

College/Unit Highlights (unedited) Oct. 9, 2018

College of Arts and Letters

- To enhance faculty success and their research and creative activity in the professional organizations, CAL will provide \$1500 to support tenure-track and full-time lecturers' professional development. Combining with the \$1000 support from the Academic Affairs, CAL tenure track faculty will receive \$2500 total for their travels to professional conferences.
- On October 1st, CAL held its quarterly colloquium to prominently showcase three faculty members' research and creative activities. President Morales along with approximately 50 faculty and students attended the event. The following is a brief summary of those three faculty presenters' extraordinary achievements:
 - Dr. Stacy Fraser, Chair of our Music Department, is a world renowned soprano who has performed in Kennedy Center, National Concern Hall in Taiwan, Thailand, Check Republic, Honk King, Vancouver. Her performance was featured in *New York Times* and *San Diego Union Tribune*.
 - Prof. Kathy Gray, coordinator of our MFA program, just completed her solo exhibit at Craft and Folk Art Museum in Los Angeles. Her exhibition was prominently featured in *Los Angeles Times*' Sunday section of Arts and Books in July, 2018. Her work was also appeared in the *New York Times Design Magazine*.
 - Dr. Chad Sweeney is a prolific scholar and published 6 poetry books and one of his book *White Martini of the Apocalypse* was nominated for the National Book Award.
- Dr. Jill Buroker (philosophy) has received an invitation to be one of 14 keynote speakers at the 19th International Kant Congress in Oslo, Norway, next August 6-9.
- Dr. Bill Vanderburgh (philosophy) is pleased to announce that his book, *David Hume on Miracles, Evidence and Probability*, is under contract to be published by *Lexington Books*, an imprint of *Rowman & Littlefield*.
- CAL successfully hired two professional advisors for its CAL Advising and Student Success. They will work with our faculty advisors and our CAL Student Success Team to ensure that

CAL meets its GI 2025 goals. Sarah Ellison will serve as the lead professional advisor. Luis Huante will focus on the advising for quarter completers and the Liberal Studies program.

- One of our alumni, Ashley Davidson-Fisher, B.A. in French, 2006, just published a bilingual children's book (English/French). Ashley lives and works in the south of France.
- The Theatre Arts students presented a preview of plays that will be performed through the academic year at CSUSB and at local schools.
- CAL is conducting its property inventory to be in compliance with CSU property management requirements and regulations.
- CAL is actively conducting its space inventory and systematically posting its faculty contact information, office location and office hours on CAL website so that (1) the information is readily available for students; (2) it is easier for CAL to track its faculty office usage.
- Liberal Studies hosted CAL's Hispanic Heritage Month offerings. A video can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/Jyw0qZBy9LI>. It included the SCIPP Poetry and Mural Workshop.
- The planning group for the new Performing Arts building met with the consultants to discuss initial building plans and costs. Based on those comments, the consultants will deliver a second iteration within the next two months.

College of Education

- Dr. Marita Mahoney (Office of Assessment & Research) and Diana Quijano (Office of Curriculum and Archives) presented at the Cal State Tech Conference in Sacramento on August 2. Their presentation, related to PeopleSoft bolt-on modules, was entitled: *Collaboration, Innovation and Partnership to Customize Solutions: Realizing the Potential of PeopleSoft* [Mahoney, M.L, Chiang, T., & Quijano, D. (2018, July)].
- The 4th Annual Better Together: California Teachers Summit was held for the CSUSB campus at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in San Bernardino and the Palm Desert campus on July 27. With the theme "It's Personal: Meeting the Needs of Every Student", the summit featured a keynote address by Sir Ken Robinson, TED-style Ed Talks presented by local teachers as well as Edcamp-style discussions on relevant topics such as building student agency, personalizing learning with or without technology and tailoring lessons in different subject areas. A combined total of 437 attendees were registered between both of CSUSB's event locations. Statewide, organizers estimated the registered summit attendance to be a little more than 11,300. Read the [FULL ARTICLE](#) here.
- A culminating presentation for the 2016 NACADA Research Grant she was awarded, Dr. Edna Martinez (ELT) presented her findings at the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) in Phoenix, AZ on October 2.

