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Academic Affairs Division Newsletter



Powering Academic Success

Colleagues,

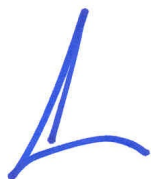
Welcome back to the start of the Fall 2014 semester and the start of another academic year. Many of us have been busy over the summer teaching, researching, traveling, and spending time on adventures large and small. Colleges and departments hosted a number of impressive activities and the campus has welcomed a new crop of students anxious to begin or complete their academic journeys.

Over the summer, there have been a few administrative changes in Academic Affairs. There are some familiar faces in new positions and some new faces helping to fill our ranks until searches can be completed. These individuals are presented in this newsletter.



Again, welcome back. I am optimistic about our abilities to adapt to the changing landscape in higher education. Most of all, I am confident in the continued success of our dedicated and outstanding faculty, staff, and students. We are a community and each of us plays an important role in providing support, encouragement, and enthusiasm for our students and each other.

Sincerely,



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Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Upcoming Events



President's Fall Address

Join President Qayoumi in the **new Student Union Ballroom** on **Wednesday, August 27**, from **12:00 - 1:00pm**.



“Come Together!”

The fourth annual Family, Friends, and First-Generation College Students Evening is a welcoming and fun opportunity for students, family

Appointments



Dr. Alice Hines Serving as Interim Dean of CASA

Alice Hines took over as interim Dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts on July 1, after serving as Associate Dean in the college for three years where she oversaw curriculum and scheduling processes and worked closely with departments and schools to foster international partnerships.

She is the co-director of the Social Work Education Enhancement Program, which is funded with a grant from USAID to provide Social Work training for educators in Vietnam. She and her team hosted a fellowship and conference in 2013-14 that brought representatives from partner universities in Vietnam to SJSU for intensive training. In her

members, peers, and supportive SJSU staff and faculty members to enjoy good food and company and discuss academic success for students who are first in their families to attend college. **Thursday, August 28, in King Library 225/227 from 4:00 - 6:00pm.** [Visit the website](#) for more information.



Department of Chemistry Seminars

The first Department of Chemistry Seminar will take place on **Tuesday, September 2.** The speaker is Professor Xi Chen from the Department of Chemistry, UC Davis. [Visit the website](#) for more information.

War Comes Home

Our Veterans, Our Communities

September 3 - November 15

sjpl.org/veterans

War Comes Home Series

SJPL and SJSU Library are proud to join the California Reads program for 2014. The program series will include events and discussions that focus on veterans' experiences, aiming to increase public understanding and awareness for those who have served. The opening reception takes place on **Wednesday, September 3,**

role, she has also traveled to Vietnam to visit the partner universities.

Before joining the dean's office staff, Hines worked in the School of Social Work, where her scholarly work focused on: substance abuse and risk of AIDS, particularly among ethnic and cultural minority groups; methodological issues in research, especially as they pertain to diverse cultural and ethnic groups; and, research on child and family-related issues with a particular focus on examining family-based correlates of adolescent and young adult development. She served as director of the School of Social work from 2004-2011. Hines has an M.S.W and Ph.D from the University of California, Berkeley.



Dr. Pamela Richardson Joins Staff as Acting Associate Dean of CASA

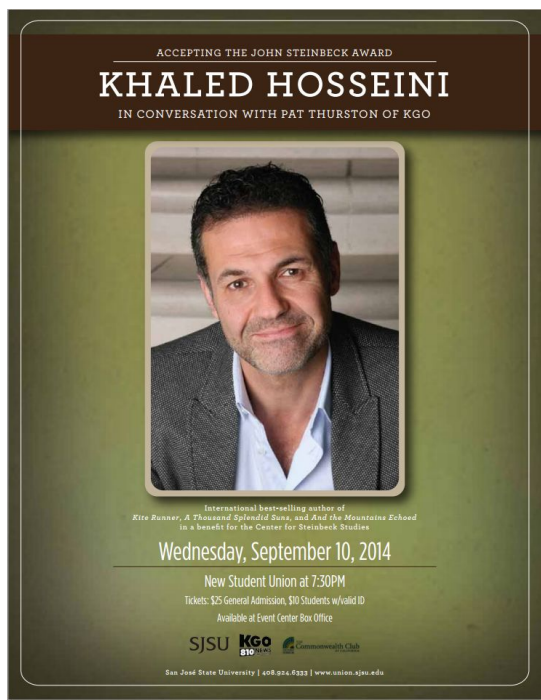
Pamela Richardson joined the College of Applied Sciences and Arts dean's office staff as Acting Associate Dean in July 2014. As acting associate dean, she will have a role in facilitating curriculum development, scheduling, and the expansion of international programs for the College.

