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## **Gutiérrez Receives ACS Award**

hemistry professor Carlos G. Gutiérrez was recently selected to receive the 2001 American Chemical Society Award for Encouraging Disadvantaged Students into Careers in the Chemical Sciences.

The award, sponsored by The Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation, Inc., honors Gutiérrez for his significant contributions to the educational success of students underrepresented in the sciences. It also recognizes his dedication as a classroom instructor, faculty advisor, research supervisor, director of University programs and his active participation in programs at the national level. The 2001 awards presentation is scheduled for April 3, at the 221st ACS national meeting in San Diego, California.

Gutiérrez is currently serving as director of Cal State L.A.'s NIH (National Institutes of Health) Minority Access to Research Careers and Minority Biomedical Research Support programs. He is also the faculty coordinator and mentor for the Beckman Scholars program at Cal State L.A.

The American Chemical Society Award is the world's largest scientific society. The ACS recognizes individuals who have significantly stimulated or fostered the interest of students, especially economically disadvantaged students, in chemistry, thereby promoting their professional development as chemists or chemical engineers, and/or increasing their appreciation of chemistry as the central science.

The award consists of \$5,000 and a certificate. In addition, a grant of \$10,000 will be made to the University, designated by the recipient, to strengthen its activities in meeting the objectives of the award. An allowance of up \$1,500 is provided for travel expenses to the meeting at which the award was presented.

## **Master's Thesis Award Recipient**



al State L.A. student **Reinard Knur** is the recipient of the 2001 Western Association of Graduate Schools (WAGS/UMI) Master's Thesis Award. The presentation of the award was made at the WAGS/UMI annual meeting in March.

This special honor is given annually to one graduate student from nearly 100 member institutions whose master's thesis exemplifies excellence in his or her field of study. The award, which includes a certificate of accomplishment and an honorarium of \$1,000, is also a mark of distinction for Cal State L.A.

Knur, a civil engineering major, received the award for his outstanding thesis on "The Effect of Dam Construction in the Malibu Creek Watershed on the Malibu Coastline Sediment Budget."

The thesis was written under the mentorship of Cal State L.A. professors in civil engineering and geology. The thesis chair was Professor **Young C. Kim**, chair of the Civil Engineering Department at Cal State L.A.

This will be the second time in five years that a Cal State L.A. thesis has been selected as the best in the West.

### **Grad Helps Aging Vets**

hrough an innovative project to teach social work graduate students about working with older adults, Cal State L.A. social work major **Desmonette Hazly** (pictured) and UCLA student Maria Carpiac have taken the lead in establishing a comprehensive care clinic at the Veteran's Administration (VA) Medical Center in West Los Angeles.



According to Hazly, the new clinic is designed "to provide extensive health education and social support for an aged population that is increasingly using the emergency room and other urgent care services for non-emergency issues."

Under the direction of Dr. Steven Castle, physicians, nurses, social workers, pharmacists, and psychologists collaborate to address the complete needs of older adults.

According to the National Association of Social Workers, as many as 70,000 new social workers will be needed to serve older adults and their families by the year 2020. With current medical advances, people are living longer. The impact on the demographics and the social infrastructure to manage older adults and their social needs is staggering. To meet this challenge, Cal State L.A. has joined forces with the Southern California Geriatric Social Work Education Consortium to create a new model for training social work practitioners in the field of geriatrics.

Hazly, **Zoila Nova** and **Shirley Maalouf** are Cal State L.A. students participating in GSWEC, which has received \$479,000 in funding from the John A. Hartford Foundation and \$450,000 from the Archstone Foundation.

## Professional Activities

Bryant Alexander (Communication Studies) and Patrick Bailey (University-Student Union) were guest presenters at the Tufts University Emerging Leaders Conference in Boston, MA. Alexander gave the keynote address and Bailey led an Experiential Leadership Session whose participants were selected by Tufts faculty and staff, Feb. 10, 2001.

Patrick Bailey (University-Student Union) was facilitator for the Sonoma State University Leadership Conference. His presentations focused on Empowering Students, Communication and Establishing Successful Relationships Across Campus, Bishops Ranch, Sonoma County, Jan. 26-27, 2001.

**Jamil Momand** (Chemistry and Biochemistry) presented "Redox Regulation of Transcription Factors" at the UCLA Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Feb. 9, 2001.

