UNIVERSITY PRAISED
FOR PLANNING PROCESS

University of the Pacific will receive the first Excellence in Institutional Innovation and Integration Award from the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP) this month. The award recognizes universities and colleges that use original planning processes to tackle emerging issues facing higher education. The award will be presented during SCUP’s annual International Conference held in Portland, Ore.

Pacific was chosen because of its “Pacific Rising” plan, a document that lists goals that Pacific hopes to achieve in the next seven years, as well as other efforts unique to higher education that support innovation.

“Pacific Rising is a living document that promotes innovation and creativity across all aspects of teaching and learning and University operations,” said Assistant Provost Rob Brodnick, one of the key administrators in implementing Pacific Rising. “We are honored that our peers have taken a hard look at what we are doing and chose us to be the first university for this award.”

PACIFIC NAMED A “BEST BUY”
BY FISKE BOOKS

The “2010 Fiske Guide to Colleges” named University of the Pacific as one of the 44 “best buys” for a college education in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. The announcement was made last month by the publishers of the popular college guide, SourceBooks Inc.

According to the company, the 44 institutions selected for the guide “are based on the quality of academic offerings in relation to the cost of attendance.” Fiske researchers combined the cost data with academic and other life-style information about each college and university to determine what institutions offer educational opportunities at a relatively modest cost.

“We are honored that we have again been recognized as one of the universities that gives students the best value for their education dollar,” said Robert Alexander, associate provost for enrollment. “While many people simply compare tuition as the cost of an education, they often forget to consider other factors: class sizes, the quality of the instruction, career/job placement assistance and the financial assistance that offsets tuition. Combine those strengths with our four-year graduation guarantee, and its easy to see why applications at Pacific have tripled in the last year: we clearly come out on top when students compare us to other institutions.”

The “Fiske Guide to Colleges” is a best-selling college guide that is updated and released annually.

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EVENTS:

SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL
Pacific Theatre
• July 25 • 7 pm
ROY ROGERS DOUBLE FEATURE
“IDAHO”
Roy and the gang help a judge save his boys ranch when the judge is being blackmailed by the owner of a gambling club.

“ALONG THE NAVAJO TRAIL”
Roy helps a girl and her father save their ranch from a crooked land dealer.

• August 8 • 7 pm
“THE SEVEN YEAR ITCH”
Sizzling romantic comedy stars Marilyn Monroe and Tom Ewell.

Admission: Adults $5; children 12 and under $3; Pacific staff, faculty and alumni $3; Pacific students free. For more information call 209.946.2025.

2009 SUMMER JAZZ COLONY CONCERTS
Faye Spanos Concert Hall
August 14 • 7:30 pm
August 15 • 3 pm
First concert features faculty artists; second concert features Jazz Colony participants. Both are free and open to the public.

LAUNCH PARTY FOR
JOSÉ HERNANDEZ
August 18 • 4 pm
DeRosa University Center
Pacific Regent and Alumnus José Hernandez is scheduled to launch in his first mission to outer space aboard the shuttle Discovery. Note: Launch date subject to change.

NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION
August 23 • 2 pm
Faye Spanos Concert Hall
Faculty members are encouraged to welcome incoming freshman. Faculty, staff, students and family members are invited to meet outside Faye Spanos Concert Hall at 2:30 pm to participate in the Traditional Tiger Roar, followed by an all-campus barbecue on Knoles Lawn. For questions or information, contact Linda Dempsey at 209.946.7619.
Steve Anderson, emeritus, Biological Sciences, along with four Iranian coauthors, published “Notes on the Natural History of Pseudocerastes urarachnoides (Squamata: Viperidae)” in the Russian Journal of Herpetology.

Ashland O. Brown, School of Engineering and Computer Science, presented the paper “A Novel Assessment Methodology for Active Learning Modules to Equitably Enhance Engineering Education” at the 2009 American Society for Engineering Education Conference and Exposition in Austin, Tex., along with co-authors: Kristen Kaufman and Kristin L. Wood of the University of Texas; Christina White from Columbia University; Daniel Jensen from the U.S. Air Force Academy; and Joseph J. Rencis from the University of Arkansas.

