Special Education Credential, Master’s Programs Announced

In response to the regional demand for special education teachers, the University will launch its Educational Specialist Mild/Moderate Level II Credential Program this fall, and follow up by offering a master of education degree with an emphasis in special education in the 2007-08 academic year. The Level II credential program, which was recently approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, is designed for teachers who are already teaching in special education programs in Ventura or Santa Barbara Counties. The program provides coursework and workshops as well as professional support for teachers in their classrooms. Those pursuing the master’s degree program will gain skills in understanding and using research and data-based decision-making, and will complete action research projects that enable them to study the effectiveness of the programs they conduct.

Deadline Extended for Orientation Information Materials

The deadline for submitting information to the office of Student Leadership & Development for Island View orientation tote bags has been extended from Monday, June 13, to Wednesday, June 22. The tote bags contain information on campus activities, services, and programs, as well as community information provided by members the Camarillo Chamber of Commerce. For inclusion in the tote bags, 1,000 copies of each information piece must be brought to the office of Student Leadership & Development. Freshmen orientation sessions will be held July 11, 12; July 25, 26; August 4, 5; and August 8, 9. Transfer sessions will be held August 11 and 23.

For further information, please contact Lisa LaFrenz, coordinator of Student Leadership & Development, at ext. 8961.

Home Financing Session Scheduled for June 24

An information session on the CalPers Home Loan Program will be held Friday, June 24, in the Training Room of the Administration Building, from 1 to 3 p.m. Home financing expert Claudia Manly will discuss purchasing and refinancing a home, covering conventional, FHA and adjustable rate loan programs; one hundred percent financing options; free sixty-day rate locks; and free float-down opportunities.

For more information, contact Colleen Bennett, HR administrator, at ext. 8846.
September 15 Is Deadline for Submitting Scripts for Fall Festival of Short Plays

The deadline for submitting scripts for the 2005 Fall Festival of Short Plays is September 15. The event celebrates original work by local and regional playwrights on a theme developed by the University drama club. Members of the campus community may submit original scripts, ten to thirty minutes in length, on the theme of “Landscape and Environment.” Dramatic readings of the new scripts will be offered on November 3 and 11, at 7:30 p.m., in conjunction with the campus Celebration of Reading event and the visit of guest author Terry Tempest Williams, who writes books on environmental issues.

For more information, contact Bob Mayberry, lecturer in English, at ext. 2786.

University Choir Audition Scheduled for August 29

Auditions for the California State University Channel Islands Choir will be held at 7 p.m., Monday, August 29, at 340 Mobil Ave. in Camarillo. The audition is open to students, faculty, and staff of the University as well as to members of the community. The first rehearsal of the choir will be held Monday, September 12, at 7 p.m. at the same facility.

For more information, contact KuanFen Liu, choir director, at (805) 643-8430 or choraldances@yahoo.com.

Kudos

• Carroll Shorts, who graduated this past May with a degree in art, has been accepted into the master’s program in art at California State University, Northridge. While at the University, she was awarded a $1,000 scholarship from Women Painters West, a Southern California organization that promotes art in the community by bringing together talented local artists. Carroll is working in the University Library this summer.

Construction Report

• Playfields: The Seabees are scheduled to survey the grassy area south of Anacapa Village student housing this week to create recreational play fields for students. Once the area is graded, grass will be planted. Construction begins June 20. Operations, Planning and Construction is working to scope, schedule, and bid the additional improvements.
• Reclaimed Water: The reclaimed water distribution system is expected to be operational by early July.

For more information, contact Paul Calderwood, campus planner, at ext. 3290.
Marathoners
As members of the CSUCI Rotaract Club, three students and a faculty member recently participated in the San Diego Rock ’n’ Roll Marathon to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Christine Popok (second from left), lecturer in English and business and faculty advisor to the Rotaract Club, and students Linda Tran (center), Paul Wilson (second from right) and Joanna Mostarda (right) each ran the 26.2 mile distance and collectively raised $8,500 that will be used for blood cancer research. Joining the group was Popok’s brother, Carl Tulberg (left).