



Sept. 19, 2016

## News

### **Student Academic Success Day: Readiness, completion, cultural engagement**

As a part of Student Academic Success Day 2016 on Monday, Sept. 26, in the University Union, success and cultural workshops will be held to explore ways to boost college readiness, completion, and cultural engagement. The sessions, all scheduled from 11 to 11:50 a.m., will include:

- "The Educational Pipeline: Together Success Is Made" (Redwood Room, first floor)
- "Realizing Mega Success: The Quick Guide to Completion" (Orchard Suite, second floor)
- "The Family: Celebrating Hispanic Heritage" (California Suite, third floor)
- "African American Student Success/Heritage" (Forest Suite, second floor)
- "Our Native Traditions" (Foothill Suite, third floor)
- "Asian Pacific Islander Student Success" (Lobby Suite, first floor)

The sessions will be immediately followed by a keynote address by famed Les Brown, a nationally known motivational speaker, in the University Union Ballroom. To register yourself or a group to attend, please visit the event website at [csus.edu/degreesproject/SASDay](http://csus.edu/degreesproject/SASDay).

*Submitted by Student Academic Success and Educational Equity Programs*

### **Introducing the Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters**

The College of Arts and Letters is pleased to announce the approval of a new degree pilot program, Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters. This innovative, multidisciplinary program was created to increase the number of bachelor's degree recipients in the region. It offers students from degree programs across the College of Arts and Letters who withdrew in good standing from their studies and have completed a minimum of 84 units an alternative pathway to complete their degree.

The College of Arts and Letters also is proud to partner with the College of Continuing Education to jointly offer this self-support program. This partnership ensures our ability to provide additional services needed by returning students, as well as flexible scheduling patterns and modalities conducive to program completion for working adults.

The first cohort of students will be admitted to the program beginning in fall 2017.

*Submitted by the College of Arts and Letters*

### **Serna Center forum today: 'Past ASI Presidents Reflect'**

As a part of Constitution and Civic Engagement Week and Hispanic Heritage Month, the Serna Center will present a panel of former Associated Students Inc. presidents from noon to 1:15 p.m. today in the University Union, Foothill Suite. The panelists will share the long-term personal benefits of being involved in student government and the opportunities generated from this experience during their college journey and after graduation. Featured

panelists are Angel Barajas, Melissa Bardo, Josh Wood, Christina Romero, Gary Davis, and Laura Gonzalez.

*Submitted by the Serna Center*

### **Discussion on Santa Clara Hall project coming Friday**

The College of Engineering and Computer Science, in conjunction with Sacramento State's Office of Environmental Health and Safety, will host a town hall meeting Friday, Sept. 23, about the lead remediation project that took place over the summer in parts of Santa Clara Hall. The discussion will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the University Union, Lobby Suite. An occupational medicine physician from the UC Davis Medical Center also will be available to answer questions that students, faculty, staff, or other members of the campus community may have about lead exposure. All are welcome to attend.

*Submitted by the College of Engineering and Computer Science*

### **Homecoming tickets for current and emeriti faculty and staff**

President Robert S. and Jody Nelsen invite current and emeriti faculty, staff, and their families to the Homecoming Festival and football game on Saturday, Oct. 8. The Hornets take on the North Dakota Fighting Hawks at 6 p.m. at Hornet Stadium.

Faculty and staff may reserve up to four complimentary game tickets through the Homecoming website at [csus.edu/homecoming/faculty-staff.html](http://csus.edu/homecoming/faculty-staff.html), not the Ticket Office.

Current and emeriti faculty and staff can pick up tickets and a gift at the University Advancement booth during the Homecoming Festival from 3 to 5:45 p.m. on game day. The booth will be located in front of the Leslie and Anita Harper Alumni Center.

Visit [csus.edu/homecoming](http://csus.edu/homecoming) for more information on all Homecoming Week activities. Stingers Up!

*Submitted by University Advancement*

### **Homecoming Golf Cart Parade**

Sac State's annual Homecoming Golf Cart Parade is back and bigger than ever. Sign up at [sacstatealumni.formstack.com/forms/2016\\_golf\\_cart\\_parade\\_registration](http://sacstatealumni.formstack.com/forms/2016_golf_cart_parade_registration) to decorate your golf cart for a chance to win the grand prize trophy and yearlong bragging rights. Golf Cart Parade participants will take part in the Hornet Walk during the Homecoming Festival and loop around the track at halftime. To join the fun, contact Gladys Glaude at [gladysg@csus.edu](mailto:gladysg@csus.edu) or 278-4952.