Trent Burkett, Visual Arts, had a piece of his artwork, along with 200 other works of studio pottery from the U.S. in the collection of William Burke, donated to the American Museum of Ceramic Art (AMOCA) in Pomona, Calif. The museum is one of the few American museums devoted exclusively to ceramics, and the only one of its kind on the West Coast. Burkett’s art is also currently featured in a two-person exhibition at the Signature Shop and Gallery in Atlanta, Ga.

Martin Camps, Modern Language and Literature, had his article, “El Regreso a la Naturaleza en Huatulqueños de Leonardo Da Jandra,” published in Espéculo (Universidad Complutense de Madrid) along with an interview with Victor Bartoli about the violence in Mexico.

Linda Carter, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, taught classes in international criminal law at the Cheikh Anta Diop University’s School of Law and Political Science in Dakar, Senegal. She lectured on the Supreme Court of the United States and presented “The Development of International Criminal Procedure: The Challenge of Blending Civil Law and Common Law Legal Systems” to the faculty.

Patrick Catania, emeritus, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, was elected to serve as the Vice President of Governance for the Stockton Symphony Association for fiscal year 2010 at the Association’s annual meeting in June.

Frank Gevurtz, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, taught a course on Administrative Law in Guangzhou, China, as part of the law school’s USAID-funded “Partnership in Experiential Legal Education Program.”

Miriam Cherry and Jarrod Wong, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had their article, “Clawbacks: Prospective Contract Measures in an Era of Excessive Executive Compensation and Ponzi Schemes,” accepted for publication in the Minnesota Law Review.

Ray Coletta, Frank Gevurtz, Kojo Yelpaala, Julie Davies and Larry Levine, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had four articles they either authored or co-authored selected for the Agricultural Law Bibliography, a quarterly compilation of books and journal articles of agricultural and food topics.

Denis O. Flynn, Economics, was a commentator at “Writing the History of the Global,” co-sponsored by the Department of History of the University of Warwick, at the British Academy in London, England. He also co-organized a pre-conference symposium on “Maritime Trade and Hinterland in Eighteenth-Century Asia” and presented “A Restatement of the Price Theory of Money” at the First Congress of the Asian Association of World Historians in Osaka, Japan. Flynn lectured on “Globalization’s Sixteenth-Century Origins” at Washington State University.

Fred Galves, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had his interactive casebook “Evidence: A Contemporary Approach” published by West. His co-authors are Dean Sydney Beckman of the Lincoln Memorial School of Law, and Professor Susan Crump of South Texas College of Law.

Robert Halliwell, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, lectured on “The Aging Brain and Alzheimer’s Disease” at the Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society.

Mathiew Le, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, spoke on “Legal Careers: Diverse Paths and Options” at the inaugural National Asian Pacific American Pre-Law Conference in Chicago.

John Myers, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, participated in six workshops in a conference on “Advanced Forensic Interviewer Training,” sponsored by the National Children’s Advocacy Center in Huntsville, Ala. He also conducted four workshops at the Clackamas County Sheriff’s Child Abuse & Family Violence Summit, held in Portland, Ore.

Tim Naccarato, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, was honored in Sacramento as the 2009 Teacher of the Year for his work in the Protect and Defend Constitutional Project, which sends teams of judges, attorneys and law professors to high schools to talk about the American legal system.

Alan Lenzi, Religious and Classical Studies, published “Secrecy, Textual Legitimation, and Inter-Cultural Polemics in the Book of Daniel” in Catholic Biblical Quarterly. He also led year-long faculty seminar for the Akkadian Reading Group of the University of California at Berkeley on the topic of his new text edition of an ancient Babylonian poem called “Ludlul Bel Nemeqi,” also known as the “Babylonian Job.”


Steve McCaffrey, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, argued for the Nicaraguan legal team in a dispute over control of the San Juan River at the International Court of Justice in The Hague, Netherlands. He spoke on global health in the context of water resources at the international, state and local levels at a meeting of the Sacramento chapter of the World Affairs Council at the UC Davis School of Medicine. McCaffrey visited Palestine for a meeting of the water team that advises the Palestinian National Authority in preparation for negotiations with Israel on related matters.

