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Interim Associate Dean for Grad Studies

J osé L. Galván (Educational Foundations and Interdivisional Studies) was named interim associate dean for Graduate Studies and Research, effective fall quarter 1998.



Galván's duties include oversight of graduate student support programs and enhancement of graduate student recruitment, retention and advisement.

Galván obtained his Ph.D. in Psycholinguistics at the University of Texas at Austin. Since 1992, he has been the program coordinator for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) at Cal State L.A.

Galván is a member of the Charter School of Education's Executive Steering Committee and the Fiscal Policy Committee for the Division of Educational Foundations and Interdivisional Studies. In 1991-92, he was selected as Research Fellow with the Office of Educational Research and Improvement to investigate participatory approaches to parent literacy instruction. He is also the author of more than 20 articles and manuscripts, and has given numerous invited lectures.

Galván assumed the post held by Costello L. Brown, professor of Chemistry since 1969. Brown is on leave from the University, serving as program director for Comprehensive Partnerships for Math and Science Achievement for the Education and Human Resources Division of the National Science Foundation.

Acting Director of Student Health Center

J effrey Tipton was appointed acting director and medical chief of staff for the Student Health Center, effective September 14, 1998.

In this capacity, Dr. Tipton is responsible for identifying student health and counseling needs and providing leadership in the development and maintenance of student health programs. His duties also include working with Human Resource Management on issues relating to workers' compensation and risk management.

Dr. Tipton earned his Master of Public Health degree from UCLA, and his medical education from the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Tipton received training in Internal Medicine and Occupational Medicine at USC and in Preventive Medicine at UCLA where he was chief resident. He is board certified by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. Prior to joining the staff at Cal State L.A., Dr. Tipton worked at the L.A.



County Department of Health Services, UCLA, and local urgent care/occupational medicine clinics. Dr. Tipton was director of the American Indian Health Project and has focused on providing care to underserved communities.

Manufacturing Educator for 1998

N eda Fabris (Mechanical Engineering) was recently honored as the 1998 Manufacturing Educator of the Year by Desert-Pacific Region 12 of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.



The award acknowledged Fabris' "distinguished contributions to industry, education, government and the engineering community with the introduction of dedicated, dynamic and innovative college engineering and engineering technology programs that impact the needs of industrial productivity and engineering innovation worldwide into the 21st century."

At the same meeting, Fabris accepted a Distinguished Manufacturing Engineering and Technology Educational Achievements award on behalf of the School of Engineering and Technology. This award noted the School's "distinguished academic contributions to the successful implementation of Engineering and Manufacturing Engineering Technology programs."

Fabris, whose expertise includes materials, manufacturing processes, automation and management of modern manufacturing enterprises, has conducted research in Germany and Bosnia as well as the United States. She is in demand as a speaker on engineering professions to engineering and non-engineering audiences. Fabris earned her Ph.D. from the Illinois Institute of Technology and was a member of the technical staff of Bell Telephone Laboratory in Illinois before coming to Cal State L.A.

Chancellor Completes CSU Tour at Cal State L.A.



As the capstone to his series of CSU campus tours, **Chancellor Charles Reed** visited Cal State L.A. on October 6, 1998. The tour brought Chancellor Reed together with science majors in the highly successful MARC program, the University's Beckman Scholars, and participants in the new NSF-funded CEA-CREST Environmental Program. He also met with young scholars (pictured) from the Early Entrance Program.



Raymond Landis (r), dean of the School of Engineering and Technology, describes features of the Engineering and Technology lab construction to Chancellor Reed.



Professors Helen Ryaciotaki Boussalis (Electrical and Computer Engineering) and Majdedin Mirmirani (Mechanical Engineering) show Chancellor Reed the NASA segmented space telescope project. Allen Mori, dean of the Charter School of Education, presents Chancellor Reed with t-shirt and hat during a meeting with future educators.





The Chancellor's visit included a tour of the Faculty Instructional Technology Center, a luncheon for ASI student government leaders, a meeting of the Academic Senate, a reception for this year's Outstanding Professors, and a concert featuring Cal State L.A. and Los Angeles County High School for the Arts students and faculty. Concluding the campus visit, Chancellor Reed, pictured at left with President James M. Rosser, attended a dinner for faculty, administrators, alumni and visiting school superintendents in the Luckman Fine Arts Gallery.



