FALL ENROLLMENT HIGHEST EVER

Freshman enrollment for fall 2010 topped 1,000 as school began August 23. That is nearly 150 more students than last year, making it Pacific’s largest freshman class ever.

The incoming freshman class is also one of the most academically gifted in Pacific’s history, with an average 3.49 high school GPA. Among the first-year students, the most popular academic programs are biology, engineering, business and pre-pharmacy. Many of the new students come from communities in the surrounding area. The incoming freshman class includes 324 students from San Joaquin, Sacramento, Stanislaus or Calaveras counties. That number has grown by more than 100 students in the past two years.

The freshman class includes 43 international students — up 10 from last year —from 16 countries. Fifty-eight percent of the class are female to 42 percent male. This year also marks the largest projected class of transfer students — up 10 from last year —from 16 countries. Fifty-eight percent of the class are female to 42 percent male. This year also marks the largest projected class of transfer students in almost two decades at nearly 300. Total enrollment for 2010–11 is projected to be 6,676. Enrollment figures will be finalized on October 1.
NOTEWORTHY

Gary Armagnac and Lisa Tromovitch, Theatre Arts, collaborated this summer at Livermore Shakespeare Festival. Armagnac directed Shakespeare’s “Romeo and Juliet” with professor emeritus William J. Wolak as the Friar, and Alison Koch ’11, Theatre Arts, in the ensemble. Tromovitch directed Tom Stoppard’s “The Real Thing,” Professor Randall Enlow and Ryan Shull ’08 designed lights for the productions.

Robert Benedetti, Jacoby Center for Public Service and Civic Leadership, delivered the Redwood Grove address on trends in political science that complement community service initiatives at the 2010 Montezuma Teacher Fellows Program and the Montezuma Leadership Summit 2010 at the Presentation Center in Los Gatos, Calif.

Diane M. Borden, English and Film Studies, presented the paper “The Lacanian Symbolic and the Feminine Subject: Jane Campion’s IN THE CUT,” for the Lutecium Psychoanalytic Training Group at the Hobart Theater in San Francisco. She participated in the panel “The Relational Field in the Gaze of the Visual Arts” for the International Relational Psychoanalytic Congress at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. Borden will present “The Mother, the Whore, and the Problematics of Male Virility: Erotics and Intimacy in Spielman’s REVANCHE” for the Intensive Study Group Kickoff Program, sponsored by the Northern California Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology at the Hobart Theater in San Francisco.


Jenny Darlington-Person, Jennifer Gibson, Ed Telfeyan and Stephanie Thompson, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, made presentations and Hether Macfarlane was a panelist at the 14th Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute at Marco Island, Fla. Darlington-Person presented “Hitting the Mark: Using the Games of Darts to Teach Selection of Authority.” Gibson presented “Integrating a Mediation Component in a First or Second Year Legal Writing/Skills Course.” Telfeyan presented “Outlining from Scratch: How to Make the Process Meaningful.” Thompson presented an “Interactive Research Workshop.” Macfarlane discussed “Teaching After Dark: Evening Students and the LRW Classroom.”


Nancy DeGuire, Rajul Patel, and Eric Boyce, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, are co-authors with former faculty member David Fuentes on the article “A Team Public Health Research Project for First-Year Pharmacy Students to Apply Content From Didactic Courses,” published in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education.

Fred Galves, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, taught Civil Procedure, Corporations and Securities to foreign judges, attorneys and L.L.M. students at UC Davis as part of that law school’s summer orientation in U.S.A. Law program.

Marcos Gridi-Papp, Biological Sciences, presented at the symposium “Evolutionary Morphology of the Vocal Apparatus” at the 9th International Congress of Vertebrate Morphology in Punta del Este, Uruguay.

Peter E. Hilsenrath, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and Eberhardt School of Business, had his article “Pulmonary Impairment after Tuberculosis and its Contribution to TB Burden” published in BMC Public Health. It was co-authored with nine colleagues from University of North Texas, the Center for Disease Control, Tarrant County Public Health Dept. and UT Southwestern Medical Center.


