CSUS Gets its First Doctorate Program

CSUS has established its first doctorate degree, a joint program in public history with the University of California, Santa Barbara. Students will have access to both the respected coursework and internship opportunities at CSUS and the theoretical emphasis at UCSB, where the public history field was pioneered in the 1970s. They will be qualified to teach in universities and to work at high-level public history professionals. All students in the program will spend at least one year on each campus.

"This is obviously very good for us," said Chris Castaneda, who co-directs the public history program at CSUS. "These doctoral level students will provide an exciting opportunity and challenge for our program."

"The joint doctorate in public history allows CSUS to offer an academic program that uniquely exemplifies our mission as the state's Capital University," said Jolene Koester, CSUS provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Public historians work as museum and historic preservation professionals, researchers, and write research histories, manage archives for public agencies and businesses, and conduct oral histories. Employers of CSUS public history alumni include the state Office of Historic Preservation, CalTrans, Levi-Strauss and AirTouch.

The field has seen strong growth during the last two decades, paralleling Americans' increased interest in preserving historical sites and cultural resources. Graduates of the CSUS program are highly sought, and most students in the program work as paid interns.

The joint program is the only public history doctorate program in the state, and one of only 10 nationwide. The CSUS history department expects three to five students will be admitted each year, while seven to 12 will continue to be admitted to the public history master's degree program. The doctoral program will require at least three years of coursework and a dissertation to complete.

The first students will be accepted in either the spring or next fall, though there are already a number of students enrolled in the doctorate program at UCSB.

"We think it is a most promising, creative joint venture, a fittingly innovative development in a field that was born in innovation just 25 years ago," said Randy Bergstrom, who directs the public history program at UCSB. "We expect to attract some of the nation's brightest graduate students."

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President Announces School of the Arts

A new School of the Arts is scheduled to open at CSUS in January 2000. President Donald R. Gerth announced at his annual address Thursday, with a new director in place by the end of the fall semester.

The school will integrate visual and performing art programs from throughout the University within the College of Arts and Letters. The new school will be co-located with the programs of design and dance.

The University plans to formally unveil the new school's program in conjunction with the University's annual Festival of the Arts in April 2000.

President Gerth said, "The decision will ensure the ability of CSUS to continue to offer top quality cultural arts programs to the region."

More than 100 golfers are expected to take part in the two rounds of golf at Haggin Oaks Golf Complex, starting at 7:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1. Prizes will include gift certificates, golf equipment and more. Registration is $90 per person, which includes golf all day, breakfast, lunch and a golf cart. Sponsorships of various levels are also available. Funds will be used for interactive classroom technology, computer study programs and other technology. Organizers hope to top the $8,000 raised at the first Deans' tournament last year.

Co-chairs for the event are Lou Blanas, Sacramento County Sheriff and Jack Crist, Sacramento's deputy city manager. Both are CSUS alumni. More information is available by contacting Cheryl Nativo at 278-4606 or Henry Chambers at 486-0400.
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He has broad extensive experience in
educational association of professionals in
radiation protection and related sciences.

Pomo, who moved to the McKinley Park area this summer, is familiar with the Sacramento region. Before earning his doctorate degree from the University of Utah, he received his master’s degree in dramatic literature from University of California, Davis. He earned his bachelor’s degree in directing and
theater history in 1971 from Brigham Young University.
The director, actor and playwright has been an administrator for 10
years. Prior to working at Radford, Pomo taught for six years in Texas. He was a tenured professor of theater arts and
department chair at the University of Texas at El Paso, and was an associate tenured professor at Texas A&M University in the late 1980s.
Pomo said he is fortunate to have come to CSUS. “The University has a national reputation for eclectic theater,” Pomo said.
An interest in varying types of
theatr is evident in Pomo’s vitae.
He has experience directing an
array of productions ranging within
to Shakespeare’s Macbeth in 1999 at Radford University, to the Ed
Graczyk’s comedy Come Back to the Five & Dime Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean. He’s also directed musicals,
such as Lerner and Loewe’s My Fair
Lady.
“There is not one thing that I don’t like
about the theater. Even bad plays,” Pomo said.

Poe Named Acting Education Dean

Diane Cordero de Noriega, dean of the
CSU College of Education, has been
an intern for the university and
former vice president for academic
affairs at CSU Monterey Bay. She begins Aug. 30.
Taking her place as acting dean of the College is
the actress Maria Poe, who began
working at the University 30 years ago. He
has been the associate dean of the
College.
Poe has served as a reading test
consultant for the California State
Department of Education, a teacher
trainer and supervisor at the Philpines
Peace Corps Training Center and a
consultant for the Northwest Regional
Educational Laboratory. He has
published more than 30 books and
programs for children and young adults.
He has broad extensive experience in
curriculum development and has been
active in international, state and
regional reading associations.
Cordero de Noriega is known
throughout the state for her
influential leadership. As dean, she has
promoted alternative schedules and programs in
teacher education to help meet the
growing shortage in California.
And her efforts made the University one
of three CSU campuses to begin a pilot
program of year-round classes in
teacher education.
She was praised for her
campus President Donald R. Gerth.
“Diane Cordero de Noriega has been
a absolutely superb dean,” Gerth said.
“She has provided strong leadership to
the College of Education and in
preparing teachers throughout the
Capital Region.”
Cordero de Noriega has been
an educator for more than 30 years,
working in K-12 public schools and
community colleges prior to taking a
position at CSUS.

