Mitchell received her degree from the Urban Learning Program (ULRN) at Cal State LA’s Charter College of Education. ULRN is an integrated undergraduate major where students earn a bachelor’s degree and teaching credential concurrently, and are immediately prepared to graduate and go directly into teaching in the diverse schools of urban Los Angeles.

Showcasing literary journalism in California State University, Los Angeles magazine
Realizing a dream of starting a school for often overlooked homeless children in South L.A.

Hattie Mitchell, a 2008 graduate of the Urban Learning Program in the Charter College of Education at Cal State LA, founded a school to address the needs of homeless students.

Read how she did it. Visit our website: www.calstatela.edu/ccoe
It is with great sadness that we share news of the sudden passing of one of our faculty members, Dr. Olaiya Aina.

Dr. Aina was a beloved and esteemed member of the CCOE community, having served as a Professor of Early Childhood Education in the Division of Curriculum and Instruction. At the CCOE, he taught primarily graduate courses in early childhood education, served as a graduate program coordinator, and worked as a consultant with both public and private schools. In addition, he was the author of numerous academic publications and delightful children's books.

Dr. Aina was a Nigerian born scholar and educator. He studied at the University of Ibadan (The Premier University-GREAT UI. He taught in the school setting education children and youth from Kindergarten to Grade 12 both in Nigeria and later in Canada. He earned his Ph.D. at the University of Alberta in Early Childhood Education. He taught for nine years at the College of Charleston, South Carolina before joining the CCOE faculty in 2005.

He will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time.
On January 18, 2018, the Charter College of Education partnered with the Urban Education Leaders Collaborative at Columbia Teachers College to present a one day institute on co-teaching in inclusive schools. Below are some comments from participants.

“As a SPED teacher, having the privilege of spending quality time with a fellow teacher and an administrator is an excellent opportunity for personal and professional growth!”

“Great workshop to delve into the logistics of co-teaching in a theoretical practice way.”

“This session was defined by the positive addition of the administrators in the co-teaching model.”
Drop Out Prevention

In 2009, more than 20,000 Los Angeles school students were identified as at risk, 14,000 truancy tickets were being issued by LA School Police each year, and 75,000 days were being lost to suspension with over 70% of those days being missed by Black and Latino males. In addition, LA schools were experiencing a rapid enrollment decline and a $300 million budget deficit. During the nine years since, Student Recovery Day has resulted in impressive changes in the LA schools and, more important, in students’ lives.

Dr. Hernandez and Mr. Zimmer attribute the program’s results to multi-school, districtwide, multidisciplinary participation; multiagency collaboration and partnerships; and community organization and engagement. These served as catalysts to shift policies away from punitive and toward supportive systems for students and led to recovering and reengaging disconnected students, accelerated gains in graduation rates, and a reduction in dropout/pushout rates.

Listen and learn about the specifics of how policy changes, shifting mindsets, and transforming hearts formed the foundation for the continued success of LA’s Student Recovery Day. Solutions to the Dropout Crisis Webcast comes to you as a public service of the National Dropout Prevention Center.

To view go to the CCOE website and look under, In The News: www.calstatela.edu/ccoe
The Write Stuff is a Los Angeles Writing Project (LAWP) Afterschool Writing Center at Northrup Elementary School that serves about 40 first and second grade students each Wednesday from 2-3pm. These young writers receive individualized support from LAWP tutors who include CSULA undergraduate and graduate students as well as writing project fellows.

Northrup Elementary is the newest of three LAWP afterschool writing centers currently held in Alhambra Unified School District. The center at Mark Keppel High School is each Tuesday, 2:30-3:45pm, and the center at Alhambra High School is each Wednesday, 1:30-3:30pm. These centers serve a weekly average of 50 grade ninth through twelfth-grade students. Students bring a variety of needs from complex rhetorical analyses of 18th century essays to developing conversational English skills. The LA Writing Project supports tutors in developing their skills to address these diverse needs.

In all, about 15 tutors provide about 3,000 contact hours with district students each year.
Date Night

On February 9, 2018, President William A. Covino and Dr. Debbie Covino hosted a special evening for Cal State LA couples in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. The CCOE's own Drs. Diane and Vince Fazzi were featured in a video about couples who met at Cal State LA and married.

To view, visit the CCOE YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=usXnLhH0MfI
Planning Your Upcoming Events

Do You Have a Flyer for Your Info Session? If not, why not?

Are You Planning an Info Session?

It is that time of year when CCOE Divisions heavily promote their programs to potential students and hold informational sessions so that students can learn more about the program and how to apply by the admissions deadlines.

Deana Garay, Recruitment Specialist in the Office of Student Services (OSS), along with the OSS Director, Agustin Cervantes, and Communications Specialist, Dawn Jefferson, are here to support you in these efforts, by helping you create flyers/brochures, and by hosting info sessions for your program both here and off campus. Please reach out to Deana Garay for more info: dgaray3@calstatela.edu

List Your Event in the University Calendar

Submit events for the spring semester! As you plan events for the winter session and spring semester, please submit calendar entries as soon as possible to allow time for inputting onto the online University calendar.

We can assist with:

- Creating appropriately branded info session flyers
- Creating program brochures
- Advertising info sessions online & in print
- Sharing info session flyers and program materials at the many recruitment events we attend on and off campus

Want to know more? Email dawn.Jefferson@calstatela.edu or dgaray3@calstatela.edu
Upcoming Events

Calendar:

East LA Walkout Events On Campus
Thursday, March 1-2, 2018
More info to come

Educational Theory Speaker Series
Thursday, March 15, 2018 | 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
LIB N B131

GEAR UP 4 LA College Experience Day Field Trip
Friday, March 16, 2018 | 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Education Career Fair
Thursday April 19, 2018 | 3 p.m.
King Hall Walkway

LACOE/CCOE Educational Support for Students in the Juvenile Justice System
Friday, April 20, 2018
More info to come

CCOE Mental and Behavioral Health Conference
Saturday, April 28, 2018 | 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Golden Eagle Ballrooms

CAAPP 2018 Summer Institute
Saturday, April 28, 2018 | 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Golden Eagle Ballrooms

CCOE Day of the Educators/Honors Convocation
Thursday, May 3, 2018 | 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Golden Eagle Ballrooms

LGBT/QUEER Grad Celebration
Thursday, May 17, 2018 | 6 p.m.
Los Angeles Room
3rd Floor • University-Student Union

Asian Pacific Islander Desi Grad Celebration
Saturday, May 19, 2018 | 12 p.m.
Los Angeles Room
3rd Floor • University-Student Union

Black Grad Celebration
Sunday, May 20, 2018 | 11 a.m.
The Luckman

Chicanx/Latinx/Raza Grad Celebration
Saturday, May 20, 2018 | 4 p.m.
The Luckman

CCOE Commencement
Monday, May 21, 2018 | 5:30 p.m.
University Gymnasium, Billie Jean King Sports Complex

Better Together: California Teacher Summit
Friday, July 27, 2018 | 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
King Hall Lecture Halls

For updated info, visit www.calstatela.edu/ccoe Click CCOE Events or call (323) 343-4300
Upcoming Events (Continued)

**EDUCATIONAL THEORY SPEAKER SERIES**

"Studying Alongside Youth: Educational Research for Dignity, Dissent, and Activism"

**Keynote Speaker:**
**Dr. Antero Garcia**
Assistant Professor
Stanford University

Dr. Garcia studies how technology and gaming shape youth learning, literacy practices, and civic identities. Based on his research, Dr. Garcia co-designed the Critical Design and Gaming School - a public high school in South Central Los Angeles.

**Thursday, March 15, 2018**
Library Community Room
LIB N B131
5:30-7 p.m.

**Upcoming Educational Theory Speaker Series Dates**
- Monday, April 2, 2018 - Dr. Vichet Chhorn
  "Race, Immigration, and Being Known in School"
- Thursday, April 26, 2018 - Dr. Lee Arlton
  "The De-politicization of Proverbs: Implications of the No Big Deal Campaign for Gender Excessive Education Policy and Practice"

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**-SAVE THE DATE-**
Ed.D./Charter College of Education Annual Research Symposium 2018

