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News

Livingston Lecture by Professor Christine Miller coming Tuesday

Please join the Faculty Senate in congratulating Christine Miller, professor of Communication Studies, who is the recipient of the 2016 John C. Livingston Faculty Lecture honor. Her lecture, "Higher Education Innovation Meets the Mash-Up," will be presented at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, in the University Union, Redwood Room. A reception in her honor will immediately follow. For more information: www.csus.edu/acse/Lecture-and-Awards/LivingstonLecture/LL-flyerSp2016.pdf.

Submitted by the Faculty Senate

Ceremony to honor Faculty Endowment for Student Scholarships Award recipients

The Faculty Senate is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2015-16 Faculty Endowment for Student Scholarships Awards. Recipients are recognized for their academic achievement and promise of continued academic success, service, and contributions to the student's major department, college, the University and/or the community at large, as well as articulation of future educational/career goals. They will be honored at a ceremony at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, in the University Union, Foothill Suite. This year's honorees:

Post-Baccalaureate Awards

- Sarah Horning, Graduate and Professional Studies in Education
- Megan Padon, Speech Pathology and Audiology

Undergraduate Awards

- Ashleigh Maldonado, Undergraduate Studies in Education
- Christopher Potts, Mechanical Engineering
- Emily Webb, Geography
- Krista Cooper, Nursing
- Viorica Vivian Poteras, Criminal Justice

Submitted by the Faculty Senate

Forum will explore parallels of Japanese American, Muslim experiences

The present echoing the past will be examined at Sacramento State in "Hysteria, Racism, Politics: Parallels Between the WWII Japanese American Internment and Attitudes Toward the Muslim Community." Congresswoman Doris Matsui will be the keynote speaker at the free public forum, which will examine similarities between today's anti-Muslim rhetoric and a dark period in U.S. history 70-plus years ago.

The forum will be Friday, Feb. 19, at the Harper Alumni Center. A reception will be held from 4 to 5 p.m., followed by opening remarks and the keynote address from 5 to 5:45 p.m. After a brief break, a panel discussion will run from 6 to 7 p.m. For more information on the forum: <http://bit.ly/1R0ytZ8>.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Spring blood drive begins Tuesday, honors Cesar Chavez

The campus-wide spring blood drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, and Wednesday, Feb. 17, in the University Union Ballroom in honor of Cesar Chavez. Participants will receive MyBloodSource Rewards and a \$5 Togo's Gift Card.

Donating blood saves the lives of accident victims, surgery patients, cancer patients, and many others in need. Donating blood is safe, easy, and takes about an hour. Sacramento State faculty and staff members are eligible for a "Fast Track" pass, which expedites the check-in process. Be sure to bring a photo ID, and eat and drink plenty of fluids before donating. Sponsors of the blood drive include BloodSource, Associated Students Inc., CAMP, the Hornet Bookstore, the Green Army, the University Union, and The WELL.

Submitted by the University Union

It's Love Your Body Week

Love Your Body Week is celebrated every year by Student Health and Counseling Services. Through Friday, Feb. 19, there will be workshops, discussions, and presentations focused on promoting a positive body image, eating disorders awareness, and healthy lifestyles. View the complete list of events at shcssacstate.org/wellness-promotion/programs-services.

Submitted by Student Health and Counseling Services

Results of the Listening to Students Study available online

Student success as a top priority for the campus is about serving students and serving them well. To learn more about the needs of students from a variety of backgrounds and educational paths, the Listening to Students Study was undertaken in Spring 2014. The study examined, over the course of two years, the educational experiences of Sacramento State students.

To disseminate the study's key findings, a website has been created for sharing students' voices about their journeys so that valuable information reaches faculty and staff who work each day to serve the students. Please visit www.csus.edu/saseep/listeningtostudents to learn more about the study and to draw upon helpful resources to promote student success. Over the course of this year, sections on different types of students will be shared there. This week's section, "Listening to Sophomores," can be found with further information at the site listed above.

Submitted by the Department of Communication Studies

Black Panther Party documentary to screen Tuesday

As part of Black History Month programming, the History Department, along with the Department of Ethnic Studies, will present Stanley Nelson's new documentary on the Black Panther Party, *Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution*, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, in Del Norte 1004. Join Professors Paula Austin (History), Andrea Moore (Ethnic Studies), and Stan Oden (Government) for a discussion following the film.

Submitted by the History Department

Webinar to address 'Islamophobia on Campus'

The Office for Equal Opportunity, in conjunction with the President's Office, will host a live webinar, "Islamophobia on Campus: From Micro-Aggressions to Full-Fledged Hate Crimes and Violence," from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, in Library 11.

Paperclip Communications, the webinar's producer, says, "Following the attacks of 9/11, aggression and violence against Muslims (and targets perceived to be Muslim) increased at alarming levels. We now see history repeating itself. And, college campuses are not immune. Reports of violence, threats of violence, and micro-aggressive behaviors have been

heard at campuses across the country. Islamophobia is a trending issue you, your staff and your campus will have to deal with now – before emotions get out of hand and turn to regrettable actions. Join us for this webinar where we will explore practical information related to the safety, security, and well-being of Muslim students and other Muslim community members.”

