SYMPOSIUM ON
SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL COMPETENCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION

International experts highlight a daylong symposium showcasing Pacific programs designed to increase students’ social and emotional intelligence. The symposium is part of Pacific’s culture and commitment to whole-person education and its mission to prepare graduates for responsible leadership in their careers and communities.

Noon: Keynote Session — Learning Leadership, DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom

Competence guru Richard Boyatzis, author of “Resonant Leadership,” “Primal Leadership,” and “The Competent Manager” will discuss the impact of social emotional competence on student development.

2:15 pm: Panel Discussion — Whole Student Learning at Pacific, DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom

Experts Cary Cherniss, James Parker and Scott Taylor will explore the theories, outcomes and development of social emotional intelligence.

7 pm: Keynote Session — Ecological Intelligence, Faye Spanos Concert Hall


The symposium is part of Pacific’s Presidential Inaugural Series in honor of President Pamela A. Eibeck, and is presented by the Center for Social and Emotional Competence, the Division of Student Life, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Gladys L. Benerd School of Education, the School of Engineering and Computer Science, and the Pacific Alumni Association.

For more information, contact Bernie Kramer in the Center for Social Emotional Competence at 209.946.7757 or e-mail bkramer@pacific.edu.
NOTEWORTHY

Thomas Brierton, Eberhardt School of Business and Peter Bowal of the University of Calgary had their article “What’s in a Word: Olympic” published in LawNow.

Emily Heller ’10, Theatre Arts, has been accepted to the California Institute of the Arts MFA Management Program with a specialization in producing. She is one of three students selected from a nationwide search to this prestigious program.

Danielle Stephens ’10, Theatre Arts, advanced to the semi-finals in the Irene Ryan acting competition at the Western States region Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival held in Reno, Nev.

Christine Haruta, Career Resource Center, presented the workshop “Thinking Outside of the Big Budget Box: High Impact Employer Branding at Bargain Prices” at the 2009 Mountain Pacific Association of Colleges and Employers regional conference in Monterey, Calif.

Marcia Hernandez, Sociology, was a panelist for the workshop “The Feminist Teaching Portfolio” at the Sociologists for Women in Society Annual Winter Meetings in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Kieran Holland, Physics, spoke on “Running coupling in strong gauge theories via the lattice” at a particle physics conference called “Strong coupling gauge theories in the LHC era” at Nagoya University in Nagoya, Japan.

Lisa A. Tromovitch, Theatre Arts, will be awarded a Dreammakers and Risktakers Award by the Livermore Chamber of Commerce. The award ceremony will be held at Poppy Ridge Golf Course in Livermore on March 30.


Delores E. McNair, Benerd School of Education, had her article “Preparing Community College Leaders: The AACC Core Competencies for Effective Leadership & Doctoral Education” published in the January 2010 issue of The Community College Journal of Research and Practice.

Bruce La Brack, Emeritus, School of International Studies, was invited by the School of Engineering and the Office of International Programs at University of California, San Diego, to evaluate an ongoing cross-cultural training program designed to enhance the cultural competency of undergraduate science students who participate in summer laboratory research internships throughout Asia. La Brack also delivered a keynote presentation at the Second Annual Southern California “Lessons from Abroad: Study Abroad Returnee Conference” at Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego.

Robert Coburn, Conservatory, was the featured composer at the February 19 concert by the Orpheus Chamber Music Ensemble in Fresno, Calif. Four of his recent compositions were performed: “Fragile Horizon;” “In Stillness;” and the premieres of “emptiness [reflection]” for saxophone, computer, and video; and “emptiness [refraction]” for computer and video. He also presented a workshop for music students at Fresno State University in which he discussed his compositions.

George Lewis, Sociology, has had three of his published works: “All The Glitters: Country Music In America;” “Side-Saddle On The Golden Calf: Social Structure and Popular Culture In America;” and “Won’t Get Fooled Again: 25 Years of Pop Recordings and Reviews” included in “Rock Journalists and Music Critics: A Selected Bibliography,” which appears in the February issue of Popular Music and Society. Lewis has been invited by the president of the Popular Culture Association to deliver remarks at the upcoming joint meeting of the American Culture Association and the Popular Culture Association, reflecting on Ray Browne, founder and prime mover of both these associations, who recently passed away.


Christine Strain ’10, Visual Arts, was selected as a finalist in the Strathmore Artist Papers “How Do You See Green” Illustration Competition.

