

**From:** Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs <Provost@csusb.edu>

**Sent:** Monday, May 19, 2025 4:14 PM

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

**Subject:** Faculty Director for CSUSB Honors College Appointed

Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to share that Dr. Jacob Jones has been named faculty director of the [CSUSB Honors College](#), effective June 1, 2025. He will report to Dr. Caroline Vickers, dean of Graduate Studies, and remain under Vice Provost Kelly Campbell's portfolio.

Among his responsibilities, he will provide visionary leadership and strategic oversight for all aspects of the college, including brand identity, student recruitment and engagement, curriculum development, program evaluation and more. He will also strengthen the program's integration within the university, building a robust relationship between Honors and the academic colleges while recruiting more tenure-track faculty to teach honors courses.

Dr. Jones, a professor of psychology and a licensed psychologist, brings a wealth of experience to the position. In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, he serves as associate director for the Undergraduate Research Training Initiative for Student Enhancement.

He has also published 45 scholarly works that have included dozens of student authors in several publications, such as Parkinsonism & Related Disorders, the Journal of Neuropsychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences, Mental Health and Physical Activity, and others.

His outstanding efforts have resulted in numerous awards, including the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' Outstanding Faculty in Research Award and the Department of Psychology's Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award. In addition, he is the recipient of the Western Psychological Association's Early Career Award.

Dr. Jones, who joined our campus community in 2018, earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Cal State Channel Islands and a master's and doctoral degree in clinical psychology from the University of Florida. Please join us in congratulating Jacob on his new appointment.

We also extend our gratitude to Dr. David Marshall, professor of English, for his leadership and extensive contributions as faculty director of the University Honors Program since 2015.

Sincerely,  
Rafik & Kelly

**WE DEFINE THE** *Future*

A. Rafik Mohamed, Ph.D.  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Kelly Campbell, Ph.D.  
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs