From the Faculty Center Director:

Have you read it? The university has submitted its WASC Educational Effectiveness Report (January 12, 2009) and it is now available on-line. Entitled “Into the Future,” the report contains three essays that “tell our story” about campus efforts since the 2005 Institutional Proposal and the 2007 Capacity and Preparatory Review. Visit this link to see the full report, and see the long list of faculty and staff members who have participated actively in the various planning sessions, featured activities, and the development of the report. With the arrival of the WASC Team for its on campus visit April 7-9, this report is a must-read for all faculty, so why not save a tree and read it on-line today? On the subject of assessment, today’s issue of Inside Higher Education http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2009/01/23/assess has an interesting article entitled “Assessing Assessment,” and links to some interesting related articles.

–Carmen Nava

New Faculty Highlight: Pearl Ly

Pearl Ly is one of two new Library faculty on campus, and she supports the areas of Natural Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics). She teaches the Library Module of GEL 101 (4 modules), Informational Literacy: Natural Sciences, and general education.

Her research interests includes the study of libraryship, especially in the public sector in Latin American countries; immersing library technologies and the use of them in the classroom setting; and “IM” communication with students using Project Jing, a free, fast, easy program that takes video clips of screen shots/castings.

Pearl is originally from North County graduating from Orange Glen high school. She earned her bachelors degree in environmental studies at University of San Diego, and earned two masters degrees from UCLA: Latin American Studies and Library Information Science. She was an environmental volunteer for the Peace Corp in Honduras for several years and is fluent in Spanish. She enjoys traveling and scuba diving.
A complete calendar listing is available on our website: [http://www.csusm.edu/fc/calendar.htm](http://www.csusm.edu/fc/calendar.htm)

**Technology Tuesday: 10 Myths about Teaching Online**
Tuesday, February 3, 2009 from 12-1 PM in KEL 2413

**Faculty Mentoring Program Applications Due**
Friday, February 6, 2009 by 4 PM in KEL 2400

**Faculty Center Professional Development Grants Due**
Monday, February 9, 2009 by 4 PM in KEL 2400

**Provost Lunch**
Tuesday, February 10, 2009 from 12-1 PM in KEL 2400

**Faculty Center Advisory Council Monthly Meeting**
Wednesday, February 11, 2009 from 10-11:30 AM in KEL 2413

**Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program Applications Due**
Friday, February 13, 2009 by 4 PM in KEL 2400

**Save the Date: Faculty Research Colloquium**
Wednesday, April 15, 2009
The Faculty Center Research Colloquium for Spring 2009 will feature Dr. Ranjeeta Basu (Economics) presentation tentatively entitled “Exploration of Women’s Daily Lives in the Informal Labor Market in Mumbai.” The Faculty Center Research Colloquium continues to serve a valuable role in building a culture of intellectual interchange and supporting faculty professional development. Please plan to attend. Invitations will be sent out at the beginning of the spring semester.

**Grant Information, Opportunities & Successes**
[http://www.csusm.edu/fc/FacultyGrantPage.htm](http://www.csusm.edu/fc/FacultyGrantPage.htm)

**University Professional Development (UPD) Grants & Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (RSC) Grants**
Deadline: Friday, January 30, 2009, 4:00 P. M.
For more information, please visit the [Academic Senate website](http://www.csusm.edu/fc/FacultyGrantPage.htm) or contact Linda Collins at lcollins@csusm.edu.

**12th CSU Regional Symposium on University Teaching**
Proposals are due February 1, 2009
In May 2009, the Center for Teaching and Learning at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo will host the 12th CSU Regional Symposium on University Teaching. This is an outstanding opportunity for CSUSM faculty to interact with...
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Technology Tuesday:
10 Myths about Teaching Online
Tuesday, February 3, 2009
at 12 PM in KEL 2413

This is a brown bag presentation and discussion about teaching online. If you are thinking about teaching online, there will be time to ask your questions. If you have taught online, there will be time to share your experiences.

Faculty Center Professional Development Grants
Applications due Monday, February 9, 2009 by 4PM in KEL 2400

The Faculty Center is hosting its annual call for Faculty Center Professional Development Grants. The Faculty Center Professional Development Grant Program is designed to help CSUSM faculty achieve their professional goals. Grants of up to $750.00 will be awarded for activities during the fiscal year (July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009) to support professional activities related to teaching and learning, research/creative activities, and/or community or disciplinary service. All awards may be used as a sole source of funding or to supplement other resources (e.g., regular travel or research allowances or other funding). All CSUSM faculty are encouraged to apply. http://www2.csusm.edu/fc/PDGMainPage.htm PLEASE NOTE: due to the change in travel policies, please be sure to give ample time (recommend 10 days) for signatures.

Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program
Applications due Friday, February 13, 2009 by 4:00 PM in KEL 2400

The Office of the Chancellor sponsors this forgivable loan, funded through the state lottery monies, to doctoral students interested in becoming CSU faculty.

colleagues who are also committed to excellence in teaching in the CSU. Faculty who attend will find that the presenters “speak the same language” because we are all dealing with the same student population. CSUSM faculty should actively consider proposing a paper or poster on teaching and learning at this peer-reviewed conference.

Be sure to inform yourself about the call for proposals for the Faculty Center Professional Development Grant, which is described elsewhere in this newsletter. A proposal to travel to the symposium to present a paper or poster would certainly meet the grant’s eligibility standards. And consider collaborating with a disciplinary or interdisciplinary colleague to organize a complete panel. Further information available at http://ctl.calpoly.edu/symposium/index.html.

2nd Annual SJE SYMPOSIUM: Social Justice in Action
April 10, 2009 at CSUSM

Proposals Due: February 6, 2009

The Social Justice and Equity Project is soliciting presentations that address themes related to social justice and equity at Cal State San Marcos and/or in the local community. Proposals for performances by individuals or groups are also being accepted. Presentations can focus on projects/activities currently underway, have been completed, or will be completed in the future. Sessions should be designed so participants can actively contribute to the discussion and finding solutions to social justice and equity issues (e.g. through brainstorming during the session, future implementations, and/or concrete participation in an on-going activity or event). Collaborative presentations that involve faculty, staff, students and community members are encouraged. Art Project donations for Symposium auction are now being accepted and should visually portray what social justice looks like. Please send presentation or performance proposals to: Annette Daoud, Social Justice and Equity Project Director, adaoud@csusm.edu.

Faculty Money!
upon graduation. A CSU faculty advisor is required component, and benefits the faculty advisor through two key areas of faculty work: professional and leadership activities; and student learning and success. The Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program is also a professional development opportunity for adjunct faculty helping them towards their PhD goal. Contact the campus coordinator, Lisa Bandong (x4019/lbandong@csusm.edu) for more information or an application. http://www2.csusm.edu/fc/loans.htm

2009 MERLOT International Conference
Proposals due Monday, February 16, 2008
August 13-17, 2009 in San Jose, California 2009
The MERLOT International Conference seeks proposal submission for the ninth MERLOT International Conference (MIC09). Devoted to faculty development in the design, creation, utilization and evaluation of online teaching and learning materials this conference provides numerous opportunities to share, learn, and participate in conversations about teaching and learning with technology. For additional information: http://confence.merlot.org/2009/

Arts and Lectures Proposal Call
Proposals due Thursday, February 26, 2009
The Office of Arts & Lectures is pleased to announce the upcoming Call for Proposals for the 2009-10 season. The application and details will posted to the website, www.csusm.edu/al, on January 26th and due February 26th. Proposals are welcome from the campus community: including faculty, staff, and student organizations. In addition, the Spring 2009 Arts and Lectures Season includes 21 events. Please consider inviting your students and community. Brochures will be available by mid-January. Please contact Arts and Lectures for additional brochures.

International Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning
The January 2009 issue of International Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning is available online at http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/ijsotl/v3n1.html. It contains articles, essays and book reviews by authors from New Zealand, Canada, Italy, UK, Australia, UAE, South Africa, Jordan, Singapore, and the USA. It is also available through our campus library catalog.

Campus Grant Proposal Seed Money Available
The Office of Graduate Studies & Research sponsors the Grant Proposal Seed Money (GPSM) program. GPSM funds are available to assist you in making you more competitive for external grants. If you are contemplating an external grant proposal, this is an excellent opportunity to request funds. The typical range for funding is $1,000-$3,000 based on merit and justification. Requests for funds may include supplies, equipment, travel, student assistants, grant writing assistance, stipends (to hire assistance), or other needs associated with external grant and fellowship proposal development. There is no hard deadline but apply as soon as you are certain that you will pursue an extramural proposal. You can find the GPSM policy at:
2nd Annual SoTL Commons Conference
March 11-13, 2009 at Georgia Southern University

The Center for Excellence in Teaching (CET) will host the 2nd annual “The SoTL Commons” conference on the campus of Georgia Southern University. The conference brings together people engaging in SoTL and anyone wanting to improve student learning outcomes in higher education today. The SoTL Commons Conference is a catalyst for learning, conversations and collaborations about SoTL as a key, evidence-based way to improve student learning. The keynote speakers include Dr. Randy Bass (Georgetown University), Dr. Kathy Takayama (Brown University), and Dr. Laurie Richlin (Claremont Graduate University). Registration is now being accepted.


