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In the event a pre-registered participant or his or her commute partner is required to work unscheduled overtime or experiences a qualifying emergency, guaranteed transportation is provided via taxi, or a rental car for those who live more than 20 miles from campus, up to six times in a 12-month period. Employees who travel to and from campus at least three days per week—or 60 percent of their work schedule—by bicycle, bus, carpool, vanpool, light rail or walking may participate in the program. Some restrictions apply.

For details or to register, visit the Sacramento Transportation Management Association’s website at [www.sacramento-tma.org](http://www.sacramento-tma.org) or contact Alfredo Orozco at orozcoa@csus.edu or 278-7527.
Multicultural Center sees revitalization under new leadership

The University’s Multicultural Center is seeing a reawakening with a new interim director and a new agenda for the year.

Analia Mendez has been the Multicultural Center’s interim director since the end of January. The beginning of her tenure saw a long list of improvements for the center, including a larger presence on campus and in the community and a solid plan for the Center’s goals and values.

The Multicultural Center’s Advisory Board, composed of Sacramento State students, staff, faculty and community members, was recently reassembled after a year’s absence to work on the bylaws, a mission and values statement, and what the Center can do to be active in the community.

“The Advisory Group hadn’t met for about a year, and it was important to get its advice to see what improvements could be made to the Center,” says Mendez. “The group will forward that advice to me and we can move forward to advance the Multicultural Center.”

The Multicultural Center has reestablished its presence with exciting events on the horizon. The Center recently collaborated with the organizers of the “Body Image/Body Essence” exhibit, featured in the University Library Gallery Annex from March 24 to April 27, to train student docents to guide tours of the exhibit.

“We were able to appeal to a lot of students to volunteer for the event,” says Mendez. “We got art majors, communications majors and nursing majors, among others. They were able to acquire a lot of skills through the training for this event. They had to have a familiarity with ovarian cancer and with the artist’s process and his works.”

“This exhibit is important because underrepresented groups need to be educated about knowing the symptoms of ovarian cancer,” she says. “So we’re educating our students as well as the campus community. We can be a conduit for learning.”

The Center is also co-sponsoring Multicultural Night 4 from 7:30 – 10:30 p.m., on Thursday, April 26 in the University Union Ballroom. The free event, designed to raise cultural awareness, will feature various performances such as spoken word, hip hop, fraternity/sorority stepping, poetry, dancing and comedy.

“It’s a fun event, and we expect a big turnout,” says Mendez.

Some next steps for the Multicultural Center include meeting with faculty, staff and student representatives from the campus to seek ways to get the greater community involved and working with the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities to talk to students about its national internship program.

“We have a lot to do, and I’m looking forward to the process,” says Mendez. “These changes are needed and necessary to make the Multicultural Center a vital part of the campus.”

For more information, call the Multicultural Center at 278-6101 or visit www.csus.edu/mcult.

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The third annual “Sac State Night” at the River Cats game will kick off at 7:05 p.m., Tuesday, April 10 at Raley Field. Students and alumni are invited to wear their Sacramento State gear to watch the River Cats host the Portland Beavers. University students and alumni will be featured in the throwing out of the first

Alumni Association members who are sports fans will have another treat—all Sunday sporting events are free. Admission will be waived for members who show their Alumni Association membership card at the door. Sporting event schedules can be found at www.hornetsports.com/schedules.

Outstanding alumni will be honored at the Distinguished Service Awards reception and dinner at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 in the Alumni Center. A total of 12 distinguished alums will be honored at the event, including Roger Valine, who will receive the Lifetime Achievement Award. University alumnus Kitty O’Neal of KFBK will serve as emcee and alumni musicians Steve Homan and Aaron Garner will provide entertainment. Tickets are $100 per person. Tables of 8 are $800, $700 for faculty and staff. RSVP to Linda Scott, Alumni Relations, at 278-4899.

The Alumni Association will present Golden Memories: 50 Years in the Making at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14, at the University Theatre in Shasta Hall. The performance, a celebration of the Department of Theatre and Dance’s 50th anniversary, will be a theatrical and musical review featuring alumni, Sacramento Black Art of Dance, Sons and Ancestor Players, Richard Bay puppetry and Sacramento State students. Tickets are $20 and are available by calling 278-4323 or visiting Tickets.com.

The Board of Directors of the Alumni Association will hold a reception in honor of Alumni Association members from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 19 in the Alumni Center. The event is free to Alumni Association members.

Food and wine appreciation continues with the Stinger Wine and Food Classic at 6 p.m. Friday, April 20 in the Alumni Center. The event features food and wine from various Sacramento State alumni-owned restaurants and wineries. Tickets are $40 per person and available from Toni Brown at 278-4263.