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1997-1998 Outstanding Professors Honored

The recipients of the 1997-98 Outstanding Professor Award were recognized early last month during the annual Fall Faculty Day. The announcement was made by **Roberto Cantú** (*English/Chicano Studies*), chair of the Outstanding Professor Awards Selection Committee.

This year's distinguished recipients are: **Maria Kathleen Boss** (*Finance and Law*); **Evelyn Calvillo** (*Nursing*); **Sharon Johnson** (*Administration and Counseling*); and **Edward Malecki** (*Political Science*). These awards are made primarily for excellence in teaching, but significant achievements are expected in scholarly inquiry or creativity, professional activities, and service to the campus and community.

As part of the annual faculty tradition, Cal State L.A. selected poet and professor of English **Timothy Steele** as the recipient of the President's Distinguished Professor Award. This award recognizes superlative teaching and exceptional commitment to students as well as professional accomplishments and services. Only those professors who have previously been selected as Outstanding Professors are eligible for this award.

Maria Kathleen Boss Professor of Finance and Law

Maria Kathleen Boss graduated from UC Hastings College of Law and had an active, 11-year practice as an attorney in Los Angeles with emphasis on corporate transactional work and litigation. She joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1987.

Between 1986 and 1997, Boss produced 13 publications that appeared in conference proceedings in areas related to American and German regulation of insider trading and the European Community directive regulating insider trading. Her many publications have appeared in the Journal of Business and Management, Anglo-American Law Practice, and the proceedings of the Academy of Legal Studies in Business and the Southwest Regional Business Law Association. She also has to her credit 24 national and international presentations, including an address to a delegation of businesswomen from the People's Republic of China and an invited lecture at UCLA, in German, to a group of upper division German students on the regulation of insider training in the European Union and the United States. She has been an active member of the California State Bar since 1974, was ad-



Pictured: (back, I-r) Marshall Cates, chair, Academic Senate; Roberto Cantú; Timothy Steele; Margaret Hartman, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; President James M. Rosser; (front, I-r) Edward Malecki; Evelyn Calvillo; Sharon Johnson; and Maria K. Boss.

mitted to the United States Supreme Court in 1980, and was an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association from 1984 to 1991.

In 1995, Boss received funding from the University program in support of research comparing American and German students' evaluation of European and American regulation of insider training. The result of this research was an ongoing Cooperative Learning Teaching Project in the areas of international law and taxation.

Boss has served on numerous University, school and department committees, including the Academic Senate, Faculty Policy Committee and the School of Business and Economics Reaccreditation Self-Study Report Committee. She has also served on the University Sabbatical Leave Committee three times, as both a member and chair of the School Faculty Affairs Committee, and as chair of the Dean Search Committee in 1996-97.

Evelyn Calvillo Professor of Nursing

Evelyn Ruiz Calvillo received her bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Galveston, achieving a record of distinction in her studies through the National Dean's List and the Clinical Excellence Award. In 1991, she became the first Hispanic in the State of California to earn a doctorate in the field of nursing at UCLA.

Calvillo joined the Cal State L.A.

Department of Nursing in 1990, where she has taught 16 different courses including clinical and theory lower and upper division courses in the areas of medical surgical nursing, patho-physiology, nursing research, and professional issues. She also teaches nursing theory in the graduate program. Between 1992 and 1996, concurrent with her faculty appointment, she was associate director of educational programs for the Edward R. Roybal Institute for Applied Gerontology on the Cal State L.A. campus. In addition, she was the coordinator of the Gerontology Certificate Program.

In 1993, Calvillo was appointed to the Orange County HIV Task Force by the county supervisors and, in 1994, she was named one of the "Top Ten Nurses of the Year" in NurseWeek, a highly regarded periodical subscribed by thousands of nurses in California. She received the Dr. Ildaura Murillo Rhode Award for Educational Excellence, which was presented at the 1995 annual conference of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses in Austin, Texas. More recently, she was invited by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to join the Nurse Leadership 1997 Invitational Congress.

At present, she is the co-project director of "Learning Community for Underrepresented Nursing Majors," funded by both the California Area Health Education Center Project and the Office of Statewide Health Planning (Continued on page 4)

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and Development. The program assists underserved prenursing majors to enter into the nursing program at Cal State L.A. She is also the co-investigator and project coordinator of a three-year research study on Hispanic patients recently diagnosed with type II diabetes, funded by the National Institute of Nursing Research under the National Institutes of Health.