**Keynote Speaker**
**Dr. Dolores Delgado Bernal**
Critical Race Feminista Praxis: Educators & Researchers Nurturing Transformative Ruptures

Dolores Delgado Bernal, Ph.D., is a Professor in the Charter College of Education and the Department of Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies at California State University, Los Angeles. As a scholar-activist, she has worked for 30 years with schools and communities to disrupt the mis-education of Chicanx/Latinx students. Her scholarship draws from Chicana studies, Chicanx feminist methodologies, and educational studies to investigate educational inequity, Latinx educational pathways, feminista pedagogies, and different forms of resistance. AERA, a Derrick Bell Legacy Award from Critical Race Studies in Education Association, and a Tortuga Scholar Award from Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social. Her biggest award is being mama to three teenage boys.

**March 17, 2018**
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
University Student Union

Special Guest Plenary Speaker & Cal State LA Alumnus
**Dr. Bernard Luskin**
Community Colleges: 50 years: Before and After
"What needs to change and What needs to remain the same?"

This presentation will highlight some well and little known events of the past fifty years that are milestones in community college history.

Student Research Presentation Panels & Roundtable Discussions
Morning coffee and pastries and lunch will be provided

**RSVP:** https://sites.google.com/view/edd-research-symposium2018
Upcoming Events (Continued)

M.A. in Education
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2018 Information Sessions
2/10 - 10 - 11:30 a.m. KH B4018
2/12 - 3 - 4 p.m. KH B200B
2/28 - 5 - 5:50 p.m. KH B1013
3/13 - 5 - 5:50 p.m. KH B2013
3/19 - 3 - 4 p.m. KH B200B
4/3 - 5 - 5:50 p.m. KH B2013
4/18 - 6 - 5:50 p.m. KH B1015
4/23 - 3 - 4 p.m. KH B200B
5/3 - 5 - 5:50 p.m. KH B2013

Contact:
Division of Applied and Advanced Studies in Education (AASS)
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Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

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  - Current literature in second language acquisition theory & research
  - Teaching methodologies & techniques
  - English for academic purposes
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  - Sociolinguistics
  - Phonetics
  - Pragmatics
  - Discourse analysis
  - ESL/EFL reading-writing connections
  - Curriculum & materials design
  - Integration of computers in the language classroom
  - Second language assessment

Learn more about our program!
Attend one of the following info sessions:
- February 22, 2018 - 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
  Location: King Hall B2019
- March 22, 2018 - 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
  Location: King Hall B2019

Contact:
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Testimonials:
"The TESOL MA Program at Cal State LA has prepared me with many practical English Language Teaching skills that have significantly helped me guide middle school EFL students in understanding other academic subject areas."
Carol Chen | Kang Chiao International School, Taiwan

"I enjoyed every class I took in the TESOL MA program at Cal State LA. The instruction I received prepared me very well for my role as a full-time community college faculty member and administrator."
Magan Emler | Non-Credit ESL Division, Glendale Community College

For more information, please visit: www.calstatela.edu/academic/coe/programs/tesol
M.A. in Education
All Options Information Session

Come learn all about the 11 unique M.A. options offered. The Charter College of Education (CCOE) at Cal State LA is here to help you attain higher education with a supportive faculty and reasonable costs. Learn why Cal State LA ranks #1 in the nation for upward mobility.

M.A. in Education Options include:
- Bilingual/Multicultural Education in the Urban Classroom
- Curriculum & Instruction
- Early Childhood/Primary Education
- Educational Foundations
- Educational Technology Leadership
- E-Learning and New Media Design
- Integrated STEM Teaching
- Mathematics Education
- Reading
- Research & Evaluation

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2018
Time: 3 p.m.
Location: KH B1016

RSVP to
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CCOE Recruiter
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SPECIAL EDUCATION
Group Advisement Session - Spring 2018

Monday, March 26, 2018
4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. - King Hall D2075*

*Room subject to change based on availability.

ALL NEW CREDENTIAL STUDENTS IN THE DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COUNSELING ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND A GROUP ADVISEMENT MEETING PRIOR TO APPLYING FOR THE PROGRAM.

SESSIONS WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AS SCHEDULED. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT PARKING MAY BE DIFFICULT SO ALLOW EXTRA TIME FOR THIS.