Finally, in appreciation of the alumni who work in and around the Capitol, the University will hold an Alumni Picnic on the Capitol East Lawn. The event is free to alumni. Reserve a spot by calling Laura Stuebe at 278-3797.

For more information, contact the Alumni Center at 278-6295 or visit www.sacstatealumni.com.

**Service Awards to honor alums**

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**Lifetime Achievement Award**

**Roger Valine** (’73, Sociology)

Roger Valine is an exemplary example of what it means to be a community leader. Valine recently retired from Vision Service Plans where he served as president and CEO of the nation’s leading provider of eye care health plans. Under his leadership, VSP was listed numerous times on Fortune magazine’s “100 Best Companies to Work For.” At the same time its revenue grew fourfold to more than $2 billion. Valine’s philosophy of treating others the way you would like to be treated extends far beyond the Sacramento Region. VSP offered $15 million worth of free eye care services to people who lost their homes after Hurricane Katrina.

Valine has been active in the community serving on many boards and committees including the Sacramento State Alumni Association board of directors, the University’s Executive Committee, the Sacramento Entrepreneurship Academy, PRIDE Industries, Transplant Hope, the Sacramento Region
Economic Cluster Project, Christian Brothers High School, the Young Presidents’ Organization, and the Valley Vision Workforce Development Regional Cluster Project.

Valine received the Distinguished Service Award in 1997 and was a major donor to the Alumni Center campaign. This is only the fourth time an individual has been selected for the award for Lifetime Achievement.

Distinguished Service Awards

Larry Augusta (’62, Social Science)

Larry Augusta retired as the assistant counsel for the State Board of Equalization in 2002 after 35 years of state service. He has been on the Alumni Association board of directors since 1999 and was president in 2001-02. He also served on the statewide CSU Alumni Council and is a member of the University’s Community Advisory Board, Community Council, Stinger Athletic Association, Homecoming Week Committee and Alumni Scholarship Committee. In 1997, he was honored by the Department of Social Sciences at the Alumni Honors Luncheon.

Augusta is active in Sacramento High School’s Visual and Performing Arts Foundation, the Sacramento City Music Coalition and the Jaycees. He has served on the Sacramento City Planning Commission, the YMCA board of directors, the Sacramento Old City Association and the Bradley Wilson Foundation.

Lauren R. Hammond (’77, Government), Sacramento City Councilmember

Lauren Hammond is the first African American woman in Sacramento history to be elected to the Sacramento City Council. For 22 years she worked in the State Senate as telecommunications contract administrator and coordinator for the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Hammond has earned awards from the NAACP and from the Government Department at the Alumni Honors Luncheon. In 2003, she was named one of Sacramento’s “30 Most Powerful Women” by Sacramento magazine and in 2004 she was inducted into the National Coalition of Black Women. She is a founder of the Harold C. Washington Democratic Club, past-president of the California Elected Women’s Association for Education and Research, a member of the American Leadership Forum and the Southern Poverty Law Center, and has served on the Alumni Association board of directors.

Scott W. Maxwell (’85, Construction Management), vice president of Unger Construction

Scott Maxwell joined Unger Construction in 1985 and went on to become company vice president. He specializes in industrial construction, new high-tech office buildings and renovation of existing telecommunication and data centers. Maxwell is a former president of the Alumni Association and was instrumental in engaging several major donors for the campaign to build the Alumni Center. He and his firm also made numerous upgrades to the Hornet Stadium complex which enabled Sac State to successfully host the 2000 and 2004 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials.

Maxwell was recognized by the Construction Management Department at the 2000 Alumni Honors Luncheon. He is a constant supporter of Sacramento State and serves on the University’s Executive Committee, the Community Council and the Construction Management Education Fund Board.

Gloria Carido Nomura (’62, Social Science)

Gloria Nomura began her teaching career at Hiram Johnson High School in Sacramento before moving to the Stockton Unified School District, where she guided and mentored students for more than 39 years.

Nomura was the first Filipina elected to the Stockton City Council, serving two terms, including five years as vice mayor. She is a founding member of the St. George’s Neighborhood Betterment Committee, coordinator of the San Joaquin Healthy Children’s Collaborative, and a member of the San Joaquin Public Health Early Prenatal Care Consortium. She is also on the advisory committee for the John Cheadle YMCA
Center, chairs the local American Heart Association chapter and is on the board of directors for SEEDS, which provides tuition assistance for students in Stockton Catholic schools.

**Alice D. Perez** ('99, Finance and Insurance) manager of residential services, Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Alice Perez oversees programs, products and services for SMUD’s more than 500,000 residential customers. She is also responsible for the group that supports funding for energy efficiency loan programs and oversees programs that assist low-income and special needs customers. Before joining SMUD, she was vice president and leader of U.S. Bank’s national multicultural banking initiatives. She was recently appointed by Gov. Schwarzenegger to the California Student Aid Commission and the ScholarShare Investment Board.

