



CSU Campuses Earn Intelligence Grant

Seven California State University campuses have earned a multi-year, multi-million dollar grant from the United States Office of the Director of National Intelligence to develop an Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence.

Cal State San Bernardino will be the lead for the consortium of seven Southern California campuses, which also will include Cal State Bakersfield, Cal State Dominguez Hills, Cal State Fullerton, Cal State Long Beach, Cal State Northridge and Cal Poly Pomona.

The Center of Academic Excellence will shape curricular programs on the seven designated campuses to help students with language acquisition, critical thinking and writing, foreign studies, GIS-related skills, national security and intelligence studies, and graduate studies in related programs.

Professor Mark T. Clark, director of the National Security Studies program at Cal State San Bernardino, will manage the grant provided through the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. CSUSB will serve as the host campus for the Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence.

The 2004 Intelligence Reform Act mandated the intelligence community to reach out to higher education and encourage the study of languages, cultures, good writing and thinking as part of the larger effort to be better prepared for the future. [More information.](#)

PERB Certifies Impasse in CFA Bargaining

The Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) has granted a certification of state of impasse in negotiations between the CSU and the California Faculty Association (CFA). The impasse was requested by the CSU.

Noteworthy

CSL at the CSU

A series of videos that capture how community-based learning is empowering communities and transforming education at the CSU is now available online. The videos can be found on the CSU's Community Service Learning web site [here](#).

CSU Campuses Working for California

The **California Maritime Academy's** expanded efforts to generate new sources of federal, state and private grant revenues to enhance institutional programs resulted in [nine awards totaling over \\$1.1 million](#) for the latest academic year, with maritime security issues leading the list.

As the only maritime academy serving the west coast and Pacific Basin, Cal Maritime has been designated by the state and the Governor's Office of Homeland

The CSU sees the impasse as the only option to moving forward toward a resolution on the issues in disagreement. The impasse request came after negotiations were discontinued on September 15 between the CSU and the CFA, which represents 22,000 faculty and lecturers. Under the law, any impasse must be certified by PERB.

The next step is PERB's appointment of a third party mediator selected by State Mediation and Conciliation Services. Once the mediator is appointed, mediation sessions will begin.

The CSU and the faculty union have been negotiating for 18 months and have already reached agreement on many of the economic issues, including healthcare and retirement. However, the parties were unable to come to terms on several other issues, including total salary compensation, and an incentive and equity pay program for members of the bargaining unit.

CSU had offered the CFA a proposal that included a 24.87 percent salary increase over four years, beginning in 2006/07, contingent upon funding of the Compact with the governor, and an additional one percent augmentation for compensation.

The CSU and CFA have agreed to extend the terms of the current contract until October 31, 2006.

Open Meetings Act Lawsuit: In related news, The Los Angeles Superior Court has set Jan. 11, 2007 as the hearing date for an amended complaint by the CFA against the CSU alleging a violation of the Open Meetings Act.

The CFA had originally filed a petition alleging that the CSU violated the Open Meetings Act when it did not discuss in open session the return of former CSU Chancellor Barry Munitz to the campus of Cal State Los Angeles.

However, on July 28, 2006, after the filing of CSU's motion to dismiss, the CFA admitted that its original Open Meeting Act claim and its claim for violation of the Public Records Act were both groundless, and filed a motion to amend the complaint to allege an alternate Open Meeting Act theory, claiming that the CSU Trustees were not permitted to discuss Munitz's employment in a closed session. The court granted the motion to amend with the next hearing date set

Security as a center for education and training in maritime security. The grants include those from the Office of Homeland Security (OHS), and the federal Maritime Administration (MARAD) to further develop maritime security training programs for California's ports and to develop and update collateral materials for port and maritime security training programs. [More Cal Maritime news.](#)

With support from the Monterey Peninsula Foundation. **CSU Monterey Bay** has teamed up with Sun Street Centers, a Salinas drug- and alcohol-abuse prevention group, to produce a [short film](#) about the dangers of binge drinking. Christa Miles, a 2005 graduate of CSUMB's Teledramatic Arts and Technology program, wrote, produced and directed the film this past summer.

Sun Street Centers plans to distribute the film to Monterey County high schools and CSU campuses. The film will be shown at CSUMB as part of National Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 16-20. [More CSUMB news.](#)

for Jan. 11, 2007.

Munitz rejoined the faculty under the CSU's "Trustee Professor Program," which was approved by the CSU Board of Trustees in 1981. The program provides for former system executives appointed before 1992 to return to a CSU campus. The policy has since been superseded by an executive transition program for campus presidents and executives.

More information: [PERB](#) | [Lawsuit](#)

Federal Relations Update

The latest issue of the *Federal Relations Update*, published by the CSU's Office of Federal Relations in Washington D.C., provides a round-up of actions taken by Congress before members recessed for the November elections. The *Federal Relations Update* also gives more detail on the final report on the Commission on the Future of Higher Education, and on Education Secretary Margaret Spellings' "action plan" for improving higher education. [More information](#).

An internationally recognized deaf educator and advocate has been appointed director of **Cal State Northridge's** acclaimed [National Center on Deafness \(NCOD\)](#).

Roslyn "Roz" Rosen recently served as executive director of the Council on Education of the Deaf and previously served for 33 years at Gallaudet University.

Established at CSUN in 1964, NCOD provides communication access, leadership opportunities, scholarships, academic advisement, tutoring and direct communication classes for deaf students. Since its founding, the program has served more than 2,500 students and has grown to be the largest center of its kind in the western United States. [More CSUN news](#).

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