Meetings are offered every semester. Please feel free to call for future dates - 323.343.4342.

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Upcoming Events (Continued)

The Charter College of Education, The College of Natural and Social Sciences, and the Center for Engagement, Service and the Public Good invites you to join us for
THE 3RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON FORMERLY INCARCERATED POPULATIONS: CONVENING FORMERLY INCARCERATED STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

APRIL 6 and 7, 2018
DAY 1: 8AM to 3PM in the GOLDEN EAGLE BALLROOMS 1 & 2
DAY 2: 9AM to 3PM in the STUDENT UNION: THEATRE, ALHAMBRA, SAN GABRIEL, PASADENA, AND SORIANO

RSVP Via QR Code or http://bit.ly/2AoABQx
END THE STIGMA & EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES!
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Education Career Fair
Looking for a Career in Education?
• Elementary Teachers
• Secondary Teachers
  (English, Math, Social Science, etc.)
• Counselors/Psychologists
• Reading Specialists
• Assistant Principals
• Special Education Teachers

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Thursday, April 19, 2018
3 p.m.
King Hall Walkway
Near Lecture Halls

5151 State University Drive, KH D2078
Los Angeles, CA 90032
Providing Equity and Access to Diverse Learners.

Keynote Speaker:
Dr. Pedro Noguera

The California Association for Asian and Pacific American Education (CAAPAE) and CSU Asian Bilingual Teacher Education Program (CSU ABTEP) Consortium presents:

2018 Spring Institute

Saturday, April 28
King Hall 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

2nd Annual Mental and Behavioral Health Conference: Disability, Equity, and Advocacy

Saturday, April 28, 2018
8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Golden Eagle Ballrooms
Cal State LA

Register Here:
https://goo.gl/UQpk5v

Sponsored by
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The Division of Special Education and Counseling
Cal State LA/UCLA Joint Doctoral Program in Special Education
Center for Excellence in Early Intervention and Low Incidence Disabilities
School-Based Family Counseling Association
School Psychology Student Association
Rehabilitation Counseling Association
Upcoming Events (Continued)

The Charter College of Education cordially invites our CCOE Faculty, School Partners, Master Teachers, & School Liaisons to be a part of this very special statewide teacher summit, July 27, 2018!

This event is teacher led, teacher taught. This year’s theme – It’s Personal: Meeting the Needs of EVERY Student

This will be the fourth year that the CCOE will host this on-campus event. It is a wonderful opportunity for classroom teachers, and those who work with them, to gather together to talk best practices, exchange ideas, and be inspired.

Save-the-Date. Join us. Be a part of this incredible day!

Registration info forthcoming!

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2018 COMMENCEMENT

The 2018 Commencement ceremonies are scheduled from May 21 - 25, 2018 at the University Gymnasium at the Billie Jean King Sports Complex.

There will be fourteen (14) college based ceremonies for five days. Ticketing, regalia, and other information will be available in late Fall 2017.

We invite our graduates, families, and friends to join us next year as the University recognizes and honors the academic achievement of the Class of 2018.

The Charter College of Education Ceremony will be held:

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018
Ceremony | 5:30 p.m.
Charter College of Education
Graduate and Undergraduate Ceremony

The CCOE and all other colleges have been asked NOT to host any other additional events during the week of 5/21/18.

For additional graduation info: www.calstatela.edu/commencement#2018 Commencement
Upcoming Events (Continued)

Instructional Technology Program

Two Hybrid Programs
- A mix of online and face to face

Two Online Programs
- All classes completely online

Earn an MA in three semesters with our full time cohorts

MA in Education option: Educational Technology Leadership and Certificate in Computer Applications in Schools

Bonus: Students completing the Educational Technology Leadership option will automatically earn the Certificate in Computer Applications in School

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MA in Education option: E-Learning and New Media Design and Certificate in Online Teaching and Learning

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Some of the tools you will learn to use in these programs are:
- Microsoft Office Suite - Adobe CC Suite - including Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere, Dreamweaver, Muse - Adobe Spark - Nearpod - Camtasia and others

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Contact us with QR code or URL http://tinyurl.com/EDITenroll

Instructional Technology Program

Two Hybrid Programs

Now Accepting Applications

Don’t miss the May 31, 2018 application deadline!