- Dr. Nancy Acevedo-Gil's (ELT) journal manuscript titled "New Juan Crow Education as a Context for Institutional Microaggressions: Latina/o/x Students Maintaining College Aspirations" was accepted for publication in *Urban Education* in August. She also participated in the OSR Summer Research Program where she mentored three undergrads who led a project titled "Fostering College Access Along the Education Pipeline for Students of Color."
- Dr. Amy Leh (ELT) collaborated on a research project with student, Eyda Guo. They were invited to present at the 5th European Conference on Social Media June 21-21 in Limerick, Ireland. Their presentation, entitled "Social Media and Digital Divide in China", was a culmination of research that was supported by CSUSB's Office of Academic Research and Professor Across Borders.
- Dr. Enrique Murillo Jr. (TEF), and founder and executive director of Latino Education and Advocacy Days (LEAD), was honored on Sept 23 for his work to improve the lives of the migrant community through education. Dr. Murillo will be receiving TODEC Legal Center's *Haciendo La Diferencia (Making a Difference)* award, being commended by TODEC leaders for his "continued partnership and commitment to improve the lives of our future generations through education in the Inland Empire." Read the [FULL ARTICLE](#) here.

College of Natural Sciences

- The most recent NCLEX-RN (Registered Nurse) pass rate is 100%. Results have been received for 44 of 45 graduates who tested January to June 2018. All 44 passed for a pass rate of 100% for this period. This reflects outcomes of the December graduating class.
- Two CSE faculty members had research papers published in prestigious journals in summer.
- CSE junior faculty Yunfei Hou finished a research project on transportation cybersecurity, funded by WRCOG (Western Riverside Council of governments) for \$25,000. He also gave a demo of the Ambrosia project, an educational virtual reality game, to CENIC (Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California) President Louis Fox along with President Morales and Provost McMahan. The Ambrosia project is led by ATI in collaboration with anthropology, art, communication studies, and CSE faculty. Students did a large portion of the work.
- Stuart Sumida (biological sciences) was recently interviewed by Science Friday (NPR). He discussed the impact of the federal government shrinking the Bears Ears National Monument on paleontological research.
- Angela Horner (biological sciences) is currently working with the BBC on filming a show on her research in ferret biomechanics and locomotion.

- Sara Callori (physics) has been invited to speak at the WoPhyS 2018 - Tenth Annual Conference, to be held Oct. 11-13 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. As with previous years, she will be joined by two CSUSB students.
- Carol Hood is the co-director of the southern portion of the Cal-Bridge program, which received \$5 million for doctoral pathways at 25 campuses.
- The new Noyce, phase III Math and Science Scholars for the Inland Empire grant, totaling \$1.2 M for five years, was received. Jeremy Aikin (mathematics) is principal investigator and co-PIs are Dave Polcyn (biological sciences) and Xinying Yin (teacher education and foundations).
- CNS's Chemistry Team, led by Larry Mink and Andreas Beyersdorf, and an instructional designer Jonathan Brooks, won the Silver award in the category "Supporting Student Success" at the Cal Tech Conference for their adaptive learning project in Chemistry using Smart Sparrow.
- Jason Ng (kinesiology) is working with Student Health to increase physical activity on campus. This is part of a program called "Exercise is Medicine," an outgrowth of an initiative started by Dr. Robert Sallis of Kaiser Fontana (<http://www.exerciseismedicine.org/>), and provides free advising for students to stay fit.
- Bob Evans, the chief science officer for recovery of gold from the SS Central America shipwreck visited our campus on Sept. 28 and gave a talk about his work that has recovered 10 tons of gold bars, coins, and nuggets from the 1857 shipwreck that preserves California 49'er gold. This is the same project that geology students Bryan Seymour and Katie VonSydow are working on.
- The Health Science and Human Ecology Program established a new internship program for their students. In addition, Paulchris Okpala presented a seminar at an international conference in Japan.
- Dean Sastry served on a career trajectories panel at StatFest for undergraduate students in the Southern California area, held at Pomona College campus in September. He also gave a presentation for future leaders in statistics at the Joint Statistics Meetings in Vancouver in August. At this conference, he also served on a panel on "imposter syndrome."

