

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of being able to represent SFSU and my programs at various events and programs, including receptions for newly admitted students, college fairs, and the Alumni Association Dinner.

I would like to thank Profs. Leikin, Arrieta, Viator, Postel, Elkind and Crabtree for some of the most intriguing classes I have taken. I would like to thank Sheri Kennedy for helping me with advising in all the random drop in appointments I made. I would like to thank my ResLife and Outreach families, for giving me the opportunity to influence the lives of current SFSU residents and potential future students. And finally, my family, for the continued support and love they gave me while I was away from home.

My plans for the future include continuing my studies at SFSU to receive my History MA and to get my teaching credentials.

Victor Javier Aguilar B.A. 2020



Elizabeth Alexander

B.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am most proud of working full time and pursuing a degree!

I would like to thank my amazing family, partner and friends who have been my strength these past 12 years! A special thank you to my loving and supportive family Sabrina, Sarah, and Jim.

My plans for the future include going to graduate school for Museum Studies.



Khaled Alsharif

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of... accomplishing my B.A degree.

I would like to thank... My family, my teachers, and S.F state community.

My plans for the future include... Working with archaeology research.



Vincent Caruso

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the papers I wrote.

I would like to thank my mother, father, and brother for helping me achieve my goals.

My plans for the future include taking care of business.



David Del Castillo Schmidhuber B.A. 2020



Looking back at SFSU I am proudest of the grades I was able to achieve as I never thought I would be able to accomplish the GPA nor the good grades I got and I'm really proud of it as in high school and part of college, I was a mediocre student. SFSU has really sharpened my ambition to study and get ahead.

I would like to Thank my Wife Ruth Colom, she has been my Study buddy and since she graduated (Biology department SFSU) I felt a bit alone, yet she always pushed me to stay if necessary to study and thanks to that I was able to pass my classes with good grades. I thank my Family also, my family but mainly my mom and my Dad that they always supported me in doing what I loved to do and its history, since I was a child they always knew I was really into either anthropology or history and I am happy to see them that I make them proud.

My plans for the future include being able to work in the field that I absolutely love, perhaps in a museum or maybe my major will take me to teaching who knows, educate other and inform them why History is crucial to education as I see less and less people interested in history, newer generations in particular even older ones are very ignorant and naive into the problems of today but it all goes back to years perhaps centuries of problems that they are unaware, and that's a start to solving issues in my opinion., what is certain is I'm going to get a full 10th century viking armor.



Sophia Marie Diaz-Muca

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of dancing awesome choreography created by my friends and fellow students in the dance department. I continue to be proud of the work I did at community college that got me to SFSU in the first place.

I would like to thank so many people who have given me endless love and support, especially my mom, grandma, and little sister Christina. Of course, I owe a huge thanks to my professors and instructors who gave me words of encouragement and accepted my late submissions. I would also like to thank any friend who gave me a couch to crash on and saved me from either a hella early or hella late commute on Bart.

My plans for the future include continuing to work as a teacher for Pin@y Educational Partnerships. In addition to that, I will continue to ride out quarantine with my job at Whole Foods and save in hopes of further education in the distant future. I am also looking forward to all my belated graduation celebrations.





Marlena Dolkas B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the hard work and dedication I put into my double major. By working full time, interning, and trying to focus on school, SFSU helped prepare me for the future and continue my drive in the fields I have chosen to pursue.

I would like to thank my family, for their endless support. Especially, my grandparents, you inspire me.

My plans in the future include taking some time off to travel and hopefully law school fall 2021!



Emma Louise Gajewski

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the memories I have had with my fellow peers and the knowledge, advice and help I have received from my many teachers.

I would like to thank the professors that I have had had patient and who have the knowledge, advice and help to be a success historian.

My plans for the future include getting experience in the teaching, going to graduate school , and hopefully coming back to SFSU for my credentials to be able to teach elementary school children



Edgar Lazcano

B.A. 2020

I am proud of the fact that I am the first person in my family to attend and graduate from college. There's been plenty of laughter, joy, struggles, and tears along the way, but I am proud of how I have grown as a person because of my experience here at SFSU.