Seating is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have questions, please contact the Office for Equal Opportunity at rkewis@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Office for Equal Opportunity

Library Research Fellow to deliver lecture Thursday

The Tsakopoulos Hellenic Collection invites you to join us for “Behind Paradise: A Provincial History of Italy’s Mediterranean Empire,” a lecture by 2015-16 Library Research Fellow Dr. Valerie McGuire, New York University and Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow for the Mediterranean Region, Council of American Overseas Research Centers, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, in University Library 3023.

Submitted by the University Library, Tsakopoulos Hellenic Collection

Doctorate in Educational Leadership Speaker Series welcomes Roger Dickinson

How should public policy respond to the high rate of suspensions in public schools and the disproportionate impact on some social groups?

The Doctorate in Educational Leadership Speaker Series will hold a forum on this important topic from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, in the University Union, Lobby Suite. The event will feature former Assembly Member Roger Dickinson, who led the Legislature’s efforts to address the suspension issue. Dickinson authored AB 420, which eliminates the authority of schools to expel a student in grades K-12 for “willful defiance” and eliminates expulsion or suspension as a disciplinary measure in grades K-3. The bill takes effect in 2018. By making California the nation’s first state to limit suspensions and expulsions, Dickinson has created a starting point for lowering disciplinary disparities and for utilizing more positive educational disciplinary techniques.

College of Education Graduate Studies Chair Sue Heredia, who serves as a school board member in the Natomas Unified School District, and district Superintendent Chris Evans will provide a district-level perspective on the policy and practical issues involved.

Submitted by the College of Education

BLM youth summit, film screening coming Friday

The Bureau of Land Management, in partnership with the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) and the Serna Center, will host a youth summit from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, in the University Union (multiple rooms) and Serna Plaza. The summit is designed to encourage youths of color to connect with and explore the outdoors. Attendees will be able to participate in a career expo, workshops, and recreational demos.

Following the summit will be a special screening of the film *An American Ascent* from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. The documentary follows a group of nine brave African American climbers as they embark on a journey to North America’s highest peak, Denali. A reception with one of the climbers, Scott Briscoe, will follow the screening. For more information, please contact CAMP at 278-7241 or camp-14@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Serna Center

Forum seeks to advance bridging the racial divide

A forum on "Race and You: Achieving the Common Good" will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22, in the University Union Ballroom. The goal of the session is to promote unity, understanding, and common mission. Join us for this conversation to improve upon our collective cultural experiences. To attend, RSVP by Thursday, Feb. 18, at <http://webapps2.csus.edu/saseep/UnityForum/>.

Submitted by Student Academic Success and Educational Equity Programs

'Change Intelligence' live webcast set for Feb. 25

The California State University's Got Talent Systemwide Professional Development series will present "Change Intelligence: Use the Power of Do to Lead Change That Sticks" from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 25. This presentation is from the Chancellor's Office, and all CSU faculty and staff are invited to attend the free webcast; no registration is necessary, but it is limited to the first 200 logins (multiple viewers can sit in the same room and use one link). You can access the webcast at csummyconnect.calstate.edu/CGT. Log in as a guest and type in your campus/your full name (e.g., CSULB/Steven Spielberg). If you have technical questions, please contact Jennifer Wicks, executive producer, at jwicks@calstate.edu or (562) 951-4525 prior to webcast day.

Submitted by the Office for Equal Opportunity

Campus community invited to 2016 Student Research Symposium

Academic Affairs, the Faculty Senate, and Research Affairs invite faculty, staff, and students to the annual Sacramento State Student Research Symposium on Friday, Feb. 26, in the University Union. This event provides students an opportunity to present their research, and scholarly and creative activities to the campus community in oral and poster presentation formats. Students will present their work and compete for the Provost's Awards for Research Excellence.

All presentational activities will take place on the first and second floors of the University Union from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The symposium will close in the University Union Ballroom with a luncheon and awards ceremony starting at 12:30 p.m. The symposium's schedule will be posted at www.csus.edu/research/studentresearch/studentresearchsymposium.html once the program and participant details have been confirmed.

Faculty jurors still are needed to judge student presentations on the day of the symposium. The juror registration form is available at the above link. Please contact the Office of Research Affairs with any questions at student.research@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Office of Research Affairs

Bookstore is having a sale Tuesday and Wednesday

Shop the Hornet Bookstore's Two-Day Sale, Feb. 16-17. Save 25 percent in store and online on fleece apparel, writing instruments, Skullcandy, JVC Gumy headphones, and more. Shop our sidewalk sale from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free popcorn!

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

Events throughout February help navigate financial aid process

Each February, the Financial Aid Office hosts events to help students and their families understand the financial aid process and help them complete their financial aid applications. Students are invited to the many events our office hosts to have their questions answered or to get assistance in completing their FAFSA or Dream Act application. Students who attend will have an opportunity to be entered into a drawing to win a prize. We'll also have

music and snacks. For details about event dates and times, students, faculty, and staff can visit the FA Awareness page at www.csus.edu/faid/financialaid_awareness.