Perez is on the boards of the National Low Income Energy Consortium, Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce Sacramento, Mercy Health Foundation, Center for Youth Citizenship, and American Leadership Forum Mountain Valley Chapter. She served as chair of the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and is past president of the Rotary Club of Roseville-Sunrise.

**Lloyd O. Snelson** ('57, Education, '67, Education)

Lloyd Snelson enrolled at Sac State during its first full-year of instruction at the J Street campus. He was elected student body vice-president and head cheerleader, and was a letterman on the first two football teams. After graduating, he began a long and distinguished career as a teacher, coach and mentor as a high school principal in the San Juan Unified District, first at Rio Americano High School and then at Bella Vista High School before retiring in 1993.

Snelson has contributed thousands of volunteer hours to his alma mater. He served as president of the Football Boosters and the original Stinger Foundation and is currently president of the Sacramento State Football and Friends Alumni Chapter and a board member for the Stinger Athletic Association.

**Lawrence Williams** ('50, Accountancy, '58, Secondary Education)

Larry Williams is a retired educator and administrator. After graduation he helped establish the Alumni Association in 1950 and served on the Alumni Board. He taught at Stockton’s Edison High and, after a tour in the Army, Grant Union High School and American River College.

He was on the founding team for Cosumnes River College and became dean of student services. After retiring in 1984 he was asked to oversee educational programs and curriculum development for the Los Rios Community College District and then to serve as interim vice-chancellor of student services for the state community college system. He serves as a management trainer for Job Corps in California and was president of the board of directors of the Children’s Home Society of California.

**Karen Y. Zamarripa** ('00, Public Policy and Administration), assistant vice chancellor for advocacy and institutional affairs for the California State University system

Karen Zamarripa leads the CSU system’s Sacramento team in advocating on budget and legislative issues in the State Capitol and California government. In addition, she oversees systemwide alumni and community relations. In 2004, she received the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education’s Marvin D. “Swede” Johnson award, given annually to the top university state relations professional in the country.

Previously Zamarripa represented K-12 schools for the California Boards Association and served as a staff member in the State Senate. She chairs the State Relations Task Force and has served on the board of directors of Leadership California for seven years including two terms as President. She was honored with the Leadership California Service Award in 2002. She has also served as president of Capitol Network.
Daniel Zingale  
Chief of staff to California First Lady Maria Shriver

For nearly 20 years, Dan Zingale has been involved in public policy regarding human rights, preventive health care, national AIDS policy, Medicaid reform, and California financial solvency issues. He is currently a senior-level advisor to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Before working for the Schwarzenegger administration he served on the Agriculture Labor Relations Board and was the cabinet secretary and deputy chief of staff for Gov. Gray Davis. He founded the California Department of Managed Health Care, establishing its HMO Help Center. Nationally, he’s worked on AIDS issues and civil and human rights, serving on the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. He was a student at Sacramento State from 1978 to 1981 before earning a bachelor’s degree at UC Berkeley and a master’s degree at Harvard University.

Honorary Alumnus Award  
Dan Cole, co-founder of The Evergreen Company

Dan Cole earned his degree in political science from the University of Oregon but has adopted Sac State as his second alma mater. Cole co-founded The Evergreen Company in 1981 and its projects include The Capitol Bank Building, The Ridge at Creekside retail center and the State of California's Employment Development Department. In service to the U.S. Army and the Army Reserve, he received numerous medals including a Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart.

Cole has worked to increase the University’s impact and presence in the community through his role as director of the Sacramento Region Community Foundation. He has also been a leader in the Boy Scouts of America, founded the Sacramento Education Job and College Program at C.K. McClatchy High School and is a volunteer coordinator and advisor for facility improvements at Sacramento High School.

Distinguished Faculty Award  
Kim Hughes (’84, Physical Education) Hornet Gymnastics head coach

Kim Hughes has been a staple of the Sacramento State gymnastics program for more than 29 years, 25 of them as head coach. He has developed a program which rose from the ranks of Division II and is now a model of success at the Division I level. Under his tutelage, the team has flourished, winning six league titles in the last seven years. The Hornets have also earned 40 All-American honors during his tenure.

The awards presented to Hughes in 2006 alone include West Region Coach of the Year, Western Athletic Conference Coach of the Year, and Western Athletic Conference Champions. His coaching resume includes nearly 20 years with the Nor-Cal Gymnastics Camp in Santa Cruz. Hughes is involved with the United Way, and has served as the athletics department representative on the campus committee for seven years.

Initiative spurs user-friendly technology

Sacramento State is stepping up efforts to make its information technology services and instructional materials accessible to persons with disabilities.

