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PA Digest

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SPOTLIGHTS

IMPORTANT DATES

Congratulations 2020 Student Award Winners

Each year we recognize our outstanding students. While we did not have an awards banquet this year, we still want to extend our recognition and congratulations to these outstanding students who are graduating

2020 Outstanding Undergraduate: Christina Behringer

2020 Outstanding Graduates - co-winners: Gerardo Garcia and Jeff Sorenson

2020 Public Administration Chair's Award for service to the Department: Kate Perry

Way to Go!!!!

Nonprofit Concentration begins this Fall

Since Dr. Anthony Silard joined us in 2016 we have been working to develop a greater emphasis on nonprofit management. This Fall our catalog officially has a Nonprofit Concentration for the MPA and a Nonprofit Minor for Undergraduates. If you are interested in these, you need to be on the Semester catalog. For more information about nonprofit management, please contact [Dr. Silard](#).

You might also congratulate him on his recent tenure and promotion!!

Fall Semester Registration Continues

Registration for Fall semester continues. Undergraduate classes are all available. For the MPA at this time PA 6640 and PA 6620 are full, but you

may be included on the waiting lists. Other sections are open. Make sure you know what you need to take and that you register promptly. Remember that Department permission or consent just means you call the PA Office. If you are uncertain what to take, undergrads contact the [SSC](#) or myself. Grads contact [Dr. Roman](#).

Under semesters classes are 15 weeks long, and entail 25% less coursework each week (4 unit to 3 unit). If you have the time, you may want to consider taking more classes than you have under quarters in order to complete your program more quickly.

Zoom with the Chair is now PA 6985

If you are an MPA student following the semester catalog you are required to take two semesters of PA 6985 the Professional Development Seminar. This is a once a month- one hour -zero credit - pass fail - zoom with the chair seminar. This seminar will provide orientation to the MPA, introduce faculty, engage career development issues and generally promote communication about the degree and public service. While only semester catalog students are required to take this (two semesters) all students are welcome to attend. The seminar will be held monthly on Wednesday evenings from 6-7 pm on zoom beginning August 26.

Semester Catalog

If you were admitted prior to Fall 2020 you are automatically on the quarter catalog. If you want to be on the semester catalog please contact Marisol and fill out a Change form.. Requirements for both the Undergraduate Concentration and the MPA degree are different. MPA students-- complete your program plan with this [Planning Sheet](#).

Fall Elections-- Direct Democracy

In the focus on national elections- we can sometimes forget the direct democracy aspects of California. This Fall we again will have a number of Propositions on the ballot. Take the time to educate yourselves on them. Here is an [LA Times article](#) highlighting them.

Voting is a Citizen Responsibility

There is nothing more important in public administration than the structure of our government. This defines public administration and all our work. As we move into the next election cycle, make it a personal commitment to educate yourselves on candidates and issues, not just at the national level, but at state and local. This impacts all of us! If you need to register to vote or [check your status- do it HERE](#).

On May 8, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-64-20, which, among other things, orders the November 3, 2020, General Election to be conducted as an all-mail ballot election. Accordingly, all

registered voters in California will receive a vote-by-mail ballot in the mail prior to the election.

July 23 Last Day of Summer Classes

August 24 First Day of Fall Semester

September 7 Labor Day- Campus Closed

September 21 Fall Semester Census

November 2 Spring Semester Registration begins

November 13 Fall Comprehensive Exam

November 26-27 Thanksgiving Break

December 4 Last Day of Fall Classes

OPPORTUNITIES

Cal State DC Scholars Program

Since 2006, the Cal State DC program has offered students opportunities to study and intern in our nation's capital. Many program alumni turned their Cal State DC experience into a thriving career in our nation's capital while others have taken this experience to enhance their further education and/or career opportunities in government, business, entertainment, and other industries all over the world.

Internships can be with nonprofits, advocacy groups, congressional offices, executive agencies, museums, security firms, business groups, political parties, artistic organizations, news and media companies, and a variety of other offices in and around Washington, D.C. For more information about this program, offered through CSU Fullerton- go to <http://calstatedcscholars.fullerton.edu/> You may also wish to view this video <https://youtu.be/5uWCyPZqTz4>

ASPA Student Memberships

The PA Department will pay for one year of your digital student membership in the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA). We encourage you to continually engage in your profession. Leaders are engaged! Contact Toni Ditty with your request.

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