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EOP DIRECTOR'S CORNER

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Welcome New EOP Student,

Hello! Welcome to Fall 2006! I hope you will make plans to join us during welcome week. Come in and share in our festivities during "College Hour". College Hour is from 12:00pm to 12:50pm each day of the week. This is a time that the students voted to have so they can attend events on campus. Come in and familiarize yourself with what we have to offer you in The Center.

We are here to help you

make the transition to the University as a first year or as a transfer student. We are here to support your academic goals. The EOP mission is "to serve economically disadvantaged, first generation, and underrepresented college students with academic support services that lead to a university degree." We have counselors to help you with academic and personal needs. We also have staff who are here to help you learn the ins and outs of using The Center, laptop loans, scheduling an appointment with a counselor, and other valuable



services.

So make plans to come in the first or second week of classes.!

Cecelia Blanks

SSS DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Welcome to Fall 2006! Student Support Services, a federal TRIO program, is pleased to begin its 14th year of services to students at CSUSM. As the Director, I first extend my welcome on behalf of the SSS staff. Secondly, I ask you to reflect on an important question:

"What is your commitment to your education?"

Does your commitment to your education involve get-

ting involved in student organizations? Voicing your thoughts and experiences in the classroom? Utilizing your professors' office hours to engage in dialogue? Using the services of the Writing Center to make you a better writer? Reaching out to your peers for support and community?

Brazilian educator Paulo Freire and Feminist scholar bell hooks remind us that, as

students, we must become participants in, not mere receivers of, our own educations. Don't sit by and wait for your education to happen to you. Become an active, passionate participant in your own education!

Best,
Rodger D'Andréas
SSS Director



SSS SENIOR EXCELLENCE AWARD



This past May, at the SSS & EOP Annual Recognition Ceremony, Sabrina Rock was awarded the SSS Senior Excellence Award. Sabrina graduated with a double major in Women's Studies and Psychology, earning an impressive 3.9 GPA. This is an accomplishment for any student, but what is most impressive is that Sabrina achieved this as a single mother. Her academic contributions also included serving as a

Student Discussion Leader in WMST 101, 303, and 450.

In addition to being an outstanding scholar, Sabrina maintained an active role in campus organizations and events. She served as the Chair of the 13th Annual Psychology Student Research Fair, where she also presented her research. Sabrina was a member of the Psychology Student Honor Society, the Women's Studies Student

Association, and a Founding Member and Treasurer of TRIOTA (Women's Studies Honor Society). She was the Women's History Month 2005

Co-Coordinator and served as a Peer Mentor and Student Assistant for SSS & EOP.

Congratulations, Sabrina, on your outstanding scholarship and your contributions to the campus community!

EOP SENIOR EXCELLENCE AWARD



In May of 2006, the Educational Opportunity Program awarded the Senior Excellence Award to Ms. Celia Martinez. Celia graduated with a B.A. degree in Human Development and plans to pursue a career in counseling, social work, or teaching.

Celia won this award not

only for her academic excellence, but also for her community service efforts. She has donated her time and talents to Ballet Folklorico, MEChA, and A.S.I.S.T., an organization that provides scholarships and mentoring to financially disadvantaged students.

Celia also served on sev-

eral professional committees at CSU San Marcos, including the President's Transition Team and the Hispanic Advisory Council.

Celia Martinez is known as a role model and an inspiration to her fellow students. We were proud to acknowledge her accomplishments!

FACULTY ADVOCATE AWARD



SSS & EOP is pleased to honor Dr. Jorge Riquelme with the 2005-06 Faculty Advocate Award. Presented at the SSS & EOP Annual Recognition Ceremony on May 12, 2006, this annual award honors a faculty member who has been an exemplary teacher, advocate, and mentor to our students. Dr. Riquelme earned his Ph.D. in Sociology at State

University of New York, Binghamton. He teaches in Liberal Studies, focusing his scholarly interests in immigration, education, poverty, border regions, transitions to democracy, and Latin America. Since Fall 2004, Dr. Riquelme has been an integral faculty member in the SSS & EOP Learning Community. By challenging students to think critically about

their personal experiences and commitment to civic engagement, Dr. Riquelme promotes the success of SSS & EOP students as community members and social change agents.

Congratulations to Dr. Riquelme on being a most deserving recipient of this honor!