Donald R. Paulson (Chemistry and Biochemistry) presented "Active Learning and Cooperative Learning: A Success Story from the Chemistry Classroom" as part of the "Symposia on Making Active Learning Courses in Science and Mathematics Successful," at the National Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, San Francisco, CA, Feb. 18, 2001.

Joseph Prabhu (Philosophy) chaired and served as respondent at a session on "Hegel and Religious 'Others'" at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion at Nashville, TN, Nov. 20, 2000; gave a talk to the Hindu-Catholic Ecumenical Group of the Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles on "Guidelines for Interreligious Dialogue in Light of the Vatican's Recent Declaration" at the Vedanta Center, L.A., Jan. 9, 2001. Prabhu also gave a talk to the Hindu-Catholic EcumenicalGroup of the Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles on "'Dominus Iesus': Repercussions and Implications" at the Vedanta Center, L.A., Mar. 1. 2001.

Gilbert Sanchez (Pat Brown Institute) was a presenter at a conference sponsored by the Coalition for Juvenile Justice, U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Los Angeles, Feb. 7-10, 2001. He presented the PBI Gang Violence Bridging Program as a means of strengthening families, improving school performance and reducing crime.

Michael Siler (Political Science) presented "The International Studies Classroom Workshop: Active Teaching, Active Learning" and was a panelist at the USC School of International Relations Conference, Oct. 20-21, 2000. With Audrey Mathews, he presented "National Housing Policy Stymies African American Entrepreneurs' Search for Financial Capital," at both the Universidad Veracruzana (Mexico) and Texas A&M University Conference, Intercultural Development Across the Border II: An Intercultural Research Exchange Between the United States and Mexico, May 20-28, 2000. He also presented "The Housing Crisis in National Minority Communities: An Analysis of Nonprofit Solution(s)," at the Academy of Business Administration Conference, Cancun, Mexico, Dec. 18-23, 2000.

#### **Publications**

**Daniel Crecelius** (*History*) published "Al-Jabarti's `Aja'ib al-Athar fi l'Tarajim wa l'Akhbar and the Arabic Histories of Ottoman Egypt in the Eighteenth Century," in *The Historiography of Islamic Egypt* (c. 950-1800), ed., Hugh Kennedy, E.J. Brill, Leiden, 2001.

**Siegrun Fox Freyss** (Political Science) published "Diversity Conflict Management: Strengthening the House that Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Have Built," *Public Personnel Administration*, vol. XX, no. 3, Summer 2000.

Gerda Govine (Extended Education) had an article, "San Gabriel Valley Living



Almanac 2000: Community Indicators/ Economic Analysis & Economic Data," published by the San Gabriel Valley Foundation for Economic Growth, in conjunction with the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership, Eduction section, Jan. 2000. The article included a picture of Salazar Hall and the Luckman Fine Arts Complex.

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#### Administrative Appointment

Executive Director Randi Moore, Alumni Relations, has announced the following appointment:

Mark Hooper, director of marketing and advocacy, effective Nov. 11, 2000. In



his new post, Hooper is responsible for the alumni membership and benefits program, implementing the association's marketing plan and building a database of annual alumni, student and faculty survey results. He is also responsible for expanding the University's Ambassadors for Higher Education group and establishing an alumni advocacy network. Hooper directed similar programs at UCLA and the UC President's Office and has consulted at universities in Texas, Alabama, Florida and throughout California, including the CSU Chancellor's Office. He is a graduate of UCLA and the Claremont Graduate School and served as a Coro Fellow in St. Louis, MO.



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#### **Publications**

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**Steven Hawkins** (Kinesiology and Physical Education), with Y.S. Jung and R.A. Wiswell, published "Body composition and muscle strength as determinants of racial difference in bone mineral density," Journal of Aging and Physical Activity, vol. 9, Feb. 2001.

George K. Hong (Administration and Counseling), with MaryAnna Domokos-Cheng Ham, recently published Psychotherapy and Counseling with Asian American Clients, Sage Publications, Inc.,



2001. The book is a practical and comprehensive guide for clinicians, trainees and students interested in developing their skills in providing psychotherapy and counseling to Asian American clients. Many frequently asked questions regarding clinical work with Asian Americans are discussed in this book, ranging from the cultural similarities and differences among various Asian American groups to clinical implications of immigration and refugee experiences. Practical suggestions and case examples are also offered.

**Jamil Momand** (Chemistry and Biochemistry) published an article, "p53 protein oxidation in cultured cells in



response to pyrrolidine dithiocarbamate: a novel method for reating the amount of p53 oxidation in vivo to the regulation of p53-responsive genes" in the *Biochemical Journal*, vol. 351, 2000.