The move is part of the CSU system’s Accessible Technology Initiative. The three priorities of the initiative are: web accessibility, which will bring all campus web pages in compliance with accessibility standards; instructional materials accessibility, which will provide for textbooks and printed material, as well as electronic presentations, to meet accessibility standards; and accessible electronic and information technology procurement, which ensures that all products purchased will adhere to accessibility standards.

“Our goal is to have these services ready for all students, faculty, staff and the campus community, regardless of disability, before they need to ask for them,” says Spencer Freund, chair of the University Committee on Information Technology Accessibility. “For example, we would like the faculty to have their
course syllabi, textbooks and non-print media in an accessible electronic format available for students to purchase before classes begin. Having our university web pages accessible to all members of the campus community is a priority as well.

The University Committee on Information Technology Accessibility has established three sub-committees to address each of the three priorities. Each sub-committee must provide a plan for implementation to the Chancellor’s office by mid-June.

“Sacramento State is all about diversity and inclusion, and the University Committee on Information Technology Accessibility has taken its charge very seriously,” says Dean Emir Jose Macari, the deans’ representative to the committee. “The ideas that the faculty, staff and students have put forth have been incredible and have become the foundation for the committee’s work.”

Melissa Repa, acting co-director of Services to Students with Disabilities and co-chair of the Electronic and Information Technology Procurement sub-committee, agrees. “The committee is creating awareness of the Accessible Technology Initiative through campus-wide participation and coordination,” says Repa. “And the initiative will make the campus more accessible to everyone, regardless of abilities or disabilities.

“Accessible technology can be compared to curb cuts on sidewalks. Curb cuts make sidewalks accessible not only to people using wheelchairs, but those using wheeled book bags or on bicycles. And accessible technology such as captioned videos benefit people who are deaf, as well as those whose first language is not English.”

Future steps for the University Committee on Information Technology Accessibility over the next two years include product implementation and assessment.

For more information, visit www.csus.edu/accessibility.

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College students seem to have a leg up on the rest of the population when it comes to Internet familiarity. They have proven to be the most wired and Internet-savvy demographic group in the nation, with more than 90 percent owning their own computers and spending more than 35 hours per week online.

They also can get themselves in trouble when they download music from peer-to-peer, music sharing websites. The Recording Industry Association of America has threatened to sue university students or personnel who illegally download music. Because of that, colleges across the country are promoting programs that encourage the use of legal music downloading.

Sacramento State is helping its students “get legal” by offering a free legal music subscription service. The service, titled “Ruckus” and available at www.getlegal.csus.edu, allows students to download an unlimited number of songs to their Microsoft Windows computers, where they can listen to it anytime they wish without having to stay connected to the Internet. The music will be available on the students’ computer as long as they are members of Ruckus.

The service is free to all college students with an e-mail address ending in ".edu." Ruckus currently offers a music library of more than 2 million tethered tracks.

“We refer the downloaded tracks as ‘tethered’ because they are attached to the subscriber’s computer through Digital Rights Management, a technology used on Windows operating systems to protect copyrighted media,” says Andrew Singletary, an information technology consultant in the University Union. “When music is tethered, it can’t be burned onto a CD or copied to a portable music player. Subscribers do have the ability to associate their account with up to two computers and pay a premium fee to transfer music to a compatible portable player.”
To transfer songs to a compatible digital music player, students pay Ruckus a $19.95 per-semester fee, rather than a per-song fee.

“I’m always on my computer listening to music,” says Sacramento State student Aaron Reason. “I didn’t know of a cheap, easy way to download music until Ruckus became available. It’s easy and quick to download songs and stand-up comedians’ acts. I’ve never had a problem finding my favorite bands.”

After graduation, students can maintain their Ruckus membership as alumni. An $8.99 monthly fee will apply for members who wish to download songs.

For more information, visit www.getlegal.csus.edu or call Singletary at 278-3347.

**Staff Awards Luncheon**

The annual Staff Awards Luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 20 in the University Union Ballroom. The event will honor University staff and administrators, as well as employees of University Enterprises and Associated Students, for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of service.

Tickets are $10 per person and must be purchased before April 6. Tickets will not be available at the door. Ticket sellers are Denise Anderson, 278-6127; Madonna Barlow, 278-3998; Thamsyne Brown, 278-4339; Lillie Jones, 278-3635; Cossette Leos, 278-7001; Barbara Oseto, 278-5694; Rolly Robinson, 278-6607; Arianne Pancallo, 278-4072 and Leah Spratt, 278-5484.

Group tables are available, but tickets must be purchased in groups of 10 from any of the ticket sellers listed above. In order to select a group table, you must bring all 10 tickets to Linda Robles 278-6967.

For more information, contact Linda Robles at 278-6967 or roblesl@csus.edu.

