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## IMPACT REPORT

2022-2023 ACADEMIC YEAR



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## A Message from the Dean

The University of Utah is the flagship university of our state. We are a research-intensive university, and a member of the American Association of Universities, among 60 of the nation's top R1 institutions. In this context, the College of Social and Behavioral Science serves as a premier learning environment with abundant opportunities for students looking to make a



profound impact on their social world.

Now, more than ever, our communities require creative solutions to address the pressing issues that define our times. The social and behavioral science disciplines have had a huge impact in shaping policy on topics such as human rights, economic inequities, social mobility, health disparities, contemporary issues affecting mental health, adaptation to climate change, and anthropological differences. Our students enjoy life changing internships, and they graduate with a better understanding of civic engagement and what motivates change in our society. As social and behavioral scientists we analyze data and we create knowledge. This skillset prepares our students for career paths in fields such as data analytics, public health, environment and sustainability, policy and nonprofit leadership, economics, cultural resource management, criminology and law degrees, and careers in mental health –all of these contemporary areas of study prepare students to serve our regional and national workforce needs.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership.

Warm Regards,

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## Our Mission & Values

## **Our Mission**

Today's societal challenges require solutions where disciplines work together to meet human needs. Global economies are changing. Climate change is creating challenges to our way of life. Chronic health problems like diabetes and obesity are nearing epidemic levels. Post-pandemic behavioral health needs continue to rise.

These challenges require a new way of thinking and a cross-disciplinary perspective. Our seven departments, two interdisciplinary programs, and multiple centers train students to understand that human solutions involve an understanding of the economic, political, and cultural conditions that influence human thought and behavior.

We take an integrated three part approach to these interdisciplinary solutions by: 1) creating innovative research that cross-cuts disciplines 2) providing novel teaching and instruction in the classroom that connects these disciplines for students 3) connecting students to community partners and policy makers who translate this research and knowledge into policies and action.

By bringing a community of faculty scholars, graduate and undergraduate students, community partners and policy makers together, we are producing knowledge and training that will provide lasting solutions to today's challenges.

## Programs

Department of Aerospace Studies Department of Anthropology Department of Economics Department of Family & Consumer Studies Department of Geography Department of Military Science Department of Naval Studies Department of Sociology Department of Psychology Department of Political Science

Criminology Environmental & Sustainability Studies Geographic Information Science (GIS) Health, Society & Policy

Master of Public Administration Master of Public Policy Master of Science in International Affairs & Global Enterprise

## Students

CSBS Students (as of spring 2023): TOTAL: 4,436 UNDERGRADUATE Seniors: 1652 Juniors: 1083 Sophomores: 817 Freshman: 421 second bacc: 47 GRADUATE Masters: 242 Ph.D.: 174

## Faculty + Leadership

## **New Leadership**

## Rebecca Utz, Ph.D. Associate Dean of Research



"As Associate Dean of Research, I have had the privilege to learn more about the diversity and quality of research coming from the College of Social

and Behavioral Science (CSBS). CSBS is at the leading-edge of using research to address important social issues and to develop solutions that will produce societal impact."

## Claudio Holzner, Ph.D. Chair, Department of Political Science



"It is an exciting time to lead the Political Science department. We have a responsibility to educate our students and the public about complex and pressing

challenges facing our world today."

## Tom Maloney, Ph.D. Chair, Department of Economics



"I am honored to be asked to lead the Economics Department again. I look forward to helping our faculty and students build on our traditional strengths

and also establish exciting new programs, like our new emphasis in Law and Economics."

## Sara Creem-Regehr, Ph.D. Interim Chair, Department of Psychology



"I am very happy to step in and lead the department for the upcoming 2023-2024 year. We have some wonderful

opportunities happening including the growth of our undergraduate major, which is both exciting and challenging. I hope to serve our students, faculty, and staff in advancing our educational, training, and research goals."

## Lt. Col. Trek Potter Chair, Aerospace Studies, Air Force ROTC



"It is an honor to be able to lead the Air Force and Space Force Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) program, Detachment

850, at the University of Utah. Our vision is to develop leaders of the highest character to defend our nation in future conflict. As an Alumni of Detachment 850, I can personally attest that its training regiment, along with the incredible education our student-cadets receive from the University of Utah, produces truly exceptional officers for the Air Force and Space Force."