Visit [csus.edu/homecoming](http://csus.edu/homecoming) for more information on all Homecoming Week activities.

*Submitted by University Advancement*

### **Third annual Dance Marathon for Homecoming on Oct. 7**

The Student Alumni Association is preparing to host Sacramento State's third annual Dance Marathon from 5 to 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, in conjunction with Homecoming. The Dance Marathon is a campus-wide event in the Residence Hall Quad that brings students and the community together for a fun-filled night to raise funds for the newly established Student Emergency Grant Fund.

The evening will feature dancing, live entertainment, games, guest speakers including President Robert S. Nelsen, themed activities, food, and exciting contests. Coupling an energetic social event with a highly relevant and worthy cause, the Dance Marathon is the

perfect embodiment of philanthropy, unity, and Hornet Pride!  
*Submitted by Alumni Relations*

### **Policy briefing on *U.S. v. Texas*: The case for DAPA and expanded DACA**

As a part of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Dreamer Resource Center will present a policy briefing from noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, in the University Union, Orchard Suite, on the case for Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DAPA) and the expansion of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). On June 23, the U.S. Supreme Court came to a 4-4 split decision regarding the constitutionality of DAPA and extended DACA. Join us to learn more about the implications of this decision and to receive updates on where DAPA and extended DACA currently stand.

*Submitted by the Dreamer Resource Center*

### **Free immigration legal services for Dreamer students**

The Dreamer Resource Center, in partnership with the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation (CRLAF), has resumed offering free immigration legal services to Dreamer students, students with mixed-status families, and/or any student in need of the service. Attorneys from CRLAF volunteering their legal services will be available from noon to 2 p.m. on Mondays for in-person consultations. The service is available through Dec. 5.

In-person consultations are on a drop-in and first-come, first-served basis. No appointment is necessary. For a consultation, refer students to the CAMP office in Room 1027 of the River Front Center during consultation hours. If you have questions, please call 278-7241.

*Submitted by the Dreamer Resource Center*

### ***The Head of Joaquin Murrieta*: Film screening, discussion with filmmaker**

As a part of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Serna Center will present a screening of *The Head of Joaquin Murrieta* and a discussion with the filmmaker, John J. Valadez, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, in the University Union, Forest Suite. Valadez is a Peabody Award-winning filmmaker with two Emmy nominations who has written and directed a dozen nationally broadcast documentaries.

His recent documentary *The Head of Joaquin Murrieta* features a legendary Mexican outlaw who blazed a trail of revenge and rebellion following the theft of his land, and the rape and murder of his wife. In summer 1853, he was killed by bounty hunters who put his head in a jar, displayed it across California, and charged people a dollar to see their trophy. For over a decade, Valadez searched for the remains of Murrieta, and he is convinced that he finally has the head. Join us for a riveting discussion about a painful and long-ignored historical memory: the lynching of Mexican Americans in the Southwest.

*Submitted by the Serna Center*

### **Come and join us for Future Hornet Day**

On Saturday, Oct. 8, Admissions and Outreach is hosting Future Hornet Day for prospective undergraduate students and their families. It is expected that 3,000 prospective students and their families will visit the campus. For many, this will be their first college campus experience, and we intend to make it an exciting, informative, and memorable day.

We invite faculty and staff to take advantage of this opportunity to advise, educate, and connect with so many of our future students by participating in the Informational Fair from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Hornet Bookstore Plaza. Your participation is key to making this day the most welcoming, informative, and fun it can be and giving these students an excellent

impression of Sac State.

The deadline to RSVP is Friday, Sept. 23. Please contact event coordinator Ondria Chappell at [smallo@csus.edu](mailto:smallo@csus.edu) or 278-2481 with any questions you may have.

*Submitted by Admissions and Outreach*

### **Graduate and Professional School Information Day is Sept. 27**

Do you know students who are interested in earning a master's degree or Ph.D.? If so, please share this information with your students so they can take advantage of this great opportunity. The Graduate Diversity Program will host its annual Graduate and Professional School Information Day from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, in the University Union, Redwood Room.

