Four UC Santa Barbara faculty members and one graduate student have received Fulbright scholarships to study in Europe and South America during the 2006-07 academic year. In addition, the Fulbright Scholar Program has awarded grants to four university professors from as many countries to conduct research at UCSB during the same period.

The campus's faculty recipients include Keith Clarke, professor of geography and former department chair; Carlos Morton, professor of dramatic art; David Rock, professor of history; and Wade Clark Roof, professor of religious studies and director of the Walter A. Capps Center for the Study of Ethics, Religion, and Public Life.

Clarke, already in London on a year long research fellowship awarded by the Leverhulme Trust, will spend three months at the University of Trieste in Italy, where his Fulbright Distinguished Scholar award will enable him to teach a graduate course on land use change and conduct research on the depopulation of urban areas in Italy.

Morton departed UCSB in September to spend the academic year at Maria Curie-Sklodowska University in Lubin, Poland, where he holds the Distinguished Chair in American Studies.
Rock, who also left in September, will devote his year at Torcuato Di Tella University in Buenos Aires to researching and lecturing on ethnic groups in Argentina.

Roof was appointed to the Fulbright-Tocqueville Distinguished Chair in American Studies at L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in Paris. He will leave in February for five months in France, where he will teach an advanced graduate seminar on U.S. religion and politics and give lectures in Paris, Lyons, and Strasbourg.

David Roh, a UCSB graduate student in English, has received a Fulbright U.S. Student Scholarship to study literature at Wasada University in Tokyo.

Fulbright scholars from abroad who are studying at UCSB this year include Fatima Zahra Lamrani, professor of English Studies at Mohamed V University in Morocco, whose research project is titled "Verbal Violence Against Women in Moroccan Rape Trials and the Issue of Human Rights;" Aral Okay, professor of earth sciences at Istanbul Technical University in Turkey, who is studying deep burial and exhumation of the continental crust; Gustavo Ariel Pino, a research associate in the department of physical chemistry at the National University of Cordoba in Argentina, whose work involves the photoreactivity of adenine clusters; and Igor Rachinov, a doctoral candidate in chemistry at Tel Aviv University in Israel, who is examining the reaction of oxides in relation to aluminum surfaces.

The Fulbright Program, sponsored by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, is America's flagship international educational exchange program. Since its inception in 1946, the Fulbright Program has sponsored approximately 273,500 American and foreign scholars. Recipients are selected based on academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields.

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edge of the Pacific Ocean.