Sharon Johnson

Professor of Education—Administration and Counseling

Sharon Johnson is currently coordinator for the Counseling and Educational Leadership Program within the Division of Administration and Counseling at Cal State L.A. She has consulted nationally and internationally with education and business organizations, as well as authored and coauthored more than 25 articles and books in the areas of parent/ school partnerships; group counseling; program development and evaluation; management training; marriage, family and child counseling; career development; and multicultural issues.

Johnson received her B.S. from UCLA, her master's degree in Counseling from Cal State Fullerton and her doctorate in Counselor Education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. She is a former elementary and secondary school teacher and school counselor, and was director of pupil services for the Howard County Public Schools in Maryland for 10 years prior to joining the Cal State L.A. faculty.

Johnson is active in numerous international, national and state professional associations. She is currently president of the California Association for Counseling and Development, a leading force in representing professionals in the field of counseling, student personnel and mental health. Johnson takes particular pride in her current efforts to co-design and implement the California Counselor Leadership Academy. This training program emphasizes the need for consistent school guidance programs that benefit all students. In addition, she is working closely with the California School Counselor Association and the California Association for Counselor Educators and Supervisors to facilitate legislation to implement elementary school counselors in all public schools.

In her consultation work, Johnson and her husband Curly have authored a series

of parent involvement modules and videotapes that have been used in training more than 6,000 families in 17 countries worldwide. She is a frequent keynote, motivational and dinner speaker. Johnson's research interests include family practices that support learning, urban school reform and school guidance program development and evaluation. She is currently working on a publication, "Results-Based Guidance Programs" and is coauthor of a publication, "Pupil Service Programs in the Year 2018."

Edward Malecki

Professor of Political Science Edward Malecki received his B.A.,

M.A., L.L.B., and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois-Urbana. He joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1967 and has been serving as chair of the Department of Political Science since 1993. During his 31 years at Cal State L.A., Malecki has taught a wide variety of lower and upper division courses, consistently receiving superior student evaluations. These include courses and seminars in quantitative methods of political science, political sociology, economy and public policy, American government, modern political theory, foundations of empirical political theory, and seminars in political theory and political behavior.

An active member of many professional organizations, Malecki has also consistently been active in University, school and department committees. He is currently active in the University's Academic Senate on the executive and steering committees, and serves as chair of the Educational Policy Committee for the School of Natural and Social Sciences. He has published widely in many national and international journals, and coedited the book, Group Politics: A New Emphasis (Scribners, 1972). He was the recipient of the Policy Studies Organization's 1997 Jeffrey Pressman Award for the best article published in the Policy Studies Review during 1996. A Charles Merriam Fellow, he is also listed in Who's Who of America, Who's Who in the West and Who's Who in American Law.

In addition, Malecki is active in state and local campaigns, believing that in order to teach politics, one must practice politics. He was president of the Pasadena-Foothill chapter of the ACLU for four years as a key member of various ad hoc committees dedicated to desegregating the Pasadena Unified School District, and served as a consultant to TELACU and the Urban League. In academic politics, he chaired the New Caucus for Political Science, a national organization dedicated to making the profession more relevant to the issues of the day, including civil rights and gender rights. At the regional level, he has served on committees concerned with improving the status of women in political science.

President's Distinguished Professor: Timothy Steele *Professor of English*



A nationally-recognized poet and a 1991-92 Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professor, Timothy Steele's honors and awards include a Guggenheim Fellowship, Peter I.B. Lavan Younger Poets Award from the Academy of American Poets, Commonwealth Club of California Medal for Poetry, California Arts Council grant, and the Los Angeles PEN Center's Literary Award for Poetry. He has been the subject of an interview on National Public Radio, and his poems have been featured on Garrison Keillor's "Writers' Almanac."

In 1995, former CSU Chancellor Barry Munitz selected Steele's then just-published book of poems, The Color Wheel, as a gift book for presidents, trustees, staff, and friends of the CSU system. During that same year, Steele was the focus of a front page article in the "Life and Style" section of the Los Angeles Times that discussed his advocacy of metrical structures in poetry. His earlier publication, Missing Measures: Modern Poetry and the Revolt Against Meter (University of Arkansas Press, 1990), called attention to a poetic tradition that—founded on meter, rhyme and stanza—is represented in our modern era by poets J.V. Cunningham and Richard Wilbur. His book was judged by contemporary critics as "a carefully argued and lucidly written work of scholarship" and "a book of great acuity and breadth of knowledge." His poetry-known for colloquiality, and with themes ranging from love and death to nature and meditations on culturehas appeared in several collections, such (Continued on page 5)

as Uncertainties and Rest (1979), Sapphics Against Anger and Other Poems (1986), The Color Wheel (1994), and Sapphics and Uncertainties: Poems 1970-1986 (1995).