Submitted by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office

Transportation Advisory Committee staff vacancy

There will be a staff vacancy on the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), effective Tuesday, March 1. This committee addresses parking, traffic management, and campus shuttle service issues, as well as other alternative transportation matters. The committee charge can be reviewed at <http://www.csus.edu/aba/utaps/tac/taccharge.pdf>. The committee meets monthly from February through May and September through December. The length of the staff appointment is three years (March 2016 through March 2019). Staff interested in serving on this committee must secure their supervisor's permission and forward their contact information (name, department, email, phone) to Margaret Hwang, on behalf of Vice President for Administration (Interim) Ali Izadian, at hwangm@csus.edu, by Wednesday, Feb. 24. For more information, email Hwang or call 278-2537.

Submitted by Administration and Business Affairs

All Majors Career Fair is March 2

The spring All Majors Career Fair is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, in the University Union Ballroom. Regional and national recruiters in attendance are recruiting Sac State students and alumni for full-time and part-time jobs as well as internship and volunteer opportunities in a wide variety of industries. Résumés and professional dress are required. A list of participants is available at www.csus.edu/careercenter/.

Submitted by the Career Center

Campus disaster/emergency preparedness training

Two-hour overviews of disaster preparedness on campus will be conducted from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, and Tuesday, April 5, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. The training is mandated by the state and the CSU. Attendees will get an overview of:

- The Multi-Hazard Emergency Plan
- The Building Safety Program
- The Emergency Operations Center
- Home disaster preparedness
- You as a disaster service worker
- Flood danger response
- Emergency notification systems

All Sacramento State faculty, staff, and student employees must attend during their first year of employment and every three years thereafter. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register by emailing gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by the Sacramento State Police Department

Violence in the Workplace Prevention Training

This is a one-hour presentation, with additional time for questions, on information regarding University policy on violence in the workplace, applicable campus statistics, crime prevention information, reporting practices, and available resources. The course will give attendees information on how to prepare, recognize, document, and report incidents in their respective areas as it pertains to violence in the workplace or unacceptable behavior. Materials will be provided. Class participation every three years is required of all faculty, staff, and student employees by Cal-OSHA and Sacramento State. Training is in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium:

- 9 to 10 a.m. Thursday, March 17
- 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 20
- 9 to 10 a.m. Thursday, May 12

To RSVP for the training, please email barnettk@csus.edu.
Submitted by the Sacramento State Police Department

Faculty professional activities

The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/news/articles/2016/1/4/Professional-activities,-January-March-2016.shtml.
Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Faculty Senate schedule

The Faculty Senate calendar is available at www.csus.edu/acse.
Submitted by the Faculty Senate

Security tip: Tax season and protecting your privacy

A growing phenomenon has taken root in America: preparing and submitting your taxes on your home computer. While this has helped many of us, it also creates a risk to our personal information. Tax-preparing applications retain our Social Security numbers (SSNs), dates of birth, and names and address of our closest family members, all in one place. This makes the application and any saved PDF of your tax return a target for data theft. To protect yourself, you should remove SSNs and dates of birth from the application after you confirm your e-file or print out your filed tax return. This may require you to overwrite the data with bogus data. Also, do not save unencrypted PDF versions of your tax return on your computer. If you are unable to encrypt the PDF, move it to a USB memory device or print it out and secure it with your other sensitive paperwork.
Submitted by the Information Security Office

Human Resources

Jake Hurley will join HR as associate vice president

The Office of Human Resources is very pleased to announce that Jake Hurley will join Sacramento State on Monday, Feb. 29, as associate vice president for Human Resources. He comes to the campus with a wealth of experience in faculty and staff labor relations with the University of California's Office of the President and at two UC campuses.

He also has worked as a labor lawyer for management and unions. He will bring creative solutions to resolve complex campus labor and employee relations matters.

Workshop on Tuesday will cover changes to Tax Sheltered Annuity Program

The California State University is making important changes to the Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA) Program that will be effective April 1. These changes are designed to improve efficiencies and savings for participants.

As part of the change, a CSU TSA program transition workshop has been scheduled for 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Feb. 16, in the University Union, Orchard Suite (second floor). The presentation will include representatives from Fidelity, Aon Hewitt, Chancellor's Office Human Resources Management, and Sacramento State Human Resources. The presentation will help guide you through the upcoming changes. Topics that will be discussed:

- Program overview
- Why the retirement plan is changing
- New plan features
- Key transition dates and plan changes
- Choosing new investment options
- Determining your next steps

Although registration is not required, employees who plan to attend are strongly encouraged to RSVP to the Benefits Office at 278-6213 for planning purposes.

Catastrophic leave donation

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits in one-hour increments each fiscal year.

Bargaining Units 1, 10 and 11 may donate only up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If employees are interested in donating time, a form can be obtained at www.csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3004, or by calling 278-3522.

The Benefits Office currently has the following employees on an approved CAT Leave:

- Brendan Lindsay, History
- Martin Biskowski, Anthropology
- Teresa Martin, Externally Sponsored Projects