SSS STAFF INTRODUCTION

Hello! I am Joe L. LeDesma, the new Operations Coordinator for Student Support Services (TRIO). I have relocated to San Diego, California from San Antonio, Texas, where I resided for 13 years. My home town is El Paso, Texas.

As Operations Coordinator, I am responsible for the SSS budget to ensure compliance with University policies and Department of Education regulations. I also work in collaboration with the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office to distribute

SSS supplemental grant aid to students. Additionally, I develop, revise, and implement SSS operational policies and procedures to ensure compliance with TRIO regulations and best practices.

I am currently working on my master's degree in Administration with an emphasis in Organizational Development from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas.

I received my undergraduate degree in Psychology of Organizational Development.

Since my appointment I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the SSS program and meeting students in the program. I am also serving as Secretary of the Latino Association of Faculty and Staff, which focuses on promoting Latino Culture and addressing the needs of Latinos on campus.

Have great semester!



Joe L. LeDesma
Operations Coordinator
Student Support Services (TRIO)

PAST EVENTS FROM SPRING & SUMMER

In February, students and staff headed to Los Angeles to view "The Good Body," an incredible new one-woman play by Eve Ensler, who also wrote "The Vagina Monologues." She also starred in the production, which addressed the often controversial subject of body image through the use of humor and remarkably insightful characters. Prior to the play, everyone enjoyed a dinner of Argentinean food at *The Gaucho*

Grill.

In April, another group experienced a live stage performance, which started with dinner at *The Med Grill* and was followed by "Twilight of the Golds." Both elements of the evening created lively and stimulating conversation among the staff and students.

Students in Summer Bridge were also treated to a day of culture in Balboa Park. All Summer Bridge students came

together to enjoy a lunch of Chinese food, followed by a viewing of the exhibition, "Body Ornamentation: Artistic Representations of Self" at the Museum of Man. Afterwards, everyone headed over to The World Beat Center for lessons on African dancing and drumming. Despite the incredibly hot day, many students later stated that this day was the highlight of their entire Summer Bridge experience.



Nearly 40 SSS/DUAL students and staff increased their cultural awareness!

THIS FALL

The SSS staff is currently working on another great cultural event for the fall! We have lots of wonderful possibilities in mind and will be making an announcement soon. Be sure to check your emails and look for flyers in the SSS/EOP office shortly after the beginning of the new semester.

SSS & EOP have hired two peer mentors for the fall 2006 semester. Peer Mentors will be available to meet with SSS & EOP students and can assist you with referrals, resource information, leadership opportunities, or questions about the campus. Come meet our mentors and get to see CSU San Marcos through the experienced eyes of another student. Just stop by the front desk or call to make an appointment .



FALL WORKSHOPS

Workshops
promote
Student
Success!

Information about dates and times will be available soon. Check your e-mail for more information or check out the information display box right outside the SSS/EOP office door.

We hope to see you at a

Workshops will Address the Following Topics:

- * Overcoming Shyness
- * Transfer Student Get Together
- * How to Get Involved on Campus
- * Drug and Alcohol Education
- * Graduate School: For the Helping Professions
- * Time/ \$\$\$ Management
- * Academic/Financial Aid Probation
- * Self-Esteem
- * Effective PowerPoint Presentations

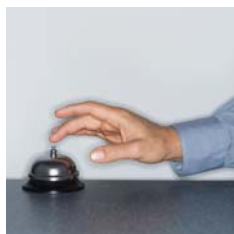
Attending a
Workshop
counts as a
Contact!

IMPORTANT DATES



Aug 24	First day of Fall 2006 classes
Aug 24	Non-Resident Tuition Due
Aug 24 - Sep 6	Add/drop period.
Aug 24 – Sep 6	Open University, over 60, cross, concurrent, and visitor registration.
Aug 30	Last day to drop classes with no academic record for classes that meet the Fall first half semester.
Sep 4	Labor Day - campus closed.
Sep 6	Last day to add Fall 2006 classes.
Sep 6	Last day to drop classes with no academic record for full Fall semester.
Sep 15	Last day for undergraduates to apply for Spring/Summer 2007 graduation
Nov 10	Veteran's Day Holiday - campus closed Friday.
Nov 23 - 26	Thanksgiving Holiday - campus closed Thursday through Sunday.
Dec 8	Last day of classes that meet the full term; last day of classes that meet the second half of the semester.
Dec 9 - 15	FINAL EXAM PERIOD.
Dec 21	Grades due from instructors (by 3:00 pm)
Dec 23, 2006 – Jan 1, 2007	Winter Break - campus closed Saturday through Monday.