There's so many people that come to mind: First off, I want to thank my loving parents for their ever-enduring support and for always pushing me to get up whenever I was down. I would like to thank my younger brother Andy for constantly motivating me to do my best and for allowing me to set an example for him for when he goes to college one day. I am forever grateful to my grandmother who helped my mother raise me and helped me become the person that I am today.

I would like to thank all of the wonderful people who I have had the pleasure of meeting and consider my friends for making my time at SFSU memorable. I hold many fond memories of every one of you. Finally, I would like to thank the outstanding staff and faculty within the history department that I have had the honor of getting to know and taking classes with. Your dedication to your profession is beyond extraordinary and inspires me. I have learned so much from each of you and have acquired skills that will help me become a better historian and serve me well over time.

Although the future may seem uncertain right now, I hope to get involved with the Oakland Unified School District within the upcoming academic year. From there, I shall consider my next steps. Whatever decision I end up taking, only time will tell, yet I am happy to know that my options are many as a result of my time at SFSU!



Bob Letters

B.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of how much my interests have evolved, and that I found my niche in studying history while still being able to explore other fields that interest me.

I would like to thank my dad for always supporting me regardless of whichever subject I was fixated on at the time. I'd also like to thank Professor Jarbel Rodriguez for both inspiring me to pursue medieval history, and for being an immense help in the process of applying to graduate schools.

This coming Fall I am planning on pursuing a masters in medieval history at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, and am so excited to apply there what I have learned at SF State.

Jolie McCumber

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of... the friendships I made and the sense of independence I developed while living in SF

I would like to thank... my parents and professors for their guidance and support.

My plans for the future include... learning some martial arts and traveling to France to improve my French speaking skills



Vanessa Miller

B.A. 2020



I am proudest of my On-Campus involvement, determination, and all of my hard-work in my classes.

I would like to thank my Parents, Family, and Roommates for their guidance and help throughout the years.

In Fall 2020 I will be attending SF State again, pursuing a Masters in Secondary Education while also obtaining a teaching credential in Social Science with intentions of becoming a high school history teacher in the future.

Amber Naeem

B.A. 2020

I want to thank the History department and its professors for their exceptional dedication, guidance, and support. I am especially grateful to Professor Katz and Professor Wolf for helping discover the historian in me. And of course, Professor Sheri Kennedy, for the valuable academic advice and assistance. Last but not least, I am thankful to my family, especially my husband, for their love and support.

My plans for the future include working towards my MA in History at San Francisco State University.



Maribel Perez

B.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of completing my bachelors while being far away from my family for the first time.

I would like to thank my parents for coming into this country to give my sisters and I a better life. I would also like to thank my sisters for being my biggest supporters.

My plans for the future include getting a Masters degree in Education and my Teaching Credentials.



Alisa Polischuk

B.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the opportunities I was able to take advantage of and all the friends I made along the way. I was fortunate enough to live on campus, study abroad twice, complete two minors, and work in the Fine Arts Gallery. All these experiences exposed me to a wide array of wonderful people who made my time at state truly special.

I would like to thank Sharon Bliss for being supportive, understanding and inspiring. Working with Sharon has helped me reimagine what it means to be a historian in the 21st century and how that looks outside of academia in the art world. I can truly say that working with her and Kevin Chen has been one of my most formative college experiences.

My plans for the future include starting graduate school this fall at Georgetown University and hopefully working for one of the incredible museums in Washington D.C.



Jack Prunty

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am most proud to have researched the Black Panther Party, not only for recognizing race relations within the United States during the 1960s, but also heroes we don't recognize enough in our profession! Also to have written a lot, that was pretty awesome bragging rights!

I would love to thank the whole history department (especially Professor Crabtree, Professor Elkind, Professor Sigmon, Professor Postel, and Professor Herr as well as Professor Kennedy) for all the kind words, knowledge, and assistance with my writing and skills inside and outside of SF State! Also I would love to thank the whole staff of Sutro Library for everything they helped me with, always being kind and assisting me with everything!