Cathie McClellan, Theatre Arts, will present a workshop at “Earth Matters On Stage: 2009 Ecoedrama Playwrights Festival & Symposium” on recycling and ephemera as materials, leading to an installation/performance piece using trash and recycled products as a possible approach to a new paradigm in theatrical practice. McClellan’s co-presenter is Alexandra Bonds of the University of Oregon.

Ethel Nicdao, Sociology, presented “Impact of Recent Immigration on Psychological Distress and Helpseeking among Filipino Americans” at the Western Social Science Association Annual Conference in Albuquerque, NM.

JOSE VALDES MATH INSTITUTE FINDS A HOME AT PACIFIC

University of the Pacific partnered with the San Joaquin County Office of Education to save an intensive math summer program designed for children of migrant workers. The program, which serves more than 80 local students, was cut by Stockton Unified School District due to state budget cuts after more than 20 years of existence.

The Jose Valdes Math Institute aims to prepare seventh and eighth graders for high school math curriculum and the required California High School Exit Exam. All classes are taught by credentialed teachers with the help of teaching assistants in the five-week program.

This is the first time Pacific has run the program, which was just one of many education programs on the chopping block due to the state budget crisis. The program is a collaboration involving the San Joaquin County Office of Education, Stockton Unified School District and Lodi Unified School District.

Pacific took the lead role in organizing the program, including hiring bilingual math teachers and teaching assistants, developing the class curriculum and organizing busing for the students. The county’s Office of Education funded the program.

The classes were held at Pacific’s Benerd School of Education.

Students brought their families to an open house in June to show what they had been learning.

Teachers used a variety of interactive games and activities to enhance learning.

PROVOST HONORED BY HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The San Joaquin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce presented Provost Phil Gilbertson with the first John Aguilar Spirit Award at its 37th annual installation and awards dinner. The award is named after Aguilar, the founder and former president and chief executive officer of Vernon Transportation Company. Aguilar died last July at the age of 49 after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Gilbertson was selected for all of the programs at Pacific that reach out to the Latino community. “Provost Phil Gilbertson has done a significant job on outreach, making sure the University of the Pacific is extremely accessible,” Mark Martinez, chief executive officer of the chamber told the Stockton Record.

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WELCOME TO PACIFIC

Beth McManis is a Nurse Practitioner in the Cowell Wellness Center.

Yvonne Martinez is an Enrollment Services Counselor in the Office of Admission.

Josh Jones was named Women’s Cross Country Head Coach in Pacific Athletics. He replaces Rachel Booth, who resigned earlier in June to spend more time with her family.

NOTABLE CHANGES

Mathew Le, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, has been promoted to the Associate Director of Admissions and the Director of Campus Diversity.

David Johnson has been named Interim Women’s Volleyball Head Coach. Johnson has been an assistant coach for the Tigers for the past seven seasons.

DENTAL SCHOOL GOES PAPERLESS

New computer terminals in each operatory allow dental students to pull up an entire patient chart, including digital radiographs.

After more than a year of intense planning and development, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry has launched a new clinic information system called AxiUm. The system is expected to improve and transform many aspects of how the dental school functions.

The system will facilitate the centralization of billing, insurance processing, collections and cashing. For the school’s research initiatives, AxiUm will improve collaboration among faculty, students and other dental schools. Students and faculty will be able to search a large patient health history database and a large pharmaceutical formulary to identify trends.

In addition to the clinic information system, the project delivered a computer terminal, keyboard and mouse to every operatory in the school’s dental clinics in San Francisco, Union City and Stockton. Clinics will come on board in September 2009. Students are now able to pull up the entire patient chart at chairs and enter all treatment information while the patient is present.

Prior to the collaboration, there were 14 different clinics with 14 different sets of business rules, noted Dr. Richard Fredekind, associate dean for clinical services. “Centralization will lead us to more consistent work processes and more consistent performance across clinics. Consistency creates easier understanding for students and patients.”