at **6:00pm** in the **MLK 4th floor exhibit area**. [Click here to see the entire list of events.](#)



Provocative Lecture Series

The Department of Economics's lecture series starts on **Monday, September 8**, with a talk by lecturer in Political Economy at King's College, London, Professor David Skarbek. He will discuss "The Social Order of the Underworld: How Prison Gangs Run the American Penal System." The event will take place in the **new Student Union Theatre** from **5:15 - 6:45pm**. [Visit the website](#) for more information.



She served as Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy for the past two years, coordinating a major curriculum revision and program update. Dr. Richardson is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy and is a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association. Dr. Richardson was the 2011 Honored Lecturer for the California Foundation for Occupational Therapy and received the California Occupational Therapy Association Award of Excellence in 2013.

[Click here for more CASA leadership changes.](#)



Dr. Jan English-Lueck Appointed Interim Dean of COSS

Jan English-Lueck has been appointed interim Dean of the College of Social Sciences after serving as Associate Dean for three years.

Dr. English Lueck, Ph.D., is a noted

Khaled Hosseini named the winner of the 2014 John Steinbeck Award

Best-selling novelist Khaled Hosseini will appear in conversation with KGO's Pat Thurston on **Wednesday, September 10th at 7:30pm** in the **new student union ballroom** to benefit the Center for Steinbeck Studies. Tickets may be purchased at the Event Center. [Visit the event website](#) for more information.

Dr. Matthew Spangler's Play "The Kite Runner" Tours UK

Dr. Spangler's stage play based on Khaled Hosseini's novel *The Kite Runner* will have a three-month-long tour of the United Kingdom this fall. It will play in Nottingham, Liverpool, Oxford, Birmingham, Salisbury, Malvern, Shrewsbury, Leeds, York, and Edinburgh. Dr. Spangler will be speaking at the Oxford Playhouse on September 20 and Birmingham Repertory Theatre on September 22. [Visit the event website](#) for more information.



Constitution Day - Immigration and the Path to Citizenship

The US is a nation of immigrants and, today as throughout our history, the linkage between immigration and

anthropologist and the author of several books exploring the cultures of Silicon Valley. Her books include *Health in the New Age: A Study in California Holistic Practices* and *Chinese Intellectuals and the New Frontier*. In 1991, she and Chuck Darrah founded the Silicon Valley Cultures Project.

Fascinated by the interplay of technology, home life, and occupational life, her works include *Cultures of Silicon Valley*, *Busier than Ever! Why American Families Can't Slow Down*, with Charles Darrah and James Freeman. In 2007, she authored *Being and Well-being: Health and the Working Bodies of Silicon Valley*. She was awarded the Meritorious Service award by the College of Social Sciences in 2011 in recognition of her contributions to the university and the College of Social Sciences.



Dr. Lynne Trulio Appointed Acting Associate Dean of COSS

Lynne Trulio, former Chair (2001-2005 and 2008-2013) of

citizenship is a key issue. A panel of experts from the College of Social Sciences will explore a range of topics and current issues including who can become a citizen and why, the role of the Constitution, issues such as comprehensive immigration reform and potential future directions.

Wednesday, September 17, from **6:00 - 7:30pm** in **MLK 255**. [Visit the website](#) for more information.



Listening Hour Concert Series

Enjoy this free concert series every Tuesday and Thursday, from 12:30-1:15pm in the Music Concert Hall. [Visit the website](#) for more information.

Environmental Studies, has been appointed Acting Assistant Dean.

