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Making the News

Sociology's Lionel Cantu was interviewed by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for a story about the 1.5 million Texans who lack English skills. Also in sociology, Craig Reinarman was a major source for a St. Petersburg Times reporter who did a multipart story on Dutch policy on marijuana. And sociologist Nancy Stoller was tapped by the San Francisco Chronicle for a story on the odd anticloning alliance between feminists and Republican conservatives.

Research biologist Baldo Marinovic was quoted in the San Jose Mercury News in a story about sooty shearwaters, seabirds that gather in huge numbers in Monterey Bay at this time of year.

An article in the Dallas Morning News about the Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) project, and the effects of its cancellation on the field of physics, featured the remarks of Michael Riordan, adjunct professor of physics.

A San Francisco Chronicle reporter tapped the expertise of statistician David Draper, professor and chair of applied math and statistics, for a story about Giants slugger Barry Bonds and his home-run hitting streak.

The Washington Post article about Marcia Millman's book on real-life love stories and the movies has appeared in the Los Angeles Times and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, among other papers around the country.

Research by professor of ocean sciences Jonathan Zehr on nitrogen fixation by marine microorganisms was covered by the UPI wire service, Science News magazine, Science Now, and KSCO Radio.

Professor of mathematics Richard Montgomery was featured in an article in New Scientist magazine about the
daunting "three-body problem"--how three or more celestial objects will move under their mutual gravitational attraction.

The Associated Press turned to Manuel Pastor of Latin American and Latino studies for comment on the high percentage of Central and South Americans in San Francisco County.

Agroecology's Steve Gliessman was quoted in a United Press International story about the decreased nutritional value of wheat grown in high carbon-dioxide environments.

Economist Rob Fairlie's work was cited in a Florida Times-Union story about immigrant entrepreneurship.

The Fresno Bee called historian Pedro Castillo about social and political changes that are likely in light of the Hispanic baby boom taking place in the San Joaquin Valley.