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News

Spring 2013 International Week at Sac State
April 22-29 has been designated International Week at Sac State by the Office of Academic Affairs. Events include a Japan Culture Night; a presentation by Fulbright ambassador Dr. Everette Penn; a panel discussion featuring Sac State Fulbright Scholars; an opportunity to learn about international career options; a panel featuring Sac State study-abroad students who will share their experiences; the 22nd annual Africa/Diaspora Conference; and the One World Initiative’s end-of-year celebration featuring keynote speaker Maude Barlow. (See items below for more on One World activities and the Africa/Diaspora Conference.)

These events are free and open to members of the campus community. Strong campus participation is encouraged. For a schedule of activities:
www.csus.edu/acaf/Documents/Intl_week.pdf
Submitted by the Office of Academic Affairs

This week in the One World Initiative
The Else Gallery presents “Bodies of Water,” a free exhibit of multiple-media works by Sylvia Sensiper, a UC Davis researcher and artist. The exhibit is curated by Professor Pat Chirapravati. Gallery hours are noon-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Thursday, April 25: A panel discussion on “Water and Development in Africa” will be held as part of the 22nd annual Africa/Diaspora Conference hosted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution, and the Pan African Studies Program. The panel will feature four topics: water, agriculture and the international “land grab” in Ethiopia; Nile claims and public health consequences; the politics of water and environment in Africa; and a case study on environmental and community health in Ghana. The discussion will run 11:30 a.m.-1:20 p.m. in the University Union, Forest Suite.

Saturday, April 27: The Composers Symposium will present “Water Works,” a concert of original student compositions inspired by the One World Initiative; 5 p.m. in the University Library Gallery.
Submitted by the One World Initiative

One World end-of-year celebration April 29
In celebration of its successful first year, the One World Initiative will host a series of events Monday, April 29.

- Noon-3 p.m.: Student symposium on water. Join students as they present their papers, posters, artwork, music and digital media on water; University Union, Redwood Room.
- 4-5:30 p.m.: Faculty panel, “What We Think About When We Think About Water,” moderated by Dr. David Andersen and featuring Dr. Jim Baxter (biology), Dr. Stephen Blumberg (music), Dr. Michelle Stevens (environmental studies) and Dr. Kevin Wehr (sociology); University Union, Hinde Auditorium.

All three events are free and open to the public. For more information: www.csus.edu/oneworld.

Submitted by the One World Initiative

22nd annual Africa/Diaspora Conference
The Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution will hold the 22nd annual Africa/Diaspora Conference April 25-27 on the theme of “Health and Human Security.” A special panel on “Water and Development in Africa” will kick off the conference from 11:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. Thursday, April 25. Dr. Anvar Velji, chief of infectious diseases at Kaiser-South Sacramento and a co-founder of the Global Health Education Consortium, will deliver the keynote lecture from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday, April 26, followed from 11 a.m. to noon by a showing and discussion of the film Weight of the Nation, and other speakers from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Special panels on the African family and youth violence prevention, plus a health fair, will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 27.

All conference sessions and related activities will take place in the University Union. A preliminary program is available at www.csus.edu/org/capcr or by contacting Professor Ernest Uwazie at uwazieee@csus.edu or 278-6282.

Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

Annual Peace Awards Dinner
The Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution’s annual Peace Awards Dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 27, in the University Union Ballroom. Governor Mu’azu Aliyu of Niger State, Nigeria, will deliver a keynote lecture. Awardees are Governor Aliyu for peace leadership, Dr. Anvar Velji of Kaiser for peace education, Sacramento County Senior Deputy Probation Officer Ray Lozada for peace service and the California Black Health Network for peace health. General admission is $50; VIP reserved tables for 10 people are available for $650. Tickets can be purchased https://commerce.cashnet.com/csusacevent; click on “Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution.”

Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

President’s Award for Research and Creative Activity
Dr. Benjamin Fell, civil engineering, is the 2012-13 recipient of the President’s Award for Research and Creative Activity. He will receive his award and give a lecture, “Towards Seismically Resilient Homes with Increased Life-Cycle Performance,” from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, in the University Union, Forest Suite. He will discuss established design methodologies for built structures in high-seismic regions, contrasted with a proposed approach for light-frame (residential) structures. The campus community is invited to this event. A reception will follow in the Orchard Suite.

Submitted by Research Administration

Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award
Dr. Necmi Karagozoglu, College of Business Administration, is the winner of this year’s Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award. He will deliver a lecture, “Dark Side of Humanity and Neuroscience,” at 4 p.m. Monday, May 6, in the University Union, California Suite. For more information, call 278-7565.

