STUDENTS REPRESENTING STUDENTS
The Student Teacher Advisory Council (STAC) is a group of student representatives from Single and Multiple Subject cohort groups and is chaired by Dr. Cheryl Mason, Associate Director of the School of Teacher Education. This organization meets on a monthly basis, giving credential candidates experience with a professional organization and enhancing communication between students and the credential programs. The work of STAC representatives has been instrumental in influencing policy and procedures of the School of Teacher Education and its collaborative partners. The mission statement, found at http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/sac.htm, elaborates on this group and its activities.

SAN DIEGO BRAIN INJURY FOUNDATION (SDBIF) ELECTS A NEW INTERIM PRESIDENT
Dr. Charles Degeneffe, Assistant Professor of Rehabilitation Counseling in the Department of Administration, Rehabilitation, and Postsecondary Education (ARPE), was recently elected as Interim President of the San Diego Brain Injury Foundation (SDBIF). He is completing the term of Clair Jones, a 1976 SDSU graduate and current lecturer, who is leaving for a position in Hawaii as CEO of the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific. Dr. Degeneffe joined SDSU in Fall 2005. His research focuses on adjustment and caregiving for families of persons with traumatic brain injury. The SDBIF provides information, support, education, and community awareness for persons with brain injuries and their families in San Diego county since 1983. Its vision is to be a center of information, resources, and education, and to be a strong social advocate for people with brain injuries. The SDBIF is located in the ARPE/Interwork Institute. To learn more about the SDBIF, please go to http://www.sdbif.org./

SOH-LEONG LIM PRESENTS WORKSHOP AND PAPERS IN CHINA
Dr. Soh-Leong Lim, Counseling and School Psychology (CSP), mentored a group of eight graduate students in Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) in paper presentations at the 12th International Counseling Conference in Shanghai, China in June. Together with co-authors, Ly, Rush, Shock, Cai, Vu-Bui, Carroll, Zeitz, and Umeda, they presented four sessions: (a) The use of WebQuest in training students for global advocacy in issues of child trafficking and prostitution, (b) Couple Communication®: An effective family life prevention and intervention tool in the cultural context of mainland China, (c) The use of the cultural genogram as a transformative tool for development of cultural identity and client advocacy, and (d) The innovative use of unstructured groups in MFT training. All papers were published in the Proceedings of the conference. While in Shanghai, Dr. Lim also presented a half-day workshop for the AYA Counseling Services, Shanghai, China, for a group of 12 Mainland Chinese counselors, Using Genograms for Assessment and Intervention in Counseling Chinese Families.

CSP NATIVE AMERICAN SCHOLARS AND COLLABORATORS PRESENT SYMPOSIUM IN DENVER
CSP’s School Counseling Director Trish Hatch and Department Chair Carol Robinson-Zañartu and six recent graduates and graduate students in school counseling and school psychology (Mikela Jones, Dwayne Manus, Cynthia Borboa, Dianna Tiger, Ruben Sanchez and Ann Pierce) received outstanding reviews for their symposium, Indigenous Education Issues and the ASCA National Model presented in July in Denver at the Annual Meeting of the American School Counselors Association.

TRISH HATCH AWARDED LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN SCHOOL COUNSELING
The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) awarded its highest honor, the Mary E. Gehrke Lifetime Achievement Award to Trish Hatch, Ph.D, Director of the School Counseling Program, during a special gala at ASCA’s annual conference in Denver, June 23-26, 2007. This award is presented by the ASCA Governing Board to school counseling professionals who’ve made a significant contribution to the profession over the course of their careers. She is co-author of “The ASCA National Model: A Framework for School Counseling Programs.” Now in its second edition, it has sold more than 43,000 copies. Hatch is the eighth individual to ever receive the Lifetime Achievement Award.