Dr. Trulio received her Ph.D. in ecology from the University of California at Davis in 1988. She has served as the staff scientist at the Mountain Lion Preservation Foundation in Sacramento, as the ecologist for a regional park in Mountain View, and was the Lead Scientist for the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project from 2003-2009.

Her current research interests include the investigation of human impacts on species and their habitats. She is particularly interested in research on the conservation of rare species, especially burrowing owls, environmental impact assessment, environmental restoration, wetlands ecology and recreation, and management impacts on wildlife. She has also served as an Academic Affairs Administrative fellow in the Office of the Provost to advance the Academic Plan for SJSU.

Awards and Honors



SJSU Alumna Awarded Female Scholar of the Year

The Mountain West Conference selected swimmer Darcie Anderson as the Female Scholar of the Year. Darcie graduated summa cum laude this May in Kinesiology, with a cumulative 3.98 grade point average. This award was just the latest for one of the most honored Spartan athletes in recent years.



Outstanding SJSU Cadet Recognized

Over the summer, Jacob Lambert, an SJSU Psychology major and rising senior in the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) program was awarded one of six Order of the Daedalians AFROTC Scholarships. The order of Daedalians



Dr. Melinda Jackson Appointed Director of Assessment

The Office of Undergraduate Studies is pleased to announce that Dr. Melinda Jackson, Associate Professor of Political Science will be the new Director of Assessment. She will replace Dr. Jinny Rhee who has accepted the position of Associate Dean in the College of Engineering.

Dr. Jackson received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Minnesota in 2005 with concentrations in American Politics, Research Methods, and Political Psychology. She joined the SJSU Political Science Department as an Assistant Professor in 2005, and was tenured and promoted in 2012. Dr. Jackson has also served as Research Director for the Survey and Policy Research Institute (SPRI) at SJSU since 2008. In this role she has conducted numerous survey and evaluation projects for campus and community clients while engaging

is a national fraternity of commissioned military pilots organized to perpetuate the spirit of patriotism, love of country, and ideals of self-sacrifice, which places service to the nation above personal safety or position. This particular scholarship recognizes outstanding pilot candidates in the AFROTC program. Cadet Lambert has been selected by the Air Force to be a pilot candidate upon graduation and commissioning from SJSU. Cadet Lambert was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship and check has been mailed to the university in his name. AFROTC Det 045 is honored to announce Colonel Austin Wiswell (Retired), an SJSU grad, AFROTC Det 045 alum, and Daedalian member from the Sacramento Chapter, will be here in San José on August 29 to present the award.



MLIS Selected 2014 OLC Outstanding Online Program Award

The online Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS) degree program in the School of Information at San José State University (SJSU) has been selected to be the recipient of the 2014 OLC Outstanding Online Program Award. Debbie Faires, Director of Online Learning in the School of Information, was responsible for

SJSU students in hands-on research methods education and training.

Dr. Jackson's research interests center on public opinion and political engagement in American politics. She serves on the Governing Council of the International Society of Political Psychology, and on the Executive Council of the Pacific Association for Public Opinion Research. Dr. Jackson is also called upon frequently as a political analyst for local media. She was appointed Vice Chair of Political Science in June 2014, and has also served as chair of that department's curriculum and assessment committee, and as the department's representative to the College of Social Sciences curriculum and assessment committees since 2012.

In her role as Director of Assessment, Dr. Jackson will organize the work of the college assessment facilitator group and participate with the Program Planning Committee on all program reviews. Her assignment will include oversight of the assessment web pages and assessment reporting, including helping prepare responses to any WASC queries during our re-accreditation review in 2014-15. We are confident she will help us take our assessment practices to the next level.

nominating the MLIS program for this prestigious award, which will be presented at the 20th OLC International Conference in Orlando, Florida, on Thursday, October 30th, 2014.

A distinguished committee of experts in online education was responsible for evaluating the nominations for this year's OLC awards. More information about the Online Learning Consortium's awards program is [available here](#).

The competition for the Outstanding Online Program Award was particularly strong this year, with fourteen nominations in the category; the selection committee felt that the SJSU program was exemplary.