William A. Kehoe, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, gave two presentations at the 10th Annual Conference of the Asian Conference on Clinical Pharmacy in Singapore: “The Role of the Clinical Pharmacist in Medication Safety” and “Pharmacognomics and Psychiatric Medications.”

Clark Kelso, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, delivered his annual “Supreme Court Year in Review” speech to the Sacramento Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

Bruce La Brack, Emeritus, School of International Studies, taught a one-day Sample of SIIC class on “Why Reentry Matters: Critical Lessons and Practical Advice” and offered an evening program on “Who Knows Where the Web Goes? The ‘What’s Up With Culture?’ Website: An Example of the Gap Between Intention and Application in How an Internet Resource is Actually Used!” at the Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication in Portland, Ore.

Brian Landsberg, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had his article, “A Train the Trainers Program for Building Legal Infrastructure in China,” appear in The CIP Report, the Center for Infrastructure Protection and Homeland Security newsletter published by George Mason University School of Law. Landsberg wrote the preface for “Access to the Justice: Clinical Legal Education,” published by writer/editors Teng Hongqin and Changxing Liu in both English and Chinese.

Courtney Lehmann, English, was the keynote speaker at a conference on “Hamlet” in Le Havre, France. Her book “Screen Adaptations: Romeo and Juliet, a close study of the relationship between text and film” will be published by Methuen Drama in February 2011.

SUCCESS PROGRAM RECEIVES $1.47 MILLION GRANT

University of the Pacific was awarded a $1.47 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education for the Student Support Services (SSS) TRIO program on the Stockton campus. The grant will go toward academic and other support services for first generation, low income or college students with disabilities. The goal of the program is to increase the retention and graduation rates of eligible students and to help with the transition from one level of higher education to the next. The grant will be disbursed over a five-year period, or $293,850 per year.

Pacific’s SSS program, known as SUCCESS, was established in 1979. A total of 200 students are served each year through the program which includes almost all students in the Community Involvement Program, Pacific’s scholarship program for first generation college students from the local area, as well as others from similar backgrounds.

“Our program provides students with vital support services and a connection to campus, since they may be the first ones in their families to go to college,” said Anita Bautista, executive director of the educational equity programs at Pacific.” Bautista directs the SUCCESS program and was the principal investigator and primary writer for the grant proposal.

Ann Marie Marciarielle, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, co-authored a chapter on “Health Industry” in the new “California State Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law” published by Lexis Nexis. She also spoke on “Social Security and Medicare Update” to the attorneys, staff and guests of Sacramento’s Strategic Wealth Advisory Center.

Chris Sablynski, Stefanie Naumann, and Jeff Miles, Eberhardt School of Business, and Craig Seal, Center for Social and Emotional Competence, were panelists of a session “Business school centers: Best practices and lessons learned in their start-up, development, maintenance and reinagination” at the national conference of the Academy of Management in Montreal.

Jianhua Ren and postdoctoral fellow Kiran Kumar Morishetti, Chemistry, Xiaoning Zhao ’11 and Yuan Tian ’12 presented the poster “Mass Spectrometry Studies of Peptoid Fragmentation” at the 7th Peptoid Summit held at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.


Zhou Xiaoqing, English and Ethnic Studies, published her translations of 12 poems by Li-Young Lee in Poetry Monthly/《诗歌月刊》in China.

Liang Xue, Chemistry, and Dev Arya from Clemson University, had their article “Probing the recognition sequence of a DNA triplex: Binding studies with intercalator-neomycin conjugates” published in Biochemistry.

Chemistry faculty, postdoctoral fellow, and graduate and undergraduate students presented their research at the 58th ASMS Conference on Mass Spectrometry and Allied Topics held in Salt Lake City:

Yuan Tian ’12, presented the poster “Polar Groups Induced Acidity Enhancements of Carboxylic Acids in the Gas Phase and in Solution.” Jianhua Ren was the research advisor.

Jialin Shen ’11, presented the poster “Gas phase acidities of short cysteine-containing peptides.” Jianhua Ren was the research advisor.