SSS SATISFACTION SURVEY



The SSS staff is very interested in providing SSS students with services that will enhance their experiences at CSUSM and identify and improve those services most valuable in their pursuit of scholastic success.

SSS selected an independent agency to conduct an anonymous survey to provide us with information about the satisfaction of our services. The survey was sent to students via email on July 20, 2006. The survey is online and can be accessed from any computer with access to the internet. The survey takes approximately 5 to 10 minutes to complete. To access the survey, please click on the following link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=455042212206>. Additionally, you will need to input your unique ID number to access the survey: **ID#** (Please note – you may need to copy-and-paste link into web browser). The closing date for completing the survey is October 16, 2006. For any questions or ID #'s, please contact Paul Hernandez (760) 750-3504; phernand@csusm.edu.

We highly encourage students to take the time to complete the survey.

FALL 2006 WALK-IN HOURS

From August 24th through September 1st, all SSS/EOP counselors will be available to students on a walk-in basis only.

Effective September 5, 2006 Walk-In Hours:

Monday (EOP/DUAL).....	10am - 1pm	<i>Heather Tibbetts</i>
Tuesday (SSS/DUAL).....	9am-12 noon	<i>Heather Northway</i>
Wednesday (SSS/DUAL).....	2pm - 4pm	<i>Jessie Sell</i>
Thursday (EOP/DUAL).....	9am - 12 noon	<i>Norma Larios</i>

Appointments with counselors can be scheduled beginning September 5th, 2006.



NEW SSS STUDENTS

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| *Aguayo, Veronica
Aguero, Noe
*Alvarado, Raisa
*Arellano, Vanessa
Barnes, Mary
Bobczynski, Amanda
*Bouchaleun, Juddy
*Brobst, Walter
Brooks, Rachel
Bullock, Allyson
Calderon, Manuel
*Campos, Breanne
*Castro, Jazmin
*Coleman, Anthony
Collison, Daniel | *Colton, Sarah
Conley, Jennifer
Cooper, Veronica
Corrales, Maira
Coward, Simeon
Dahl, Sara
Diaz, Nora
Duris, Lynnea
*Fernandez, Julia
Fernandez, Sandy
*Garcia, Ahira
George, Alexis
Gette, Esther
Gonzalez, Victor
Horch, Katherine | Hughes, Ethan
Jacobo, Miguel
Jessup-Flores,
Yolanda
Johnson, Lance
Juarez-Chavira, Alex
Kendricks, Delexstine
Kim, Kathleen
Leon, Oscar
*Lopez, Ana
*Lopez, Jacklin
Madrigal, Maria
*Manzano, Laura
*Martinez, Denise
Martinez-Molano, | Nancy
*May, Amy
McCabe, John
McMillan, Valencia
*Mendoza, Jessica
Mendoza, Jose
Molina, Norma
*Mora, Luz
Naylor, Erin
Nguyen, Giang
Nguyen, Tracie
Orozco, Melissa
*Paniagua, Maria
Paredes, Richelle
Patterson, Marika | Perez, Jasmine
Perez, Richard
Perez, Tony
*Ponce, Alma
Preciado, Rosio
Putman, Wendy
Ratcliff-Curtis,
Vanessa
Rendon, Carolina
Sada, Sadon
*Saldana, Wendy
Sanchez, Anabel
Stevenson, April
Tran, Huong
Turchiano, Mayra |
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NEW EOP STUDENTS