Elliott Oring (Anthropology) published "Colonizing Humor," in Western Humor and Eastern Laughter, Osaka: Kansai University, 2000.

An article by **Joseph Prabhu** (*Philosophy*), "Gandhi, Globalization and a Culture of Peace" has been translated

into Japanese and was published in the *Keiwa College (Shibata) Journal*, Mar. 2001.

Pamela Regan (Psychology) published the results of a 600-person survey investigating people's preferences for various types of relational partners. The article, "Partner Preferences: What Characteristics Do Men and Women Desire in Their Short-term Sexual and Long-term Romantic Partners?", was published in *The Journal of Psychology & Human Sexuality*, Dec. 2000.

Michael Siler (Political Science), with Audrey Mathews, published "Financing Commercial and Low/Moderate Housing: Minority Entrepreneurs, Urban Communities, Government/Private Sector Roles and Programs," in the peer reviewed journal, The Academy of Business Administration, 1999. He also published book chapters, "The Carthaginian-Syracusan War," "Punic Wars," "Battle of Cannae," "Scipio Africanus," "Hamilicar Barca," "Genghis Khan," "Mongol Empire," "Battle of Algiers," "Battle of Hue," "Battle of Kharkov," and "Battle of Khartoum," in the Encyclopedia of Military History, Salem Press, Oct. 2000.

#### HONORS AND APPOINTMENTS

Patrick Bailey (University-Student Union) was elected to a two-year term on the Executive Committee of the Auxiliary Organization Association, effective Jan. 10, 2001. He has been selected to chair the Student Union/Associated Students Committee, for the 2001-2002 academic year. In addition, he was selected to serve as the Conference Planning Team Chair for the 2004 Association of College Unions International Conference in Washington, DC.

Kevin Bolling (University-Student Union) was recently elected Far West Regional Coordinator for the National Association of Campus Activities. The region includes California, Nevada, Arizona and Utah. He will be serving a two-year term effective July 1, 2001.

Marshall Cates (Mathematics and Computer Science) was appointed by the Statewide Academic Senate to the Entry Level Mathematics Advisory Committee and the ELM Development Committee. He was also appointed to a committee to develop a new ELM. At the system level, he was invited to be one of two CSU faculty representatives to a state board of education task force studying alignment of assessment activities across all public systems. He also serves as the lead faculty for mathematics in the IMPAC

project, an intersegmental project to coordinate lower division expectations in the major.

**Joseph Prabhu** (*Philosophy*) has been elected to the International Committee for International Cooperation of the



American Philosophical Association for 2001-2004. He has also been appointed to the board of the Noetic Sciences Institute of Sausalito, CA, effective Jan. 2001.

#### In the News

James Brady's (Anthropology) discovery of the "Cave of the Glowing Skulls," an ancient burial of human bones and offerings, was rebroadcast on The Discovery Channel, Feb. 10, 2001.

Cal State L.A. student and baseball team member **Jay Caligiuri** was featured nationally in an article, "4 of a Kind (Homers) for Cal State L.A.'s Caliguiri," for making four home runs in a game, *USA Today*, Feb. 7, 2001.

Cal State L.A.'s **CEA-CREST** program was featured in an article, "CEA-CREST: Anticipation—First Ph.D. Candidate Completing Final Chapters of Dissertation," by **Robert Nakamura** (Biology and Microbiology), in the California Alliance for Minority Participation in Science, Engineering and Mathematics Quarterly, Winter 2001.

**Stuart Fischoff**'s (Psychology) comments on the position paper of the American Academy of Pediatrics concerning the connection between TV violence and real-world violence appeared in a USA Today article, "Fight for quality TV moves to pediatrics: Group urges doctors to

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#### César Chávez Day Observance

March 31, César Chávez Day, has been designated as a paid holiday for CSU employees. This year, March 31 falls on a Saturday, therefore César Chávez Day will be observed on Friday, March 30. Campus will also be closed.