Xiaoning Zhao ’11, and Noah Fang ’10, presented the poster “Proton Affinities of Charged Peptides.” Jianhua Ren was the research advisor.

Kiran Kumar Morishetti (postdoctoral fellow) presented the poster “Generation of Distonic Dehydrogenoxide Radical Anions From In-Source Dissociation” coauthored with Prabhakar Sripadi and Vairamani Mariappanadar (Indian Institute of Chemical Technology). Jianhua Ren was the research advisor.

Matthew Curtis ’12, presented the poster “Reactions of Radical Species Formed in the Helium Metastable Beam of a Direct Analysis in Real Time Ion Source,” coauthored with O. David Sparkman and Patrick R. Jones.

Liang Zhao ’11 presented the poster “Progress in the Characterization of Glycosylation Microheterogeneity in Xenopus laevis Vitelline Envelope Glycoprotein ZPA” coauthored with Fan Xiang (Shimadzu Biotech Corp.) and Jerry Hedrick (UC Davis). Andreas H. Franz was the research advisor.

Patrick R. Jones presented the poster “Thermal Separations of Mixtures by Controlled Heating in the Direct Analysis in Real Time Ion Source,” coauthored with Matthew Curtis ’12 and O. David Sparkman.

O. David Sparkman presented the poster “Solvent/Sample Interaction in the GC/MS Analysis of Amines,” coauthored with Matthew Curtis ’12 and Patrick R. Jones.

Liang Xue presented the poster “Fragmentation of Nucleotides and Nucleosides in a Helium Metastable-Beam Open-Air-Ion-Source Mass Spectrometer” coauthored with Matthew Curtis ’12; Mikhail A. Minier ’10; Priyanka Chitranshi ’12; O. David Sparkman; and Patrick R. Jones.

PACIFCANS IN THE COMMUNITY

DENTAL STUDENTS FORM HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATION

Students at the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry have joined together to form the Humanitarian Dentistry Organization to celebrate and publicize ongoing volunteer and service projects. The group was founded by Cedric Papa ’12, with 12 of his peers and one faculty advisor. The group has also established the Henry Schein Humanitarian Faculty Award, which honors one faculty member per year for time dedicated to providing free dental service. This year, the club awarded $1,000 to Allen Wong, director of the Special Care Clinic at the dental school, who helped provide dental care during a volunteer trip to Fiji.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH FUNDRAISER

The Enough is Enough campaign in April 2010 included events geared toward reducing violence, as well as a “Donate a Meal” fundraiser for the San Joaquin Women’s Center. The event raised $2,100 for the Center, and Vice President for Student Life Steve Jacobsen presented the check to the Women’s Center in July.

Enough is Enough was established by NASPA (National Association of Student Personnel Administrators) to reduce societal violence on college and high school campuses. The goal of the week-long campaign was to provide model strategies for interventions addressing youth violence on the nation’s campuses through innovative partnerships between secondary and post secondary students, parents, administrators and community partners. University of the Pacific was selected as a model school for the program.

HONORABLE MENTION

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HONORS FOUR PROFESSORS

Marlin Bates, Communication, Kenneth Beauchamp, Psychology, Marisela Ramos, History, and Francois Rose, Conservatory of Music, were honored on August 21 in Grace Cowell Hall with the Pacific Alumni Association’s 2010 Faculty Mentor Award. The Faculty Mentor Award is presented to University of the Pacific faculty members who, through their personal and professional relationships, have mentored students and encouraged alumni to mentor students by providing educational internships and career opportunities. They are nominated by current students as well as alumni.

ENLOW WINS BEST SET DESIGN

Randall Enlow, Theatre Arts, won Best Set Design at the Stockton Civic Theatre’s annual Willie Awards for his design of “The Producers.”

STUDENT LIFE HONORS DARI SYLVESTER

Dari Sylvester, Political Science, received the 2010 Podesto Award for Excellence in Student Life, Mentoring and Counseling from the Division of Student Life. The Podesto Award recognizes outstanding educators who directly touch and enrich the lives of Pacific students.