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| *Aguayo, Veronica
Albana, Yanni
Aleman, Marco
Allen, Aimee
*Allen, Alfion
*Alvarado, Raisa
Alvarado, Veridiana
Antonio, Ismariceli
Arango, Bianca
*Arellano, Vanessa
Arias, Maria
Badillo, Margarita
Banda, Francine
Barnes, Mary
Barron, Patricia
Baxter, Andrea
Beltran, Catalina
Bezrukov, Olga
Bing, Helen
*Bouchaleun, Juddy | Bowman, Desiree
*Brobst, Walter
Brooks, Rachel
Calderon, Manuel
Caro, Zoe
Castillo, Guillermo
*Castro, Jazmin
Catalan, Rubi
Caterino, Shelly
Chaney, Rebecca
Chavez, Ana
*Chavez, Noe
*Coleman, Anthony
*Colton, Sarah
Conroy, Emily
Cordova, Priscilla
Corrales, Maira
Cortes, Olga
Cruz, Odilia
Del Valle, Julio | Delgado, Carla
Diaz, Lucy
Diaz, Nora
Diaz, Yesenia
Dominguez, Dulcelia
Esakoff, Melissa
Espinoza, Jonathan
Fernandez, John
*Fernandez, Julia
Franco Lizette
Fresques, Steven
*Garcia, Ahira
Garza, Judy
Gates, Eufrosina
Gonzales, Crystal
Gonzales, Priscilla
Guzman, Gladis
Hernandez, Maria
Huynh, Hau
Jaimenes, Sunny | Jessup-Flores,
Yolanda
Jimenez, America
Jimenez, Militza
Keehl, Cameron
Kendricks, Delex-
stine
Kim, Kathleen
*Kimble, Shondraya
Kingwell, Andrew
Laurice, Nancy
Leon, Paola
*Lopez, Ana
Lopez, Belen
*Lopez, Jacklin
Lopez, Martin
Lopez-Lopez, Dama-
ris
Macklin, Rachel
*Manzano, Laura | Marcial, Claudia
Markussen-
Kirkpatrick, Shar-
lene
Martinez, Ana
*Martinez, Denise
Martinez, Jaime
Marzo, Amanda
*May, Amy
McCormick, Lance
Mendez, Miranda
*Mendoza, Jessica
Meza, Raul
Meza Solis, Salud
*Mohamed, Ibado
Montes, Elizabeth
Lopez-Lopez, Dama-
ris
Macklin, Rachel
*Manzano, Laura
Nelson, Dwayne | Nguyen, Van
Nguyen, Vincent
Orendain, Victor
Orozco, Pablo
Ortega, Vanessa
Parker, Sharonda
Penprase, Edward
Perez, Janet
Perez, Richard
Ponce, Alma
Preciado, Rosio
Ramirez, Saray
Ramos, Viridiana
Rangel, Juan
Rendon, Carolina
Renovato, Marisol
Reynoso, Lauren
Rodriguez, Javier
Romanova,
Kateryna | *Saldana, Wendy
Salina, Elizabeth
Sanchez, Cynthia
Sanford, Kevin
Serrano, Tawni
Sitsu, Jamine
Smith, Raychelle
Solano, Marisol
Solano, Olivia
Thornberry, Steven
Thorp, Ashley
Torres, Alma
Torres, Andrea
Uriarte, Alessandra
Vaca, Andres
*Valdivia, Natalie
Van Boxel, Crystal
Vasquez, Diana
Vasquez, Erika
Venegas, Maria | *Vera, Selene
Vidales, Mucio
*Warner, Rachel
Woldemichael,
Hadera
Xiong, Pahua
Yagubova, Nadina
Zambrano, Zenia
Zere, Senay |
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* Summer Bridge Students

How Can you Satisfy your Contact requirements?

All SSS & EOP students must make at least two contacts per semester.

1. One contact must be an individual appointment with an SSS or EOP counselor.
2. Your second contact should be an SSS/EOP sponsored group contact, such as participation in an workshop, cultural event, learning community, or supplemental instruction.

On a case-by-case basis, counselors may approve two individual appointment if a student is unable to attend any of the group events.



CENTERS FOR LEARNING & ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES CLASS

What is CLASS?

The Centers for Learning and Academic Support Services (CLASS) are an integral part of learning at Cal State San Marcos and include the following student support programs that enhance the retention, graduation, and success of all students:

[Computer Consulting Center](#)

[Educational Opportunity Program](#)

[Language Learning Center](#)

[Math Lab](#)

[Student Support Services](#)

[Writing Center](#)

These CLASS programs provide students with academic and tutoring support, computer lab facilities, counseling and advising services, and general information for success at Cal State San Marcos.

CLASS promotes the idea that students learn most effectively and

progress through college curriculum more successfully by supplementing their classroom learning with the encouragement and support of staff and peer tutors that are well versed in the subject matter and sympathetic to the demands of college life .

http://www.csusm.edu/SSS_EOP/

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