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Distributed Learning Program Set for Fall

Distance learning in this country has an interesting history. Late in the 19th Century schools began offering the first correspondence courses, which was an early form of distance education. "In the 1890's the University of Chicago was making their services available to people out on the frontier that needed an education," says Dan Granger, who is CSUMB's Director of Distributed Learning & Extended Education. "They decided to start sending out written lectures and, in essence, had people complete assignments interactively."

According to Granger, distance learning, also referred to as distributed learning, has historically always been learnercentered and has had increased worldwide popularity in the last thirty years. The notion of distributed learning has been to rethink effective teaching and learning in order to serve students who can't get access to learning in a conventional classroom format and, Granger says, this is why it is a perfect fit with CSUMB's Vision. "Our university has always focused on programs that are technology infused and its target population, those that are traditionally underserved, are the same people who have traditionally been served by distance learning," says Granger. "CSUMB can now use new technology to teach in ways that are a lot more effective. We can now design not only courses and their content, but the student support, the tutorials, all of those kinds of things to make an enriched learning environment for people who are normally bypassed by higher education."

Starting in the Fall of 2000, CSUMB will begin offering its first distributed learning program, which will be called the Distributed Liberal Studies Degree Completion Program (DLSDCP). The curriculum will be designed for working

students who have completed junior college, want a Bachelors degree in Liberal Studies, and are interested in a teaching career. Once a student receives their Bachelors through CSUMB's distributed learning program, explains Granger, it will enable them to go right into teaching with the CalState Teach program.

CalState Teach is another distributed learning program that helps students, who have an "emergency teaching credential," begin teaching while they work towards obtaining their official teaching certificate. In essence, their teaching becomes part of their learning activity.

Because the need for teachers in California is so high, Granger feels CSUMB's new distributed learning program can turn into a vital resource for the State. "We want to make it possible for people who finished community college and really had no other prospects, to continue their education through our program and move right into CalState Teach," explains Granger. "We hope to make a teaching career possible for people who, because they have to continue working, can't spend time in a traditional university setting."

This fall CSUMB will offer its first two classes in the program: CST101, Tech Tools and LS391, which is a class that studies culture and cultural diversity. Both of these courses will be taught using the Internet for content presentation and for interaction among faculty and students, and among students themselves. Courses will also use textbooks and for most courses, at least initially, there will be face-to-face sessions for orientation, pedagogy, group activities, presentations, and for evaluation and assessment.

Granger says that this program will increase the university's enrollment numbers and be a unique model that can be used to start other programs.

Staff & Faculty Profile: Meet Dino Latino

Dino Latino, who is currently CSUMB's Operations Manager for Emergency Preparedness, has worn several different hats since his arrival in August of 1995. "When I came here I was the Associate Director of Housing," says Latino. "But than I became Director of Residential Learning Facilities and Operation and than I was Director of Building Maintenance. I've definitely

Dino Latino sits outside his office at building 84D.

played a lot of different roles on campus."

Many employees have heard stories of the first students walking down the pathway, suitcases in hand, just as the exterior paint was drying on the residence halls. Dino Latino saw it first hand. "We had to open," Latino recalls. "About 137 students moved into the building that fine day in August. It took great effort to get everything ready on time."

Currently, Latino is working on a comprehensive emergency plan for CSUMB. As part of the first step, an emergency preparedness handbook will soon be distributed, which will provide general guidelines in the event of a cam-

pus emergency. According to Latino, there is a lot of information that needs to get out to the campus community and the handbook will begin that process. The next phase will involve planning for evacuations and conducting fire drills at the residence halls. "It'll probably take nine moths to develop the next phase of emergency preparedness," he says. "We'd like to kick off the fall with mock exercises.

Latino explains that emergency planning involves preparing for a wide variety of events such as natural disasters, massive power outages, and even criminal activity. He is also developing guide-

lines to deal with all of these problems 24 hours a day. "Since we're a residential campus, we need to be able to take care of the many students and staff that live on campus, during all times of the day or night. This is absolutely critical to campus life, " he says.

Latino grew up in New York and received his Bachelor's, Masters, and Certificate of Advanced Study from the State University of New York (SUNY). He points out that the CSU system is the

only other higher education institution bigger than SUNY in the country.

After graduation, Latino taught elementary school for eight years and then moved out to California in order to pursue a job at UC Irvine where he spent 11 years. "My biggest motivation for moving out of New York was the weather," says Latino. "In 1981 I had eight tickets to attend the NCAA Basketball Tournament and we got snowed in. So I picked up the Chronicle of Higher Education and applied for my job at UC Irvine."

