

University Awards First Scholarships to 31 Students

President Rush and the CSUCI Foundation Board will present scholarships awards to 31 deserving students at a reception on Wednesday, April 28, from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 on campus. The students were evaluated on the basis of academic merit by a committee comprised of foundation board members, faculty, and staff. The 2003-4 University scholarships include: the Altrusa Club/Dorothy Huston Scholarship; the Bernard and Barbara Bobitch Scholarship; the CSUCI Foundation—Camarillo Noontime Optimist Scholarship; the CSUCI Foundation—Camarillo Noontime Optimist Scholarship.

For more information, contact Nick Pencoff, director of Financial Aid, at ext. 8518 or nick.pencoff@csuci.edu.

University Policies Approved

The President's Council recently approved a number of policies. Officially approved are: the Policy on OPC Charge Backs; Policy on Financial Aid Packaging; Policy on State University Grant Awarding; Policy on Distribution of Written Materials; Policy on Free Speech and Assembly; and the Policy on Student Judicial Process.

For details on the policies, visit the University's Web site at www.csuci.edu. Click on "About CSUCI," then on "President's Office," and then on "President's Council."

Lifelong Learning Center for Local Residents Over 50 to Begin This Fall

The University's Lifelong Learning Center, a program designed to provide educational enrichment for area residents who are 50 years of age or older, will be launched in the fall semester, according to Gary Berg, director of Extended Education. The mission of the program is to offer intellectually challenging courses and learning opportunities from current and emeriti faculty members and other experts at the lowest possible cost, says Dr. Martin Kaplan, coordinator of the center. Initial funding for the center was provided by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.

For more information, contact Dr. Martin Kaplan, director of the CSUCI Lifelong Learning Center, at ext. 8583 or martin.kaplan@csuci.edu.

Art Department Reaches Out to Community with Exhibits, Receptions

The Art Department continues to add to the community's cultural enrichment through a number of exhibits and programs. On Wednesday, April 21, Buena High School students were invited to meet with and view CSUCI student artworks as part of a student capstone project called "Art and Sole – Walk in Our Shoes." (See photos on page 5) On Friday, May 14, the public is invited to "Digitopia," the department's first student film and video festival, to be held in the Science Building auditorium, beginning at 7 p.m. On Saturday, May 15, an artists' reception will be held from 4 - 7 p.m. to kick off the "Tradition and Technology" exhibit that will run from May 15 – June 26 at the Studio Channel Islands Art Center gallery. The exhibit features faculty and student art ranging from traditional painting to experimental mixed media, figurative and abstract sculpture, graphic design, multimedia, and hi-tech digital art.

For more information, contact Jack Reilly, professor of art and chair of the Art Department, at ext. 8863 or jack.reilly@csuci.edu, or visit www.art.csuci.edu.

CSUCI Honor Society Inducts New Members, Officers, Honorary Members

Gamma Beta Phi, the University's first honor society, held an induction ceremony for new members, officers, and honorary members, on Friday, April 23. Installed were 83 new members, along with new officers Lori Macdonald, president, Amy Spandrio, vice president, and Nancy Covarrubias Gill, treasurer. Dr. Wm. Gregory Sawyer, vice president of Student Affairs, and Dr. Robert Bleicher, assistant professor of education, serve as co-advisors. Honorary memberships were presented to President Rush; faculty members, Dr. Terry Ballman, Dr. Paul Rivera, Dr. Simone Alosio, and Dr. Harley Baker; Student Afffairs staff members, Shannon Soczek, Lisa LaFrenz, Sue Saunders, advisement coordinator, and Dr. George Morten, director of C.H.A.P.s.

For more information, contact Nancy Covarrubias Gill, associate director of operations and special projects, at ext. 8456 or nancy.gill@csuci.edu.

2nd Annual Career Fair Focuses on Internships, Jobs

The second annual CSUCI Career and Internship Fair will be held Thursday, April 29, from 10 a.m. -1 p.m. on campus, in front of the Bell Tower building. Approximately 70 area employers will discuss internships and current and anticipated job opportunities with University students as well as students from high schools and community colleges and members of the community.

Information: Katherine Metzger, career development counselor, ext. 8510, or katherine.metzger@csuci.edu.

Honors Convocation to Be Held on May 6

The 2nd Annual Honors Convocation recognizing outstanding graduates will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, May 6, in Conference Hall 1. Presenting awards will be President Rush; Wm. Gregory Sawyer, vice president for Student Affairs; Stephen Lefevre, dean of faculty; Renny Christopher, Academic Senate chair, and Joan Karp, chair for the Multiple Subject Teaching Credential program.

Information: Cindy Eaves, events coordinator, Academic Affairs, ext. 8548 or cindy.eaves@csuci.edu.

Student Capstone Project Celebrates Landmark Desegregation Case

A student liberal studies capstone project, "Celebration of Brown vs. Board of Education Decision," will be presented Monday, May 3, from 5 – 6 p.m. in Conference Hall 1 on campus. In addition to student presentations, Carmen Ramirez, coordinator of the Ventura County Self Help Legal Access Center and member of the President's Advisory Board, will speak. Instructor for the capstone project is Mary Kay Rummel, CSUCI part-time instructor.

For more information, contact Mary Kay Rummel, part-time instructor, at mary.rummel@csuci.edu.

Take a Tour of the New Administration Building

The University community is invited to visit the Office of the President and the Departments of Human Resources, Advancement, and Finance and Administration in the refurbished building located directly across from the Bell Tower building. A coffee and bagels reception will be held Friday, April 30, at 9:15 a.m. in the Training Room of the New Administration Building. Guided tours of the new building will begin in the main lobby at 9:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact Jim Cochran, administrative assistant, at ext. 8412 or jim.cochran@csuci.edu.

