



January 22, 2018

**Participants, faculty jurors sought for Student Research Spring Symposium**

The Offices of Academic Affairs, Research, Innovation, and Economic Development, and the Student Research Center are pleased to announce the 2018 Student Research Spring Symposium, 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Monday, March 5, at the University Union. This high-profile campus event provides undergraduates, graduates and alumni the opportunity to present their research, scholarship and creative activities to the campus community in oral and poster presentation formats. Student presenters are encouraged to compete for the Provost's Awards for Research Excellence. Faculty mentors of winning students also receive professional development awards. Of particular importance, winning students of oral presentations move on to represent Sacramento State at the 32<sup>nd</sup> CSU Student Research Competition, May 4-5. The University will host this statewide competition among students from all disciplines throughout the 23 CSU campuses. Please, encourage your students to participate.

We also seek volunteers to serve as spring symposium faculty jurors. The registration form is available at [csus.infoready4.com](http://csus.infoready4.com). As faculty jurors, you will help us advance all research, scholarship and creative activities performed by our students, and help us send an excellent group of students to the CSU Student Research Competition.

For more information, visit [csus.edu/studentresearchcenter](http://csus.edu/studentresearchcenter). Questions can be directed to [student.research@csus.edu](mailto:student.research@csus.edu).

*Submitted by the Student Research Center*

**Dreamer Resource Center reaffirms commitment**

As the spring semester begins, the Dreamer Resource Center (DRC) is committed to the success of new and continuing undocumented students, including those who come from mixed-status families. Please share the many services and resources available to students, staff, faculty and family members at the DRC including: access to free immigration consultations, a policy briefing on DACA and pending federal legislation; emergency grant funding; social and emotional support through Dream Connections and Dream Dinners; individual counseling and much more. For a listing of services with schedule, please visit [csus.edu/drc/services](http://csus.edu/drc/services). For more information, contact Dr. Viridiana Diaz at [viridiaz@csus.edu](mailto:viridiaz@csus.edu).

*Submitted by the Dreamer Resource Center*

**Second annual History Graduate Symposium keynote featuring Dr. Vicki L. Ruiz**

Dr. Vicki L. Ruiz, past president of the American Historical Association, National Humanities Medal recipient, distinguished professor and path-breaking scholar of Chicano/Latino history, will present a lecture titled "Why Latino/a History Matters to U.S. History," 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the University Union, Foothill Suite. Professor Ruiz has contributed to the reshaping of U.S. women's history, labor history, immigration studies, and history of the U.S. West.

Dr. Ruiz's keynote address will follow the second annual graduate history student research symposium from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. This event is free and open to the University community. We hope you will join us for both events and support our scholars-in-training.

Sponsored and supported by the Center for Teaching and Learning, DHSI Project Inspire, the One World Initiative, the Serna Center, the Women's Resource Center, and the departments of History and Ethnic Studies.

*Submitted by the Department of History*

### **Call for proposals period for third Advising Summit opens today**

The third annual Advising Summit, "Community in Collaboration: Learning Together, Advising Together," will be held Wednesday, April 25, at the University Union. The Planning Committee is seeking engaging workshops around technology, advising best practices, Finish in Four/Through in Two programming, advising targeted population, and much more. Workshops may include posters, panels, and/or lecture style presentations. The call for proposals opens today. For more information visit [csus.edu/acad/summit](https://csus.edu/acad/summit) or contact Jazzie Murphy, [jazzie.murphy@csus.edu](mailto:jazzie.murphy@csus.edu).

*Submitted by Academic Advising*

### **Call for applications:**

#### **Assigned Time for Exceptional Levels of Service to Students Award**

The Faculty Senate and the Exceptional Assigned Time Committee are pleased to announce the availability of the Assigned Time for Exceptional Levels of Service to Students Award for the 2018-19 academic year. This award is for assigned time only and is to be utilized during the academic year (August through May) during which the activity is performed. The application period is open through Friday, Feb. 2. Information on the award and the application process may be viewed at [csus.edu/senate/lecture-and-awards](https://csus.edu/senate/lecture-and-awards).

*Submitted by the Faculty Senate*

### **Uprooting Racism author and activist Paul Kivel visits Feb. 28**

The Community Engagement Center and the Center for Teaching and Learning's Faculty Learning Community on Equity and Student Success welcome Paul Kivel, author of *Uprooting Racism: How White People Can Work for Racial Justice*, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Leslie and Anita Harper Alumni Center. In preparation, join us from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Feb. 2 and 16 to discuss the book and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Friday, March 2, to debrief. If you're interested in the reading group, sign up by emailing [ctl@csus.edu](mailto:ctl@csus.edu). Books are available to those who sign up.