Submitted by Research Administration
2013 Livingston Lecture: Call for nominations
The Faculty Senate is pleased to call for the nomination of faculty members to be considered for presenting the 2013-14 John C. Livingston Distinguished Faculty Lecture. The faculty member will be selected this semester and will deliver the lecture during the Fall semester at a convocation held in his or her honor. Nominations are due by 2 p.m. Friday, May 3, to the Faculty Senate Office. The call for nominations is available at www.csus.edu/acse/Lecture-and-Awards/2013-Livingston-Lecture/13LivingstonCall.pdf.
Submitted by the Faculty Senate

2013 Asian & Pacific Islander American Celebration
This year marks the first Asian & Pacific Islander American Celebration at Sacramento State. The APIA Celebration, sponsored by the Full Circle Project, is a series of cultural performances, events and programs hosted by three academic departments, four campus program offices and 11 student-led clubs and organizations. Most events are free unless otherwise stated and take place on campus in April and May.

APIA Celebration calendar fliers have been distributed throughout several campus departments, including the Educational Opportunity Program, Student Organizations and Leadership, Ethnic Studies, the Multi-Cultural Center, the Pride Center and the Women’s Resource Center. For a complete list of events: www.csus.edu/fcp.
Submitted by the Full Circle Project

Next year’s One Book: ‘Full Body Burden’
Life in “the most contaminated site in America” is the theme of next year’s Sacramento State One Book selection. Full Body Burden: Growing Up in the Nuclear Shadow of Rocky Flats, by Kristen Iversen, balances memoir with investigative journalism to explore the private and public costs of radioactive waste. Iversen’s work has appeared in The New York Times, The Nation and many other publications, and she has been on C-SPAN and National Public Radio. She will be on campus Nov. 12-13 for a series of readings, lectures and book signings.
Submitted by the One Book Program

‘More Than Just Scribbles’: In celebration of the Week of the Young Child
The ASI Children’s Center, Associated Students Inc., the University Union and the Union Gallery are celebrating the Week of the Young Child with an art show, “More Than Just Scribbles,” on the second floor of the University Union through Friday, April 26. The show features artwork by children ages 6 months to 5 years who attend the Children’s Center and includes multidimensional pieces utilizing both traditional and unusual artistic approaches.

The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The week focuses attention on the needs of young children and their families, and recognizes the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. This year’s celebration has the theme “Early Years Are the Learning Years.”
Submitted by the University Union Gallery

ASI Farmers Markets on April 25, May 9
The ASI Farmers Market gives the Sacramento State community access to fruits and vegetables that are high in quality, reasonably priced, California-grown and farm-fresh. The events also include live music and information booths. The next markets are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 25, and Thursday, May 9, in Serna Plaza. Find out more at www.asi.csus.edu/farmers.
Submitted by Associated Students Inc.
McNair Scholars Research Symposium
The Sacramento State McNair Scholars Program, in collaboration with the Science Educational Equity Program, invites you to the McNair Scholars Research Symposium from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday, April 22, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium.

Don’t miss this unique opportunity to support our scholars’ research efforts.
Submitted by the McNair Scholars Program

Jeff Lustig Symposium
The Government Department and the Center for California Studies will host the Jeff Lustig Symposium from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Alumni Center to honor our colleague who passed away in June 2012. Short talks by distinguished speakers will address the themes of his work, focusing on California political ideas, history and culture. There also will be a reception with drinks and appetizers. The event will be free and open to the public. Free parking will be available in the U-shaped lot at the Alumni Center.

For more information, please contact Mark Brown at mark.brown@csus.edu.
Submitted by the Government Department

Summer workshop on conflict resolution training
The 17th annual Conflict Resolution Training Workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 24-28 at Sacramento State. The workshop aims to build conflict resolution skills in negotiation and mediation, and to provide basic knowledge on conflict theory and analysis. The training will be led by Ernest Uwazie, professor of criminal justice and director of the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution; and attorney Daniel Yamshon, a renowned mediator/arbitrator and conflict resolution trainer.

The workshop is organized in cooperation with California Lawyers for the Arts and the Sacramento Mediation Center. Participants will be eligible to receive CEUs and MCLE credits. The fee is $645. Applications can be obtained at www.csus.edu/org/capcr or by contacting Professor Uwazie at uwazieeee@csus.edu or 278-6282.
Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

Writing Across the Curriculum retreat
All full- and part-time faculty are invited to the 2013 Writing Across the Curriculum faculty development retreat, “Using Digital Technologies to Increase Student Engagement and Enhance the Teaching of Writing in Any Discipline,” from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, at The WELL, Terrace Suite. RSVP to Dan Melzer at wac@csus.edu.
Submitted by Writing Across the Curriculum Program

Seventh annual Hornet Club Wine and Food Classic
Join us for the seventh annual Hornet Club Wine and Food Classic from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 3, at the Alumni Center. This is a very special event at Sacramento State for those who know and love great wine and food. Enjoy wines from businesses owned and operated by Sacramento State alums, and taste unique delicacies from local food purveyors. Not a wine lover? No problem! We also will provide complimentary beer and soda to enjoy. This event is presented by the Hornet Club. Proceeds will benefit student-athlete scholarships.