During the California Pharmacists Association Annual Meeting held in Long Beach, Calif. The following Pacific faculty, alumni, and students were recognized:

Don Floridda ’71: Hall of Fame Inductee
Ralph Saroyan ’64: Pharmacist of the Year
Veronica Bandy ’00: Distinguished New Practitioner
Nancy DeGuire ’89: Outgoing Speaker of the House
Ed Sherman: Treasurer
Kenny Scott ’78: President Elect
Eric Gupta ’00: President
Veronica Bandy ’00: Trustee for Region 2
Jarrod Mills: Speaker of the House
Terran Rice ’11: competed in the Patient Counseling Competition
Dana Nelson ’71: Fieldman Compounding Award
Doug Hillblom ’78: CEO Award
Chris Woo ’88: Number 1 Club for Membership Recruitment
Colleen Carter ’76: Chair, Nominating Committee
David Wilcox ’79: PAC Chair
Also Pacific Students took second place in the statewide Pharmacy Quiz Bowl and the Pacific Student Bowling Team raised over $2000, for the Pharmacy Foundation of California.

The Pacific Speech and Debate Team traveled to Modesto Junior College on February 19–21, to compete in the Northern California Forensics Association’s Championship tournament. Pacific’s squad finished second overall out of more than 30 schools throughout California and Nevada. Pacific debaters Chelsea Kelleher ’11 and Emily Sheldon ’10 placed first in Parliamentary Debate. Rachera Swan ’12 won first place in persuasive speaking, and she is now the California representative to the oldest speech competition in the country: the Interstate Oratory Competition (IOC). This is only the second time that Pacific has had a representative to the IOC.

The Pacific Tigers men’s and women’s swim team finished fourth overall in the Big West Conference Championships on Saturday, February 20. In individual competition, Elena Waltermann ’12 captured a second-place finish for the Tigers in the 200 Fly. In the 1650 Jayme Swalin ’12 took second.

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PACIFIC TO HONOR LIFE OF DAVE GERBER

The University community is invited to “A Celebration of Life” of former Regent David Gerber ’50 (1923-2010), on Tuesday, March 23, from 3 to 5 pm in the DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom.

An esteemed alumnus and university leader, Gerber received a bachelor’s degree in Communication from the College of the Pacific in 1950, and as a student, participated in Radio, Drama, Omega Phi Alpha, and Men’s Football. He served as a University Regent from 1987 to 2001 and received an honorary doctorate from Pacific at the Convocation ceremony in 2002. With his wife Laraine, he was a generous supporter of the University with gifts benefiting The David and Laraine Gerber Endowment Fund in support of the School of International Studies, the Gerber Lecture Series, the Los Angeles Pacific Club Pantheon of the Arts Endowed Scholarship, and the Pacific Annual Fund Scholarships. He served on the SIS Advisory Board and the National Commission panel for Business/Engineering/SIS in 2000. He was awarded the President’s Medal of Achievement at the 2009 Commencement exercises.

A longtime television producer and studio executive, Gerber’s accomplishments spanned over three decades of breakthrough, innovative programming for which he won Golden Globe, Emmy and Peabody Awards. In 1976, he won an Emmy for “Police Story” and was also nominated for “The Lindbergh Kidnapping Case.” He recently produced “Flight 93” (2006) which told the story of the brave passengers and crew aboard hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 on September 11, 2001. The film received seven Emmy nominations, including one for outstanding made-for-television movie. He has received a number of lifetime achievement and humanitarian awards and his illustrious career was recognized with a star on Hollywood’s Walk of Fame.

DENTAL HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

Several times each year, students and faculty from the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry give their time and talent to provide dental care for San Francisco’s homeless through Project Homeless Connect (PHC), a city-supported event offering health and human services to people in need.

Furthering the dental school’s commitment to this effort, the school recently finished a pilot project with PHC to provide partial or full dentures for 10 clients of PHC. This co-operative effort has proven to be a win-win for patients, students, faculty and PHC staff who were involved in the project between late 2009 and February 2010.

The Dugoni School of Dentistry has participated in PHC since 2007, including the most recent PHC event on February 24. Students and faculty screened clients and sent those needing immediate care to designated dental clinics, including Pacific’s own Emergency dental clinic. The school’s outstanding dedication to PHC was acknowledged by Judith Klain, director of Project Homeless Connect and San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom.

“I thank University of the Pacific for its long-standing commitment to the people of San Francisco, particularly the most vulnerable,” said Newsom.

WASC IS COMING!