Kivel's visit is a collaborative effort made possible with financial support from the Community Engagement Center, the Center for Teaching and Learning, DHSI Project Inspire, the Full Circle Project, the Cooper Woodson College Enhancement Program, Associated Students Inc., and the One World Initiative. It's sponsored by First Year Experience, the General Education Honors Program, and the social justice co-chairs of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis.

*Submitted by the Department of History*

### **Writing Center expands tutoring hours for spring**

Spring hours for the University Reading and Writing Center (Calaveras 128) are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. Tutoring begins Monday, Feb. 5; appointment scheduling begins Monday, Jan. 29. The center offers free tutoring on reading and writing assignments for classes in any discipline. We recommend that students come to Calaveras 128 and make half-hour or hourlong appointments in advance. We also welcome drop-in students, but drop-in tutoring depends on whether enough tutors are on hand.

For a guaranteed weekly one-hour appointment, students should consider adding English 121, for which students receive one unit of credit for regularly working with a tutor. Students must come to the center before 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 9, to add English 121 while there is still tutor availability.

*Submitted by the University Reading and Writing Center*

### **Student-curated art exhibit opening and reception**

"196" is a student-curated exhibition of selected artworks from the Department of Art collection. Each student from the Fall 2017 class ART 196U, Introduction to Curatorial Studies selected a piece from the 400-plus-piece collection to use as a focal point for study and research. Students examined the artworks, studied their preferred piece and wrote an essay that chronicled the historical significance of the artwork and the artist. The project culminated in including the piece in this exhibition. Some of the exhibit's notable pieces include lithographs by Pablo Picasso and Le Corbusier. The exhibit is featured at the University Union Gallery through Thursday, Feb. 15, with a special reception with light refreshments from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25. Admission is free. All are welcome.

*Submitted by the University Union*

### **Celebrate the student authors of Sacramento State's online journal Friday**

Each year Sacramento State celebrates student writing with the publication of *Writing the University*, a collection of exemplary student writing. Students have the honor of being published, and our community gets to see our best student writing. An event celebrating this year's student authors takes place from 2-4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Folsom Hall. Please join us in this celebration.

*Submitted by the Writing and Reading Subcommittee of the Faculty Senate*

### **Nominations are open for the Women of Influence Awards**

The annual Women of Influence Awards recognize outstanding Sacramento State female students, faculty and staff who have made an impact on the campus and in their communities. The nominations are followed by an awards ceremony at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, in the University Union, Redwood Room. Please take the time to reflect on the year and recognize leaders who really have made a difference. The awards recognize one female faculty member, one staff member, one student leader and one residential student leader. Submit your nomination at [orgsync.com](http://orgsync.com). If you have questions, please contact Aja C. Holmes, Ph.D., at [aja.holmes@csus.edu](mailto:aja.holmes@csus.edu).

*Submitted by Housing and Residential Life*

### **Testing Center hours and deadlines for Spring 2018 semester**

With the Spring 2018 semester underway, the Testing Center would like to remind faculty and staff how the center may be utilized to its fullest potential. Our business hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Visit [csus.edu/testingcenterspring2018reminders](http://csus.edu/testingcenterspring2018reminders) for details. For more information about the Testing Center and/or using our services, please visit [csus.edu/testing](http://csus.edu/testing). You also may contact the center, located in Lassen 2302, at 278-6296 or [testingcenter@csus.edu](mailto:testingcenter@csus.edu).

### **Seasonal flu update**

We expect an increase in seasonal flu cases with the return of students for the spring semester. Student Health and Counseling Services (SHCS) has attached a flu update ([csus.edu/seasonalfluupdate-0118.pdf](http://csus.edu/seasonalfluupdate-0118.pdf)) and faculty FAQs ([csus.edu/facultyfaqs-jan2018.pdf](http://csus.edu/facultyfaqs-jan2018.pdf)) as a resource. Additionally, a health alert has been issued on the SHCS website. Please

review the linked documents and visit [csus.edu/shcs](http://csus.edu/shcs) for updates. If you have questions, please contact SHCS at 278-6461.

