

## **Dean of CSUCI's Broome Library Retires**

Camarillo, Calif., July 8, 2008-California State University Channel Islands announced that Paul Adalian, Dean of the University Library, will retire from his post on July 11, 2008. Adalian has filled various roles at three libraries in the California State University system during the past 33 years.

Adalian was hired as Dean of the University Library at CSUCI in 2002, the year the University opened for students. He was responsible for developing all of the programs, services and collections for the new University Library, and he was instrumental in the opening of the John Spoor Broome Library in April 2008.

Among Adalian's many accomplishments at CSUCI are a partnership with the Ventura County Reading Association that created the Ventura Children's Reading Celebration and Young Authors' Fair, which drew an audience of nearly 400 this year; the architectural docent program at the Broome Library and the visual displays at the Library showcasing the collections; and working closely with CSUCI faculty in establishing a library of services and partnerships.

"It's been an amazing journey starting a brand new library built around our faculty and students. Our successful partnering with the academic programs to develop collections and services has established a rich tradition of working collaboratively," Adalian said. "I'm very proud of our great staff and their accomplishments. It's now time for a new journey as my wife and I head to Ashland, Oregon."

Prior to working at CSUCI, Adalian was the Assistant Dean for Information and Instructional Services at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. He also served as Head of the Reference Department at San Francisco State University. Before working within the California State University System, Adalian had library and instructional roles at colleges in Nebraska and Texas.

"Paul's dedication to developing this library shows every day through the kinds of services he has led the Broome Library staff to create and the collaborative environment he has encouraged, " said University President Richard R. Rush. "I applaud his years of service to students, faculty, and staff at this campus."

Much of the John Spoor Broome Library's collections were secured by the efforts of Adalian and the Library staff. The new Library already houses 75,000 bound volumes and more than 180,000 electronic books. The library's collection of 32,000 digital images for Art, Biology and Environmental Science is the largest in the CSU.

Adalian is retiring from CSUCI, but not from higher education entirely. He will be continuing his career at Southern Oregon University in Ashland as Dean of the Hannon Library this fall.

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