## **New Faculty**

**Rachna Reddy** Assistant Professor Department of Anthropology

**Alberto Garcia** Assistant Professor Department of Economics

**Jessica DiCarlo** Assistant Professor Department of Geography

Matthew Fry Associate Professor Department of Geography

**Monika Lohani** Assistant Professor Department of Psychology

**Samantha Moore-Berg** Assistant Professor Department of Psychology

**Kara Moore** Assistant Professor Department of Psychology

**Max Coleman** Assistant Professor Department of Sociology

## New Full-time Career-Line Faculty

**Duangkamol Karpinski** Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Economics

Hal Singer Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Economics **Macy Halladay** Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Family & Consumer Studies

**Jason Floyd** Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Family & Consumer Studies

Katherine Pagano Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Psychology

Jared Branch Assistant Professor Lecturer Department of Psychology

## **Faculty Emeriti**

**Armondo Solorzano** Associate Professor Family & Consumer Studies

**Elizabeth Ann Cashdan** Professor Department of Anthropology

**Günseli Berik** Professor Department of Economics

**Howard Lehman** Professor Department of Political Science

**John G. Francis** Professor Department of Political Science

**Richard T. Green** Professor Department of Political Science

**Vincent V. Salomonson** Researcher Professor Department of Geography

# Accolades & Recognition\*

## **Faculty Awards**

#### Daniels Fund Leadership in Ethics Education Award Brent J. Steele Professor of Political Science

**Distinguished Research Award** Brett Clark Professor of Sociology

**Distinguished Teaching Award** Brian Codding Professor of Anthropology

Claudio A. Holzner Professor of Political Science

#### John G. Francis Prize for Undergraduate Student Mentoring Akiko Kamimura Associate Professor of Sociology

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor Award Sara Elizabeth Grineski Professor of Sociology

Presidential Scholar Award Marcel Paret Associate Professor of Sociology

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Grants Awarded to 26 Faculty



## **Student Awards**

Truman Scholar Malea Bauer Department of Economics & International Studies

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) Tuan Cassim

Department of Psychology

Anahi Yerman Department of Anthropology

Kathryn Sokolowski Department of Anthropology

Ishmael Medina Department of Anthropology

Clayton Szczech Department of Sociology

## \*Academic Year 2022-2023 Only

#### Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC) Cadet of the Year for 2022

Natalie Stevens Criminology Air Force ROTC

#### Inclusive Science Research Development Grant Award from the Association of Contextual Behavioral Sciences (ACBS)

Manny Gutierrez Chavez Department of Psychology

### APA Early Graduate Student Researcher Award from the APA Science Student Council

Kiran Kaur Department of Psychology

#### Diversity Research Grant from the Society of Pediatric Psychology

Nicolette Molina Department of Psychology

## CSBS Departments, Programs & Centers

Department of Geography Celebrates 75th Anniversary

Program of Environmental & Sustainability Studies Celebrates 25th Anniversary

#### Department of Aerospace Studies, Air Force ROTC

### **Best AFROTC Detachment of 2022**

Detachment 850 won the AFROTC North West Region "Best AFROTC Detachment of 2022" among 13 other university detachments competing for the title.

### Champions of Utah's Tri-Det Tournament '23

Detachment 850 was awarded as Champions of Utah's Tri-Det Tournament '23, a physical, mental, and military aptitude competition between cadets from BYU, Utah State, and the University of Utah AFROTC.

### Wasatch Front Research Data Center Grand Opening

NEXUS proudly opened the Wasatch Front Research Data Center. The grand opening of the Wasatch Front Research Data Center featured a panel of guest speakers. The center provided a secure environment for qualified researchers to access a vast collection of high-quality, restricted access federal data.



## **Media Highlights**

Faculty mentions in local, national, and international media outlets. The New York Eimes

The Salt Lake Tribune

A Deservet News

Daily 🚵 Mail

Times

The Washington Post

## **Distinguished Alumni**

CSBS proudly celebrated its exceptional alumni at the 2023 Distinguished Alumni Awards held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023. The event recognized and honored five remarkable individuals who have made significant contributions to their respective fields and have exemplified the values and ideals of the college. The awardees were selected based on their exceptional achievements, commitment to social and environmental causes, and their outstanding engagement in their communities.



(From left to right: Wade Roberts, Lorena Riffo-Jenson, Caroline Gleich, Christopher P. Gamvroulas, Kathleen B. Hom.

Christopher P. Gamvroulas

Outstanding Engagement Award Political Science

## Wade C. Roberts

Change-Maker Award Economics

## **Caroline Gleich**

Rising Star Award Anthropology

## Lorena Riffo-Jenson

Community Leadership Award Sociology

## Kathleen B. Hom Honorary Alumni Award MPA

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## **Workshops & Townhalls**

## **Graduate Student Townhall**

CSBS's Graduate Townhall, led by Dean Camacho and Associate Dean Utz, was a platform for graduate students to discuss topics such writing, housing, research goals, and career options, providing a supportive space for academic and professional growth.