Workshops on Customer Service Skills, Workplace Violence Offered

The Human Resources Department is presenting two valuable workshops, "Customer Service Skills, the first session in a series that focuses on communication, team-building, and other skills, on Thursday, May 6, from 1-3 p.m. in Room 155 of the Professional Building, and "Workplace Violence: Assessing the Potential and Preventing the Act," on Thursday, May 13, from 1-3 p.m. in the Training Room of the new Administration Building. The "Customer Service Skills" session and the two following ones will feature expert Noel Levitz, facilitated by Sue Saunders, CSUCI advisement coordinator, and Anna Pavin, CSUCI human resources administrator. Class size is limited and a three-class commitment is preferred. In the workplace violence session, valuable safety tips and education will be provided by Frank Mazzola, Pacific Care EAP.

For more information or to register, contact Colleen Bennett, human resources administrator, at ext. 8846 or colleen.bennett@csuci.edu.

Learn Photoshop Skills at April 30 Class

There's still time to register for a Photoshop training class to be held on Friday, April 30, from 10 a.m. – noon in the training area of the library.

For more information or to register, contact Colleen Bennett, human resources administrator, at ext. 8846 or colleen.bennett@csuci.edu.

Kudos

- Joan Karp, professor of special education, has been invited to co-moderate an upcoming seminar at the Aspen Institute, an international think tank that features business and political leaders who discuss major issues facing society today. Some recent participants include Brent Snowcroft, former national security advisor to President George H.W. Bush; Paul Wolfowitz, deputy secretary of defense for President George W. Bush; and Henry Louis Gates, educator and cultural critic.
- Wm. Gregory Sawyer, vice president for Student Affairs, was recently named a national advisor and to the National Executive Committee for the Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society. He will be representing advisors from across the region, state, and nation. He also currently co-advises the CSUCI chapter of GBP.
- Antonio Jimenez-Jimenez, assistant professor of Spanish, and Kevin Volkan, professor of psychology, will participate in an International Faculty Partnership Seminar, to be held at Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan, from June 29 July 2, 2004. The purpose of seminar is to facilitate multiculturalism and international exchange among the CSU campuses and select foreign universities.
- A proposal, "Creating Coherence in the Curriculum at CSUCI," by Phil Hampton, professor of chemistry, was recently accepted by the American Association of Colleges and Universities. Hampton and a CSUCI team will attend the AAC&U's 4th Annual Greater Expectations Institute, June 23 27, in Snowbird, Utah. The proposal focuses on aligning the mission, strategic planning, and characteristics of CSUCI graduates with the curriculum and general education at the University and other instructional innovations on campus. The team members include team leader Hampton, Ariana Luquin-Sanchez, a business major and Educational Opportunity Program student; Lisette Rodriguez, coordinator of University Outreach and EOP; Ted Lucas, vice president of Academic Affairs; Dennis Muraoka, professor of economics; Jacque Kilpatrick, associate professor of English; Don Rodriguez, assistant professor of environmental science and resource management; Wm. Greg Sawyer, vice president, Student Affairs; and George Morten, director of C.H.A.P.s.

For more information, contact Phil Hampton, professor of chemistry, at ext. 8869 or phillip.hampton@csuci.edu.

• Nine University students have applied for the California Pre-Doctoral Program in biology, chemistry, history, English, mathematics, or psychology. The program, in only its second year of existence, is designed to increase the pool of potential faculty by supporting the doctoral aspirations of CSU students who have experienced economic and educational disadvantages. Each of the nine students will work closely with a CSU faculty sponsor to develop an overall plan leading ultimately to enrollment in a doctoral program.

For more information, contact Ashish Vaidya, professor of economics and campus CSU pre-doctoral advisor, at ext. 8996 or ashish.vaidya@csuci.edu.

• Bill Garner, a CSUCI history major, wrote an op ed piece that was published in the April 20, 2004 edition of the *Ventura County Star*. The title of his opinion article was "Bullying on Campus Is Dangerous."

Campus Construction Report

Here is the status of current projects:

• The north half of Parking Lot A5, in front of the Hagerty Gym, will be closed through Tuesday, April 27. During this time, workers will be digging trenches for installation of telecommunication conduits for the student housing project. At the same time, part of the road near the intersection of Ventura and Oxnard streets will also be closed, requiring the University community to use alternate routes. These areas will be opened after April 27 but construction will continue in that part of the campus for two to three weeks.

For more information, contact Luann Allen, OPC office manager, at ext. 8462 or luann.allen@csuci.edu.

- A number of construction activities continue in and around the student housing project. Installations of roofing materials, interior and exterior walls, floors, plumbing, and hardscape are all in various stages of development. Because of this activity, the University community is asked to be aware of construction trucks regularly using Potrero Road and Oxnard Street. The project is expected to be completed on schedule and within budget.
- Construction of Phase 3 of University Glen and the Town Center is moving well. The infrastructures of both these projects are beginning to take shape.
- With lighting installed, the Santa Paula parking lot may be opened in a week or so for overflow use. Similarly, lights have been installed in the Administration Building parking lot, with landscaping to follow.

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Around Campus



"Art and Sole – Walk in Our Shoes," a capstone project developed by senior art majors and a senior liberal studies precredential student, created an opportunity for students from Buena High School's AP art classes to visit the campus last week. Students circulated among digital, painting and sculpture presentations by CSUCI art students. Other activities in this capstone project included viewing works by Gronk, a well-known Los Angeles artist, at the Carnegie Art Museum in Oxnard, as well as a presentation by the artist in the CSUCI Science Auditorium.

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