Even though Latino has been happy with his jobs at CSUMB, he says he misses teaching. "Eventually I think I might like to go full-circle and get back

into teaching. Maybe finish a Ph.D. and teach at a college or even go back into the public schools."

Capitol Outlay Targeted For Future Projects

Even before CSUMB opened its doors to students, the university had been successful at competing for Federal funding. "We've always been in a completely unique situation," says Steven Reed, Associate Vice-President for University Relations. "From the day we acquired the land, until right now, we've been able to get \$56 million from the Federal government to renovate our buildings. I think that is the largest amount of money that has ever been earmarked by Congress for a single higher education purpose."

With CSUMB's success at receiving Federal funds, the school has, up until recently, not needed to compete in the CSU process to receive construction money from the State. However, according to Reed, the university feels Federal-funding will soon dry up. "We have been told by key members in key committees in Congress that we probably won't receive much, if anymore money," says Reed. "But, that won't deter us. We will be in Washington this year and next year looking for more money. But we're not as optimistic as we were in the past."

In order to prepare for CSUMB's eventual reduction in Federal start-up funding, the university has begun participating in the state process for funding new CSU construction projects. CSU schools receive two separate budgets from the state--one is for support and operations and the other, which is called Capital Outlay, is for construction. This is the first year CSUMB has competed for a portion of CSU's Capital Outlay funds.

To submit a proposal for Capital Outlay funding each school must look ahead and create a five-year plan by assessing future enrollment and

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NEWSBRIEFS

"Monterey Reads" Collects 10,000 Books

The Panetta Institute for Public Policy, which is housed at CSUMB, recently announced that the Monterey County America Reads consortium has collected more than 10,000 donated books since last October for area schools, libraries, and individual children

"The community response has been overwhelming," said Sylvia Panetta, who coordinates the America Reads effort in conjunction with the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) and dozens of participating schools and local organizations.

America Reads is a nationwide organization that provides volunteer tutors to children in grades K through 3 who need help with their reading skills. The Monterey County effort has expanded rapidly to include MCOE, 22 elementary school districts, 13 public and private high schools, with assistance from 11 area colleges and universities including CSUMB. Its goal is to have all children in the county reading at grade level by the end of third grade.

CSU Adopts Domestic Partners Provisions

Legislation has passed which allows, under specific conditions, for persons in the State of California to register nonmarital relationships with the Secretary of State. This new law applies to same sex domestic partners over the age of 18 and opposite sex domestic partners over age 62. Having obtained registration of the relationship, the law allows the registered individuals to obtain health benefits under the standard eligibility rules of the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA).

Registration of domestic partnerships with the Secretary of State began January 1, 2000.

The CSU has adopted the provisions of AB 26 through Board of Trustees' resolutions thereby extending health, as well as dental and vision benefits to domestic partners of eligible CSU employees subject to the Secretary of State approval process.

For forms and assistance, please call Linda Hadreas at 582-3387. A hard copy announcement and summary will be distributed to all offices for posting.

Steve Reed Joins University Advacement

Steve Reed, who has been the Associate Vice-President for External Affairs and Special Assistant to the President, has been reassigned from the President's Office to University Advancement. Beginning February 1, 2000, Reed has agreed to assume the responsibilities of Associate Vice-President for University Relations. This reassignment will directly align Reed's work in government relations with related functions within University Advancement. In addition to government relations, he will have oversight of community relations, community outreach, and marketing and communications. This realignment will allow for more efficient use of resources. He will be located in building 86A.

Reed has been with CSUMB for almost six years. Some of Reed's accomplishments include his involvement in bringing President Clinton to campus for the inauguration ceremony in 1995, initial marketing and recruitment efforts that brought our pioneer students, securing an unprecedented amount of EDA and state funds, and enabling For-Sale Housing legislation which led to the development of CEHI.

Juan Avalos Appointed Interim Director

Recently, Juan Avalos was appointed Interim Director for Institutional Research. Avalos, who will be on loan from the Student Affairs division, will be in charge of creating the Institutional Research office at CSUMB. His new job will consist of setting priorities annually for more in-depth institutional research; identifying campus-wide issues such as WASC and strategic planning that need immediate attention; and identifying existing sources of data and coordinating the retrieval of that data in response to specific and planned requests.

