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One World Initiative’s ‘Global Perspectives on Water’ brings courses, events together
The One World Initiative is a new campus-wide framework that brings together and highlights the many global engagement opportunities at Sacramento State, both within the curriculum and in the broader campus environment. Faculty, staff and students from all disciplines are invited to address the inaugural theme, “Global Perspectives on Water,” through lecture or film series, college colloquia or performances.

If your course, event or program focuses on – or even has selected components of – this year’s theme, contact the One World Initiative task force to be identified as part of the One World Initiative. For more information or to join the informational email list, please visit csus.edu/oneworld.
Submitted by University Advancement

Tree memorial, scholarship to honor the late Dr. Russell K.H. Ching
A tree memorial in honor of Dr. Russell K.H. Ching, associate dean of the College of Business Administration, will be dedicated at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24, outside Tahoe Hall. A reception will immediately follow the dedication. Dr. Ching passed away in May.

In addition, the Russell K.H. Ching Business Honors Memorial Scholarship is being established and will support one or more students enrolled in the Business Honors Program in the College of Business Administration. Dr. Ching was instrumental in developing and implementing the Business Honors program, which enters its inaugural year with a cohort of 20 students.

You are invited to contribute to the scholarship in Dr. Ching’s memory and to honor his service to the CBA and its students and programs. All levels of support are welcome.

Please make checks payable to “University Foundation at Sacramento State,” and in the memo line, please indicate “RKH Ching Memorial Scholarship.” Send checks attention to: Bonnie Burnell, director of Business Student Services, College of Business Administration, Tahoe Hall 1040, Sacramento State, 6000 J St., Sacramento CA 95819-6088. If you have any additional questions, please contact Thomas Matlock at 278-6942.
Submitted by the College of Business Administration

Sacramento Business Review available
The latest issue of Sacramento Business Review is ready for reading. The publication is the result of a partnership between Sacramento State’s College of Business Administration and the Chartered Financial Analyst Society of Sacramento. Business Dean Sanjay Varshney says the eighth issue reveals there are many factors weighing down the regional economy. Sacramento Business Review is available here: www.sacramentobusinessreview.com.
Submitted by the College of Business Administration

Campus debut of the Sacramento State Leader
We’re pleased to announce the campus debut of the Sacramento State Leader, replacing the monthly Bulletin. The Leader is a monthly e-newsletter featuring the University’s top news and events. It will come out the last Tuesday of each month. The Monday Briefing will continue to be sent out weekly.
The most recent edition of the Leader, distributed to faculty and staff on July 31, focuses on the University’s “Made at Sac State” marketing campaign showcasing successful alumni. That edition of the Leader is available here: www.csus.edu/pa/sacstateleader/sacstateleader0712/index.html.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

**Beach ‘n’ BBQ at the Sac State Aquatic Center**
Come out to Lake Natoma from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, to our private beach at the Sac State Aquatic Center for a day of summer fun at the Beach ‘n’ BBQ!

Delicious barbecue, ice-cold refreshments and yummy desserts will be served. Sun, fun and food, we’ve got you covered. Just come relax and enjoy.

There will be volleyball and other activities, and a lifeguard is dedicated to our area if you wish to take to the water. You can also take advantage of this opportunity to try a kayak, canoe or hydro bike, as we will offer one free hour of boating per family.

The cost is $15 per adult and $5 per child (12 or younger). Come early, bring the kids and enjoy the festivities. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. RSVP is required. (Note: There are no concessions at the facility; food and refreshments are provided based on your RSVP.)

To RSVP for this event, please visit https://secure.www.alumniconnections.com/olc/pub/CSN/event/showEventForm.jsp?form_id=130804.

Please visit the Sacramento State Aquatic Center website, where you can find directions and boat rental information and pricing. (Note: Members pay the affiliate rate; non-members pay the general public rate.)

Address questions to Alumni Relations at (916) 278-6295 or alumni@csus.edu.

Submitted by Alumni Relations

**WELLcome Back open house**
The WELL staff invites the campus community to participate in the second annual WELLcome Back open house, scheduled from 1-5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at The WELL. WELLcome Back will help us promote campus recreation, the Student Health Center, Peak Adventures and the WELL Café in an effort to educate students, faculty and staff about all the wonderful opportunities The WELL has to offer.

Campus agencies are also invited to set up tables to share information on the services they deliver to the Sacramento State community. Free tabling will be provided in front of The WELL from 1-5 p.m. Please bring brochures, applications, swag and/or any other information you would like to make available. One table and two chairs will be provided for each group. The last day to reserve a table is Friday, Aug. 24; contact Mirjana Gavric, director, at gavricm@csus.edu.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Gavric at 278-7904.

Submitted by The WELL

**Professional activities**
The latest professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/07/ProfessionalActivities07-09-12.html.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

**Faculty Senate schedules**
The Faculty Senate schedule for the summer is available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/06/FacultySenateSummer2012Sked.html. September’s schedule is at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/08/FacultySenateSept2012Sked.html.

Submitted by the Faculty Senate

**President Gonzalez continues updates**
Sacramento State President Alexander Gonzalez will post updates on campus developments on his web
Submitted by the Office of the President

Online reservations to hold meetings or events at The WELL
The WELL is now taking reservations for its conference suites online via OPUS. If you do not have an OPUS account, please visit https://vems.uu.csus.edu/ to register. If you have an existing OPUS account with the University Union and need to add access for The WELL, please email reservations@thewellatsacstate.com.