Winifred Schultz-Krohn Elected to National OT Commission

Professor Shultz-Krohn, Occupational Therapy, is serving as Chair of the American Occupational Therapy Commission of Continuing Competence and Professional Development. The AOTA represents the interests and concerns of occupational therapy practitioners and students of occupational therapy, while striving to improve the quality of occupational therapy services. The organization represents 50,000

Summer Activities



Justice Studies hosts CSI Summer Camp

The College of Applied Sciences and Arts' Justice Studies department hosted 44 teenagers at SJSU this summer as part of the Forensic Science and Crime Scene Investigation Camps.

During the camp, middle school and high school students with an interest in science had a chance to learn some of the basic skills of solving crimes: crime scene security, documentation and evidence collection; fingerprints; shoeprints; blood stain patterns and DNA.

Activities at the day camp included crime scene reconstruction, forensic anthropology, courtroom procedures and testimony, and more.

Justice Studies Professor Steven B. Lee, the camp director, has nearly 20 years of experience in forensic science, according to his bio on the camp website.

[Click here for more information about the summer camp.](#)

members. Shultz-Krohn was named SJSU Outstanding Professor for 2013/2014

College Updates

To view a list of the tenure track faculty new to SJSU this year, [click here \(PDF\)](#)



Lucas College and Graduate School of Business

The SJSU Financial Management Association has earned the FMA Superior Chapter Award for the 2013/2014 Academic Year. SJSU's Financial Management Association has one of the most outstanding records among all the other organizations on campus. This is the second year in a row that the SJSU chapter has been awarded this prestigious honor for their efforts in bringing students and the industry together as well as for giving back to the community.

SJSU is tied for 3rd place among the top undergraduate business schools in the Bay Area according to US News & World Report (2014).



CASA International Program Pilots Launch

During the summer, three departments and schools in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts launched international programs for what Interim Dean Alice Hines hopes will eventually encompass all the departments and schools within the college.

Students in Occupational Therapy, the Valley Foundation School of Nursing and the School of Journalism and Mass Communication

participated in various Faculty-Led Study Abroad programs that took them to places such as Europe, Grenada, Vietnam and Taiwan.

In Vietnam, students met with Vietnamese students for a Q&A about American life to while also thinking about international health.

The students had the chance to do a presentation on occupational therapy at a Saigon café that offers employment to people with disabilities.

In Grenada, 23 Nursing and Occupational Therapy students toured clinical sites, conducted home visits and participated in a Health Fair.

In France and Spain, Journalism and Mass Communications, Public Relations and other students learned

Advancement has discovered that over 270 of our graduates are current or former Chief Financial Officers. The college is in the process of forming a CFO Network.

Four teams of MBA students participated in the “Focus on Ethics” program sponsored by the Rotary Club of San Jose. The student teams made presentations of their findings on the top 2 institutions with the best ethical practices. Our congratulations to Anne Lawrence for orchestrating the event and student teams!

The Global Leadership Advancement Center recently hosted the 3rd annual Social Innovation Leadership Forum. This initiative brings together government, private and public companies, non-profits and academics to address the major social issues of the Silicon Valley area. The two themes of this year’s forum were homelessness and education. The center worked with 26 partners – including HP and Cisco – to stage this event at the San Jose City Hall. Kudos to Bobbi Makani for being the key coordinator and Joyce Osland for sponsoring the event.

Advances in Global Leadership, (8th ed.), a publication from Emerald Group Publishing, has been selected as one of ten finalists for the Department of Leadership Studies Outstanding Leadership Book Award at the University of San Diego. The award will be presented at the

about global leadership while participating in cultural activities. In Paris, CASA students and six students from other SJSU colleges learned about the history and diversity of France.



Summer in the City Music Camp

Since 2007, the School of Music and Dance has striven to bring music to the community through [Summer in the City](#), a weeklong music camp for middle and high school students. Taught by SJSU students, professors, and other renowned Bay Area instructors, campers choose one of three primary ensembles (choir, band, or orchestra) in which to participate, as well as electives that range from jazz band to ukelele to zumba. This year's camp hosted 210 campers, the most they've ever had. Thirty-five instructors led the campers in a week of rehearsals that culminated with a final concert for parents and friends. [Check out the video here!](#)



International Leadership Association
Conference in San Diego, California
in October 2014.



Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering

Professor of Electrical Engineering
Essam Marouf reports good news
from NASA's Cassini Mission to
Saturn, which successfully completed
a complex experiment recently.
Professor Marouf, who serves as a
member of the Cassini radio science
team, says the unique mission will
help scientists better understand the
nature of Titan, Saturn's moon, which
is the second largest in the solar
system and one of the most intriguing
moons. [Click here for the LA Times
article.](#)

Other news from COE:

- [SAE Formula team breaks
previous records on racing
competition circuit](#)
- [SJSU BMES receives top
award for outstanding
achievement by national
organization](#)

JMC's Dwight Bentel Hall gets update

The School of Journalism and Mass
Communication has had numerous
construction projects going this
summer, according to Director Bob
Rucker. University funding supported
long awaited work on Dwight Bentel
Hall's roof and windows. In 2013,
Jack and Emma Anderson left the
school \$8.7 million, some of which
was set aside for major technology
upgrades to support the journalism
school's forward thinking new
curriculum. Technology upgrades
were started during the summer,
along with the installation of a new air
conditioning unit. By mid fall
semester, a new state-of-the-
art digital television studio will be fully
operational and integrated with the
Cisco Telepresence System. There
will also be an upgraded
convergence student media
newsroom, as well as a brand new
website and mobile device delivery
system. Advertising and public
relations students will have an
innovative new creative suite to
'excite their minds' and
develop creative new ad and PR
campaigns for local, statewide and
national companies. Once fully
completed the school plans to hold
an open house showcase for the
campus community.

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Innovative Learning. Global Connections.

SLIS Program changes name to 'School of Information'



College of Social Sciences

The College of Social Sciences recently held their Fall 2014 College Faculty Meeting. Read the meeting agenda, which includes a brief biography of all COSS's new tenure track faculty, by [clicking here](#) (PDF).



University Library

Keep up to date with the University Library by reading their [Fall 2014 newsletter](#) (PDF)!

Important Announcements for Faculty



Writing Initiatives to Improve Student Success

SJSU has taken tremendous strides

As of August 1, 2014, the SJSU School of Library and Information Science will be known as the SJSU School of Information. “We are excited to introduce a new name for the school that is more inclusive of all our educational programs and reflects the diverse career opportunities our graduates will have in the information professions,” said Dr. Sandra Hirsh, director of the SJSU School of Information.

“Although the word ‘library’ no longer appears in the school’s name, librarianship remains an integral part of our school’s mission,” said Hirsh. Indeed, the school’s MLIS degree recently received full reaccreditation through 2021 from the American Library Association, and many MLIS program graduates pursue careers in libraries and other types of information centers. [Click here for more information.](#)



Academic Technology Classroom Improvements

Academic Technology received funding to enhance classrooms identified as having the greatest need for improvement. We are pleased to announce that this summer we were able to complete improvements to several classrooms (see list below).

towards helping support improved writing outcomes. This fall we are pleased to welcome our new Writing Programs Administrator, Professor Richard McNabb, who will coordinate frosh English writing courses. We also welcome the university's first ever Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Director, Professor Thomas Moriarty, who will coordinate the WAC program (including 100W and other writing initiatives across campus). Moreover, SSETF funding has helped us improve our support for the teaching and learning of writing by providing all transfers (effective fall 2014) and all new frosh (effective fall 2013) with a free copy of Andrea Lunsford's [Everyday Writer](#) as an x-book. More than just an electronic book, this online, interactive book includes adaptive quizzing, grammar tips, formatting information, and stylistic support. This online resource is provided to all of these students free-of-charge and they are automatically provided the copy via a link sent to the e-mail address on file with SJSU. Instructors in many writing intensive courses are already assigning the book to students. Training will be held throughout the year and all faculty are welcome to attend to learn how to integrate this resource into their classes.

