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News

Doug Rice earns University’s Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award
Professor Doug Rice of the Department of English is the 2014-15 recipient of Sacramento State’s Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award. He will receive the award and deliver a lecture, “The Sweet, Sweet Ecstasy of Desire’s Broken Breath,” from 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 2, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. He will discuss the nature of desire and intimacy, and what such ways for seeing do to the ways we live our daily lives. He will also talk about the people who have inspired and influenced his work, and read from Here Lies Memory, his new novel, which explores the themes of desire, gentrification and interracial love.

The campus community is invited. A reception will follow in the University Union, Lobby Suite.

Submitted by the Office of Research Affairs

CCE seeks campus community’s input on its strategic plan
This spring, the College of Continuing Education is formulating a five-year strategic plan to align our efforts with the University’s direction and to position our college for the future. Dean Guido Krickx invites all members of the campus community to share ideas and insight. Our campus community will lend an important voice to our planning and will aid our college in continuing to meet the needs of professional students and the changing workforce development demands of our region’s employers, and in furthering the mission of Sacramento State.

Our strategic plan includes indicators of achievement and strategies related to student and client success, community partnerships, growth and innovation. Please join us from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 22, in the University Union, Summit Room. Register at www.cce.csus.edu/conferences/webreg/Register_CCE_stratFocusGroup15.cfm?CID=1859&aud=6. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for the role you can play in our planning process.

Submitted by the College of Continuing Education

Campus eateries’ hours during spring break
Spring break hours of operation are posted at all campus eateries and on the campus dining website at www.dining.csus.edu. Regular operating hours will resume Wednesday, April 1.

The campus eateries page at www.dining.csus.edu/campus-eateries on the dining website also includes a detailed map with eatery locations and filters to help you search eateries by food type, cuisine, dietary options, location, payment type and price range.

Submitted by University Enterprises Inc.

Sac State Magazine honored by CASE
Sac State Magazine has earned a 2015 CASE Award of Excellence from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. Sac State Magazine was named a bronze award
winner for general interest magazines. Sac State competed against colleges and universities in California, Arizona, Hawaii, Nevada, Utah, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands. The awards were announced Saturday, March 14, at the 2015 CASE District VII conference in Newport Beach.

Submitted by University Advancement

**Deadline coming March 31: $1,500 scholarships for employees’ children**
The Sacramento State Retirees Association has changed the eligibility criteria for the two scholarships we award each year, to make more students eligible. Please encourage your son or daughter to apply if you are employed by the University half-time or more and your Sac State student meets the following criteria:

- Has completed 12 units (formerly 15 units) at Sac State
- Has a Sac State GPA of 2.75 or higher (was 3.0)
- Is a full-time student enrolled in 12 or more units
- Is a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior

The deadline is Tuesday, March 31. The application is online at [https://csus.academicworks.com](https://csus.academicworks.com). You may learn about previous recipients and their parents at the Scholarship link of the Retirees Association website, [www.csus.edu/org/retirees/index.html](http://www.csus.edu/org/retirees/index.html). Please email questions to the association’s past president, Tom Griffith, at tgriffith@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Sacramento State Retirees Association

**DEGREES Project event heralding faculty’s role scheduled for April 1**
The DEGREES Project is hosting an event, “Because You Matter: In the Student Success Equation,” from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, in the University Union Ballroom. The event will underscore the importance of DEGREES Project faculty partners’ role in student success and honor our faculty partners. The featured keynote speaker will be Dr. Anne-Marie Nuñez, a professor at the University of Texas, San Antonio. The “Because You Matter” event will celebrate and inform emerging practices that support student success as we prepare for the future. Please join us. While an RSVP is not required, your RSVP to [www.csus.edu/degreesproject/MATTER](http://www.csus.edu/degreesproject/MATTER) by Wednesday, March 25, will enable us to obtain an accurate count of attendees.

Submitted by the DEGREES Project

**Next Serna Center speaker coming April 1**
The Serna Center Speaker Series will present a lecture plus reception with Dr. Anne-Marie Nuñez, “Ensuring Latina/o Success in an Emerging Hispanic Serving Institution,” from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, in the University Union, Delta Suite.

Nuñez recently published *Hispanic-Serving Institutions: Advancing Research and Transformative Practice*. Her faculty research at the University of Texas, San Antonio, addresses how to promote equity in postsecondary access and success, particularly for historically underrepresented groups. Most recently, her research has focused on Latino, first-generation and migrant students’ experiences in their transitions to different types of higher education institutions, including Hispanic-Serving Institutions.

Her lecture will address the significance of becoming an HSI and the successful programs and strategies that promote the educational success of Latino students and therefore all students on campus. RSVP to serna-05@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Serna Center
Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week begins April 6
Exciting events are planned for Sac State graduate and professional students during Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week, April 6-10. Please visit the Graduate Diversity website at www.csus.edu/gradiv for a calendar of events.
Submitted by the Graduate Diversity Program

NorCal Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education
The Graduate Diversity Program once again will provide free bus transportation to the Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, to be hosted by Sonoma State University on Saturday, April 18. The application deadline is Thursday, April 2. For information about the forum and to download application documents, please visit www.csus.edu/gradiv:_Graduate-Diversity-Forums/NorthernCaliforniaForum.html. A free lunch will also be provided to forum participants.
Submitted by the Graduate Diversity Program

Mathematics and Statistics’ annual Integration Bee is April 10
The Department of Mathematics and Statistics holds an Integration Bee every spring semester. This is similar to a traditional spelling bee, except that competitors compute integrals from calculus instead of spelling words. This year’s event will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 10, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. The Integration Bee attracts large numbers of STEM majors and is open to the public. This year, we expect to have door prizes for all attendees, with a raffle for special prizes for those who make the final round (about nine contestants). The top three competitors will win monetary prizes.