Office of Undergraduate Studies

- Department of Education Audit and Class Attendance: After review by our administrative units and consultation with the Senate Executive Committee, UGS is initiating a process to comply with the Department of Education (DoE) requirements to collect attendance data, per PRR, 34 C.F.R. § 668.21 of the Title IV, HEA regulations, and the Department of Education Audit results. The intent is to indicate if a student has completed at least one 'attendance at an academically-related activity' event prior to Census. Our hope is to make this as easy as possible for our faculty. To facilitate there will be a new field called

"participation" in the Class Roster (myCoyote, Faculty Center), to better reflect the intention of the requirement, with a yes/no option (and a 'select all' option).

- EAB Student Progress Reports: In the past faculty may have gotten a student "Mid-Quarter Evaluation" form, from either Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), Student Assistance In Learning (SAIL), and/or Athletics; asking about how students in those programs were doing in terms of class attendance and academic performance. This fall, UGS is piloting an electronic format (using our EAB system) which should make the process easier for faculty to report and for staff to respond. The requests will come out prior to Census, so please check your email around that time.
- Advisor Professional Development: The office developed an Advisor Mission, Objectives and Metrics; initiated its first professional development series for all of current Professional Advisors this summer; continued to organize its Peer Professional Development series for fall; and are launching College Student Success Teams this week.
- Student Success Teams – Q2S Advising: As we mentioned at the Q2S Advising Professional Development session back on April 6, UGS is continuing its professional development series this academic year. As part of its strategy, the office is launching College Student Success Teams (SST). The intent of the SST is to better integrate our various advising resources and initiatives, including Q2S, GI 2025, Undergraduate Academic Advising Council (UAAC), Advising Professional Development, and Advising Assessment into an integrative system. The plan is two half-day meetings in fall (one with the college Student Success Team and one with all college teams), and two half-day meetings in winter (again, one with the college team and one with all colleges coming together).
- Early Start Program: In collaboration with mathematics, UGS launched the revised Early Start Program Math course (ESM 105), serving 466 students this summer with a 92% pass rate for the course.
- Academic Registration Process for Palm Desert Campus: In collaboration with PDC, the office launched pre-loaded myCAPs for fall first-time freshman at PDC, with the populated Schedule Planner to assist students in the registration process. The intent of this pilot project was to test pre-loading courses into the U-Achieve, myCAP product into Schedule Planner to PeopleSoft, Enrollment Shopping Cart. 158 PDC freshman students were in the pilot group. Of the pre-loaded students, a total of 151 (96%) students registered for classes. While there was a drop in the mean unit load (MUL) between the enrolled (MUL=14.26) and the pre-load (MUL=14.84), this represents an increase over the fall 2017 PDC FTF cohort (MUL=13.98).

Office of Community Engagement

- CSUSB staff and students helped to pack more than 300,000 meals for veterans in need with L.A. Works on 9/11 National Day of Service & Remembrance. In honor of 9/11 our Veterans Success Center staff and students volunteered at the Disabled American Veterans Exploration Garden. In total we contributed over 210 hours of volunteer service!

