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**Former Teacher Sentenced to Prison for
Sexually Molesting Student**

A former teacher convicted of having unlawful sex with a 14-year-old student was sentenced today to 15 years and eight months in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Steven Andrews, 43, was convicted by a jury on March 5 of 17 counts: six counts of unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor; two counts of oral copulation of a person under 16; five counts of sexual penetration by a foreign object; three counts of lewd act upon a child; and one count of possession or control of child pornography in case KA095723.

At the sentencing, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mike Camacho also ordered Andrews to register as a sex offender for life.

Deputy District Attorney Lisa Coen, who prosecuted the case, said Andrews was a teacher at a middle school in Diamond Bar when he started a sexual relationship with a female student in May 2011.

The defendant taught the victim for about a year before the sexual misconduct began, the prosecutor said. Initially, the incidents transpired at the school, but later also occurred off campus.

Another teacher at the middle school, who became concerned about the interactions between Andrews and the female victim, contacted law enforcement.

Andrews was arrested Sept. 30, 2011 and has remained in custody.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Special Victims Bureau.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.