Recruitment Meetings:

On Campus Meeting

- March 3rd: 10:30-11:30 am (KH B2018)
- March 5th: 4-5 pm (KH B4007)
- March 14th: 4-5 pm (KH C2088)
- April 7th: 10:30-11:30 am (KH B2006)
- April 16th: 7:30-8:30 pm (KH B2012)
- April 28th: 10:30-11:30 am (KH 34016)
- May 10th: 4-5 pm (KH C2089)

Virtual Online meetings in Zoom:

Time: 5:30 to 6:30 pm
- Feb 27th; March 6th, 22nd; April 10th, 24th and May 10th

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:
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Or Telephone: US: +1 669 600 9833 or +1 844 558 8656 Meeting ID: 739 796 341

MA in Education option: Educational Technology and Leadership and Certificate in Computer Applications in School

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Charter College of Education Ed.D. program alumnus Chris Wiebe (’16) co-authored a chapter in a newly released book about educating students who are twice-exceptional (2e). 2e students are both highly gifted and learning disabled/difference, which can present unique challenges in a school context.

The book, published by Oxford University Press, sheds light on this growing movement and the view that educating twice-exceptional students means embracing a dynamic interaction between strategies for the gifted and learning disabled, while providing a holistic, flexible, and strengths-driven program.

Wiebe’s chapter explains the model at Bridges Academy, a school with more than 15 years of experience educating twice-exceptional students, where he is high school director. The chapters co-author is Carl Sabatino, Bridges’ Head of School.

For more information about the book Twice Exceptional: Supporting and Educating Bright and Creative Students with Learning Difficulties

On Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/Twice-Exceptional-Supporting-Educating-Difficulties/dp/0190645474/ref=tmm_pap_swatch_0?_encoding=UTF8&qid=&sr=
On January 27, 2018, Dr. Simeon Slovacek was invited by the Anhui Provincial Department of Education, China, to give a full-day workshop and presentation regarding the higher education systems in the United States. He was assisted by Vivian Miu, M.A, an Evaluation Associate from the Program Evaluation and Research Collaborative (PERC) office, as well as Charlie Lu, a Mandarin interpreter from Triway International Group.

Dr. Slovacek presented to a delegation of university administrators from the Anhui Province, including 5 university and college presidents, as well as 13 vice presidents from 13 separate universities and colleges in China. The presentation, which took place in West Covina, ranged in topics from an overview of the higher education systems in United States and in California in particular, to common practices, trends, issues. The presentation ended with a case study of Cal State LA since President Covino’s arrival on campus.
Earlier this month, one current and two former CCOE / UCLA doctoral students presented at the Pacific Coast Research Conference in Coronado, California. This conference is a small, prestigious, highly competitive conference of special education researchers, primarily in Mild-Moderate Disabilities, that highlights state of the art research in the field. The conference is known for welcoming and nurturing early career researchers. The CCOE students and grads received outstanding support from established researchers!

**CCOE Represents with Current and Former Doctoral Students at Pacific Coast Research Conference**

Anna Osipova, Cal State LA
Diane Haager, Cal State LA
- Guided Noticing: Coaching vs. Video Self-Reflection in Special Education Teacher Training

How Alpert, UCLA and Cal State LA
Diane Haager, California State University Los Angeles
- Relations Among Reading Constructs in Early Elementary Grades

Laura Rhinehart, UCLA and Cal State LA
- Could NIMH’s Research and Domain Criteria Improve Learning Disability Classification and Identification

Janelle Lawson, San Francisco State University (grad of Joint Doc program)
- School Administrators’ Training and Support Needs Related to Evaluating Special Education Teachers

**New Roles for CCOE Faculty**

This Spring, two faculty will step into the role of Associate Chair: Albert Jones (AASE) and ADee Williams (C&I). Please give them your support and thanks as they support their Chair and Division.