Those to be honored are:

**Academic Affairs**

10 years
Rose Marie Fisher, Graduate Studies
William Macriss, Intercollegiate Athletics
Joseph Sheley, Provost & Vice President
Arthur Shmarak, Academic Technology & Creative Services

15 years
Sharon Puricelli, Research & Sponsored Projects

20 years
Eric Fellersen, Academic Technology & Creative Services
Katherine Morris, EOP

30 years
Larry Glasmire, Academic Affairs
Eugene Lozano, Jr., SSWD

**Administration and Business Affairs**

10 years
Elena Compo, Budget Planning & Administration
Joseph Santinello, Business Information Services

15 years
Bruce Alvarez, Receiving & Shipping
Jennifer Barrett, Accounting Services

20 years
Gregorio Revelez, Public Safety
Karen Robinson, Accounts Payable
LaVerne Simmons-Barnett, Accounting Services
Laura Sorrentino, Reprographics
Russell Wyatt, Business Information Services
25 years
Elvia Garcia, SFSC
30 years
Nancy Fox, UTAPS

**Associated Students, Inc.**

15 years
Mary Felix, Children’s Center
Jael Young, Peak Adventures
25 years
Pat Worley, Executive Director

**CCMS**

10 years
Rolly Robinson, UCCS
15 years
J. Mark Jones, UCCS
Sharon Kelley, UCCS
Carl Oakes, UCCS
20 years
Ed Chong, UCCS

**College of Arts and Letters**

10 years
Mark Allen, Music
25 years
Zahara Seals, English
30 years
Philip Hitchcock, Jr., School of the Arts
Beverly Reed, English

**College of Business Administration**

10 years
Jeff Bingle, Dean’s Office
15 years
Maria Lindstrom, Degree Programs Center
30 years
Patti Weisser, CBA Information Services

**College of Continuing Education**

10 years
Jacquelyn Brown, Extension Programs
Manuela McClary, Program Development & Support
15 years
Felice Dinsfriend, Financial Services
College of Education
10 years
Debbie Santiago, Development

College of Engineering & Computer Science
15 years
Jaime White, MESA
25 years
James Ster, Civil Engineering

College of Health & Human Services
15 years
Nancy Beers, Nursing
Patricia Clark-Ellis, Associate Dean

College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics
10 years
D. Bryan Chaney, Dean’s Office
20 years
Laurel Heffernan, Interim Dean
25 years
Donald Agostinelli, Biological Sciences
Michael Bojorquez, Physics & Astronomy
Jana Shober, Biological Sciences

College of Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Studies
25 years
John Graff, Psychology

Facilities Services
10 years
Rechelle Arnold, Planning, Design & Development
Kevin Brisco, Custodial Services
Clarita Casipit, Custodial Services
David Landis, Grounds
Joseph R. Sanchez, Engineering Services
15 years
Thamsyne Brown, Administration
Robin Cooper, Engineering Services
Pacifico Domondon, Jr., Engineering Services
Ardene Johnson, Jr., Building Trades
Peggy Tucker, Custodial Services
20 years
Robin Eicher, Planning, Design & Development
Kim Pate, Custodial Services
25 years
Colin Brown, Building Trades
Alfredo Corpuz, Custodial Services
David Kesty, Automotive Services
Dale Knorr, Grounds
Albert Rembulat, Custodial Services
Ronald Richardson, Associate Vice President
30 years
Pedro Aguayo, Custodial Services
Florencio Maduli, Custodial Services
Gary McDaniel, Custodial Services
Jon Payne, Engineering Services

**Office of Human Resources**
20 years
Anita Bird

**Library**
10 years
Jim Hayes, Information Systems
Melissa Trujillo, Reference Department
20 years
David Dolmseth, Acquisitions

**Student Affairs**
10 years
Georgia Allen, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Joshua Collins, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Candace McGee, Career Center
Joanna Sampanis, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Diane Sipkin, Student Health Center
Darlene Weaver, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Jeanette Wiley, Outreach, Admissions & Records
15 years
Cynthia Coker, Financial Aid
Darlene Spencer, Student Health Center
Leonard Valdez, Student Affairs
20 years
Louis Camera, Student Activities
Cynthia Cockrill, Housing & Residential Life
Nancy Nelson, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Dirk Ruthrauff, Student Health Center
25 years
Barbara Kelly, Outreach, Admissions & Records
30 years
Betty Fong, Outreach, Admissions & Records
Bonnie Smith, Student Health Center
40 years
Nancy Lewis, Outreach, Admissions & Records

**University Advancement**
10 years
Claire Harding, University Publications & Design
25 years
Craig Perez, University Outreach

**University Enterprises, Inc.**
10 years
Jennifer Campbell, Human Resources
Benjamin Gherman
Assistant Professor, Chemistry

**Background and expertise:**
Benjamin Gherman, a new faculty member in the Department of Chemistry since fall 2006, knows his way around a molecule.