California Pre-Doctoral Program
Applications due Thursday, March 26, 2009 by 4:00 PM in KEL 2400

The Office of the Chancellor sponsors this scholarship program that supports upper-division undergraduate and graduate students’ doctoral aspirations. A CSU faculty advisor is required component, and benefits the faculty advisor through two key areas of faculty work: professional and leadership activities; and student learning and success. If you think your student is a great candidate for this program, then please consider advising them through this process. For more information or an application, please contact the campus coordinator, Lisa Bandong x4019/lbandong@csusm.edu.

http://www2.csusm.edu/fc/loans.htm

Global Health & Development Conference
April 18-19, 2009 at Yale University

Unite For Sight 6th Annual Global Health & Development Conference: "Achieving Global Goals Through Innovation" Who should attend? Anyone interested in international health, public health, international development, medicine, nonprofits, eye care, philanthropy, microfinance, social entrepreneurship, bioethics, economics, anthropology, health policy, advocacy, environmental health, service-learning, medical education, and public service. Register and/or submit an abstract. Registration rate increases monthly. Please see website for complete list of featured speakers and topics.

http://www.uniteforsight.org/conference

AAUP International Conference: Globalization, Shared Governance, and Academic Freedom
June 12-13, 2009 in Washington, D.C.

Conference topics include a wide range of issues related to globalization, academic freedom, governance, faculty work life, public policy, contingent faculty, and faculty rights and responsibilities. The goal of the conference is to provide a faculty perspective on critical issues in higher education presented in a format accessible to the general public.

http://www(aaup.org/AAUP/about/events/conf/
The Teaching Professor Conference

June 5-7, 2009 in Washington D.C.

The Teaching Professor Conference joins the best minds from the best schools. Attend sessions on a wide range of topics offered by an impressive array of presenters. Learn about aspects of instruction that are important to your success in the classroom. Discover new instructional resources offered by vendors attending the conference. This is an opportunity to interact with teaching and learning experts with national reputations. Visit www.teachingprofessor.com for a full list of presenters and topics.

Successful Humanities Grants Workshop

On Friday, January 16, Peter Arnade (History) hosted a workshop for faculty interested in submitting grants in the Humanities area. Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Emily Cutrer and CoAS Dean Vicki Golich welcomed the assembled faculty. Gerardo Gonzalez, AVP of for Research, Jan Cushman, Grants and Contracts Administrator in the Foundation, and Melinda Newsome, Advancement, described how their offices can support faculty grant-writing. Peter Arnade joined Susie Lan Cassel (Literature and Writing), and Merryl Goldberg (Visual and Performing Arts) constituted a faculty panel to offer some reflections on their individual experience with writing humanities grants over the course of their careers. The featured speaker was Eduardo Pagan, former NEH program officer and professor at Arizona State University West. Pagan offered an enthusiastic presentation about the wide variety of NEH programs. Arnade expressed his commitment to working with stakeholders to develop a system for peer review and mentoring in the area of humanities grant writing. Faculty participants were very enthusiastic and expressed a desire for continuing this dialogue in perhaps another workshop in Faculty Center and in department meetings.

Faculty Center/FMP: Employee Contribution

By now you should have received a letter from University Advancement accompanied by an Employee Contribution Form asking you to consider establishing a payroll deduction pledge to a campus program for as little as $5 a month. We at the Faculty Center and the Faculty Mentoring Program would like to ask you to consider donating to our programs by filling out the form and placing our name on the “Other” line. A gift of $5 a month would aid the Faculty Center with events like the Research Colloquium Dinner highlighting a faculty member’s current research and the Faculty Mentoring Program’s Year End Celebration honoring students’ graduation achievement. The first 5 responses will receive a Faculty Center Lunch bag. This budget crisis has hit all of us and with your help we can continue to offer wonderful programs from the Faculty Center.