Later that semester, the University of Utah formed a task force focused on graduate student needs. Associate Dean Utz served on this committee.

To learn more about the outcomes and recommendations of this committee, visit their dedicated website.

## **Guest Speakers**

#### David Brookman Associate Professor, UC Berkeley

"Selective Exposure and Partisan Echo Chambers. Television News Consumption: Evidence from Linked Viewership, Administrative, and Survey Data"

## Mary Lowe Lecture Series with Katherine Magnuson

"Findings from the Baby's First Years Study: How does Cash Support Affect Children and Families in Low-Income Contexts"



### Dr. Anita Davis, VP of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Trinity College in Connecticut

"Navigating Difficult Moments in the Classroom: the Importance of Self-Awareness and Preparation"

"Being an Ally on Campus: What it Takes and What Gets in the Way"

## Trainings

## **Active Aggressor Training**

This spring, the college organized an Active Aggressor Training, prompted by an evaluation that identified Ken Gardner as a potential risk due to its status as the fifth largest building on campus. The event brought together faculty, staff, and emergency response teams to engage participants in readiness for responding to an active aggressor scenario.

"The active shooter training was an interesting and helpful training that tested me in unexpected ways. I feel much more prepared and empowered to handle myself in the event of this type of emergency." - Chair Jack M. Broughton

## Conferences

### **ENVST Research Symposium**

Graduate students from across campus presented their environment and sustainability related research to the public.

## Anti-trust Conference for Economics

The Department of Economics, in conjunction with S.J. Quinney College of Law, hosted their annual "Consumer Protection and Antitrust Conference" this spring, where leading experts and policymakers addressed the evolving landscape of antitrust enforcement, culminating in the establishment of the groundbreaking Utah Project, a dedicated interdisciplinary center for the study of antitrust and consumer protection law, showcasing the University of Utah's leadership in this field.

## Class of 2023 Graduation Statistics



## **Behavioral Health Innovation and Dissemination (BHIDC) Announces Two New Clinics**



## Two New Clinics Offereing Services in English and Spanish

## South Main Clinic (Fall 2023)

Rose Park Clinic (Spring 2024)

"BHIDC is deeply committed to addressing the mental health needs of the underserved, under-resourced, and marginalized citizens of Utah. We are increasing access to mental health services across the state right now while training the providers and developing the psychotherapies of tomorrow. We believe that it is vitally important for workforce development to occur in the contexts and communities where providers are most needed; we pursue this goal by engaging in close and creative partnerships with primary care clinics and communities agencies to identify coverage gaps in available services and bottlenecks in accessing care. Examples of this approach include our partnership with the School of Medicine's South Main Clinic, where we focus on increasing the availability of mental health services for Spanish-speaking children and adolescents, and our partnership with the Population Health Center, where we provide mental health services for refugees and asylum-seeking individuals as they transition to receiving care from resettlement agencies. We seek to embody the U's mission to serve the citizens of this state through community engagement and campus-wide collaborations."

 Brian R. W. Baucom, Ph.D.
Co-Director, Behavioral Health Innovation and Dissemination Center

## Dean's Outreach & Impact



## **OCTOBER - DECEMBER**

### Day of the Dead Community Celebration

In collaboration with the broader campus community, we hosted a Day of the Dead Community Celebration highlighting the research of Dr. Armando Solorzano from the Department of Family & Consumer Studies.

### **Community Engaged Research Open House**

The dean led this event to prioritize community engaged research. Faculty were invited to discuss community partnerships, potential broader impacts for research, and engage in open discussions for collaborations between CSBS and regional leaders.

## **JULY - SEPTEMBER**

### Fall Pecha Kucha Series

Dean Michelle M. Camacho hosted faculty and staff at a series of pecha kucha presentations to foster unity, to develop understanding between departments, and build community within the college.

### **Community Conversations**

Dean Michelle M. Camacho hosted a series of community conversations with alumni and key community partners to gain understanding of the needs of our community and find opportunities of support and collaboration.

