Campus grants and contracts on the rise

The amount of faculty grants and contracts continues to grow at CSUS, reaching $23.6 million in the last academic year. That’s up from $21.8 million in 1999-2000 and just $7.8 million a decade ago.

The growth adds up to more opportunity for faculty according to Ric Brown, associate vice president for research, graduate and extended programs. “We’re getting a bigger share of what’s available,” Brown says. “We have an active group of faculty who are interested in sponsored research, and the CSUS Foundation and the administration have worked hard to develop the climate and infrastructure to make it possible.”

Terry Munns, director of research and sponsored projects, says the campus has also been helped by the success of a number of centers and institutes, such as the Institute for Social Research, the Archeological Research Center and the Center for Delinquency and Crime Policy Studies. These groups provide valuable support and expertise in the grant process.

Further, every grant ultimately helps promote additional research on campus, Brown says. That’s because a large portion of the indirect costs recovered by the University is funneled back to the Colleges in the form of research support.

Recent grants on campus: Scott Farrand, a CSUS math professor, has a grant for about $250,000 to help schoolteachers improve math instruction. Chemistry professor Linda Roberts, and biology professors Susanne Lindgren and Ruth Ballard have a $200,000 grant from the National Science Foundation. It will support development of a shared molecular facility, as well as individual student research projects and research experiences for middle school students.

Chemistry professor Mary McCarthy Hinz has a three-year, $60,000 grant from the Merck/AAAS Undergraduate Science Research Program to provide undergraduate research experiences. Maggie DeLeon of the Cooper Cultural Resource Center has a grant for about $100,000 to help high school social studies teachers add an international perspective to their classes.

Hydrogeology professor Dave Evans is managing a $400,000 grant from the Keck Foundation. It will help expand field facilities, purchase advanced geophysics equipment and build a new groundwater modeling lab.

Marilyn Hopkins, dean of the College of Health and Human Services, is overseeing an AmeriCorps grant of approximately $100,000. Through it, students provide tutoring, referral and other services for students in the Folsom Cordova Unified School District.

And three teacher education professors have a three-year, $1.5 million AmeriCorps grant through the Governor’s Office and the state Department of Education for a remedial tutoring program in the North Sacramento School District. The professors are Noreen Kellough, Pamela O’Kane and Jennifer Rodden. Child development professor Karen Horobin helped write the grant. It will allow 80 CSUS students to provide tutoring at all the district’s schools.

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“The first year goals include consulting with leaders in the California higher education community, working with Sacramento area community colleges, developing collaborative relationships with academic departments at CSUS and appointing an external advisory board, as well as developing a three-course elective track in higher education within the graduate program in public policy and administration,” Shulock says. The institute has been established within the Center for California Studies.

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University offers support following crisis

Members of the CSUS community who have campus-related concerns or rumors they would like to bring to the attention of the University regarding the tragic events in Washington D.C. and New York, may contact the Office of Public Affairs at 278-6156.

Complaints of harassment or illegal activity should be filed with the Office of Student Affairs at 278-4060 or the Campus Police at 278-6851.

Individual counseling is being offered by the University through Psychological Counseling Services at 278-6416. They will also maintain a drop-in service evenings at the Student Health Connection in the University Union, available Monday through Thursday from 4:45 - 6:30 p.m.

Individuals receiving inquiries about current or former students should not release student record information without prior authorization and contacting the Office of Public Affairs at 278-6156.

Professor says women with AIDS face distinct hurdles

Because HIV/AIDS is still largely seen as a disease that affects gay males, it’s easy to underestimate its impact on women. But as the number of women, particularly women of color, contracting the disease continues to increase, it warrants serious attention, says Patricia Clark-Ellis, a CSUS social work professor and interim associate dean of the College of Health and Human Services.

Since 1999, Clark-Ellis has been working with the Sacramento Women’s HIV+ Support Group for women with HIV/AIDS. She has found that women with HIV/AIDS have specific legal, psychosocial and health issues.

For example, most of the women Clark-Ellis is in contact with have children. As a result, they must plan for their children’s futures in case they become incapacitated or die.

“Joint guardianship allows the mother to participate in selecting guardians who will care for their children if they become disabled or die. If there is no guardianship in place, their children could be placed in foster care or with relatives that the mother would not prefer,” Clark-Ellis says. “Joint guardianship, which is specific to California, gives women peace of mind, knowing their children will be with people who will properly care for them.”