Students attending this free event will be given the opportunity to obtain valuable information from college recruiters regarding admissions and financial aid, receive information about opportunities in higher education, and have a chance to win great prizes. If you need additional information or have questions, please call the Graduate Diversity Program office at 278-3834 or email [graddiversity@csus.edu](mailto:graddiversity@csus.edu).

*Submitted by the Graduate Diversity Program*

### **Celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Multi-Cultural Center**

The Centers for Diversity and Inclusion staff is pleased to invite you to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Multi-Cultural Center at Sacramento State. The reception will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at the Harper Alumni Center. The theme will be "Carrying the Torch Forward: Celebrating 25 Years of Education, Advocacy, Social Justice, and Equity."

We want to engage our campus community to join the celebration and learn about this important milestone. If you and/or your department is interested in attending and want to reserve a table, contact Patsy Jimenez at [pvj25@csus.edu](mailto:pvj25@csus.edu). When you RSVP, please let us know how many people will be there representing your department.

*Submitted by the Centers for Diversity and Inclusion*

### **Open house for Financial Services offices in Modoc Hall coming Sept. 29**

The Accounts Payable, Accounting Services, and Procurement and Contract Services offices invite you to an open house and welcome from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at their new location: Modoc Hall, Suite 3005. We will have tours of the office suite and light refreshments. Stop by to see the new location!

*Submitted by Financial Services*

### **Retirement reception for Diane Kobely, Department of Government**

Diane Kobely, administrative support coordinator for the Department of Government, will retire after 22 years of dedicated service at Sacramento State. Of those years, 18 have been spent as the ASC II for the Department of Government. Please join us for a retirement celebration giving us all an opportunity to wish her well in the post-Sacramento State chapter of her life.

The reception will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, in the University Union, Forest Suite.

*Submitted by the Department of Government*

### **Sac State to host state higher education collaborative business conference**

Advocacy and communications, leading through change, and strategic procurement are just some of the topics being presented at the 2016 California Public Higher Education Collaborative Business Conference, which Sacramento State will host Oct. 3-5. The conference, with a theme of "New Opportunities – Common Challenges," will facilitate the coming together of leaders and professionals from the California State University, the California Community Colleges, and the University of California, and will allow them to share ideas and information on improved administrative performance, service, and outcomes among the three public higher education systems.

To register for the conference or get more information, please refer to the conference website at [uknowledgeshare.com/training/2016-conference](http://uknowledgeshare.com/training/2016-conference). If you are interested in volunteering in support of the conference, please contact Margaret Hwang at [hwangm@csus.edu](mailto:hwangm@csus.edu) or 278-2537.

*Submitted by the Office of the Vice President for Administration/CFO*

### **Fifth annual Criminal Justice Convocation coming Oct. 4**

Sacramento State's fifth annual Criminal Justice Convocation will be held from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4, in the University Union Ballroom. A reception will follow the convocation. This year's theme is "The Future of Justice V: Examining Contemporary Best Practices in Community-Policing Relations." The event is free and open to the community.

*Submitted by the Division of Criminal Justice*

### **2016 Envisioning California Conference: 'Our Voices: Advancing Civic Engagement'**

We invite the Sacramento State community to join us for a full day of exploring California at the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Envisioning California Conference, "Our Voices: Advancing Civic Engagement in California." The conference, sponsored by the Center for California Studies, will be Friday, Oct. 7, at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria in downtown Sacramento. The day will include:

- Engaging panel discussions on civic engagement in California
- A buffet lunch and keynote panel by state Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, Secretary of State Alex Padilla, and Assembly Member Susan Eggman, moderated by Beth Ruyak of Capital Public Radio
- An afternoon reception with samples served by California winemakers and brewers

Register by Monday, Sept. 26, at [eventbrite.com/e/our-voices-advancing-civic-engagement-in-california-27th-annual-envisioning-california-conference-registration-25419171426](http://eventbrite.com/e/our-voices-advancing-civic-engagement-in-california-27th-annual-envisioning-california-conference-registration-25419171426). For questions, contact the Center for California Studies at 278-6906 or [calstudies@csus.edu](mailto:calstudies@csus.edu). For information, visit [csus.edu/calst/envisioning\\_california.html](http://csus.edu/calst/envisioning_california.html).

