

California State University, Sacramento  
Office of Graduate Studies  
**STUDENT BULLETIN**

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**“Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others.”**

**-Jack Welch-**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**New Student Orientation:**  
January 27, 2009 from 4:30 – 6pm

**Application for Graduation (for Spring and Summer 2009) Deadline:** February 1, 2009

**Advancement to Candidacy for Fall 2009 Deadline:**  
February 1, 2009

**Classification for Fall 2009 Due:** February 1, 2009

**Continuous Enrollment for Spring 2009 Deadline:**  
February 10, 2009

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**MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN**

Welcome to the Spring 2009 semester. On behalf of those who teach and work in the area of graduate education on our campus, I would like to wish you well in your classes, research, and scholarly activities. At the start of a new term, there is excitement and anticipation of the knowledge to be gained and ideas shared.

Through this monthly newsletter, we hope to share with you important updates that will assist you as a graduate student at Sacramento State. In this issue you will find information on grants and awards that are available for graduate students. In addition, there are important dates concerning advancement to candidacy deadlines and classification changes. Also, we encourage you to review the *Registration & Advising Handbook*, as well as the university catalog.

We wish you an enjoyable and successful semester.

Sincerely,



Chevelle Newsome

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**

New Student Orientation will be on **Tuesday, January 27, 2009 from 4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. in the Union, Redwood Room.** All new graduate students are encouraged to attend.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

To be a graduate student, Title 5 stipulates that a student must hold a Bachelors Degree. Hence, all newly admitted graduate students who graduated in Fall 2008 who have not submitted their Official Final Transcript must do so immediately. **If your final transcript with your Bachelor Degree noted is not received, you will not be able to register for the Summer and Fall terms.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Graduate Studies at 916.278.6470.

**GPA REQUIREMENT**

All graduate students must maintain a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA and a 3.0 or higher Program GPA to remain in good academic standing with the university and with the department.

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## SPRING 2009 THESIS/PROJECT/DISSERTATION FORMATTING WORKSHOPS

Format Workshops are mandatory for all students who will be turning in a Thesis/Project/Dissertation for the Spring 2009/Summer 2009 semester. Workshops during the Spring 2009 semester are:

**Wednesday, February 11, 2009: 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.; University Union, Forest Suite (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)**

**Thursday, February 19, 2009: 5:00p.m. – 6:30p.m.; University Union, Forest Suite (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)**

**Tuesday, March 3, 2009: 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.; University Union, Foothill Suite (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)**

**Thursday, March 12, 2009: 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.; University Union, Foothill Suite (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)**

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009: 6:00p.m. – 7:30p.m.; University Union, Forest Suite (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)**

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## OUT TWO SEMESTERS

Students must maintain enrollment to remain active as a Sacramento State student. Students may take one (1) semester off, but must re-enroll the following semester to be considered an active student. **For example: You were enrolled for Spring 2008, and did not enroll for Fall 2008, you must be enrolled for Spring 2009 to remain an active student.**

Students who have been out of enrollment for two (2) consecutive semesters will need to reapply and pay applicable application fees. **For example: You were enrolled Spring 2008, did not enroll for courses for Fall 2008, and did not enroll courses for Spring 2009, you will need to reapply to the university (you have been inactive for two consecutive semesters--Fall 2008 and Spring 2009).**

Please note: not enrolling in one or two semester does not extend the 7 year deadline.

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## GRADUATE DIVERSITY GRANTS

Applications are available for Graduate Diversity Grants and Fellowships. Please note the following deadlines for each grant/fellowship:

Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive/Forgivable Loan Program (CDIP)– February 13, 2009

Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Scholarship – February 13, 2009

Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Program – March 13, 2009

Graduate Equity Fellowship – March 28, 2009

More information can be found at [www.csus.edu/graddiv](http://www.csus.edu/graddiv).

Please contact Carlotta Moore at (916) 278-5118 or via email at [moorec@saclink.csus.edu](mailto:moorec@saclink.csus.edu) if you have any questions.

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## SPRING 2009 RESEARCH METHODS AND ANALYSIS WEBCAST SERIES

Research Administration in conjunction with Virginia Commonwealth University's Center for the Advancement of Research Methods and Analysis (CARMA) is sponsoring a Research Methods and Analysis webcast series for the Spring 2009 semester. The webcast series will allow faculty and students to hear about the latest developments in research methods used in organizational and social science disciplines. For more information please go to: <http://www.csus.edu/research/workshops/webcasts/index.htm>.

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