SYLVESTER REELECTED TO PHI KAPPA PHI BOARD

Ray Sylvester, Eberhardt School of Business, was elected Vice President for Marketing and Member Benefits at the recent convention of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi in Kansas City. He will hold that position for the next two years. Also at the convention, the Pacific chapter of the Society was named a Chapter of Merit, one of only 12 such chapters in the country. Sylvester had been serving as Western Region Vice President since 2007. He has been a Phi Kappa Phi member since 2000.

3RD ANNUAL LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

Pacific’s annual Latino Heritage Month celebration, honoring of Latino culture and history, will include a host of activities and events from September 15 – October 15. From a classic car show to Latin dance lessons, there will be something for everyone.

Highlights include a special lecture and discussion series on immigration — one of the hottest issues of the day. The first of the “Immigration Myths and Realities” series will feature nationally renowned expert in immigration law and policy, Bill Ong Hing, professor at University of San Francisco School of Law. He will talk about the myths and realities surrounding the current immigration debate and his new book “Ethical Borders: NAFTA, Globalization and Mexican Migration.

Other highlights of the celebration include guest speakers Carlos Gonzalez Gutierrez, Mexico’s consulate general in Sacramento; Venezuelan political leader Eduardo Fernandez; and Dolores Huerta, co-founder of the United Farm Workers.

The campus community is invited to a kick-off barbecue on Saturday, September 11 at 5 pm in the DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom. Get complete information and updates at: go.Pacific.edu/LatinoHeritageMonth.

SEAL HONORED BY ACADEMY OF MANAGEMENT

Craig R. Seal, director of Pacific’s Center for Social and Emotional Competence, was awarded the Academy of Management Award for Academy of Management Learning and Education, Editorial Board Outstanding Reviewer Award for 2010 at the Annual Academy of Management Conference held in Montreal, Canada.

CALLIOPE WINS SECOND APEX AWARD

“Five Minutes to Madalyn,” the 2009 edition of Calliope, Pacific’s student-run literary/arts journal, has won a 2010 APEX Award for Publishing Excellence for the second year in a row. Calliope was selected among 626 other entries in the “Print Publications” category to receive an Award of Excellence in the One-of-a-Kind Print Publications Category. Calliope is the only student-run publication to win an APEX award.
GULF RESEARCH DISCOVERY OF OIL-EATING BACTERIA

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As part of the oil spill research team, Stringfellow and Spier measured hydrocarbon concentrations, estimated biodegradation rates and analyzed the nutrients in the water. Their paper was published in August in the journal Science.

Stringfellow is director of Pacific’s Ecological Engineering Research Program. Spier is a 2006 graduate of Pacific’s School of Engineering and Computer Science. She currently works as the lab manager for the Ecological Engineering Research Program. This year she entered Pacific’s Environmental Engineering Graduate Program and is president of the San Joaquin Valley Section of the Society for Women Engineers.

SHARK WRANGLER COMES TO PACIFIC

Les Fields, a 1972 Pacific graduate of Pacific’s Eberhardt School of Business, will speak on campus at 5 pm September 14, 2010 in the DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom to discuss his 30-year career as a “shark wrangler.” Fields is the founder of Aqua Trek, a scuba diving and adventure company in the Republic of Fiji, considered one of the top dive resorts in the world.

He will share his experience preserving Fiji’s shark species and marine ecosystem. This event is sponsored by the Pacific Fund, the Global Center for Social Entrepreneurship, Eberhardt School of Business, and University of Pacific Division of External Relations. It is free and open to the public.

DENTAL SCHOOL HOSTS ORAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT AT GIANTS GAME

Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry volunteers took over the San Francisco Giant’s Community Clubhouse space at AT&T Park on July 28 to raise awareness about the importance of oral health and to showcase the school’s Kids in the Klinic Endowment. Volunteers hosted games for kids, distributed educational literature and gave away toothbrushes and toothpaste to hundreds of children in attendance with their families to see the Giants play the Florida Marlins. The game also featured a big-screen message to highlight Kids in the Klinic to an audience of nearly 40,000 people.