Between 1983 and 1997, Steele produced 15 journal articles for such publications as *The Oxford Companion* to *Twentieth-Century Poetry* and *The Brandeis Review.* Within the same time period, he published 59 poems, many of them anthologized in widely-used college textbooks. He has also edited an edition of poems by J.V. Cunningham (1997).

Steele has been invited to read his poetry at Amherst College and at other universities and literary gatherings. He judged the Poetry Society of America's 1997 Emily Dickinson Contest, and has been an annual judge since 1991 for the Henri Coulette Memorial/Academy of American Poets College Poetry Prize for Cal State L.A. His forthcoming book, *All the Fun's in How You Say a Thing: An Explanation of Meter and Versification*, will be published by Swallow Press/Ohio University Press, Spring 1999.

Steele obtained a Ph.D. from Brandeis University in 1977, and taught at Stanford University and the University of California, Los Angeles before joining the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1987. He has taught classes in the classical and medieval tradition, the history of literary criticism, classical rhetoric, and creative writing. In the last several years, he directed to completion six M.A. creative writing theses, and served on the committees of four M.A. theses in literature.

Virginia Cooper's Retirement Celebration

The campus community is invited to a retirement reception for Virginia Cooper (*CenterforStudentLife*) on Thursday, December 10, 3-6 p.m., in the Alumni Lounge, University-Student Union. Cooper



will retire December 31 following more than 40 years of involvement with Cal State L.A.

As a student assistant, Cooper helped move the Library from the bungalows into its first permanent building (now the Palmer Wing). After graduating in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in Education and an elementary teaching credential, followed by a stint of teaching, Cooper returned to the campus to pursue graduate work and was hired back to the Library as part-time staff.

From there she was promoted to the position of psychometrist with the Testing Office, then accepted a position as psychometrist and career counselor with an office contracted to the Veteran's Administration for students on the Vietnam GI Bill. She served in this capacity for 14 years. In 1980, she returned to the University Testing Office as co-director. She served briefly as budget assistant in the Student Affairs Division under the Dean of Students, where she was asked to develop a unified financial management system for the division.

For 12 years, Cooper coordinated the Women's Resource Center in addition to advising student clubs and organizations and assisting with student life activities. She has also served for 12 years on the Associated Students, Inc. Finance Committee. As a Cal State L.A. Alumni Association volunteer, Cooper chaired the Scholarship Committee and served on the Programs Development Committee. She serves on the Board of Directors and is currently treasurer of the Los Angeles Area Council of the National Association of Investors Corporation, and served for six years as editor and publisher of the Council newsletter. She also volunteers with the Goodwill organization.

Cooper said she never imagined retiring from "L.A. State." She added, "I plan to continue to support the University through the Alumni Association, and though I didn't quite experience the full first 50 years of the University, I hope to share the next 50 and help to unearth the time capsule in the year 2047. Thanks to all who have made my years so memorable."

Reception: RSVP, ext. 3393.

Egyptian Educators at Cal State L.A.

n September, 17 Egyptian educators traveled to Cal State L.A. to be trained in educational measurement and English language testing for a six-week period sponsored by the Institute of International Education, Washington, DC, as part of a large USAID grant to improve English language teaching and testing in Egypt.

Faculty for the program included program director Antony Kunnan (TESOL) and program coordinator Simeon Slovacek, both of Cal State L.A. Also teaching were L. Bachman (UCLA), J. Turner (Monterey Institute for International Studies) and the program's academic coordinator Beryl Meiron (Caltech). Five graduate assistants from the TESOL Program— Yutaka Kawamoto, Myoung-Soon Paik, Inseong Choi and Yoonkyung Kecia Yim—assisted the faculty in the program. As part of their curriculum, participants visited Eagle Rock Junior/Senior HS (Glendale) and The Accelerated School (Los Angeles). In both schools, the participants observed classes at various levels, interacted with teachers and students, and assessed their proficiency in reading, writing, listening and speaking.

Other campus activities included luncheon meetings with **President James Rosser, Provost Margaret Hartman**, and **Dean Allen Mori**. Off-campus activities included weekly trips to the Islamic Center in the mid-Wilshire area and visits to the Getty Museum, Huntington Library and Gardens and other Southland attractions.