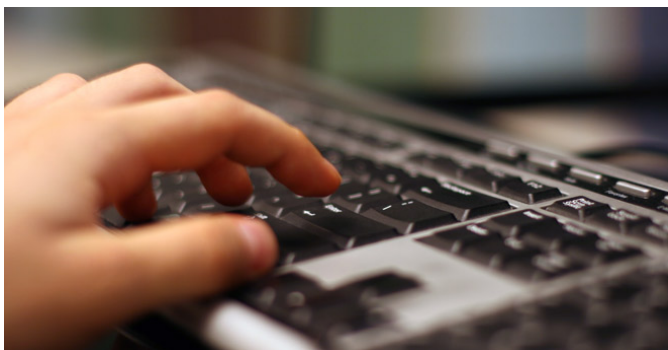
Faculty interested in using Lunsford's [Everyday Writer](#) in their own writing-intensive classes can send a request to humanities-arts@sjsu.edu with the subject line "Request for Lunsford x-book."

Seven classrooms that did not have any installed technology were equipped for computer projection and media playback. Now virtually all of the centrally scheduled classrooms have projection/playback technology in them. In addition we worked with FD&O to paint eight rooms that were in poor physical condition; we are still in process of adding new classroom furniture.

These improvements will allow faculty and students to focus on teaching and learning, rather than spending time carting and setting up AV equipment. The technology will allow easy access to online teaching materials, and the physical improvements will make these spaces a more positive learning environment and present a 'fresh face' to our students.

Improved Classrooms for Fall 2014:

- DMH 167 - Smart Classroom (new furniture to arrive and be installed September 12th)
- DMH 149b - New furniture to arrive and be installed September 12th)
- HGH 124 - Smart Classroom and new furniture - tables & chairs (completed)
- SH 240 - Smart Classroom and new furniture - tables & chairs (completed)
- ENG 232 - Smart Classroom and new furniture - tables & chairs (completed)



Viewing SOTE Reports Online

The instructions to access your online teaching evaluation reports are the following:

1. Sign on to your MySJSU account. For the first time, the online teaching evaluation (SOTE/SOLATE) reports are available online for all faculty, starting Friday, August 1, 2014.
2. On the left-handed menu, select the Student Evaluations option
3. In the Term box, enter 2142 (note: 2142 = Spring 2014).

This feature allows you to access your reports in two different ways:

- To view a particular course, click on Get Report button
- To view all your reports, click on Get All Instructor Reports button

For more information about the browser set-up, please [click here](#) (PDF).



Fall 2014: SJSU Mentoring and Tutoring Services Update

San José State's mentoring and tutoring office, Peer Connections, has been preparing all summer for the

- DH 416 - Enhanced Classroom
- MH 233 - Enhanced Classroom
- MH 234 - Enhanced Classroom
- MH 222 - New furniture - tables & chairs
- MH 223 - New furniture - tables & chairs
- MH 322 - New furniture - tables & chairs
- MH 424 - New furniture - tables & chairs

In addition, we are pleased to see the 200-seat auditorium in Uchida Hall (YUH 124) come online. Until the tech installations are completed later this semester, ATS has provided a Media Cart (projector/dvd/vhs player), speakers, and a screen for faculty teaching there. ATS will be responsible for set up and breakdown of the equipment daily, until the tech installation in the auditorium is complete. **Faculty seeking immediate technical assistance in a university classroom should call 4-2888 or 4-2867.** We have also posted these numbers in the room.

For those teaching in the larger Next Gen rooms (CL 238 and SH 435) Academic Technology will also have a staff person or trained student assistant sit in during every class session for the first two weeks of the semester to assist with the new equipment while everyone adjusts.

ATS also continues to provide support for the all of the University Lecture Rooms and Morris Daily

students' return.

Peer Connections' free mentoring and tutoring services are designed to assist students in the development of their full academic potential and to inspire them to become independent learners. Peer tutors and mentors are nationally certified through the [College Reading & Learning Association \(CRLA\)](#). Students can also utilize our learning commons, access desktop computers, and attend success workshops on a wide variety of topics, including preparing for the WST.

Peer Connections also provides the following resources for faculty support:

- [Spartan Connect](#) program, an early alert system that can be used to refer students who may need academic or personal assistance
- In-class presentations and workshops on college success strategies for your class
- Classroom announcements to inform students about our services

Please visit the [Peer Connections website](#) for more information. If you would like to arrange a classroom announcement or speak to someone directly about Peer Connections, contact Deanna.Peck@sjsu.edu.