Once you have your account established or updated, you will have full access to review conference suite availability, select room layouts, identify audio/visual needs and submit your reservation request online. Submitted by The WELL

Temporary closure of parking facilities
To save on energy costs, the following parking facilities are closed during the summer. Reopening is planned by 7 a.m. Monday, Aug. 20:

- Parking Structure III
- Lot 10
- Lot 11

All other parking facilities are open and available. For questions, contact University Transportation and Parking Services at 278-7275, parking@csus.edu or www.csus.edu/utaps. Submitted by University Transportation and Parking Services

Try the OneCard Portal in your MySacState account
Enjoy the convenience of depositing money onto your OneCard online. Through the portal, you can also suspend or reactivate your card, set up email reminders for when your Hornet Bucks account gets low, and much more. It’s easy to get to the portal: Log into your MySacState account, click on the Staff Services tab, then click on the OneCard Services link. Submitted by OneCard Services

Police Department on Facebook and Twitter
Have you checked out the Sacramento State Police Department’s official Facebook and Twitter pages? Managed by the Office of the Chief, the pages offer important news and alerts from Sacramento State, such as emergency notifications, traffic alert updates, alert bulletins, media releases, upcoming training/events, services and safety tips. For the Police Department’s Facebook page, go to www.facebook.com/sacstatepolice. To follow the Police Department’s Twitter updates, go to http://twitter.com/sacstatepolice. Email any suggestions or questions to police@csus.edu. Submitted by University Police

Watch for even more University news and videos
Sacramento State is filled with activities worth keeping up on – from outstanding teaching, learning and research to the arts, wellness activities and Hornet athletics. Stories and videos on University people, events and other news are available on Sacramento State’s news page, www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/, overseen by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy. And send your ideas for campus coverage to publicaffairs@csus.edu.

Another option for publicizing an academic event or performance is the University’s digital sign network on campus. Submit your message to www.csus.edu/digitalsigns or www.csus.edu/pa/digitalsign. Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Sac State on Facebook and Twitter
Managed by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy, Sacramento State’s official Facebook and Twitter pages offer up-to-the-minute news and information on all things Sac State, from academics to athletics, the arts to student life. For the University’s Facebook page, go to www.facebook.com/sacstate. To follow Sac State’s Twitter updates, go to http://twitter.com/#!/sacstate. Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy
**Security quick tip: Storing passwords**

Is it safe to store your passwords in a password-protected word document? No. An attacker could easily locate password-protected files on your computer's local drive, circumvent the password protection on the document and have full access to all of your accounts.

Ideally, passwords are never “written down” on paper or electronically. Sometimes writing passwords down cannot be avoided. If passwords must be written down, it is preferable to do so on paper (not electronically) and only when the password list can be physically locked away, with access to the list restricted to the password holder only. Never use the same password for CSU accounts and personal accounts.

Submitted by the Information Security Office

**Human Resources**

**Summer hours end on Aug. 20**

The return to regular campus business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m., with an hour lunch) begins Monday, Aug. 20. Check specific hours of campus offices; several will be on reduced public hours because of the severity of state budget cuts.

**Professional development and training**

The Office of Human Resources offers the following professional development summer skills tune-up:

*FRISK Leadership Training – Raising the Bar on Employee Accountability* (supervisors and managers):
8:15-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, University Union, Redwood Room; facilitated by Scot Yarnell, partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo.

Workshop description: FRISK is an acronym representing the components that should be included in all legally sufficient documentation of unsatisfactory employee performance: facts, rule, impact, suggestions and knowledge. The FRISK model has received state and national recognition as an effective framework for documenting and correcting employee performance. The FRISK model focuses on using documentation constructively to effect positive change in employee performance through clear, honest and impartial communication. To register, please go to [www.csus.edu/hr/traindev/training.html](http://www.csus.edu/hr/traindev/training.html).

**Retirement Manager upgrade**

Retirement Manager is a convenient, secure, web-based access point that allows you to manage your California State University Tax Sheltered Annuity 403(b) retirement plan accounts anytime and anywhere. To access Retirement Manager, go to [www.myretirementmanager.com](http://www.myretirementmanager.com).

The CSU is pleased to announce that the Retirement Manager website has been upgraded. The new site offers several new and easy ways to manage and learn about your retirement benefits. There is also a new support line for assistance with the Retirement Manager website. The Retirement Manager support line is available at (866) 294-7950 to take calls from all CSU employees, regardless of your investment provider selection. Please review the letter to employees for full details regarding the upgrade and support line: [www.csus.edu/hr/benefits/Announcements/RetMgrUpdate.pdf](http://www.csus.edu/hr/benefits/Announcements/RetMgrUpdate.pdf).

If you have questions regarding this new feature or the CSU Tax Sheltered Annuity 403(b) program, contact the Human Resources Benefits Office at 278-6213.

**Tax Sheltered Annuity 403(b) vendor sessions**

If you are interested in scheduling a one-on-one, on-campus meeting with a representative to review your current Tax Sheltered Annuity 403(b) account or help you enroll in a new account, visit the Tax Sheltered Annuity Vendor Sessions page at [www.csus.edu/hr/benefits/tsasessions.htm](http://www.csus.edu/hr/benefits/tsasessions.htm) to view the schedule of vendor representatives on campus.

**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.htm#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:

Cynthia Hester, Facilities Housing Department
Althea Spencer, Accounts Payable Department
Steven Craddock, Facilities Services
Nathanial Blair, Psychology Department