*Submitted by the Center for California Studies*

### **Student Research Fall Forum is Nov. 7; registration deadline is Oct. 13**

Central to the University's mission is the promotion of scientific discovery and scholarly activity by our faculty and students. The Provost's Student Research Fall Forum offers undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to present their research and creative activities to the campus community in poster presentation format from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, in the University Union, Redwood Room.

Fall Forum participants will have the opportunity to gain speaking and presentation experience, and will receive feedback on their work and presentation styles. This event also

allows students to test-run their presentations in preparation for the campus-wide Student Research Symposium on Tuesday, March 7.

Posters will be grouped in rotating sessions of 90 to 120 minutes with mixed cohorts of undergraduate, master's and doctoral students. Maximum poster size is 42 by 48 inches. Those interested in participating must register at [csus.infoready4.com](http://csus.infoready4.com) by 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13. Questions can be mailed to [student.research@csus.edu](mailto:student.research@csus.edu).

*Submitted by the Student Research Center, Research Affairs, Undergraduate Studies, and Graduate Studies*

### **John Tagg, author of *The Learning Paradigm College*, to speak Oct. 13**

Professor John Tagg, an independent writer and consultant as well as an advocate for organizational change in higher education to better advance student learning, will address the campus community at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, in Library 11.

Tagg's book *The Learning Paradigm College* sparked a nationwide discussion on the meaning and mission of higher education and has been hailed by one reviewer as "one of the very greatest books on higher education." His work is the primary inspiration for the Sac State Center for Teaching and Learning's Educational Vision Group, which seeks to articulate and promote a unified vision of common values that can be used to make genuine learning a reality at Sac State. In addition to presenting his more recent work on change in higher education, he will discuss ways that the culture shift he describes is being implemented on our campus.

*Submitted by the Center for Teaching and Learning*

### **Our Promise: California state employees giving at work**

The Our Promise campaign will conclude Friday, Sept. 30. Each employee in your unit area should have received a pledge form and instructions from his or her key connector.

All forms are to be turned in by Sept. 30. Visit [ourpromiseca.org/find-nonprofit](http://ourpromiseca.org/find-nonprofit) to select a charitable organization, or utilize the write-in portion of the pledge form to list your favorite organization. Go to [csus.edu/ssis/our-promise/faq1.html](http://csus.edu/ssis/our-promise/faq1.html) to learn more about the campaign at Sacramento State and how the community has been touched by our employees' generosity.

Your donations and commitment to this program are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

*Submitted by the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies, Dean's Office*

### **Give back during United Way Week of Caring**

Student Organizations and Leadership has partnered with the United Way to have two sites designated for Sacramento State faculty, staff, and students to volunteer during the United Way's Week of Caring. Join us from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, Oct. 7, in the McKinley Park Rose Garden and/or 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 8, at Tahoe Park. To register, visit [csus.edu/soal/campus\\_events/service\\_projects.html](http://csus.edu/soal/campus_events/service_projects.html). For more information, please contact Nicki Croly, associate director, at 278-6595.

*Submitted by Student Organizations and Leadership*

### **'WOW' Coloring Event at the Hornet Bookstore**

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to the "WOW" Coloring Event from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at the Hornet Bookstore. All supplies are provided. Drop in, relax and

unwind while coloring and listening to music.  
*Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore*

### **Amador Hall undergoing elevator modernization project**

Amador Hall is undergoing an elevator modernization project and has one elevator functioning through the end of the semester. While this is a much-needed project to fix aging elevator issues, Amador Hall is a very busy place between classes. Please acquiesce in elevator use by those who must use them to help keep traffic moving smoothly. Next semester, we all will be able to enjoy much more quiet, efficient, and reliable elevator service in Amador Hall.

*Submitted by Facilities Management*

### **Results of the Listening to Students Study available online**

To learn more about the needs of students from a variety of backgrounds and educational paths, including this week's section, "Listening to Students with Disabilities," please visit [www.csus.edu/saseep/listeningtostudents](http://www.csus.edu/saseep/listeningtostudents).