CCOE Dean Cheryl Ney would also like to extend thanks on behalf of the college to Lia Kami-Stein (AASE) who served this role in Fall, and to Mitch Fryling (EDSC) for his continued efforts.
In the February 7th edition of *Education Week*, Robin Avelar La Salle and Ruth S. Johnson, CCOE professor emeritus, wrote a commentary on school tracking. Dr. Avelar La Salle is the CEO of Principal’s Exchange, in Santa Ana and Dr. Johnson is a former school superintendent, and an equity and data consultant for Principal’s Exchange. Together, they are the authors of *Data Strategies to Uncover and Eliminate Hidden Inequities: The Wallpaper Effect* (Corwin Press, 2010). To Read the full commentary, visit the CCOE website, In The News: [www.calstatela.edu/ccoe](http://www.calstatela.edu/ccoe)

Dr. Leigh Ann Tipton-Fisler will begin her appointment on the tenure track in Fall 2018. For those of you who don’t know Leigh Ann, she earned her Ph.D. from the University of California, Riverside in School Psychology. She also completed her post-doctoral training with the SEARCH Family Autism Center at UC Riverside working to support families and children with initial autism diagnoses.

For the past three years she has served as a full-time lecturer for the CCOE in the MS in Counseling, Option in School Psychology. Dr. Tipton was a Cal State LA Faculty Fellow for the Public Good during the 2016-2017 academic year, and is currently serving as the President of the School Psychology Educators of California group under the California Association of School Psychologists. Congratulations to her in this new role!
Program News (continued)

Year ‘Round Pell Grant
A New Grant Opportunity to Support Summer Enrollment & Timely Graduation!

Starting this summer, most of our students who qualify for Pell Grant will be eligible to receive a Summer Pell Grant in addition to their Fall and Spring award. If students take advantage of this opportunity, not only will it make it more affordable but with the right courses it should help them graduate earlier. For more information, please visit our Summer 2018 Pell Grant website: http://www.calstatela.edu/financialaid/summer-pell-grant

Interest in a Scholarship to the 2018 CCOE Mental and Behavioral Health Conference?

Applications are now available! To apply, visit: The link is: 2018 Mental and Behavioral Health Conference Scholarship Application

RCA Newsletter Now Available on the CCOE Website

If you haven’t visited the CCOE website lately, you might find a few changes. Take a look: www.calstatela.edu/academic/ccoe

New to the World

CCOE’s Dr. Roxanne Pebdani and her family welcomed Felix Oliver Jansen on December 31, 2017 at 5:56 a.m. He came in at 8lbs 10oz, and was 20 1/4 inches long at birth! Congratulations!
In February, the CCOE’s Division of Curriculum and Instruction hosted 12 former CCOE students who are working as secondary student teachers came to campus to speak with our current students. It was an exciting opportunity for present and future educators to exchange ideas, tips, and inspiration. The former students served on a panel and then broke into small groups for conversation.

Dr. Rebecca Joseph noted that after the event, one current student wrote, “Thank you again for having the speakers!! They were awesome and it was so beneficial!!”

The former students were: **Brenda Alacarez**, STEM Magnet Venice High School, LAUSD; **Rafael Buelna**, Pathways Community School; **Westin Ding**, seeking full-time position; **Maritza Luther**, Synergy Charter Academy; **Jesse Madrid**, seeking full-time position; **Matthew Montes**, John Marshall Middle School, Pomona Unified; **Anthony Moran**, Pathways Community School; **Sarah Perales**, Santee Education Complex, LAUSD; **Adriana Sota**, Garfield High School, LAUSD; **Claudia Soto**, Griffith Middle School, LAUSD; **Steven Zapata**, Animo Ellen Ochoa Middle School.
Cardenas Joins the CCOE Community

Earlier this month, Norma Cardenas joined the CCOE community, working in the Dean’s Office. Norma serves as the assistant to the Resource Manager. She came to us from Cal State LA University Auxiliary Services where she worked for the past 2 years.

Prior to that Norma worked 15 years for a private company. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Management and is a Notary Public. Norma is not a fan of cameras – hence no picture - but she enjoys cooking, reading, arts and crafts and spending time with her 2 year old grandson.

It’s Who You Know

Getting to know the great individuals who make up our College is an important part of building a greater sense of community. This week we are featuring our first flash interview with one of the people you work with.