With expertise in areas such as physical and computational chemistry, Gherman’s research has focused on computational chemistry applied to bioinorganic chemical systems. His graduate research contributed to an understanding of the mechanism of bacterial antibiotic resistance, and he was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Minnesota, where he studied oxygen activation by monocopper enzymes.

Gherman is teaching physical chemistry and general chemistry and noticed immediately the diversity of students. “I’m teaching a wide range of students,” he says, “and it wasn’t the 18- to 22-year-old range I was used to teaching. A large number are older students. Many of them have families. With that comes a maturity that makes them dedicated learners.”

He also appreciates the campus’ warm, friendly environment and the faculty cooperation. “I’ve already found a colleague in the Chemistry Department to collaborate with on an electrochemistry research project,” says Gherman. “It was nice to find someone so quickly to work with.”

Gherman holds a B.S. in chemistry and mathematics from Carnegie Mellon University and an M.A. and Ph.D. in chemistry from Columbia University.
David Andersen
Assistant Professor, Government

**Background and expertise:**
If it weren’t for Sacramento State, David Andersen literally wouldn’t be here.

“My parents met while attending what was then Sacramento State College,” says Andersen, an assistant professor in Government. “So the University has a special place in my heart. I’m glad to give something back by teaching here.”

Andersen’s areas of expertise include foreign policy decision-making, international security, conflict processes and conflict resolution, contentious politics and political violence. In addition to teaching government courses, he is also the faculty coordinator for the Peace and Conflict Resolution minor.

Before coming to the University, Andersen worked for the Federation of American Scientists’ Arms Sales Monitoring Project, as the associate director of Student Pugwash USA, and as a researcher for the Crisis and Negotiation Research Group at the University of Maryland—College Park.

“I appreciated the policy work I did in Washington, D.C. But I knew I preferred teaching,” says Andersen, who has taught at George Washington University, St. Mary’s College of Maryland and Vanderbilt University. “The students at California State University, Sacramento are among the best students I’ve taught. They have a real curiosity and a desire to learn.”

Andersen holds a bachelor’s degree in International Security Policy from Hampshire College and a master’s degree and Ph.D. in Government and Politics from the University of Maryland—College Park.

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**Faculty Senate**

**Monday, April 2**
2 p.m., Committee on Diversity and Equity (CODE), Capital Room, University Union

3 p.m., General Education/Graduation Policies Committee

**Tuesday, April 3**
3 p.m., Executive Committee

3 p.m., University ARTP Committee, Capital Room, University Union

**Thursday, April 5**
3-3:30 p.m., 2007/08 Faculty Senate (Nomination of 2007/08 Officers), Foothill Suite, University Union

3:30 p.m., 2006/07 Faculty Senate, Foothill Suite, University Union

5 p.m., Faculty Senate reception, University Center Restaurant

**Friday, April 6**
2 p.m., Academic Policies Committee

All meetings are in Sacramento Hall 275 unless otherwise noted.
Faculty Senate Election Results
Faculty Senate Vice Chair James Sobredo (Chair, Elections Committee), along with Elections Committee members Rita Johnson, Jon Kaplan, Maureen Smith and Hong Wang, reports the following election results:

CSU Academic Senate:
Christine Miller, Communication Studies, term through 2010

Judicial Review Board:
Wandarah Anderson, Division of Social Work
Katerina Lagos, Department of History
Janet Osborn, Department of Counselor Education
James Ritchey, Department of Chemistry

Professional Activities

Scholarship

Francis Yuen, Social Work, is the co-editor of a new book, Asian Tsunami and Social Work Practice: Recovery and Rebuilding published by Haworth Press in March. The book presents an inside look at the complicated nature of disaster preparedness and how it relates to poverty, trauma, community development and service delivery system.

Joe Harralson, Mechanical Engineering, was part of a team that designed and built a motorcycle that set a new world record for speed with a two-wheeled vehicle on Sept. 5, 2006. The vehicle achieved a world record speed of 350+ mph at the Bonneville Salt Flats. Harralson will be presenting an upcoming lecture on this experience.

Timothy Capron, Criminal Justice, has been awarded a fellowship to study terrorism. He will attend the Academic Fellows Program of the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies from May 26 through June 6 in Israel.


Jonathan Skinner, Anthropology, currently a visiting international scholar at Queen's University-Belfast, Northern Ireland, will present "Salsa in the City," a lecture about his ongoing ethnographic fieldwork on salsa and cosmopolitanism in three urban centers: Hamburg, Germany; Sacramento, California; and Belfast, Northern Ireland.


Roger Sullivan, Anthropology, has articles based on his research of schizophrenia in Palau, Micronesia published in the April editions of Current Anthropology and the American Journal of Psychiatry.