Auditorium.

Library Wins Gold at Staff Olympics



King Library's volleyball team, "Library Powerhouse," won the Spartan Summer Olympics challenge for the third year in a row. Congratulations! [Click here](#) to see more photos.



The Office of the Provost's bocce ball team, "Mission: Imbocceble," came in 3rd place.

CAIT is now Behavioral Crisis Intervention Team



California Open Educational Resources Council

COERC is a collaboration among UC, CSU, and CCC faculty to create a digital library full of peer reviewed open educational textbooks.

The State Legislature matched the funding provided by the Gates Foundation and the Hewlett Foundation for a multi-year, multi-million dollar budget. Dr. Katherine D. Harris, Project Chair, been working closely with the CSU Chancellor's office and 9 representative faculty from the CCC, UC, and CSUs. In September, she will brief State Senator, Darrell Steinberg, about the project's progress.

The project even made the front page of the [LA Times](#) on August 1st along with the CSU Affordable Learning program (also sponsored by the CSU Chancellor's Office).

This Fall, COERC will continue with the peer review of textbooks for the 50 common courses and will also start a phase of educating faculty about using open educational resources (complete with stipends to help faculty revise courses, etc.).

For more information, please visit the



The Crisis Assessment and Intervention Team was renamed to Behavioral Crisis Intervention Team to conform more fully to "what we do and what we respond to." BCIT members work together to detect, track and intervene within the campus community in order to reduce, if not completely avoid, violence and tragedy on the SJSU campus. The BCIT team consists of: VP Student Affairs, University Police Chief, AAVP Faculty Affairs, AVP Student Affairs, AVP Student Affairs, AVP Human Resources, and the Director of Counseling Services.

BCIT emphasizes that faculty and staff are key informers on campus and are often the first to notice issues that arise with students. BCIT strongly advises our community not to ignore uneasy feelings. Instead, consider that this issue may be an opportunity to get help for a student.

If you encounter behavior at SJSU that you believe to be unusual and it makes you feel uneasy, please report it to UPD or [TipNow](#). You may also contact any BCIT member or make a report to [CrimeStoppers](#) at 408-924-2236. Visit the [BCIT website](#) for more



Retrieving Faculty Voicemail from Off Campus

Here is the new Unity voicemail main number to dial when checking voicemail when a user is away from their desk: (408) 924-6800. Returning faculty should also access their old voicemail boxes by dialing 4-1009. Download the [Unity Voicemail User Guide here](#) (PDF).

Accreditation Renewal: SJSU's WASC Institutional Report Submitted



We are pleased to announce that SJSU's institutional self-study was submitted to WASC on the due date, August 20. Over a year in the making, the report documents the outstanding work of our faculty and staff to educate our students to the

SJSU Research Foundation Report of Awards and Proposals



2014 reports for contract and grant awards received and proposals submitted by the SJSU Research Foundation are now posted.

In summary:

- [Awards](#) (PDF) - 29 new awards were received for a total of \$6,026,506.
- [Proposals](#) (PDF) - 36 proposals requesting a total of \$14,634,121 were submitted to sponsoring agencies.

Please note that these reports can also be found on the [Research Foundation's website](#) under "Quick Links." If you have any comments or questions regarding the attached reports or the other services of the Office of Sponsored Programs, please contact [Jeanne Dittman](#).

highest standards and work vigilantly to improve student success. Under the overall direction of the [WASC Steering Committee](#), many across campus supplied data reports, project summaries and other important information about all dimensions of our activities and accomplishments as a high quality institution of higher learning. Steering Committee Chair Dr. Camille Johnson, Associate Professor of Management in the College of Business, is the report's primary author; former Director of Assessment and Chair of the Program Planning Committee Jinny Rhee wrote the majority of the assessment and program planning sections; Sutee Sujitparapitaya, AVP of Institutional Effectiveness and Analytics, provided much of the data. Please take a moment to thank them for their outstanding contributions to this major project.

