filing Form 8832, Entity Classification Election. See Form 8832 and its instructions for additional information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR S CORPORATION ELECTION:

If you intend to elect to file your return as a small business corporation, an election to file a Form 1120-S must be made within certain timeframes and the corporation must meet certain tests. All of this information is included in the instructions for Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation.
If you are required to deposit for employment taxes (Forms 941, 943, 940, 944, 945, CT-1, or 1042), excise taxes (Form 720), or income taxes (Form 1120), you will receive a Welcome Package shortly, which includes instructions for making your deposits electronically through the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). A Personal Identification Number (PIN) for EFTPS will also be sent to you under separate cover. Please activate the PIN once you receive it, even if you have requested the services of a tax professional or representative. For more information about EFTPS, refer to Publication 966, Electronic Choices to Pay All Your Federal Taxes. If you need to make a deposit immediately, you will need to make arrangements with your Financial Institution to complete a wire transfer.

The IRS is committed to helping all taxpayers comply with their tax filing obligations. If you need help completing your returns or meeting your tax obligations, Authorized e-file Providers, such as Reporting Agents (payroll service providers) are available to assist you. Visit the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov for a list of companies that offer IRS e-file for business products and services. The list provides addresses, telephone numbers, and links to their Web sites.

To obtain tax forms and publications, including those referenced in this notice, visit our Web site at www.irs.gov. If you do not have access to the Internet, call 1-800-829-3676 (TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059) or visit your local IRS office.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

* Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records. This notice is issued only one time and the IRS will not be able to generate a duplicate copy for you. You may give a copy of this document to anyone asking for proof of your EIN.

* Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear at the top of this notice on all your federal tax forms.

* Refer to this EIN on your tax-related correspondence and documents.

If you have questions about your EIN, you can call us at the phone number or write to us at the address shown at the top of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the bottom of this notice and send it along with your letter. If you do not need to write us, do not complete and return the stub.

Your name control associated with this EIN is USAE. You will need to provide this information, along with your EIN, if you file your returns electronically.

Thank you for your cooperation.
September 5, 2019

Mr. Herman Bounds Jr., Ed.S
Director, Accreditation Group
United States Department of Education
Office of Postsecondary Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

Subject: Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (“ACICS”) Department of Education June 19, 2019 Inquiry Response

Dear Mr. Bounds:

As requested in the August 28, 2019 email from Elizabeth Daggett, we provide the following responses:

Accreditation actions on and significant correspondence to San Diego University for Integrative Studies, to include the institution’s application for accreditation

In November 2015, San Diego University of Integrative Studies (SDUIS) indicated its interest in the ACICS initial accreditation process when its founder, Dr. Cristina Versari, submitted the online registration (Exhibit 1A, Registration Form) and information required for consideration. Following its review of the submitted information, including the identification of the institution that it was not currently accredited (Previously Submitted Exhibit 13, Institutional Information), an invitation to apply was extended on February 5, 2016. The institution provided all of the documents required as part of the application process: Exhibit 1B, Institutional Information; Exhibit 1C, State Approval to Operate – BPPE License; Exhibit 1D, Ownership Disclosure Form; Exhibit 1E, Audited Financial Statements; Exhibit 1F, Evidence of Workshop Attendance; Exhibit 1G, Catalog; Exhibit 1H, Initial Campus Effectiveness Plan; and Exhibit 11, Initial Campus Accountability Report. The institution was subsequently directed to submit a response to information received by ACICS as part of its review of the institution’s eligibility and compliance with standards. See Previously Submitted Exhibits 14a, 14b, and 14c, SDUIS Application and Communication. Based on the institution’s response to the concerns and ACICS’ ability to conduct its own onsite review, the initial resource visit was scheduled for June 30, 2016. See Previously Submitted Exhibit 15, Confirmation of Receipt and Scheduling. This resource visit is consultative in nature during which a number of areas needing attention by the institution was identified. See Exhibit 2, Initial Resource Visit Report. However, prior to receipt of the institution’s response to the Resource report which is required prior to the submission of its Initial Self-Study to host the full onsite evaluation visit, ACICS placed a moratorium on the acceptance of new applications and began the process of winding down applicants currently in the process. The executive decision was made to only consider those institutions that had already hosted the onsite team. Consequently, SDUIS’ application was withdrawn in fall 2016.
Following notice that ACICS had reopened its initial accreditation process, Dr. Versari met with ACICS staff in March 2019 to discuss the institution’s application, its ability to continue with the process, the separation of the language center, and the status of doctoral programs that would not be open for consideration by ACICS. The institution was advised at that time that all materials previously submitted would need to be made current and evidence of ongoing compliance with all applicable laws and regulations demonstrated. Formal communication from the Council inviting the institution to continue with the accreditation process was forwarded on March 7, 2019 and included specific expectations of the revised procedures for initial review. The institution responded on May 2, 2019. See Previously Submitted Exhibit 16, Communication Re Continuation. To date, ACICS’ review is ongoing as updated application materials have not yet been received.