*Submitted by the Department of Communication Studies*

### **Estate Planning 101**

The Office of Planned Giving hosts Estate Planning 101 seminars throughout the year for members of the Sacramento State community who are considering their estate plans. Topics covered include wills, living trusts, estate taxes, probate, property and inheritance planning, special needs trusts, and charitable gift annuities.

The next Estate Planning 101 seminar will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Leslie and Anita Harper Alumni Center. Reservations are required by Tuesday, Sept. 20. RSVP to [giving@csus.edu](mailto:giving@csus.edu) or 278-2577.

Please visit [csus.planningyourlegacy.org](http://csus.planningyourlegacy.org) for more information on planned giving or the dates of future seminars. If you are interested in making a gift through your will or estate, or you have questions regarding Estate Planning 101, please call the Office of Planned Giving at 278-6989.

*Submitted by University Advancement*

### **Building coordinator/floor marshal training**

An annual two-hour training session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Attendance is mandatory for all members of the building emergency preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals, and faculty who have responsibilities during a disaster or emergency. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register on LearnerWeb at [csus.edu/aba/ehs/learner-web.html](http://csus.edu/aba/ehs/learner-web.html).

*Submitted by the Sacramento State Police Department*

### **Faculty professional activities**

The latest faculty professional activities are available at [csus.edu/news/articles/2016/7/1/Professional-activities,-July-September-2016.shtml](http://csus.edu/news/articles/2016/7/1/Professional-activities,-July-September-2016.shtml).

*Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy*

### **Faculty Senate schedule**

The Faculty Senate calendar is available at [csus.edu/acse](http://csus.edu/acse).

*Submitted by the Faculty Senate*

### **Security tip: Don't share passwords**

A study of criminal prosecutions found an average associated financial loss of \$3 million per incident for "social engineering" or insider-type crimes. Many institutions have been targets of these types of crimes, including universities. Almost 90 percent of the crimes began with attackers logging onto accounts with IDs they obtained inappropriately. While IDs are sometimes illegally obtained by the use of passwords, such as cracking programs, many are obtained "the old-fashioned way" – by collusion with people in the institution who share IDs and passwords, sometimes simply for convenience.

*Submitted by the Information Security Office*

## **Human Resources**

### **Human Resources Spotlight coming Sept. 20**

This is a reminder that the next quarterly Human Resources Spotlight is scheduled for 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 20, in the University Union, Redwood Room. Please remember that all staff need to obtain their manager's approval to attend. Thank you.

### **CSU's annual Open Enrollment period through Oct. 7**

The California State University annual Open Enrollment period continues through Friday, Oct. 7. Open Enrollment is your annual opportunity to review and update your current benefits for the upcoming year. You can enroll in, change, or cancel CalPERS health, dental, vision, Flexcash, Dependent Care Reimbursement (DCRA), Health Care Reimbursement (HCRA), or voluntary benefits plans. The effective date for all changes made during the Open Enrollment period will be Jan. 1, 2017.

The Benefits Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, in the University Union, Redwood Room. For comprehensive, up-to-date information, visit [csyou.calstate.edu/openenrollment](http://csyou.calstate.edu/openenrollment). Enrollment forms can be downloaded from the Benefits Office web page at [csus.edu/hr/departments/benefits/open\\_enrollment.html](http://csus.edu/hr/departments/benefits/open_enrollment.html).

### **LifeMatters by Empathia: Employee Assistance Program (EAP)**

When you or your family need helpful guidance, counseling, local resources, or reliable professional care, your LifeMatters program is just a phone call away, and it is available on a live basis, 24/7. When you call, a professional LifeMatters counselor will speak with you about your concerns and offer a variety of services, including counseling, work/life resources and referrals, financial consultation, and legal consultation. Services provided directly by LifeMatters are free. For additional information, please visit [csus.edu/hr/departments/benefits/eap.html](http://csus.edu/hr/departments/benefits/eap.html).

### **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 [csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability](http://csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability) by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3004, or by calling 278-3522.

The Benefits Office currently has the following employees on an approved CAT Leave:

- Monica Patterson, Mail Services Center
- Brian Sarantopoulos, Reprographic Services

- Bradley Buchanan, English
- Jessica LePage-Smith, Student Health Center