Campus Announcements

University's finest to compete in Dominguez Hills
This year eight Sacramento State students will be competing in the Statewide Student Research Competition, May 4-5 at California State University, Dominguez Hills. They are: Meenal Abhyankar, graduate student, Chemistry; Catalina Alvarez, Social Work; Ryan Bibler, History; Elizabeth Glidewell,
Biology; Erika Holland, graduate student, Biology; Lusi Martin, Food and Nutrition; Pang Moua, Biology; and Kim Nelson, Biology.

Each year The California State University sponsors a system-wide CSU Student Research Competition. The purpose of this competition is to promote excellence in undergraduate and graduate research and creative activity by recognizing outstanding student accomplishments throughout the 23 campuses of the California State University.

For more information about Sacramento State’s local competition, please visit www.csus.edu/research/student/researchcomp2006.htm#_2006.

Submitted by Research Administration

Construction update
The Infrastructure II utilities upgrade project continues in various locations. Sewer line work has started in front of Shasta Hall and Riverside Hall. Pedestrian routes may be disrupted at times. Detours will be available.

Fire alarm system installation will occur in Solano, Tahoe, and Shasta Halls this week. Work will mainly be conducted after hours. Work notices and fire alarm testing will be posted in the buildings as they proceed.

Submitted by Facilities Services

Striders with a purpose
The Sac State Striders are back and are looking for team members. The 25th Anniversary Susan Komen Race for the Cure will take place this year on Saturday, May 12 at Cal Expo. The event is a 5k run/walk or a 1-mile walk. Last year, the Striders numbered a cool dozen, and our goal this year is to exceed 20 members. Visit krftc.sackomen.org/site/PageServer?pagename=RegisterfortheRace to register for the team. No experience is necessary. If you prefer to join in spirit that morning, there is an option to "Sleep in for the Cure" and still be a part of the team. For more information contact Janet Dumonchelle in the Student Health Center at 278-6040.

Submitted by the Student Health Center

‘Fundraising as Social Work’ lecture
Stephanie Roth, editor-in-chief of Grassroots Fundraising Journal, will discuss her work in policy development, training, consultation and fundraising from 3:30 – 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, in Amador Hall 152. Roth has been a consultant and trainer for community-based organizations for more than 25 years.

Submitted by Social Work

Books wanted
Sacramento State’s READERS tutoring program is partnering with nine local Starbucks for a book drive April 1-14. Gently used and new children's books donated will be given to the children enrolled in the READERS program at the end-of-the year Celebration of Reading. Participating stores are: Arden Plaza, Date and Madison, Pavilions, 38th and J, Sunrise and Madison, Howe and Fair Oaks, Madison and Dewey, Watt and Fair Oaks, and Arden and Morse.

READERS pairs students in Teacher Education 103, Tutoring Children in Reading, with tutoring centers located in area public schools serving ethnically diverse and low socio-economic communities. At the end of the semester the tutors will select several books which have been donated to the book drive, introduce the books during their tutoring lessons, then give the children the books to take home to read with their families.

Details: Pamela O’Kane, 278-4345

Submitted by Teacher Education

Events
International scholars honored
Phi Beta Delta, the Honor Society for International Scholars, invites the campus community to a reception for the International Research Scholars on Friday, April 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Orchard Suite of the University Union. The International Research Scholars come from a variety of countries and disciplines. RSVP to the Office of Global Education at 278-6686.
Submitted by Global Education

Hornet Bookstore honors alumni authors
Four Sacramento State alumni authors will visit the campus during Alumni Month. Alice Fong, Donna Ramos, Ron Saxen, and Glen Sharpe will be signing their books at an Alumni Month celebration from noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17 in the Hornet Bookstore. For more information visit www.sacstate.bkstr.com.
Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

13th annual “College: Making It Happen” event
Sacramento State is teaming up with other local colleges and universities to host a half-day program on preparing for college. The 13th annual “College: Making it Happen” event will be from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 7 in the University Union Ballroom. The program will include practical workshops on preparing academically and financially for college, and on exploring career options.

The event is free and open to the public. The program is intended primarily for 6th - 9th grade students and their families, though all students are welcome. Reservations are strongly encouraged. Please call (916) 278-6183 to reserve your spot or register on-line at www.csus.edu/eop/cmih. For more information contact David Ortega at (916) 278-6183.
Submitted by the Academic Achievement Center/EOP

Food/Merchandise

University Center Restaurant celebrates Alumni Month
Sacramento State Alumni are invited to present their Alumni Association member card to their University Center Restaurant server and receive a 15 percent discount for the Alumni member and their guests at that table. Alumni discounts are available throughout April.
Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