In addition to custody concerns, women with HIV/AIDS have to cope with the multiple problems that come with having a terminal illness. “A diagnosis of HIV infection is a devastating, life-changing experience that forces a woman to deal with so many issues that I wonder how she can manage,” Clark-Ellis says. “Joint guardianship allows women to choose the people who will care for their children.”

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California studies state higher ed

The California State University system is the nation's largest public higher education organization. However, until the institute for Higher Education Policy and Administration opened at CSUS this semester, there was not a center within the CSU system devoted to studying the state's higher education issues such as access, transfer, student preparation, accountability and leadership development.

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YUNG YANG, economics, co-edited a book titled Perspectives on Korean Unification and Economic Integration, published this fall by Edward Elgar Publishing.

FREDERICK K. REARDON, mechanical engineering, presented three papers at the annual meeting of the American Society for Engineering Education, held in June in Albuquerque. They were: “Industry Visits as an Assessment Tool,” with CIGI MATTUZZI, engineering and computer science, “Internet Use in a Beginning Thermodynamics Course” and “Developing Problem-Solving Skills in Thermodynamics Courses.”

RENEE GOLANY-KOEL, teacher education, presented a paper at the 13th European Reading Conference titled “Adolescent Identity Issues and Reading Motivation.”


MARK HENNELLY, English, will have an essay titled “Victorian Caricature” published in the next issue of Victorian Literature and Culture.

MARY BRENTWOOD, environmental studies, is co-editor of an anthology titled International Groundwater Management to be published by Praeger/Greenwood Press in 2002. The book addresses the political, social and environmental issues of groundwater use and management worldwide.


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Despite lingering perceptions that HIV/AIDS is a disease that affects gay men only, HIV infection among women in the United States tripled between 1985 and 1999. And despite the false sense of security that comes from news of drugs to combat the disease and an increase in weight of people with HIV or AIDS who seem perfectly healthy – like Magic Johnson – it’s still a fatal disease.

Clark-Ellis points out that many women with HIV/AIDS are poor women of color, between the ages of 25 and 44, and are single parents. They are often caregivers for an older family member or spouse. Therefore, they tend not to take care of their own medical and physical needs.

Beyond using her background as a lawyer to help the women she works with, Clark-Ellis assists with housing and social security issues and brings in clothing and toys. She also encourages the women to call her at any time.

“What I thought was going to be a research project has evolved into much more,” she says. “I care about the welfare of these women. I started out viewing them as subjects for my research but the relationships have evolved into friendships. I truly admire their strength, their faith and their optimism.”

Anyone willing to volunteer with or donate money, clothes or toys to the Women’s HIV Support Group may contact Mireya Herrera-Bayard, 440-1889 or mireyag@gs.net.

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- IN MEMORIAM

A memorial service for communication studies professor Joseph (Joe) Camacho will be held 3:30 to 5 p.m., Monday, Sept. 24, in the University Hinde Auditorium. Faculty, staff and students are invited to join family and friends to celebrate the life of a man who taught film-making and video/audio produc- tion courses, as well as general communication studies classes at CSUS for 30 years.

Details: 278-6688.

- POSITION RECRUITMENT

The Student Financial Services Center is conducting a search for a supervisor. The application deadline is Friday, Sept. 28.

More information is available by contacting Craig Tapella at 278-6190.

- ACTIVITY AWARD NOMINATIONS

The research and creative activity subcommittee is seeking nominations for the President’s Award for Research and Creative Activity. The award honors significant contributions to a discipline through scholarly activity, creative/artistic endeavors, or research and publication activities within the last five years. It is given to faculty members during the first 10 years of appointment.

Nominations may be made by any member of the faculty. The memorandum should outline recent contributions, including publications, awards, grants and contracts. Supporting materials should include a current curricu- lum vitae and a list of references with phone numbers and e-mail addresses if possible. Nomina- tions should be sent to the office of the chair, advanced recorded projects, campus zip 6112, by Monday, Oct. 1.

- CO-OP ORIENTATION

The CSUS cooperative educa- tion program will host a series of orientation sessions for students interested in receiving academic credit for paid work experience. At each session, a cooperative education coordina- tor will explain the program and have applications available.

Sessions are scheduled for:
- Oct. 3, 10 to 11 a.m., Eureka 108
- Oct. 11, 1 to 2 p.m., Eureka 109
- Oct. 16, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Eureka 101
- Oct. 22, 4 to 5 p.m., Lassen 1102
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- Nov. 13, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Brighton 101
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- INTERVIEW SKILLS TRAINING

The Career Center will hold a mock interview sessions for students on Wednesday, Sept. 26. One-hour time slots are available between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. For the first 20 minutes, students will be videotaped as they are “interviewed” by a recruiter or career counselor. Afterwards, the recruiter or coun- selor will review the tape with the student and make obser- vations and suggestions. To regis- ter, students need to bring their resumes to the Career Center in Lassen 2006.