On October 19, participants in this program received completion certificates and gifts from the Charter School of Educa-

tion. Three prizes were given for excellent academic performance, and **Shaimaa Torky** was given the prize for outstanding academic performance. Dean Mori, Interim Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Research **Jose Galvan, Fernando Hernandez** (Educational Foundations and Interdivisional Studies), Slovacek and Kunnan addressed the participants.



The four outstanding educators: (I-r) Samaa Salama, Yasser Hashem, Ahlam El-Baz and Shaimaa Torky.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Greg Andranovich (*Political Science*), representing the Master of Science in Public Administration program, attended



the Municipal Management Assistants of Southern California Conference, San Diego, CA, Aug. 1998, and the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration Annual Conference, Boise, ID, Oct. 1998.

William Belan (*Music*) presented a keynote address to the Costa Rica Choral Directors Association, San Jose, Costa Rica, Sep. 6, 1998, and presented a workshop, "The Necessity for Change," for the Conservatory of San Isidro in the province of Pedes Zeledon, Costa Rica, Sep. 11, 1998. He also gave a panel address, "The Future of Unitarian/Universalist Music," and conducted the conference choir at the continental General Assembly for the Unitarian/Universalist Association, Rochester, NY, June 29, 1998.

Martin G. Brodwin (Administration and Counseling) presented an invited paper, "Employment Issues and Disclosure of Disability," at the Annual Epilepsy Education Event, sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation of Los Angeles and Orange Counties, Cal State L.A., Apr. 25, 1998.

Roberto Cantú (*Chicano Studies/English*) presented a paper, "Asian Tropisms in the Narratives of Chicana/Mexican Writers," in the symposium, "Resonances and Dissonances: Asian and Asian American Languages, Arts, and Literatures in the Global Context," held at Cal State L.A., Oct. 16, 1998; presented a paper, "Memory and History as Models of Excavation in the Ethnic Novel," at the international conference entitled "Aesthetics and Difference," sponsored by UC Riverside's Center for Ideas and Society, Oct. 22-24, 1998.

Domnita Dumitrescu (Modern Languages and Literatures) presented, with M. Saltarelli, a paper entitled "Sobre la interpretación del tipo nominal el pobre hombre/el hombre pobre" at the 80th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, held in Madrid, Spain, July 31-Aug. 4, 1998.

Neda Fabris (Mechanical Engineering) presented a paper and conducted a poster session, "Engineering Careers Workshop for High School Girls and Their Mothers," at the 1998 Women in Engineering Conference, Seattle, WA, June 14-15, 1998. The paper was published in a proceeding for a conference entitled "Creating a Global Engineering Community Through Partnership."

Siegrun F. Freyss (Political Science) was a member of the 1998 Outstanding Book Award Committee, Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), effective spring-summer 1998. The committee was charged with selecting the Outstanding Book in Nonprofit and Voluntary Action Research.

Ignacio López-Calvo (Modern Languages and Literatures) presented a paper, "El discurso femenino chileno en el exilio: el heroismo liberador puesto a prueba," at the conference entitled "La mujer en la literatura del mundo hispanico," CSU Northridge, Oct. 9-19, 1998.

Teresa Portilla Omidsalar (Library) was a panelist at the AASL Independent Schools Section program entitled "The College Connection," held at the American Library Association's Annual Conference, Washington, DC, June 1998. She is serving for a second year as a member of the Reference Service Committee of the AmericanLibrary Association's Reference and User Services Association. The committee, for which she selects the titles in Literature and Linguistics, selects the outstanding reference works that are published every year in English.

Narendra Taly (Civil Engineering) presented a technical paper, "Re-examination of AASHTO Standard Load Distribution Factors for Precast Multibeam Decks," for the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), Nashville, TN, May 11, 1998; he also attended the "University Professors of Masonry Workshop," organized by The Masonry Society, Atlanta, GA, Mar. 1998.

PUBLICATIONS

Greg Andranovich (*Political Science*), coauthored with G. Riposa, an article, "Is Governance the Lost Hard 'G' in Los Angeles?", a special issue of the journal, *Cities: The International Journal of Urban Policy and Planning*, June 1998, edited by **Ali Modarres** (*Geography and Urban Analysis*).

Martin G. Brodwin (Administration and Counseling) published the following articles: with Cal State L.A. graduate L. M. Orange, "The Minority Perspective of Persons with Disabilities" in D'verse: A Newsletter of the Diversity Special Interest Group of the Association on Higher Education and Disability, Summer 1997; and "Writing tips and tools" in California Association for Counseling and Development COMPASS, vol. 12, 1997; and the following book reviews: Foundations of Orientation and Mobility (2nd ed.) in Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling, vol. 29, 1998: and Social Security Disability Practice (2nd ed.) in The Rehabilitation Professional, vol. 6, 1998.