*Submitted by Student Health and Counseling Services*

### **Orthopedic Pro Bono Clinic serves the campus and community on Wednesdays**

Did you know the University offers free orthopedic treatment for students, faculty, staff, and the public? The Orthopedic Pro Bono Clinic is run by students and faculty from the Department of Physical Therapy for people with musculoskeletal injury or pain. Patients are examined and treated by students in the Doctor of Physical Therapy program under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist. The clinic is in Folsom Hall 1066.

The Orthopedic Pro Bono Clinic will begin Wednesday, Jan. 31. Appointments are from 11 a.m. to noon or noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays through May 2. Patients generally are seen for four sessions, including a complete examination, treatment, and home exercise prescription. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Bill Garcia at [william.garcia@csus.edu](mailto:william.garcia@csus.edu) or 278-5567.

*Submitted by the Department of Physical Therapy*

### **Instructional Personnel Cost Report (Fall 2017)**

The Office of Institutional Research (OIR) compiles special reports annually to show information on faculty workload during the fall and spring terms. These reports are based on the Academic Planning Data Base, which is submitted to and approved by the Chancellor's Office.

The Instructional Cost Personnel Report, combined with information from Human Resources, calculates the personnel costs directly associated with instruction. For a detailed look at the reports, visit [csus.edu/oir/FacultySpecialReports](http://csus.edu/oir/FacultySpecialReports). Summary tables and charts are for the Fall 2017 semester. For information, contact the Office of Institutional Research at 278-6566.

*Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research*

### **2017 National Survey of Student Engagement Report is online**

The Office of Institutional Research (OIR) in spring 2017 administered the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) to assess the extent to which students engage in a variety of educationally effective activities associated with learning and development, as well as to gather data about the nature and quality of their undergraduate experiences.

Composed of participating universities in both the United States and Canada, the NSSE is a national survey that can be used to help institutions measure their effectiveness in key areas of interest with national and regional benchmarks.

The OIR has created a report that provides a brief overview of the original NSSE Institutional Report. As such, it focuses on benchmarking by comparing the student responses for Sacramento State with three groups: participating CSU campuses, national peer institutions, and all colleges and universities participating in NSSE 2017.

We also have published the complete NSSE Institutional Report (as provided by the Center for Postsecondary Research) online. It includes detailed information and comprehensive statistical analyses of the survey results. Please go to [csus.edu/oir/surveyreports/nsse](http://csus.edu/oir/surveyreports/nsse) to view these reports.

*Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research*

### **Student fee proposals for Category III, Miscellaneous Course**

The 2017-18 Student Fee Advisory Committee is accepting fee proposals for Category III, Miscellaneous Course. The deadline for submission with all approval signatures, is Monday, Feb. 5. The fee proposal form can be found at [csus.edu/aba/sfac](http://csus.edu/aba/sfac). Approved fees will be effective in the fall.

*Submitted by the Office of the Associate Vice President for Financial Services*

### **Scheduling notice: February outage for CSU Data Center move**

Do you access CMS applications such as CMS Human Resources (HR/SA), CMS Student Administration (HR/SA), the faculty, employee, or student centers, or the Common Financial System (CFS)? If so, here's an important planning notice. Because of a new long-term contract between the CSU Chancellor's Office and service partner Unisys, the current CSU Data Center in Salt Lake City will migrate to a new state-of-the-art location in the Silicon Valley. Ideally located in California, the new CSU Data Center also has been re-architected to take advantage of new technologies to help control costs and improve performance. The migration will require extended downtime, and to minimize impact to business operations, it is scheduled to occur Saturday, Feb. 3, through Sunday, Feb. 4. CMS services will be available again beginning Monday, Feb. 5. Questions or concerns? Contact the IRT Service Desk Team at 278-7337 or [servicedesk@csus.edu](mailto:servicedesk@csus.edu).

*Submitted by Information Resources and Technology*

### **Faculty professional activities**

The latest faculty professional activities are available at [csus.edu/news/articles/Professional-activities](http://csus.edu/news/articles/Professional-activities).

*Submitted by University Communications*

### **Faculty Senate schedule**

The Faculty Senate calendar is available at [csus.edu/senate](http://csus.edu/senate).

*Submitted by the Faculty Senate*

## **Human Resources**

### **Catastrophic leave donation**

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits in one-hour increments each fiscal year to another employee who has been deemed eligible for catastrophic leave. Bargaining Units 1, 10 and 11 may donate only up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If you are interested in donating time, the form can be obtained at [csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability](http://csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability), by visiting the Benefits Office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3004, or by calling 278-3522.

The following employee has been approved to receive donations through the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:

- Jamie Jones, Services to Students with Disabilities