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- FALL ROCK TALKS

The geology department and the USGS have announced the lineup for their fall 2001 colloquium series. Expected for the Sept. 26 event, they will all be 4 to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays in Mendocino 1013.

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- FACILITIES HAS NEW SERVICE CENTER

One calls it all that. It’s the pledge from the new facilities management customer service center, a one-stop shop for all maintenance, repair and work requests.

Formerly known as “work control,” the new center is aimed at changing the way University employees think about getting their facility, office or classroom, repaired, stocked or cleaned. Employees can now call the center, which will take the infor- mation, prioritize the request, forward the work order to the appropriate department for action, and then follow up once the work is completed.

The new number is 278-6424.

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This is part of a continuing series featuring expert tips from the campus community.

Now that the textbook- buying flurry at the Horner Bookstore has subsided, avid readers and seasoned shoppers can make some great finds in other sec- tions. The Bulletin checked in with David Levy, the Horner Bookstore’s assis- tant director of marketing services.

Top-selling “non-text” books: Readers are buying anything they can find on revolutionary Che Guevara [available at the Hispanic Heritage Month display) and everything by JRR Tolkien, including The Hobbit and Lord of the Rings. Top selling non-book items: Students are stocking up on dictionaries, bar charts, Cliffs’ Notes, calen- dars and study guides.

Topical titles: The book- store has an array of spe- cially collections devoted to events and holidays taking place this fall.

Hispanic Heritage Month is marked by a collection of books highlighting the sig- nificant contributions His- panic authors have made to literature as well as His-panic figures like Che Gue- varra. Banned Books Week is being commemorated with a selection of books that have been banned at one time or another, along with informa- tion on the justifications for the bans. It is on display through Sept. 28.

Holiday haunt: To cele- brate the first holiday of fall, the bookstore has assembled a variety of Halloween good- ies, including several types of the again-popular troll dolls.
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“Mold and Icons: Historical Personae in Contemporary Artwork,” Los Angeles-based artists Lynn Bennett, Shepard Fairey and Lee Jaffe, exhibit, noon - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday, Else Gallery. (916) 278-4166. Continues to October 12.

“Asphalt Jungle Assemblages,” paintings and mixed media exhibit, Blanca Aurora Amezcua, National Hispanic Heritage Month, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday and 5 - 8 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays, University Union Gallery. (916) 278-6977. Continues to Oct. 5.


ARB workshop, noon, Center for Teaching and Learning. (916) 278-5945.


“Lorelona With Dr. Drew,” campus version of the hit television and radio show, 7 p.m., University Union Ballroom. Tickets $12 general/$8 CSUS students. Tickets at CSUS Ticket Office at (916) 278-4123 or at Tickets.com at (916) 766-2277.

“Alumni Breakfast Club,” 7:30 - 9 a.m., Multi-Cultural Center, library. (916) 278-6101.

“Poetry and Fiction,” CSUS students who contributed to the latest edition of Calaveras Station read selected pieces, 7:30 - 9 a.m., Weathers Coffee House, 21st and H streets.

“Civil Rights in America,” lecture, Bill Nunn Lee, noon, Multi-Cultural Center, Library 1010. (916) 278-6101.

“Songs of the Simple Life: Rethinking the American Dream,” lecture, Tom Holt, environmentalist and author, 11:45 a.m., Serna Plaza. (916) 278-6977.

“Hot Topics: Nurse to Patient Ratio,” public forums with CSUS professors and alumni, 4 p.m., Yamshon Alumni Center. (916) 278-6295. Continues to Oct. 4.

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“Loveline,” a nationally syndicated radio and television program, brings its campus version of the show along with its star – Dr. Drew Pinsky – to CSUS at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27. A sought-after source for information and advice for millions of young adults, Pinsky has co-hosted “Loveline” for more than 18 years. The show evolved from a volunteer radio show Pinsky participated in while still a medical student at the University of Southern California. The show was broadcast live on MTV for five years and is currently broadcast on more than 50 radio stations across the country.

Pinsky is also a regular contributor to USA Weekend and has been profiled in Time, Newsweek and other national publications.

The evening of entertainment will take place in the University Union and will include a variety of discussions on topics ranging relationships to health. Tickets are $8 - $12 and can be purchased from the CSUS Ticket Office at 278-4323.

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