Submission of the report kicks off our year of accreditation renewal. The five member WASC Institutional Review team assigned to our campus will begin reviewing the report in early October and hold a video conference (Offsite Review) with campus leadership on November 12. The team will come to campus for the three day accreditation visit April 14-16. Please be prepared for WASC events at that time, including possible participation in one of the many focus groups or meetings that the WASC



Alumni Hiring Rates

Wired recently published a breakdown of what colleges feed the big tech companies, and SJSU made the list! [Click here for the full article.](#)

The Career Center has been working with Cisco Systems, and received the following information regarding Cisco's hiring rates of SJSU students and alumni:

Total hires: 74

- Intern: 36
- Entry level: 38

By degree level

- BS: 50
- MS: 24

By academic major:

- Engineering: 32
 - Computer / Software Engineering: 17
 - Electrical Engineering: 11
 - Industrial & Systems Engineering: 3
 - Mechanical Engineering: 1
- Computer Science: 11
- Business: 24
 - MIS: 10

team holds while on campus. We'll have more detail as the visit approaches. In the meantime, you can learn more about our WASC activity at our [WASC website](#). As soon as we finish polishing up the institutional report and preparing the link we'll post it there. You can also consult the [WASC website](#) for a more complete picture of their overall standards and expectations, as well as the accreditation policies we operate under.

- Management: 7
- Finance: 6
- HR: 1
- Social Sciences: 2
 - Psychology
- Misc / Major not reported: 5

Top two areas for hiring activity

- Development: 34
- IT: 17

Registration Date Reminders



- **Friday, August 1:** Enrollment Cap increased to 18 for Fall 2014 & Spring 2015 Graduating Seniors with application on file by July 18, 2014
- **Monday, August 11 - September 5:** [The Excess Unit Petition](#) available only for Fall 2014 & Spring 2015 Graduating Seniors
- **Thursday, August 21 - Sunday, August 24:** No Registration Activity
- **Monday, August 25 - Friday,**

Update for STAR Act (SB 1440) - Similar Degree Programs at SJSU



SJSU has added the most recent finalized TMCs in Chemistry and in Child and Adolescent Development to the list of approved AA-T or AS-T degrees under the STAR Act (SB 1440). SJSU faculty have deemed 27 of the 28 Transfer Associate Degrees as similar to 52 of our degree programs at SJSU. The most updated list of all of our similar programs under the STAR Act (with the recent approvals highlighted). This information has been sent to the CSU Chancellor's Office for updating to [the public site](#).

September 12: Late Registration period. Registration via MySJSU starting after 7am.

- **Monday, August 25:** First day of instruction
- **Monday, September 1:** Labor Day - Campus Closed
- **Friday, September 5:** Last day to drop a class without a "W" grade
- **Friday, September 12:** Last day to add, Last day to submit [Audit option](#) (PDF), Last day to submit [Credit/No Credit grading option](#) (PDF), Last day to submit [Instructor Drops](#) (PDF)
- **Monday, September 22:** Enrollment census date

Sexual Assault and Alcohol Education



For the second year in a row, San Jose State University is partnering with [EverFi](#) to promote critical life skills that address alcohol abuse prevention and sexual assault prevention through evidenced-based online courses.

As part of comprehensive prevention education efforts for new students, SJSU is requiring that all incoming undergraduates* complete two free

You may also visit the [Undergraduate Studies website](#) for more information about the STAR Act (SB 1440). This website displays the 60 unit road maps for the approved programs and the department Advisor contact information.

The following TMCs or Model Curriculum are currently being reviewed by the CCCs/CSUs or in the queue for discussion under the STAR Act:

TMCs:

- Biology
- Environmental Science/Studies
- Exercise Science
- Graphic Arts/Graphic Design
- Public Health Science
- Hospitality/Hotel Management
- Nutrition/Food Science/Dietetics
- Social Work

Model Curricula:

- Engineering - EE/Comp/Mech/Civil/Aero/Manu
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Nursing

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online courses, AlcoholEdu and Haven (sexual assault), before the start of the school year. Haven also supports Title IX compliance.

On June 23rd all incoming Freshmen and Transfer students received a message through MySJSU outlining the details of this new requirement.

On July 28th students received another message with detailed instructions on how to login and complete these courses. For up-to-date information, including a list of FAQs with important deadlines, please visit the [Wellness and Health Promotion website](#).

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