#### **News** (cont. from page 3)

protest violence," Feb. 6, 2001; Fischoff was a guest on E! News Daily, Feb 2, 2001, commenting on the future of reality TV; his comments about the latest Kaiser Foundation study on the amount of sex portrayed on TV on adult and teen shows appeared online, on the Web site ABCNews.com, in an article entitled "TV Bedroom Bonanza," Feb. 6, 2001. His comments about the appeal of vampires in books, TV, and movies and how monsters in general have changed in motivation since he 1970s appeared in an article entitled "Vampires Don't Suck," Retrovision, Feb. 2001 issue. Fischoff appeared on E! News Daily to comment on why people are motivated to appear on Reality TV shows, Jan. 31. 2001. His comments on football widows appeared in the N.Y. Daily News on Jan. 25, 2001 in the article, "Super Bowl Survivors: football's merry widows." His observations about people's preference for TV reality over personal reality appeared in the New York Times article, "Reality TV? Television colonized reality long ago," Jan. 21, 2001. Comments by Fischoff about recent movies centering on writers, such as Quills, Finding Forrester, and Wonder Boys, appeared in a USA Today article, "Hollywood's latest craze celebrates the write stuff," Jan. 10, 2001.

The Luckman Fine Arts Gallery's exhibition, *Terms of Engagement*, was featured in an article, "People and Their Places," by Raul Vasquez, Eastern Group Publications, Jan. 18, 2001.

Jaime Regalado (Pat Brown Institute) was interviewed by: Matea Gold of the Los Angeles Times, for a story on race relations in Los Angeles, Dec. 13, 2000; by Hector Becerra, Los Angeles Times, on organized labor in Orange and Los Angeles Counties, Jan. 12; by John Mitchell, Los Angeles Times, on the 2001 Los Angeles political races, Feb. 14, and by Dan Borenstein, Contra Costa Times, on the importance of redistricting to California, Feb. 15. He participated in the live, in-studio Life and Times program on KCET focusing on the Governor's State of the State address, Jan. 9, 2001.

Pamela Regan (Psychology) was the featured interview subject in the Dec. 2000 issue of Veja magazine ("Entrevista: Pamela Regan") by reporter Anna Paula Buchalla. The interview focused on the work that Regan and her students at Cal State L.A. have conducted on attraction and close relationships.

The **Roybal Center** was mentioned in the article, "Clinton Awards Edward Roybal Citizen's Medal for Life Work," Jan. 17, 2001.

Patricia Savich (Communications Disorder), director of the Child Abuse and Family Violence Institute, was quoted in the article, "Too Many Violent Dads Get Custody of Children," by June Dunbar, Daily Breeze, Jan. 22, 2001.

The College of Engineering and Technology's **Solar Eagle III project** was featured in a Women in Film public service announcement that aired on the San Gabriel community channel (CH3), Jan. 2001, and throughout California.

## Oh, The Places You'll Go!



n Dr. Seuss' birthday, March 2, Cal State L.A.'s America Reads & Counts program featured special presentations by teams of student readers assigned to seven schools, as part of Read Across America—a national campaign to encourage children to read. This year's theme is "Oh, The Places You'll Go," inspired by Dr. Seuss' modern classic. **Jorge Uranga** (EPIC) is the director for Cal State L.A.'s program.

Cal State L.A. administrators who participated in the readings included (pictured) **Tony Ross** (Student Affairs), **Carl Selkin** (Arts and Letters), **David Godoy** (Student Affairs/Student Services) and **David McNutt** (Publications/Public Affairs).

Ross read one of his favorite Dr. Seuss' books, *Sneetches*, to Ms. Vasher's third grade class at the 99th Street School.

## PBI News Conference on Immigration



he Pat Brown Institute held a press conference on February 12 to release the inaugural State of Immigration Report, authored by (pictured) Dr. Ali Modarres, Pat Brown Institute associate director and director of the Institute's research and publications program. The Report's main focus is on Asian immigration in Los Angeles and California. Fifteen media outlets were represented including those from Japanese, Chinese and Korean television. Segments of the event and interviews with Dr. Modarres aired on National Public Radio, KNX and KFWB news. A University-community forum, "Census 2000: Accessing and Assessing the Data," co-hosted by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, followed the press conference. Dr. Craig Flanery (Pat Brown Institute and Political Science) served as event coordinator. During the forum, Dr. Bill Pitkin, UCLA, and Alan Clayton, a redistricting expert, spoke on the significance of the 2000 Census reports for housing policy and redistricting, respectively.

#### In Memoriam

Nancy Brown (*Records*), who worked at Cal State L.A. for more than 35 years, passed away on Feb. 19, 2001. Brown



graduated from Cal State L.A. in 1964 with a bachelor's degree in economics. She is survived by a daughter Wendy, mother, sister and brother. Memorial services were held on Feb. 23 at Forest Lawn in Glendale.