Spring Fling Buffet
Celebrate the coming of spring at the University Center Restaurant's Spring Fling Buffet featuring baked ham, braised chicken with sun-dried tomato sauce, braised beef tips with fettuccine, au gratin potatoes, sautéed vegetables and a selection of gourmet salads. Top all of this with a sweet from the dessert bar. This special buffet is available Tuesday and Wednesday, April 3 and 4 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, visit www.enterprises.csus.edu/dining/area/ucr.html. Reservations suggested for groups of five or more at 278-6100.
Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

Alumni discounts in the Hornet Bookstore
All year long, Sacramento State Alumni Association members who present their member card will receive a 10 percent discount on clothing, gifts and general books at the Hornet Bookstore. During the month of April, Sacramento State Alums who attend events sponsored by the Alumni Association are eligible to receive a special Alumni Month coupon that offers $10 off any clothing or gift purchase of $50 or more.
Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

Copy Graphics Center Alumni Special
Customers who present their Sacramento State Alumni Association member card will receive a 50 percent discount on color copies through the month of April. The Copy Graphics Center is located near the Patio Café between the Bookstore and River Front Center and is open from 7:45 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Fridays. The Copy Graphics Center is a service of University Enterprises, Inc. For more information call 278-6960.
Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.
**Human Resources**

**Sabbatical workshop**
The Office of Human Resources is offering its annual workshop on sabbatical and difference-in-pay leaves on Friday, April 6, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Orchard Suite in the University Union. RSVP by Thursday, April 5 at 278-6779.

*Submitted by Human Resources*

**Catastrophic Leave Donation Program**
Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 16 hours of sick or vacation leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. CSUEU, MPP, Unit 4, Unit 6 and Confidential employees may donate up to a maximum of 40 hours per fiscal year.

If employees are interested in donating time, a donation form can be obtained by going to [www.csus.edu/hr/forms.stm#Disability](http://www.csus.edu/hr/forms.stm#Disability), or by visiting the Human Resources, Disability Leaves Office in Sacramento Hall 162, or by calling extension 278-3522.

The following employees have been approved for the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:

- Gary Davis, Facilities Services
- Kaylene Ekeh, Criminal Justice
- Rose Marie Fisher, Graduate Studies
- Jenny Yang, Financial Aid
- *Mical Shilts, Family & Consumer Sciences
- *Pamela Sanger, Communication Studies

*only vacation credits may be donated to this employee*

*Submitted by Human Resources*

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**On the Job with Orientation**

The *Bulletin* spoke with Mary Shepherd, Orientation Coordinator

**What do people think you do?**
"People think that I arrange campus tours for the general public year round."

**What do you really do?**
"We’re pretty much the “first impression” for students and parents who have decided to make Sacramento State their university. We arrange for the new students to meet other new students, meet with a faculty member from their major, help them register for classes, set up workshops and teach them about campus services that they can join or participate in. The goal is to let the new students know Sacramento State is more than just coming and going to class."

**Describe your office.**
"We’re in Lassen Hall, next to Academic Advising. We have a small reception area and two offices that accommodate me, another full-time assistant and four student coordinators."

**What surprises people?**
"People are surprised by how so few people in this office can do so much. The planning for orientation takes place a year in advance, sometimes two. The freshmen orientations are two days and the transfer orientations are one day. We’re responsible for arranging everything the participants do on campus while they are at orientation."

**What is your biggest challenge?**
"Conveying how important orientation is to transfer students. They aren’t required to go through..."
orientation, like freshmen are, and some begin the semester with confusion and misinformation that could have been addressed if they attended orientation.”

**What do you get asked the most?**
“We get a number of phone calls asking for miscellaneous campus information and directions. In particular, during the summer we serve as a one-stop shop for parents who have a number of questions or concerns about things such as campus safety, housing, programs, registration and parking. We enjoy helping new students and their parents.”

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**This Week in Hornet Action**

**Baseball**
Tuesday, April 3
Sacramento State at California, 2 p.m.

Thursday, April 5
Sacramento State vs. Hawai’i, 2 p.m.

Friday, April 6
Sacramento State vs. Hawai’i, 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State vs. Hawai’i, 1 p.m.

**Softball**
Friday, April 6
Sacramento State at Portland State (Doubleheader), 12:05 p.m.

Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State at Portland State (Doubleheader), noon

**Women’s Tennis**
Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State vs. Pacific, 1 p.m.

**Men’s Tennis**
Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State vs. San Francisco, 1 p.m.

**Track and Field (Outdoor)**
Friday, April 6
Causeway Track Classic

**Men’s Golf**
Monday - Tuesday, April 2 – 3
Sacramento State at OGIO Intercollegiate, Solvang, Calif.

**Men’s Soccer**
Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State vs. UC Davis, 10 a.m.

Sacramento State vs. Sacramento Knights, 1 p.m.
Rowing
Saturday, April 7
Sacramento State vs. UC Davis, Lake Natoma