5-year Service Awards Given

On January 20, 2000, President Peter Smith had the privilege of presenting 5year service awards to 44 CSUMB employees. CSUMB would like to recognize the following individuals for their many years of hard work: Isidora Adlawan, Armando Arias, Debra Barbe, Bonnie Brown, Cecilia Burciaga, Donald Burns, Revola Carlisle, Manuel Carlos, Teresa Cepeda, Valerie Christian, Patricia Coffey, Alethea De Soto, Gretchen Fuentes, John Goulart, Glenda Hart, William Head, Hank Hendrickson, Dino Latino, Earl Lawson, Dorothy Lloyd, Trisha Lord, Anthony Lucas, Cecilia Lucas, Josina Makau, Joe Maltby, Greg Martin, James May, Jay McTaggart, Marsha Moroh, Wynter Nichols, James Nishita, Maria Pantoja, James Procida, Stephen Reed, Anthony Reyes, Bert Rivas, Monica Rodriguez, Holly Roller, Peter Smith, Chris Taylor, Robert van Spyk, Richard Westing, Linda Wight, and Helen Yamashita.



February 10

WHAT: Second Annual "Have a Heart for

Students" Auction WHEN: 6:30-10:00pm

WHERE: University Center Ballroom, bldg 29 COST: \$25 per person and \$40 for couples, \$10

or students

Auction items include weekend get-away packages to Post Ranch in Big Sur and Lake Tahoe, golf packages and clinics, dinner and hotel packages, theater tickets and so much more. Come with a group from work and out-bid your colleagues! See the extraordinary auctioneering talents of Sean Madden. Sip on fine wines. Have fun! Need we say more to get you there?

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact

Brenda Miller @582-3776

FEBRUARY 11

WHAT: Women's Basketball game vs. CSU

Hayward WHEN: 5:30pm WHERE: WAC

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call 582-

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February 11

WHAT: Men's Basketball game vs. CSU Hayward

WHEN: 7:30pm WHERE: WAC

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call 582-

3031

February 12

WHAT: Outdoor Recreation & ITT Office presents:

Best of Broadway- "Peter Pan"

COST: \$65

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call 242-

5506

February 17

WHAT: Benefits Orientation (Every first & third

Thursday of the month)

WHEN: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. WHERE: Bldg. 80 Conference Room

FACILITATOR: Linda Hadreas, Human Resources

Representative

Benefit-eligible employees are highly encouraged to attend this two-hour orientation within their first

month of employment.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact HR

at 582-3387.

FEBRUARY 17

The Exceptional Manager Certificate Program

begins this month with:

WHAT: New Ways for Managing Today's Changing

Workforce

WHEN: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. WHERE: Bldg. 29 rooms 114- 116 FACILITATOR: Ron Canham

This seminar is the first in a series of five courses in the core professional development program for both new and experienced managers. Let's face it: supervising people is the toughest job there is. And, while your experience and education have already helped you hone your management expertise, you understand the importance of constantly seeking out fresh ideas...new ways of managing today's diverse and changing workforce. The search for qualified professionals is the biggest challenge in the 21st century. And when you hire staff, how do you support their success? How do you retain your best talent? Please register for this seminar via the web by Thursday, Feb. 10 to ensure adequate seating and materials.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call contact

Gretchen Fuentes @ 582-3507.

FEBRUARY 18

WHAT: Women's Basketball game vs. Bethany

College

WHEN: 5:30pm WHERE: WAC

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact

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February 18

WHAT: Men's Basketball game vs. Bethany

College

WHEN: 7:30pm WHERE: WAC

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact

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FEBRUARY 19

WHAT: Outdoor Recreation & ITT Office presents:

Disney on Ice- "The Little Mermaid"

COST: \$35

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call 242-

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February 19-21

WHAT: Outdoor Recreation & ITT Office presents:

Disney Magic Tour COST: \$199

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call 242-

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construction needs. After a plan is outlined, Reed explains, "All the campuses Capitol Outlay requests are put on the table and one list is decided upon by the Chancellor's office to submit to the state Legislature."

As part of this year's proposal, which CSUMB sent to the Chancellor's office, the university has made the construction of a new science center its number-one priority. "We've been able to programmatically prove to ourselves first and foremost, and then to the Chancellor's office, that our highest need on campus is for specialized facilities in the sciences," says Reed.

According to Reed the campus has presented an acceptable and compelling program review and building design, and the science center project will be included in this year's state Capitol Outlay budget. The next step, he says, is for CSUMB to appeal to the state's legislators to accept the proposed budget as written.

Reed says that construction of classrooms and the expansion of the library are also part of CSUMB's five-year Capital Outlay construction plan and funding for each project will be evaluated by the Chancellor's office in coming years.



University Center Opens Espresso Cart

Recently the University Center has opened an espresso cart, which will feature fresh coffee, pastries, and espresso drinks. The hours of operation are from 8am until 2pm, Monday through Friday, and again from 5pm until 9pm, Monday through Thursday. The cart will have two specials: with every ten coffee drinks purchased using your coffee card, they will give you a free drink; also bring in your CSUMB coffee mug and receive \$.25 off your coffee purchase after 5pm.