The Kids in the Klinic Endowment supports dental care for socioeconomically disadvantaged children throughout Northern California.

PACIFIC RANKED IN TOP 100 UNIVERSITIES

Pacific was again ranked one of the top 100 universities in the United States by U.S. News and World Report. The 2011 edition of the annual “Best Colleges” issue also ranked Pacific in a number of sub-categories including: 40th on its list of "Best Values" and 22nd for racial diversity.

With total enrollment just over 6,600 students, Pacific is one of the smallest non-research universities to be ranked this high in a category dominated by large research institutions. This is the third time in five years that Pacific was listed as a top 100 school. The announcement comes on the heels of Forbes and Princeton Review including Pacific in their annual rankings of top universities, both issued in early August.

“We are pleased that Pacific was recognized as one of the top 100 universities in the country,” said President Pamela A. Eibeck. “We note that these rankings are not perfect and that students should select a school that fits his or her individual needs, but we are also proud to be recognized for the high academic quality and value we offer our students.”

Pacific also ranked high in a number of sub-categories: student racial diversity, 22; amount of need-based aid awarded among top schools, 39; best value, 40; proportion of class sizes under 20, 42; lowest acceptance rate, 46; undergraduate engineering among schools not offering PhD, 49; and Economic Diversity (% of Pell-eligible students), 51.

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Dave Rosselli Returns to Pacific

David Rosselli has been selected to join the Pacific family as Assistant Dean of Development for the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. He began the position on September 7. Rosselli brings a wealth of talent in development and fundraising for higher education, as well as significant experience with University of the Pacific from two prior development roles at our University.

He most recently was Associate Athletic Director for Development — External Relations at University of California, Berkeley, and before that served as Associate Athletic Director for Development at Santa Clara University. His experience at Pacific includes leading development and fundraising efforts as Director of Development for the School of Engineering and Computer Science and before that as Director of Development for the Eberhart School of Business. He holds both an MA and BA degree from University of the Pacific.

Jason Cha is a new area coordinator in Housing and Greek Life.

Justin Gomez, Rebecca Ann Nielsen and Jon Vaughn are new residence directors in Housing and Greek Life.

Teresa Harris is a new information systems specialist in Advancement Services.

Ludda Her is a new mail clerk I in Support Services.

Davin Johnson is the new assistant women’s basketball coach in Athletics. Johnson has been a basketball teacher and coach and started a basketball training business.

Jeremy Johnston is the assistant to the coach for Basketball in Athletics.

Aubrey Ramos is the new Career Counselor/Coordinator of Internship & Alumni Career Services in the Career Resource Center. For the past year she provided employment services to disabled veterans as a Vocational Counselor for Veteran Affairs, and has held positions in higher education at UC San Diego and CSU San Marcos.

Ryan Redondo is the new director of Tennis and Men’s Tennis Coach. Redondo spent the last three years as an assistant to Gene Carswell at San Diego State and previously spent two years playing on the USTA, ITF and ATP professional tours.

Kevin Wilkinson is a media relations assistant in Athletics.

NOTABLE CHANGES

Jimmy Zheng has been promoted from business analyst to enterprise applications developer II in OIT.

Patrick Cardiasmenos has been promoted from custodian I to custodian group II – lead in Support Services.

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President Eibeck will give her first annual Address to the Faculty on Thursday, September 16, from 3:30–4:30 pm in Grace Covell Hall on the Stockton campus. Following the address, all faculty are invited to a reception at the President’s home. This event will occur at the beginning of every academic year.

President Eibeck will address issues meaningful to faculty, including strategic planning, academic quality, resource development and the ongoing Provost search. This address is meant as one step in an ongoing dialogue with faculty about Pacific’s future. All faculty are encouraged to attend and to ask questions. Questions may also be e-mailed to the President before and during her speech at president@pacific.edu.

The address will be webcast live to the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, Room 411, and to Pacific McGeorge School of Law, Classroom C. It can also be viewed on campus computers from a URL that will be announced in advance of the event.

Faculty members should RSVP to the reception at the President’s home at presidentrsvp1@pacific.edu.

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