You can purchase tickets at https://tkt.xosn.com/tickets/TicketHome.dbml.
Submitted by the Athletics Department
Professional activities
The latest professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2013/04/ProfessionalActivities04-15-13.html.
Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Faculty Senate schedules
The Faculty Senate calendar for the Spring semester is available at www.csus.edu/acse/. On that page, click “Calendar” on the right under “2012-13 Senate Info.”
Submitted by the Faculty Senate

2013 First College Year Experience Survey report
In Spring 2013, the Office of Institutional Research successfully administered a First College Year Experience Survey to first-year students in an effort to better understand student learning and help improve the quality of college education. The response rate for this survey was 43 percent.

This survey asked first-time freshmen to share their views on a variety of issues covering many aspects of their journey to Sacramento State. The survey report consists of 10 sections: concerns; satisfaction with campus services and facilities; satisfaction with college life; adjustment to college life; campus climate; interactions among racial/ethnic groups; co-curricular activities and behaviors; academic work; overall experience; and background information. The survey findings also are broken down by college and have been compared with the previous year’s results where applicable.

To view the report: www.csus.edu/oir/Reports.html.
Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research

Journal of student writing
The 2013 edition of Writing the University, the journal of outstanding student writing from across disciplines at Sacramento State, is available at www.csus.edu/wac/journal. Please click the “Submission Guidelines” link to sponsor student writing for future editions of the journal.
Submitted by the Reading and Writing Subcommittee

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training dates added
Student Health and Counseling Services will offer two additional two-day Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training sessions from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 20-21 and June 5-6 at The WELL.

The free ASIST workshops are for caregivers who want to feel more comfortable, confident and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. This training is frequently provided to health and mental health professionals, first responders such as EMTs and law enforcement personnel, educators and anyone who would like to help prevent suicide. Training is available to all members of the campus community.

Participants must attend the entire training to be certified. Lunch and light refreshments are provided. Participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, email Kalyn Coppedge at coppedge@csus.edu.
Submitted by Student Health and Counseling Services

Two senior surveys under way
The Office of Institutional Research is conducting two surveys that began Monday, April 15. The Graduating Student Survey was designed to allow graduating seniors the opportunity to
provide us with feedback to help improve the college experience. The Non-Graduating Senior Survey was designed to give non-graduating seniors the opportunity to relate and identify barriers that might have prevented them from graduating sooner.

Please encourage seniors via class lectures or other student services to participate in these surveys, and please assure them that the University will take their suggestions and recommendations seriously.

Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research

**Gerontology Career Fair**

The sixth annual Gerontology Career Fair, “Future of Careers in Aging,” will provide opportunities for paid, internship and volunteer positions in the fields of healthy aging and elder care. Students from all majors are encouraged to attend. The fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, in the University Union, Redwood Room, is free and open to the public.

Submitted by the Gerontology Department

**SacSend maintenance**

The SacSend messaging service is scheduled for maintenance from 12:01 a.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday, April 23. SacSend will not be available for sending email or messages during this time. Faculty who may need to communicate to students during this time can email their class rosters through the Faculty Center or through SacCT. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the IRT Service Desk at 278-7337.

Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

**New computer patch program to improve protection**

Beginning Monday, April 22, IRT is implementing a program to patch University computers through an automated campus-wide approach. This will help us provide the best possible protection of our University network, computers and data. It also will ensure that patches are installed in a timely and uniform manner across campus, but they can also be applied at your convenience.

For more information: [www.csus.edu/irt/itupdates/2013/041213DataProtection.html](http://www.csus.edu/irt/itupdates/2013/041213DataProtection.html).

Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

**Security quick tip**

Beware of “phishing” (e.g., emails that try to get you to click on unknown links or send confidential information). Do not open email attachments or click links unless you know the sender, completely trust the web link or are expecting the file. For more on phishing: [www.csus.edu/irt/is/phishing](http://www.csus.edu/irt/is/phishing).

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](http://www.csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability) by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3002, or by calling 278-3522.
The following employees have been approved for the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:

Jamie Jones, Services to Students with Disabilities (vacation donations only)
Donna Redman-Fox, Science Educational Equity
Monica Patterson, Mail Services