Daniel Crecelius (History) coauthored, with Hamza Badr and Husam al-Din Ismail, two visiting Fulbright scholars from Egypt to the Department of History in 1995, "Shaykh Khalil ibn Ahmad al-Rajabi's Ta'rikh al-Wazir Muhammad `Ali Basha (History of the Governor Muhammad `Ali Pasha)," in Archiv Orientalni (Supplementa VIII, 1998).

Domnita Dumitrescu (Modern Languages and Literatures) published the following articles: " 'A' personal, duplicación clítica y marcadez: Español porteño vs. español madrileño," Actas del XII Congreso de la Asociación Internacional de Hispanistas, ed., Aengus M. Ward, Tomo I: Medieval y lingüística, University of Birmingham, 1998; "Fenómenos paralelos de contacto con el inglés en el español y el rumano de Estados Unidos," Atti del XXI Congresso Internazionale di Linguistica e Filologia Romanza, Centro di Studi Filologici e Linguistici Siciliani, Università di Palermo, ed., Giovanni Ruffino, vol. V, Dialettologia, geolinguistica, sociolinguistica, Max Niemer Verlag, Tübingen, 1998; with M. Saltarelli, "Two types of predicate modification: Evidence from the articulated adjectives of Romanian," Theoretical Analyses on Romance Languages: Selected papers from the 26th Linguistic Symposium on Romance languages, ed., José Lema and Esther Treviño, John Benjamins Publishing Company, Amsterdam/Philadelphia, 1998; "Subordinación y recursividad en la conversación: Las secuencias integradas por intercambios ecoicos," La pragmática lingüística del español: Recientes desarrollos, eds., Henk Haverkate, Gijs Mulder and Carolina Fraile Maldonado, Editorial Rodopi, Amsterdam/Atlanta, GA, 1998 (Diálogos Hispánicos, no. 22); in (Continued on page 7)

collaboration with M. Saltarelli, "Attributive Adjectives in Romance: Toward a Unified Theory of Modification," Actes du 16-ème Congrès International des Linguistes (Paris, July 20-25, 1997), ed., Bernard Caron, Oxford, Elsevier Sciences, 1998 [CD-ROM version].

Mahmoud Omidsalar (Library) published, in English, "Esfand, Wild Rue, Peganum Harmala," Encyclopaedia Iranica, vol.8, fascicle 6; and "Could al-Tha`âlibî [d. 1037 A.D.] Have Used the Shâhnâma as a Source?" in Der Islam: Zeitschrift für Geschicte und Kultur des islamischen Orients, 76, 1998. In Persian, he published "A Note on Shâhnâma Studies and the Editing of the History of Sîstân," Iranshenasi: A Journal of Iranian Studies, 10, 1998 (English abstract also in journal); and "On the Life and Character of the Vizier Hasanak [d. 1030 A.D.]," in The Persian Book Review: A Quarterly on Arts and Literature, 8, 1998. A translation of his paper, "Unburdening Ferdowsi," published originally in the Journal of American Oriental Society, no. 116, 1996, has appeared in Iran, translated by Dr. A. Khatibi, in the Journal of the Academy of Persian Language and Literature, 3, 1998.

Pamela Regan (Psychology) published the following articles: "The Impact of Child Witness Demeanor on Perceived Credibility and Trial Outcome in Sexual Abuse Cases," Journal of Family Violence, vol. 13, 1998; "Does Expert Testimony Inform or Influence Juror Decision Making? A Social Cognitive Analysis," Journal of Applied Psychology, vol. 82, 1998.

Narendra Taly (Civil Engineering) published "Structural Design with FRP Composites," proceedings of the 43rd SAMPE International Conference, Anaheim, CA, vol. 43, May 1998.

Administrative Appointment

Dean Raymond B. Landis, Engineering and Technology, has announced the following appointment:

Don Maurizio (*Technology*), chair, Technology, to a second three-year term, effective Fall Quarter 1998. Prior to becoming chair, Maurizio served for six years as the School's associate dean, playing a major role in the \$31 million renovation of the School's instructional facilities.

