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**To:** Colleagues <colleagues@groups.csusb.edu>

**Subject:** Passing of Dr. James Noblet

Dear Colleagues,

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you of the recent passing of James Noblet, a respected colleague and friend of Cal State San Bernadino for more than 20 years. He passed away on Jan. 21 as shared on Forum by Doug Smith, chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

Jim, who served more than two decades in the Department of Chemistry, touched the lives of thousands of students through his teaching. General chemistry, analytical chemistry, environmental chemistry, materials chemistry and the history of science and technology were among the courses he taught. He also mentored numerous undergraduate and graduate students and served on several thesis committees.

Jim received a bachelor's degree in geology from UC Los Angeles, a master's degree in chemistry from Cal State Long Beach and a Ph.D. in environmental and analytical chemistry, with a minor in water resources engineering, from UC Los Angeles. He worked six years as a materials scientist at The Aerospace Corp. and three years as a senior research scientist at the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Authority before beginning his career in academia.

His passing is a loss to the entire CSUSB family and all those who knew and worked with him. We send our condolences to his wife and son and ask everyone to keep them in their thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time.

Sincerely,  
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