News

In memoriam: Art Professor Dan Frye
The College of Arts and Letters is saddened to announce the passing of Professor of Art Dan Frye on Saturday, July 19, after a long struggle with cancer. He will be greatly missed. Dan joined the Art Department faculty in 2000 and quickly was recognized as an outstanding teacher, earning the college’s Outstanding Teaching Award during the 2010-11 academic year. His emphasis as a small-metals studio artist kept him closely connected with students, galleries and the regional arts community. His work as department chair from 2007 to 2013, during significant budget shortfalls, helped keep the department focused and its programs moving forward in innovative and productive ways.

Dan will be remembered as a consummate educator, strong advocate for arts and arts education, and friend. He will be missed.
Submitted by the College of Arts and Letters

Japanese language program’s $20,000 grant extends to second year
Sacramento State’s Japanese language program has received a $20,000 grant, the 2014-2015 Salary Assistance Grant for Japanese Language Courses (Year 2), from the Japan Foundation. Previously, the Japanese language program received a 2013-2014 Salary Assistance Grant for Japanese Language Courses (Year 1). Only a few university programs were able to extend grants for a second year.
Submitted by the Department of Foreign Languages

UTAPS changing its regular business hours
Beginning Monday, Sept. 15, University Transportation and Parking Services (UTAPS) will change its regular business hours to 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The change of hours will allow staff to attend in-service training and strengthen services. UTAPS will continue to offer extended hours in support of special periods such as the first two weeks of each semester. The extended hours will be announced separately as appropriate.
Submitted by University Transportation and Parking Services

Building coordinator/floor marshal training
An annual two-hour training session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. It 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
- Shelter-in-place
- 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 via the LearnerWeb schedule calendar at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csus_enterprise/.

Submitted by University Police

Faculty professional activities
The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2014/06/ProfessionalActivities06-09-14.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: Be perpetually vigilant
Does communicating by means other than 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 that 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 a password-protected individual message box and not a department office voice message box where multiple people can access the message.

Submitted by the Information Security Office

Human Resources

Did you know that you are required to report sexual harassment and violence?
In a continuing effort by the Sacramento State Title IX team to raise campus awareness on issues of sexual harassment and sexual violence, this notice is to remind all campus staff and faculty of their required reporting responsibilities.

CSU policy (Executive Orders 1096 and 1097) requires that members of the campus community who become aware of sexual harassment or sexual violence report such information to the office of the Sac State Title IX coordinator at 278-7469. For more information on the Title IX coordinator’s office, go to www.csus.edu/hr/departments/equal-opportunity/.

If you become aware of allegations or acts that violate the University’s policy against discrimination, harassment and/or sexual violence (including sexual assault, dating/domestic violence and stalking), you must report this knowledge to the campus Title IX coordinator. You are obligated to provide the Title IX coordinator all known details, including names of those individuals involved. Failure to do so can expose both you and the University to liability. The only community members not required to report to the Title IX coordinator are medical providers, counselors and victim advocates who work in Student Health and Counseling Services.

Below is a list of do’s and don’ts if someone discloses to you:
Do:
- Be supportive.
- Explain your reporting responsibility.
- Explain that Sac State has numerous resources available, including the victim advocate, the Counseling Center and the campus Police Department. The Title IX coordinator will be able to further describe resources and options.
- Immediately call Title IX Coordinator William Bishop at 278-7469 or Deputy Title IX coordinator Alison Morgan at 278-2843.

Don’t:
- Investigate the matter (e.g., do not contact or question the person accused or anyone else).
- Promise absolute confidentiality.
- Express opinions about the merits of the report or possible outcomes of a campus or criminal process.
- Discuss details of the person’s report with anyone other than those who need to know (e.g., the Title IX coordinator, victim advocate or police).

Benefits – did you know? CalPERS | Compare for PPO plan enrollees
CalPERS is pleased to announce the launch of CalPERS | Compare, a one-stop shop for your health information needs. CalPERS | Compare lets employees enrolled in the CalPERS Basic Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) health plans shop for medical services and prescriptions, and compare their options. You can use it to track your past expenses and know how much you should expect to pay.

If you are enrolled in a CalPERS Anthem Blue Cross PERS Select, PERS Choice or PERSCare Basic plan, you can activate your CalPERS | Compare Account at www.calperscompare.com. With CalPERS | Compare, you can:

- Shop for prescriptions and see all the options available to you.
- Understand the prices and options for in-network physicians and hospitals in your area.
- Access quality information on doctors, hospitals and patient experiences, to understand how your options compare.
- Review your medical spending in a step-by-step and easy-to-understand way, so you know how much you paid and why.

Learn more or activate your CalPERS | Compare account today at www.calperscompare.com.

CalPERS | Compare is available through Anthem Blue Cross for all PERS Select, PERS Choice and PERSCare plan Basic members, and is powered by Castlight Health. If you have questions, please contact support@calperscompare.com.

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:
Steven Borden, Facilities Services
Marty Diaz, Graduate Studies
James Jackson, Facilities Services