What is your name and role at CCOE?
Cathy Morales, Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership Support Coordinator

Describe what you do!
I work with approximately 50-60 students per year making sure I communicate regularly regarding any Ed.D. related matters, coordinate our events, and make sure our students are enrolled in their appropriate courses by issuing them permits every semester. On a daily basis, I communicate with CCOE faculty, administrators, CCOE staff and university staff and handling Ed.D. /university paperwork.

Tell us what you love most about your job and why!
I have been on campus within the CCOE since 1999 and have pursued my BA, MA and teaching credentials all at Cal State LA. The education field has always been something that I aspired to be a part of since my teenage years. Throughout the years, I have been a Montessori preschool teacher, an afterschool teacher, a 3rd and 4th grade teacher’s assistant, a kindergarten teacher and even an afterschool care school bus driver for Pasadena’s JPL students! My mother, Dr. Rosario Morales (retired), brought me into the CCOE to assist her with the Beginning Teacher Assessment Program (BTSA), a teacher-mentoring program. I was then hired by Dr. Carolyn Frank and Dr. Robert Land with the Los Angeles Writing Project where I spent most of my years in the CCOE working with parents, students and staff. I really haven’t left the CCOE since.

What I love about my job are the students and the faculty I work with! I have worked with many of them for years! I feel respected by my supervisors that I can truly call, my friends. They know I am a hard worker and willing to go above and beyond for our program and students. Our Ed.D. students are fantastic and never shy from showing me their appreciation! Let’s just say I don’t mind Monday mornings or even coming in on an occasional Saturday for the Ed.D. Program. It’s such a blessing to be able to love my job and I honestly do.

Cathy Morales
Faculty, staff, and administrators are welcome to donate to the Cal State LA Food Pantry on Mondays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Donations are also accepted Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Dean of Students Office, SA 115, and the Center for Student Involvement, U-SU 204. Visit [http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/basic-needs](http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/basic-needs) for more information about how you can make a tangible difference in the lives and academic success of the many Cal State LA students facing these realities.

The Food Pantry Service Day is held on Wednesday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. weekly. Students who are unable to visit the Food Pantry during these hours can contact us at (323) 343-3103 to arrange to pick up a bag at a time that works for them.

For more information please visit: [http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/food-pantry](http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/food-pantry)

**For questions or concerns regarding the CalFresh Outreach Center,** Cal State LA Food Pantry, or any of our other emergency resources, please feel free to contact:

Rob Yonemoto, Director of Student Support, at [RYonemoto@cslanet.calstatela.edu](mailto:RYonemoto@cslanet.calstatela.edu), or, Sesley Lewis, Coordinator of Food and Housing Security, at [slewis16@calstatela.edu](mailto:slewis16@calstatela.edu).

Or visit [http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/food-and-housing-security](http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/food-and-housing-security) for additional information and resources.
**Emergency Grant**
In Spring 2018, Cal State LA is piloting its new Emergency Grant Program, which will allow students the opportunity to apply for a grant of up to $500 one time per semester when they have experienced a catastrophic event which directly impacts their ability to successfully complete their current term in school. Funds are placed in student financial aid accounts and are subject to standard state and federal guidelines. Each applicant's financial resources, including financial aid package, loan eligibility, employment status, etc., will be reviewed as part of the application process. For more information or to apply please visit: http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/emergency-financial-and-housing-assistance.

**Emergency Housing**
The Emergency Housing program, being piloted Spring 2018, for students experiencing homelessness or sudden serious housing instability, provides temporary housing on campus for up to 14 days. Students can apply once per semester. If emergency housing on campus is not the best option, the Director of Student Support will discuss other possible options with the student. For more information or to apply please visit: http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/emergency-financial-and-housing-assistance.

Application for Emergency Grant Program and Emergency Housing: http://www.calstatela.edu/deanofstudents/student-emergency-grant-andor-housing-application-form
*Please note, the application for Emergency Grants and Emergency Housing is the same. Students can apply for one or both programs.** Emergency housing requests are reviewed by the Director of Student Support in partnership with the Office of the Dean of Students, Housing and Residence Life, Financial Aid, and Student Financial Services.
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