- The DENation Food Drive at the Annual Employee Appreciation Picnic collected more than 4,700 lbs. of food and hygiene products for The Obershaw DEN. The President's Office and University Advancement took home the DEN trophy! Dr. John Yaun, the new Assistant Vice President for Housing and Strategic Initiatives is now responsible for basic needs services, including The Obershaw DEN.
- Community Engagement, along with ASI, DHRE, the Pfau Library and Mi Familia Vota, hosted two movie nights to promote student voter registration and education. Community Engagement has also hosted voter registration booths at the Club and Organization Fair and Late Night with Campus Rec. So far, over 100 students have been registered!
- Our Faculty Associate has made connections with the new CSUSB faculty by hosting a table at the New Faculty Orientation and conducting follow-up visits. A series of faculty workshops are planned on various community engagement topics, including sessions to support new service learning projects.
- EOP Summer Bridge students contributed a total of 360 hours of volunteer service at Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County and Helping Hands Pantry. Our EOP students helped organized and restock warehouses which provide food and resources to San Bernardino County residents in need.

Office of Academic Research and Graduate Studies

(GRADUATE STUDIES)

- GS hosted the inaugural Graduate Student, Family Picnic on September 14, 150 CSUSB graduate students and their family members attended. Graduate students and their family members enjoyed life sized games, hotdogs, a lemonade bar, and music.
- On September 28, 71 new graduate students attended the New Graduate Student Orientation in the Santos Manuel Event Center. They were presented with information from Provost McMahan, the Pfau Library, the Career Center, the Title IX Office, the Care Team, and a panel of current graduate students. A resource fair followed these presentations with 22 campus resources represented.
- Implementation of the fourth quadrant of Cal State Apply now includes four programs that are live for spring 2019 as well as all programs in Education and six other programs live for fall 2019.
- The Coyote Graduate Student Guidebook was completed in September. Hard copies are available to students, and the Guidebook is available on the Graduate Studies website.
- The Graduate Coordinator's Handbook was completed in September. Hard copies are available to graduate coordinators, and the handbook is available on the Graduate Studies website.

(OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS)

- The NCURA site review report (draft form) was submitted.
- Finalizing contract for Cayuse SP upgrade.
- Creation and distribution of IDC request/collection analysis for FY 16-17 & 17-18 to senior administration.
- Working on grants submissions, grants re-budgets, and PI reporting needs.
- Planning for upcoming major proposals (e.g. CREST 2).

(OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION)

- New staff member were hired; a Sr. Research Analyst and a Program Analyst.
- Single Audit (A133) was been successfully completed (with no findings).
- A history record in auxiliary; \$3,263,244 IDC funds were collected.

(OFFICE OF STUDENT RESEARCH)

- Fall newsletter was finalized and distributed.
 - Peer Leaders training took place on September 12, 2018: there were 12 new peer leaders.
 - OSR Journal of Student Research is in the reviewing process.
 - OSR programs were transferred to InfoReady applications.
 - OSR program goals and outcomes are being evaluated.
 - Advisory Board meeting held on September 20.
 - In the process of establishing the OSR Awards Committee.
 - In the process of creating a database of research and creative activities
 - OSR Director presented at the PAES scholars meeting on September 29.
 - Staff gave a presentation about OSR to Psychology Honor students on September 27.
 - OSR will oversee the SRT applications and reimbursements.
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- In response to our strategic plan (Goal 2 - objective 2 and 3) we have established the Office of Faculty Research Development and we are very happy that Dr. Cynthia Crawford agreed to serve as its founding Director. In this new important role Cynthia will lead and coordinate a gamut of programs and services to assist faculty in strengthening their research agenda by:
 - helping to identify sponsors, funding opportunities and internal or external collaborators;
 - offering grant writing academies, scholarly peer writing sessions, statistical package and other research-related training workshops;
 - providing access to scholarly paper editors, grant writers and grant editors;
 - providing funding for pre-proposal external reviewers;
 - offering intramural grants; and most of all,
 - **one-on-one mentoring.**

This new position includes also serving as a co-Director of FCE.