HONORS AND APPOINTMENTS

William Belan (*Music*) was appointed to the National Committee on Research and Publications for the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), and will be chair of the subcommittee to work with the Library of Congress to develop webaccess choral publications made available from the public-domain holdings of the Library of Congress choral collection. Belan authored the project on behalf of the Library of Congress and ACDA.

Mahmoud Omidsalar (Library) was appointed Lady Davis Visiting Full Professor of Iranian Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem for the Spring Quarter 1998, where he conducted research for a forthcoming book on the narrative logic of the Iranian National Epic, the Shâhnâma, composed 1009 A.D. He has been appointed as the chief editor of a series of facsimile reproductions of medieval Persian manuscripts for the Society for Promotion of Persian Culture, Indianapolis, IN, and has selected a medieval Persian history composed in 1126 A.D. to be reproduced as the first volume in the series. Omidsalar continues to serve as a consulting editor in folklore for Encyclopaedia Iranica, published by the Center for Iranian Studies at Columbia University.

IN THE NEWS

• **The Academy of Business Leadership**, part of the Summer Business Institute at Cal State L.A., was featured with a photo in the article, "Investing in Their Futures," Metro section, *Los Angeles Times*, Aug. 29, 1998.

• Organized by the **ACCESS Center**, the African Drumming Summer Program



was featured in an article, "Kids Learn Math Principle While Making African Drums," by Joe Nazel, staff writer, Wave Newspapers, Sep. 23, 1998.

• Kazem Alamdari (Sociology) had his editorial letter, "Ramirez on Iran," published in the Los Angeles Times, Sep. 30, 1998.

• "Rock the Vote" Day, spearheaded by the Cal State L.A. Associated Students, Inc., was featured on Channel 34, six o' clock news, Sep. 30, 1998.

• **Billy Barty**, Cal State L.A. Outstanding alumnus, was featured in "Little Big Man," under the Golf Plus/News and Notes section, *Sports Illustrated*, Sep. 7, 1998; other Outstanding alums were mentioned in the "The BMOC Count," under the *Only in L.A.* section, by Steve Harvey, *Los Angeles Times*, Aug. 20, 1998.

• Cal State L.A. was featured in a news article, "Cal State L.A. Students Set Records for Film and Video Awards," in *East L.A. Brooklyn/Belvedere Comet*, Aug. 27, 1998; Cal State L.A. was referred to in "CSUN at 40" by staff writer Fred Alvarez, *Los Angeles Times*, Valley Edition, Sep. 21, 1998. The University was also ranked as 11th by full-time student equivalents for the 1997-98 average enrollment period, in "Colleges and Universities," *Los Angeles Business Journal*, Sep. 7, 1998.

• Stuart Fischoff (*Psychology*) made a guest appearance on "Titanic 2000," A&E Cable Network, Sep. 5, 1998. Fischoff discussed the psychological appeal of "Titanic," and why it and the movie stars have engendered so much adoration.

• **Philip Goff** (*History/Religious Studies*) was the subject of a profile in the *California Council for the Humanities* quarterly newsletter, under the "Humanities News" column, summer 1998.

• Kyle Hsu (Modern Languages and Literatures) was quoted in a news article, "The Seventh Annual Chinese Poetry Recitation Contest," by reporter Shu Ding, International Daily News, Mar. 10, 1998.

• The Luckman Gallery exhibition, "Latinos in Hollywood," was featured on the Channel 52 morning show, "OLA Los Angeles," 6:30 a.m., Sep. 14, 1998.

• **Don Maurizio** (*Technology*) was noted in the article, "State Schools Form Task Force," for serving as the vice chair of a new Industrial and Technology Education Task Force established by State Superintendent for Public Instruction Delaine Eastin, *Desert Star*, July 29, 1998.

• Hosted by the **Pat Brown Institute**, the "Conference on Census 2000" was featured in the following major articles: "Minorities Fear Slighting in Census," *San Gabriel Valley Daily Tribune*, and "Census Count Means Money, Voice in Government," *Pasadena Star News*, both on Sep. 24, 1998.

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New Campus Center

CEA-CREST is First of its Kind Funded by NSF on the West Coast

C al State L.A. announces the opening of a **Center for Environmental Analysis**, funded by a \$4.9 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). The project, initiated by program director **Carlos Robles** (*Biology and Microbiology*), is the first of its kind funded by the NSF on the West Coast.