Student Center Set to Open

The CSUMB Student Center has been a project in the making for over 2 1/2 years. The idea gained momentum with President Peter Smith's support of using the old bookstore building for a new student lounge and activity space. The Student Center components were developed by the Student Voice Finance Committee in conjunction with Student Activities, Student Affairs, Administration and Finance, Design and Construction and the President's Office.

The Grand Opening will be at 12:00 Noon (University Hour) on Wednesday, February 23rd,

2000. The event will include music, free food, and best of all, CSUMB community members celebrating progress in student life and retention at CSUMB.

Located in
Building 14,
(between D.C. and
the Library) the
Student Center
includes a lounge,
recreation room, 15person conference

room and the Student Voice offices. Recreation amenities include: a 56" rearprojection TV/VCR, 3 regulation pool tables, lockers, 2 air-hockey tables, 2 foosball tables, food and drink vending, 1 ping pong table, board games, house sound, and a TV system.

Since most of the Residence Halls lack any common rooms to gather, the Student Center will fill a much-needed void in campus life for students. Additionally, students who live off campus will have a place to go between classes to study, relax and meet up with friends. Student staff and volunteers will supervise use of the Center and hours of operation will be 12:00 noon-10:00 pm Monday-Friday, weekend hours will be determined based on student interest and available volunteers. Matt Kritscher, Director for Student Activities and Career Development, is the administrator responsible for the new Student Center. The Student Center will soon have its own phone.

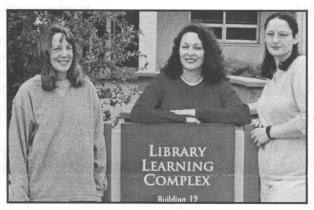
In the meantime however, please call 582-3845 for more information.



New Employees Join Library

Dennis Sun, Circulation Services Manager for the CSUMB library, has recently announced the hiring of three new employees. Joining the team at the library are:

Rebecca Bergeon is the new Lending Assistant in the Document



Rebecca Bergeon, Loretta Wyer, and Anna Mclaughlin strike a pose outside the CSUMB Library.

Delivery/Interlibrary Loan Department. Bergeon comes from the University of Colorado, Boulder and has worked in libraries for the past 15 years.

Loretta Wyer is the new
Administrative Analyst Specialist for the
Library. Wyer comes from CSU San
Jose, where her duties included financial
services, property redesign, and providing consulting services as a deaf interpreter. She also served as the Tribal
Chair of Esselen Nation (Local Native
America Tribe) and Director of the
Esselen Nation's non-profit organization.

Anna McLaughlin is the Library's new Evening/Weekend Circulation Assistant. McLaughlin graduated and worked for the library at George Washington University, Washington, DC. Last semester McLaughlin was a temporary employee with the ASAP Program.



CSU-Paid Life Insurance

Effective january 1, 2000, CSU awarded the basic term life insurance contract to Standard Insurance Company. The Plan Levels for eligible employee groups remain unchanged from the prior carrier.

The CSU is requiring all covered employees to complete a new beneficiary designation form in order to update or correct beneficiary records. The one significant change is if you have filed a Declaration of Domestic Partnership with the Secretary of State: the basic term life insurance contract includes domestic partner as a be For more information please contact Linda Hadreas at ext.3387.



CSUMB Honors Its Donors

On Monday, CSUMB unveiled the Crescent Circle, an original work of art

designed to recognize the major donors of the university.

Designed and created by Santa Cruz sculptor Angelo Grova, who also rendered the CSUMB academic mace, this colorful artwork of stone and metal graces the south wall of the University Center lobby. Rich in symbolism from shape to composition, the **CSUMB** Crescent Circle honors those who have made substantial monetary gifts to our university.

The CSUMB Crescent Circle repre-

sents the rich combined resources that strengthen our university including the natural gifts of our world, the cultural gifts of our people, and the thoughtful gifts of individuals, foundations, businesses, and agencies who have become our generous friends. Staff, faculty, and community members



Angelo Grova shows off his sculpture at a presentation for CSUMB donors.

who have given over \$1,000 or more to the university have their names engraved on the wall.





Future Issues

Future issues of this CSUMB Staff and Faculty Newsletter will be filled with features, biographies, news briefs, staffing changes, and benefits information. CampUs Connection is released twice per month as hard copy and on the Web (http://news.monterey.edu). Comments and suggestions are welcome. Please direct them to Robert Mazurek, Internal Communications Specialist, via phone (x3302) or FirstClass.

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