CAMPUS VISIT MARCH 30 – APRIL 1

In December, the University completed a Capacity and Preparatory Review (CPR) as part of the reaccreditation process for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). A WASC Evaluation Team has reviewed Pacific’s CPR and will visit all three campuses March 29–April 1, 2010. The purpose of the visit is to hold interviews with a broad range of faculty, staff, students and other community members regarding Pacific’s responses to WASC’s 2000 review, the university’s compliance with WASC’s basic standards for accreditation, and the recommendations in the CPR.

It is important for all members of the Pacific community to be familiar with the core findings and recommendations in the CPR. That report investigates Pacific’s capacities in three key areas:

1. Distinctiveness
2. Visibility, Enrollment, and Financial Stability
3. Institutional Student Learning Outcomes to Integrate Liberal Arts and Professional Education

To view the full report, visit iris.pacific.edu/wasc. Please take a moment to look at the report. More details will be available soon on the visit and how you can provide helpful comments to the WASC Evaluation Team.

Please direct questions to Pacific’s WASC Self-Review Chair, Brian Klunk, at WASC2010@pacific.edu.

PROVOST SEARCH UPDATE

After careful consideration, the University has decided to extend the search for a Provost. While the candidates to date have brought impressive credentials and experience, the search committee and University administration believe it would be beneficial to widen the search to include a broader field of candidates.

On behalf of the University community, President Eibeck expressed her appreciation to the search committee for their efforts and to the campus community for its engagement throughout the process. It is expected that the search will continue into the next academic year. Meanwhile, an Interim Provost will be appointed effective July 1, and will be announced in the coming weeks.
NOTEWORTHY CONTINUED

Students and faculty from College of the Pacific Psychology Department made several presentations at the 28th Annual Meeting of the California Association for Behavior Analysis in Irvine, Calif.

Shanun Kunnavatana ’10 and Matthew Normand presented the paper “A Rapid Treatment Analysis of Compliance in Young Children.”

Shanun Kunnavatana ’10, Matthew Normand, Tracy Larson ’11 and Scott Jensen presented the poster “Assessing the Effectiveness of a Parent-Training Model Through Direct Measures.”

Kathryn M. Kestner ’08, Matthew Normand, and Joshua Jessel ’08 presented the poster “Functional Analysis and Treatment of Escape Maintained Noncompliance.”

Mychal Machado ’11, Kristin Hustyi ’10, and Matthew Normand presented the poster “Infant Sign Training and Functional Analysis.”

Matthew Normand presented the paper “Behavior Analysis in Health and Fitness: Promoting Physical Activity.”

Tracy Larson ’11, Matthew Normand, Kristin Hustyi ’10, and Scott Greenberg ’10 presented the paper “The Development and Validation of Physical Activity Measurement Systems.”

Kristin Hustyi ’10, Matthew Normand, Tracy Larson ’11, Scott Greenberg ’10 presented the paper “Shaping Physical Activity in Obese and Overweight Children Using Percentile Schedules.”

Matthew Normand along with Tracy Larson ’11, Kristin Hustyi ’10, and Scott Greenberg ’10 presented the symposium “Battling the Bulge: Behavioral Approaches to Promoting Physical Activity.”

PROFESSOR/STUDENT COLLABORATION HONORED

Cathleen Hebert-Swartzer, ’09 and Delores E. McNair, Benerd School of Education, won the inaugural emerging scholar competition sponsored by the Journal of Research on Leadership Education, a national, peer-reviewed publication of the University Council of Educational Administration. The competition sought articles co-written by a doctoral student and junior faculty members that contribute to scholarship in the arena of leadership education. Their article, “Linking Scholarship and Practice: Community College Leaders, State Mandates, and Leadership Competencies,” was based on Hebert-Swartzer’s doctoral dissertation study. Hebert-Swartzer and McNair were recognized at the annual meeting of the University Council for Educational Administration in Anaheim, Calif. The article will appear in an upcoming issue of the JRLE. McNair has been on the faculty of Benerd School of Education for three years. Hebert-Swartzer teaches mathematics at Stockton Early College Academy in Stockton Unified School District.

POV CHIN APPOINTED TO CITY COMMISSION

On February 23 at the Stockton City Council Meeting, Pov Chin, director of Pacific’s Community Involvement program, was appointed as one of two Community Service Commissioners for the City of Stockton. The Community Service Commission (formerly Parks and Recreation Commission) serves the 285,000 plus citizens residing in the incorporated and unincorporated areas within San Joaquin County. Commissioners advise staff in selecting quality programming, use of facilities, and provide direction with budget and capital improvements. Chin will serve through December 31, 2014.

“We are all appreciative of Pov’s leadership in this important appointment,” said Vice President for Student Life Elizabeth Griego.

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