My plans for the future will be studying the Wild West at Long Beach State for my Masters degree, and hopefully one day being consulted for historical evidence! Also, trying to be the best Wild West professor the country has ever seen (as well as recognizing the Buffalo Soldiers)!



Cody Roper

B.A. 2020



I have enjoyed my time here at State. I'm looking forward to continuing my education as a grad student. I would like to thank my professors, my advisor, and of course my family.





Gabriel Tomas Santos B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of making it this far and not giving up. I'd also like to thank the wonderful staff and professors in the History department for making my journey a lot more enjoyable.

I would like to thank my parents and my girlfriend for always supporting me.

My plans for the future include getting a job and traveling the world.



Kelsey Sims

M.A. 2020



Looking back on my time at SF State, I am most proud of how I was able to push myself out of my comfort zone, most notably through writing a thesis.

I would like to thank my fellow History graduate students for being a constant source of encouragement and joy. They made me smile and laugh on days when I thought it wouldn't be possible. I am very grateful for the wonderful people I met and now call my friends.

My future consists of looking for a job that balances my love for both Education and History. My goal is to help make History accessible to everyone.



Daniel Solares

B.A. 2020

Looking back, the one thing I am most proud of is actually accomplishing this goal of graduation. I have had times over the years where I felt like quitting school and it wasn't right for me but I have now made it this far and am glad I have. I would like to thank my family and friends the most for supporting me during my school career and giving me something to work towards. I will now go in the future and use my knowledge of history and world cultures to better myself and others.



Cole Souder

M.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the friendships I made with the members of my cohort.

I would like to thank everyone who had to put up with my day-to-day brattiness and helped get through those readings that were more necessary than interesting (*cough* Macaulay *cough*).

My plans for the future including looking after my pet rabbit, teaching, and hopefully a Ph.D.



Analisa Spina

M.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of the advocacy work I've done with Residential Life for students and peers.

I would like to thank all of my professors who, over the last 6 years, were wonderful historians and mentors, as well as friends.

My plans for the future include a year off for traveling before starting a PhD, then teaching while consulting for films and television.



Julie van den Hout M.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I am proudest of how much I have learned about the research and writing of history, and of the work I have been able to accomplish because of that.

I would like to thank my wonderful professors, especially my thesis advisors, Professors Crabtree, Wolf, and Lisy-Wagner, for their continued encouragement and guidance, along with Sheri Kennedy and Margaret Paz for always being there.

My plans for the future include starting the Masters of Liberal Arts program at Stanford University this fall, and, I hope, a new book about messages in bottles.



Hailee VanHorn

B.A. 2020



Looking back at my time at SF State, I'm proudest of becoming a less judgmental, more open person, willing to try out new experiences and understand new points of view.

I'd like to thank my parents for supporting me and making me put in the work that got me to this point. I'd like to thank my friends for letting me be a part of their lives, and reminding me that I'm not alone in feeling overwhelmed by midterms and finals every semester. I'd also like to thank my professors for introducing me to interests that I didn't know I had, and giving me the skills that will serve me as a historian for the rest of my life.

My plans for the future include continuing to work in the field of public history, and possibly going for my Master's degree.



Gabriel Vargas

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, I am most proud of taking a leap of faith by leaving my home and family and achieving something difficult. A College Degree

I would like to thank my parents Joe and Liza. For supporting me in my decision to move across the state. My fiancée Linda. Thank you for sticking by my side and believing in me despite the distance between us. To the rest of my family, thank you for being there in case I needed anything.

My plans for the future include spending time with my family and fiancée to make up for my time gone. Also to start looking for a job!



Michael Yee Wong

B.A. 2020

Looking back at my time at SF State, my most proudest moment is completing the CSL with the Sutro and Professor Crabtree and publishing an article for the Sutro.

I would like to thank my parents for helping me through all my needs through this college journey. Without the help and support of them, I don't think I would've finished college without them..

My plans for the future include finding an appropriate Master's program, than working for the Department of Defense as a historian.



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