Wheeler Named GE Coordinator

Greg Wheeler, a geology professor, has been appointed faculty coordi-
guator for general education effective Aug 1.
Wheeler has been a member of the faculty since 1977. In addition
to teaching on various department and campus committees, he was chair of the
g department from 1989 to 1996.
He was a general education advisor to the Academic Advising Center for
four semesters. He served on the University Teacher Education Committee and
is involved in the development of a blended liberal studies option.
As liaison to the Faculty Senate’s General Education and Graduation
Requirements Committee, he will be responsible for facilitating the
University’s review of the general education program.
Wheeler may be reached at 278-7466 in Sacramento Hall 234.
Mariposa Hall, Warm-Up Track Among Summer Projects

Summer once again brought the sounds of construction to campus, as crews worked on three major projects – the new Mariposa Hall, the Olympic Trials warm-up track and the Alumni Center – and hurried to finish countless smaller projects while most faculty and students were away.

Work on Mariposa Hall remains on schedule, according to Howard Harris, associate vice president for facilities management. The steel skeleton of the building is completed. Walls and decking should be in place by November, so that work can continue inside during winter.

The $12 million five-story building, funded by a bond approved by voters in November, is due to open in fall 2000. It replaces a number of outdated facilities, and will house family and consumer sciences, foreign languages, the program of design, and social work.

Following the completion of the new building, the movement of various programs, Harris expects the temporary buildings on the south side of campus to be removed. Student housing and a parking structure are planned for the area, and until those projects begin it will likely be used for additional parking.

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The warm-up track is the second part in a $1.5 million improvement project that will bring the 2000 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials to the University. The main track in Hornet Stadium was completed last summer. Both tracks are from Mondo, which provided track surfaces for the last six Olympics, and both were installed by Biondi Paving of Sacramento.

The project is funded primarily by a $1 million gift from Stockton philanthropist and San Diego Chargers owner Alex G. Spanos. Work recently began on the $2.5 million, 12,000 square foot Alumni Center near the south entrance of campus. The facility will include space for gatherings of up to 600 people, a catering kitchen and a library of CSUS faculty and alumni work. It will be a place for alumni to gather, for current students to meet with alumni for mentoring, and for meetings, conferences, art exhibits, award ceremonies and other special events.

The Alumni Center will be named in honor of alumni Steve Yamshon, who contributed $1 million for its construction. Other private sources paid for the remainder of construction costs and the University donated the land.

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TRIALS PREP – Workers install the drain channel on the new warm-up track north of Hornet Stadium. The project is part of $1.5 million improvements being made in preparation for the 2000 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials, which will be held on campus July 14-23.

Get to Know Your Library

Guided tours of the University Library building will be offered the second and third week of the fall semester, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 7. The hour-long tours will start in the Library lobby at the base of the escalator. Tour dates and times are:

- Monday, Sept. 7 at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 7 and 14 at 10:30 a.m., noon, 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 8 at 1 and 5 at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 9 and 16 at 10:30 a.m., noon and 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 10 and 17 at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.

Faculty may assign a Library tour and require students to show a blue tour verification card as proof that the assignment was completed. Guests may also take a self-guided Checkpoint Tour whenever the Library is open. The Checkpoint Tour booklet is available at the information desk in the lobby.

To bring classes to the library for specialized instruction, contact a librarian or call Linda Goff in the Library Instruction Office at 278-5981.

Forum Highlights

Japanese Women

The Ninth Annual Women’s Day Forum will be Saturday, Sept. 11 in the Library’s South Reading Room from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event, a joint effort of the CSUS Library and the Florin Japanese American Citizens League, will focus on “Beyond the Picture Brides: Honoring Japanese American Women, A Century of Change.”

The forum will feature discussions of Japanese culture and spirituality, law and justice, marital arts, and osteoporo-

sis screening and prevention. A special session will be devoted to the “Chil-

dren of the Camps” documentary. Registration forms are available from the Library’s administration office at 278-6467 or special collections at 278-6144.

1999 Open Enrollment

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CSUS once again offered year-round education for future teachers this summer, in the second year of a pilot program designed to get more teachers in classrooms sooner.

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