



Academic Affairs
Office of the Provost and Vice President

April 4, 2018

Dear Faculty,

Welcome to the new (and final) quarter of Academic Year 2017-18. I hope you had a wonderful spring break!

Please join me in welcoming [three of our faculty who have been appointed to leadership roles](#). They include: (1) **Hyun-Kyoung Oh**, faculty director of the Center of International Studies and Programs; (2) **Judith (Judy) Sylva**, faculty assessment coordinator for the Office of Academic Programs; and (3) **Caroline Vickers**, faculty director of the Office of Graduate Studies.

Also, if you haven't already had an opportunity to do so, please take a moment to review our [winter electronic newsletter and the Chancellor's Office Report of the Task Force on Tenure Density in the California State University](#). An open forum will be scheduled later this quarter to discuss the report.

The spring session promises to be both busy and exciting as we continue to define the future and advance CSUSB's strategic plan and major initiatives. Among some of the activities during the first week alone, approximately 130 faculty, staff and guests from most of the 23 CSU campuses will participate April 5-6 in the **Water Resources & Policy Initiative (WRPI) Annual Conference** at the Palm Desert Campus. In addition, the Faculty Mentoring Network will host a "**Lunch with the Provost, Plus** for new faculty on Thursday, April 5 from noon-1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Center for Excellence (PPL-4005A).

I also hope that you will join us on Friday, April 6 at 1 p.m. for the **Faculty/Staff Appreciation Tailgate Lunch**. The free event, held on campus at Coyote Park beginning at 1 p.m., features CSUSB softball team as they take on UC San Diego.

Lastly, please save the date for:

- **["Collaboration, Coherence and Commitment" GI 2025 Conference](#)**: Thursday, May 10 from 8 a.m.-3:15 p.m. in the Santos Manuel Student Union Events Center, Room C.
- **Pastries with the Provost**: Tuesday, May 15 from 8:30-10 a.m. in the Faculty Center for Excellence (PL-4005).
- **Faculty Recognition Luncheon**: Monday, May 21 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Santos Manuel Student Union Events Center; details to be announced.

Thank you for your efforts to promote student success, achievement and academic excellence, and for casting such a positive light on our campus. Please feel free to email me with concerns or questions.

Best regards,

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