Please let us know if you have additional questions following your review of the information we have provided.

Sincerely,

Michelle Edwards
President and CEO

Cc: Ms. Elizabeth Daggett (Elizabeth.Daggett@ed.gov)
Executive Committee Minutes
May 15, 2019
10:00 am

Board Members Present:
Chair Bennett
Vice Chair Hobdy
Treasurer Leak
Secretary Loveman
President Edwards

Board Members Absent:
None

1. Substantive Changes
   See Substantive Change Minutes for Actions Taken

2. Old Business
   None

3. New Business

   a. CAR Revisions:

   Eastwick College (00010388): The Committee reviewed the institution’s revised 2018 Campus Accountability Report (CAR) and confirmed that all graduates reported as placed were both verified by the employer and/or graduate and validated as an appropriate placement in accordance with ACICS’s placement definition, through the Placement Verification Program (PVP). The campus’s revised placement rate is 73%, which is above the Council’s benchmark for placement. They voted to remove the campus from reporting.

   Additionally, the committee reviewed 3 program revisions and voted to remove the occupational therapy assistant program from compliance warning due to its revised rate of 71%

   Eastwick College (00011227): The Committee reviewed the institution’s revised 2018 Campus Accountability Report (CAR) and confirmed that all graduates reported as placed were both verified by the employer and/or graduate and validated as an appropriate placement in accordance with ACICS’s placement definition, through the Placement Verification Program (PVP). They voted to remove the bilingual license practical nursing program from reporting due to its revised rate of 77%.

   Reagan National University: The Committee reviewed the institution’s revised 2018 Campus Accountability Report (CAR) and confirmed that all graduates reported as placed were both verified by the employer and/or graduate and...
validated as an appropriate placement in accordance with ACICS’s placement definition, through the Placement Verification Program (PVP). The campus’s revised placement rate is 65%, which is below the Council’s benchmark for placement. They voted to vacate the campus-level show-cause directive and place the institution on reporting.

Motion: Loveman
Second: Leak
Passed

b. Initial Application Considerations

To ensure that potential applicants are sufficiently vetted to be consistent with the Council’s expectation of quality and review, the staff provided several “unique” institutional activities for discussion and guidance. Such unique circumstances included: institutions with affiliations, institutions under adverse actions, fully online institutions, and state/government authority of international institutions. Many of these instances will be discussed with the full Council at the next full meeting in August 2019. See attachment for notes on each consideration.

c. Reinstatement Request for Houston’s Training and Education Center:

The EC reviewed the institution’s application for reinstatement of its accreditation following its voluntary withdrawal. Upon review the EC determined that there was insufficient (3 students) academic activity occurring at the campus. This population is not sufficient to support coursework and learning experiences that constitute measurable and defined educational programs, and to enable ACICS to assess the educational effectiveness of those programs (Section 1-2-100). Therefore, the EC votes to deny the request for reinstatement.

Motion: Bennett
Second: Leak
Passed

d. Request to Vacate Show-Cause for College of Business & Technology

The EC reviewed the show-cause directive issued to CBT (00019381) regarding zero enrollment reported in the ending population of the 2018 Campus Accountability Report (CAR). Since the issuance of the show-cause, CBT notified ACICS of the official closure of the branch campus. Upon review of formal acknowledgement of closure by ACICS, the EC voted to vacate the show-cause directive.

Motion: Leak
Second: Loveman
Passed
e. Annual Conference Feedback: Discussion.

f. Financials:

The EC reviewed the financials to date and completed a thorough review of the investment account portfolio as it will be utilized through FY 2023 to supplement operating expenses for the agency.
Potential Applicants for Executive Consideration

1. Institutions with Affiliations
   a. [Redacted] see attached Statement from the President

      Previously a department of [Redacted] University which received its KY approval in fall 2018. While the two-year requirement can be considered met, the institution does not have access to any of its records as [Redacted] is not cooperative on the split. Additionally, the institution will not have its own graduating class (BFA program) until 2022.

      The EC determined that the absence of historic data which is compounded by the time period before the first cohort graduates, limited ACICS’ ability to consider this institution in a manner that would be consistent with its practices and eligibility standards.

   b. [Redacted]

      Similar to [Redacted] the institution was affiliated with The University of [Redacted] to provide coursework in the graduate program. However, the institution has since received approval from CIE as an independent institution and will have its own graduating class in winter 2019. Given that the Council would be able to conduct its own assessment of student outcomes prior to any of its visits, the EC was comfortable with the consideration of this institution.

2. Institutions Under Adverse Action

   Staff shared with the Council that the USDE regulations require a rationale only if an initial grant of accreditation were to be granted to the institution. The EC discussed the consideration of an application in light of that fact, given that approval is not guaranteed.

   a. [Redacted] — denied by ABHES

      The institution has been asked to provide a detailed response with documentation as part of its institutional registration (prior to consideration for an invitation). Staff would also reach out to ABHES for additional information on the action taken.