Funding for the project was provided by the Dean’s Fund for Excellence. “This is an exciting step for our school’s dental clinics and will benefit our entire community of patients, students and faculty,” said Patrick J. Ferrillo, Jr., dean of the Dugoni School of Dentistry. “Medical and dental clinics across the country are exploring ways to implement electronic health records, so we’re glad to be staying on the forefront of this important issue.”
Paul Paton, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, lectured on “SEC Prosecutions of Lawyers Post-Enron: Stock-Option Backdating and other Cautionary Tales,” at the University of British Columbia Faculty of Law’s National Centre business law luncheon in Calgary, Alberta.

Kathy Richman, Modern Language & Literature, presented “Zola’s Sacred Heart: Narrative Persuasion in Paris” at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference.

Jon Schamber, Communication, and Sandy Mahoney, Retention Services, presented the poster “Integrative Learning about Liberal Education through a Learning Community” at the American Educational Research Association Convention in San Diego.

Sabine Schlemmer-Schulte, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, contributed articles on the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and structural adjustment programs to the latest edition of the “Encyclopedia of Public International Law,” edited by Ruediger Wolfrum and published by Oxford University Press. Schlemmer-Schulte was named to the editorial review board of Human Rights & Human Welfare, a monthly newsletter at the University of Denver’s Josef Korbel School of International Studies.

Dari E. Sylvester, Political Science, was a panelist on “Revealing the Learning: Quantitative and Qualitative Inquiry into Service Learning to Promote Political Engagement,” with three other Carnegie Fellows from across California at the 2009 Continuums of Service Conference in Seattle, Wash.

Colleen Truden, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, spoke on “Heating up Your Search: Alternative Career Paths in a Cooling Economy” at a Bay Area Legal Recruiting Association conference in San Francisco.

Gregory Weber, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, was co-organizer of a conference on international water law hosted by the University of Calgary, faculty of law. He also chaired the second day of the conference. Steve McCaffrey, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, also spoke on “Energy, Water Law and the Nile” at the conference.

Students in the Sport Sciences department of College of the Pacific presented their research at the 2009 Far West Athletic Trainers Association Student Symposium in San Diego, Calif.

Carissa Aflague ’09, Christine Bolthouse ’09, and Tara Wetherelt ’09 presented “The Theory of Kinesio-Tape.”

Katie Minahan ’09, Rachel Ponce ’09, and Anela Le Cara ’10 presented “Determining Differential Diagnosis Between Musculoskeletal Injuries of the Abdomen and Internal Organ Injuries.”

Chemistry undergraduate students presented their research at the 21st Northern California American Chemical Society Undergraduate Research Symposium at Saint Mary’s College in Moraga, Calif:

Noah Fang ’10, presented “Synthesis of the Lysine-Polyglycine and Dap-Polyglycine Peptides.” Advisor: Jianhua Ren

Allison Lai ’11 and Melissa Kuo ’11, presented their poster “Synthesis of Aspartic Acid-Polyalanine Peptides.” Advisor: Jianhua Ren

Jessica Yates ’09 presented the poster “Synthesis and Molecular Modeling of Glutamic Acid Polyalanine Peptides.” Advisor: Jianhua Ren

Abraham Chang ’09 presented the poster, “Design and synthesis of a DABCYL-labeled 7,8-benzoflavone for high-throughput screening of Ah receptor ligands.” Advisors: William Chan and Liang Xue

Mik Minier ’10 presented the poster “Effects of water-miscible organic solvents on thermal stability of DNA oligonucleotides.” Advisor: Liang Xue

Engelbert Navarro ’09 presented “Regioselective bromination of a thymine-acridine conjugate by N-bromosuccinimide.” Advisor: Liang Xue

Paul Sukhanov ’10 presented the poster, “Modeling hypervariable loops in the Immunoglobulin heavy chain.” Advisor: Jerry Tsai

The Northern California Section of the American College of Dentists (ACD) recently honored two members of the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry community at the ACD’s annual awards banquet in Burlingame, Calif.

Robert Passamano, DDS ’09 was honored with the Outstanding Student Leader award.

Leigh Anderson, DDS, PhD, received a Distinguished Faculty Member award in recognition of outstanding service to the school and extraordinary dedication to dental education.

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