This quarter Cynthia's office hours are in FCE on Wednesdays and Fridays 10:00 am to noon, or by appointment. Please encourage faculty seeking help in advancing their research and looking for external funding to visit Cynthia in her FCE office or email her to schedule a meeting.

Congratulations and great thanks to Cynthia for spearheading these efforts!

- Also, in congruence with our strategic plan's Goal 2 (objective 6 and 7 this time), I am happy to announce that the Division of Academic Affairs was awarded a very competitive and prestigious NSF grant for the project: "ADVANCE Adaptation: Diversity and Equity in Promotion, Tenure, and Hiring (DEPTH) for STEM Faculty," under the direction of Shari McMahan, Cari Goetz, Donna Garcia, Joseph Wellman, Karen A. Kolehmainen. The total budget is \$995,876 for a three-year period from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2021.

Donna Garcia, who leads this project's implementation, will share more about it a little bit later at today's meeting.

Congratulations to the entire Advance DEPTH TEAM!

- Another exciting news comes from our Office of Student Research, which was awarded a new collaborative grant with Riverside Community College. This grant, funded by NSF, is for the project called "STEM *en familia*: Guiding Critical Transitions to the Baccalaureate Degree".

STEM *en familia*, whose co-PI and the CSUSB's lead is Dr. Christina Hassija, has great potential to improve STEM transfer student preparedness and retention within STEM after they transfer to CSUSB. With nearly half of our annual incoming students being transfers from our local community colleges, CSUSB has a unique understanding of the needs of this population and of effective programming to support those needs.

The Office of Student Research will provide small group-based summer research experiences to three cohorts of RCC students—with approximately 175 participating over three years three of this project. The Office of Student Research will leverage its investment in our existing, highly successful summer research program, which has been in place for five years.

Dr. Hassija will recruit CSUSB faculty and students to serve as mentors and peer mentors and she will coordinate the summer research experience programs for all three cohorts of RCC students. The three-year budget includes funding for 35 CSUSB faculty summer mentors @ \$2000 each and 40 student mentors @ \$300 per peer mentors. *Congratulations to Dr. Hassija and the Office of Student Research!*

- Overall, over the past three (mostly summer) months (from July 1 to September 30) our faculty and staff secured over \$6.7M (\$6,731,128) in **new** grants and contracts, and over \$11.3M (\$11,336,960) in the **renewals**, for the total of over \$18M (\$18,068,088)! *Kudos to our PIs for their hard work and congratulations on a successful summer!*

Office of Academic Affairs and Development

(TRC Events for September)

Sept 5-7, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the Classroom institute

Sept. 7, Student Affairs HIPS workshops
Sept. 10-11, Newer Faculty Learning Community institute
Sept. 12-13, iNfo Orientation
Sept 18, TRC Fall Opening and Poster Session

(Office of Academic Programs)

Deputy Provost and Vice Provost of Academic Programs September Highlights

- Hired a staff member for the FCE
- Launched Campus Labs Success Plan
- Held a half day planning retreat for Academic Affairs student and faculty support units that included teams from the offices of Academic Affairs Assessment, Undergraduate and Graduate Studies, Academic Research, EOP, Academic Advising, SOAR, Coyote Plus, Community Engagement, the Teaching Resource Center, Institutional Research and Effectiveness, ATI, FAD, Academic Scheduling, and Student Affairs Assessment
- Participated as a peer evaluator for a WSCUC off-site review for reaffirmation of accreditation
- Developed the CSUSB plan for the 2021 reaffirmation of accreditation
- Reviewed and revised EPRC specific polices in the FAM for committee adoption
- Ongoing efforts for program review for Philosophy and Spanish Programs
- Participated in Academic Affairs retreats
- Led a team of Deans and Faculty for the CSU EO 1110 Fall Meeting: Promoting Continuous Improvement, participants included, Muriel Lopez Wagner, Sastry Pantula, Rueyling Chang, Susan Addington, Judy Sylva, Craig Seal, and David Carlson