This year, we also will begin an inscribed plaque with winners’ names to display in the Math Department. The event is sponsored by the Math Club and includes a pizza party.
Submitted by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Regional Writing Across the Curriculum Conference coming April 17
Teachers across disciplines are invited to the 2015 Northern California Writing Across the Curriculum Conference at Sacramento State, hosted by the University’s Writing Across the Curriculum program and the UC Davis University Writing Program. The conference will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 17, in the University Union. See the conference website at http://writing.ucdavis.edu/the-workshop-program/the-5th-biannual-reading-and-writing-across-the-curriculum-conference for the full program and to register for free.
Submitted by the Center for Teaching and Learning

University Foundation training sessions in April
The University Foundation at Sacramento State is offering two training sessions in April for faculty and staff. The sessions will include the establishment and maintenance of accounts, fundraising procedures, scholarship-awarding processes, purchasing policy and procedures, and online financial reporting (Dashboard). Sessions are offered from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, April 22, and from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 23. Both sessions will be in the University Enterprises Inc. Board Room, located in the Hornet Bookstore, third floor. Please register for a session at http://www.enterprises.csus.edu/business-services/about-the-university-foundation-at-sacramento-state/university-foundation-training-sessions. Questions can be directed to Ann Carlson at 278-6025 or annc@uei.csus.edu.
Submitted by University Enterprises Inc.

Call for papers: First Interdisciplinary Conference in the Humanities
The Department of Foreign Languages and University Enterprises Inc. will conduct the first Interdisciplinary Conference in the Humanities, Oct. 30-31, under the theme “Societies Without Borders.” We welcome submissions from across the humanities and fine arts
dealing with societies in their many forms. Papers, performances, exhibits and screenings may be submitted by scholars, writers, artists and performers, and may be in English, French, German, Italian or Spanish. For individual proposals, please submit a one-page, double-spaced abstract in English, French, German, Italian or Spanish via email to Dr. Maria Mayberry or Dr. Euisuk Kim at csusconference2015@gmail.com. Include the presenter’s name, institution, email address, phone number and any audio-visual or technical requirements for the presentation.

Submissions for panels of three to four presenters are especially welcome. For panel proposals, please submit the panel title, abstracts and contact information for all speakers and for the panel moderator.

Proposals are due by Monday, June 1. Please contact csusconference2015@gmail.com with questions or for more information.

Submitted by the Department of Foreign Languages and University Enterprises Inc.

Building coordinator/floor marshal training
Annual two-hour training sessions will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, and Monday, June 15, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. They will cover the following:

- Program overview and history
- Multi-Hazard Plan/Building Emergency Action Plan
- ICS/interaction with first responders
- Responsibilities of building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty
- Evacuation procedures/rally areas and evacuation chairs
- Active shooter preparedness
- IFAN
- ENS
- Web pages and information

Attendance is mandatory for all members of the building emergency preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty who have responsibilities during a disaster or emergency. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register by emailing gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by Sacramento State Police

Campus disaster/emergency preparedness training
During the first year of employment and every three years thereafter, Sacramento State faculty, staff and student employees must attend a two-hour presentation on what to expect during a disaster/emergency on campus and how to react to it. The training is mandated by the state and the CSU. Attendees will receive an overview of:

- The campus Multi-Hazard Emergency Plan
- The campus emergency response and management groups
- The important role of faculty in emergency response
- Evacuate or shelter requirements
- The campus Emergency Notification System
- The Disaster Service Worker program
- Active shooter response

Sessions will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 14, and Wednesday, June 3, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Seating is limited to the first 150. Attendance is
required at only one session. Register via the LearnerWeb schedule calendar at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csus_enterprise/ or with gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by Sacramento State Police

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:
• 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 25
• 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, April 20; Monday, May 4; and Tuesday, May 19

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety

Faculty professional activities
The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2015/03/ProfessionalActivities03-09-15.html.

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: Limiting access to protected information
Does doing your communication off the computer mean you don’t have to worry so much about information security? No. Information security applies to more than just computer use. You must always secure protected information by limiting its access to those who need to know. When talking on the phone about protected information, be sure unauthorized people cannot overhear the conversation. When sending protected faxes, be sure an authorized person is on the receiving end to pick them up as soon as they are sent. When leaving voice mails about confidential issues, you must be sure the system can’t be accessed by others. (It should be password-protected and not a department office voice message box where multiple people can access the message, but instead an individual message box.)

Submitted by the Information Security Office

Human Resources

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:
• Venesha Rosseau, Graduate & Professional Studies in Education (vacation only)
• Monica Patterson, Mail Services
• Noreen James, Center for Collaborative Policy