The newly developed center is led by an interdisciplinary group of nine faculty members from the departments of Biology and Microbiology, Chemistry and Biochemistry, and Geography and Urban Analysis. Designated as one of the NSF's Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology (CREST), CEA-CREST will conduct vital ecological and environmental research on human impact in natural ecosystems. "Cal State L.A. is the perfect locale for this project because of its proximity to various urban and natural habitats such as the mountains, the ocean and deserts," said Robles.

Qualified students will have a unique opportunity to conduct specific research with Cal State L.A. and University of California faculty whose projects relate to such areas as marine ecology, air pollution, and chaparral biology. Student fellowships will support students' University fees, materials, supplies, and travel expenses to national conferences. Internships with regional agencies and businesses will be available to participating students. A major benefit of the program is the opportunity for students to be fully funded in a Ph.D. program at regional campuses of the University of California.

The new CEA-CREST office is located in the Biological Sciences building, room 140. For information, contact Julie Schoen, program coordinator, ext. 5799, <jschoen@calstatela.edu>.

New Emeriti

The following recently retired faculty was recommended by his academic department or division for emeritus status. With approval from the School Dean, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the President, his emeritus status has been awarded:

M. Richard Roseman (professor of Economics and Statistics, 1970-Fall 1996)

Innovative Instruction Awards

The following faculty members were honored with the 1998-99 Innovative Instruction Awards:

Chey Acuña and **Ivan Cury** (*Communication Studies*), Animated Cultural History Minutes/Animation Testing System: Development of Public Service Announcements.

Linda Beamer (*Marketing*), Methodologies for Teaching High Performance Leadership Skills.

Kim Bishop (*Geological Sciences*), Field Mapping Materials and Sites for Landslides, Avalanches, and Debris Flows.

Christine Givner (Special Education), Web Guidelines for Program Portfolio Development and Evaluation Rubics.

Elena Glasberg (*Liberal Studies*), Collaborative Student-Faculty Web Textbook for Liberal Studies Senior Thesis.

Shirley Gray (Mathematics and Computer Science), Four Firsts in Mathematics: Developing Ethno-Mathematics Instructional Materials; Activities Featuring Gender and Cultural Awareness.

Barry Hibbs *(Geological Sciences)*, Conflicts Between Development and Ecology in Newport Back Bay.

Kylie Hsu (Modern Languages and Literatures), WebCT Course in Business Chinese.

Carol Jeffers (*Art*), Evaluating Campus-Based Service Learning in Cal State L.A. Galleries.

Timothy Lim (*Political Science*), Building a Global Learning Community Via the Internet. **Susan Mason** (Theatre Arts and Dance), Race--a play created by and with Cal State L.A. students and immigrants in L.A.'s communities, directed by Pascal Rambert.

Pamela Regan (*Psychology*), Computer-Based Research Experiences in Social Psychology.

Lael Sorenson (History), Evaluating Primary Sources in the Digital Age: The CSULA Contribution to Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age.

Alan Stein (*Library*), Project W.I.S.E.: The Next Step.

Connie Utterback (*Art*), Computer-Based Visual Presentations for the Study of Color.

Ashish Vaidya (Economics and Statistics), Online Certificate Program in Business Management.

Elizabeth Viau (Educational Foundations and Interdivisional Studies), World Builders, Part II.

Ping Yao (*History*), Active Learning on the Web for History Curriculum.

Andrea Zetlin (Special Education), Developing Fieldwork for New Autism Program.

The Innovative Instruction Award Program was established by the Academic Senate and the President to offer financial support to faculty members for the development of innovative instructional approaches in new or improved curriculum and delivery of instruction or instructional materials to be used by Cal State L.A. students. The program is supported by a grant from the President and is coordinated by the Center for Effective Teaching and Learning.

In the News (cont. from page 7)

• Mary Helen Ponce (*English*) had an opinion piece entitled "A Notion of Latinos as Nonreaders Is Put to Rest" printed in the Metro section, *Los Angeles Times*, Valley Edition, Sep. 13, 1998.

• Jaime Regalado (*Pat Brown Institute*) was interviewed by the *Pasadena Star News* regarding "Elections 1998" on Sep. 10, 1998; was also an invited guest for the elections coverage on the Larry Mantle Show, KPCC-FM, 4 p.m., Nov. 3, 1998.

• Arthur Smith (emeritus, History) was quoted as an expert on World War II in the article, "Taking on 'Private Ryan,' " *Los Angeles Times*, Calendar section, July 29, 1998.

• The **Division of Special Education** in the Charter School of Education was mentioned in the article, "Transpacific Studies," by Rodney Tanaka, in the *Glendale News Press*, Aug. 11, 1998.