"Community Conversations have been a transformative journey of connection and insight, bringing together our alumni, esteemed community partners, and our academic community. By fostering open dialogues, we've not only gained a profound understanding of our community's needs but also uncovered exciting opportunities for support and collaboration. The success of this series reaffirms the importance of forging strong bonds beyond our academic walls, proving that together, we can drive positive change and make a lasting impact on our community." – Dean Michelle M. Camacho





**APRIL - JUNE** 

### Zion's Evening ESL Graduation, 43rd cohort

The University of Utah's English Language Institute and Zions Bank celebrated their 43rd graduating cohort from the Zions Evening ESL Program. Dean Michelle M. Camacho served this celebration as a keynote this celebration as a keynote speaker.speaker.

"This collaboration between the University of Utah's English Language Institute and Zions Bank symbolizes the transformative power of education and corporate partnership. As I addressed this gathering as a keynote speaker, I was reminded once again of the boundless potential that education unleashes. To the graduates, I extend my heartfelt congratulations, and I urge you to carry forward the determination you've displayed during this program." – Dean Michelle M. Camacho

### Graduation Extravaganza Resource Event for Graduating Students

CSBS, in collaboration with College of Humanities and the School for Cultural and Social Transformation, centralized resources for graduating students to prepare them for graduation including career coaching and employer networking.

"As we came together to celebrate the Graduation Extravaganza, a remarkable event in collaboration with the College of Humanities and the School of Transform, we reaffirmed our commitment to nurturing not just academic achievement, but the holistic success of our graduates. This event serves as a pillar of support and empowerment for our 2023 graduating class, centralizing essential graduation resources that streamline their journey toward convocation and the promising future that lies beyond." – Dean Michelle M. Camacho

## **JANUARY - MARCH**



#### Churros and Chocolate Community Building Event

This event brought students and the dean together over churros and chocolate, for informal mentorship. It served as a meaningful opportunity for students to engage with our dean, sharing ideas and building relationships that will continue to enrich our academic environment.

#### Graduate Student Town Hall (See page 9)

### Pac-12 Arts and Sciences Dean Workshop

Dean Camacho along with Associate Deans Utz and Burbank facilitated discussions with Director Ken Smith on NEXUS and the Wasatch Front Research Data Center.

### **Latinos in Action**

Nearly 1,700 Latino youth attended the Annual Latinos in Action conference hosted at the University of Utah on April 26. The high school students participated in cultural events and attended workshops on a variety of topics, including strengthening civic engagement. Dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Science, Michelle M. Camacho attended as a keynote speaker for the event.

"I am deeply grateful to speak at this event that not only celebrates heritage but also empowers the leaders of tomorrow. The scholarships awarded reflect our commitment to nurturing talent and providing opportunities. Let us remember that by embracing our culture and education, we can create a ripple effect of positive change that extends far beyond the confines of this conference." – Dean Michelle M. Camacho



## Student Research & Experiential Learning

## Justice Advocacy Fellowship (JAF)

The Justice Advocacy Fellowship (JAF) is a groundbreaking program deeply rooted in social science research on social justice commitment development. Each year, a cohort of approximately 20 dedicated students embark on a transformative journey. Over an entire academic year, JAF participants intern 8 hours per week at esteemed local organizations, such as ACLU, YWCA, UHPP, Better Utah, and Voices for Utah Children, engaging in direct advocacy across various critical arenas.



## **CSBS Internships**

The CSBS Internship Program provides broad internship support to CSBS students, community partners, and faculty to make internships accessible and rewarding for everyone. Our internships are full- and parttime, offering opportunities for all CSBS majors and in a variety of different fields. All opportunities are vetted and provide learning opportunities for students. To date, students have participated in internships in everything from analyzing policy for Voices for Utah Children to providing counseling support to children at The Children's Center.

## **2023 Student Research Day**

## **UNDERGRADUATE AWARD WINNERS**

#### **First Place**

Azra Helac, Psychology The Association Between Perceived Social Support and Health Behaviors Using an Actor- Partner Model

#### **Second Place**

Anna Johnson, ENVST Firewood and Indigenous Ecological Knowledge on Cedar Mesa, UT

#### **Third Place**

Taimur Iftikhar, Economics *Return on Investments* 

#### Audience Choice Award:

Mathilda Scott, Sociology Disparities in Access to Air Conditioning in 10 Metro Areas

### **GRADUATE AWARD WINNERS**

#### **First Place**

Susana Velasquez-Franco, Geography Mentor: Mitchell Power Listening to la laguna: a long-term disturbance perspective from a conflict zone in Columbia's, tropical Andean forest

#### **Second Place**

Ian Farrell, Anthropology Mentor: Shannon Boomgarden Costs of Storage in Range Creek Canyon, UT

### **Third Place**

Rebecca Seegraber, Anthropology Mentor: Timothy Webster Evidence for adaptive evolution in the Marcaque radiation

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