Looking Back On A Year's Worth of Events and Partnership Efforts

Campus Reaches Out Through Social Media and Wide Range of Programs

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"Science Guy" Bill Nye takes a selfie with student Jonathan Kwok during March's "Explorations in Citizen Science" symposium, which featured student research and faculty lectures.

A YEAR OF EVENTS TO REMEMBER


"I see the future of America right out there!" Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/commence-sanchez.asp) told the Class of 2014 during the second day of the University's commencement weekend. "You are the ones who will drive our nation and change the world!"

"While tomorrow is the first day of the rest of your life, today is your halftime," said Richard K. Davis (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/commence-main.asp)'83 (B.A. economics), chairman, president and chief executive officer of U.S. Bancorp, who addressed graduates at the Saturday ceremonies. CSUF conferred on Davis an honorary doctorate of humane letters, in recognition of his significant contributions to the University and the community.

Over the summer, President Mildred García welcomed faculty members and administrators from across the nation at the "Faculty Leadership for the 21st Century," (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/aaacandU-Meeting.asp) sponsored by the Association of American Colleges and Universities. In August, she ushered in the 2014-15 academic year with a convocation (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/convocation-address-2014.asp) address that welcomed new faculty members and celebrated the University's fast progress in achieving the goals of its Strategic Plan.

In 2014, Cal State Fullerton also hosted the Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research (SCCUR) (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/SCCUR-event.asp) for the first time. The conference attracted 1,500 students, their faculty mentors and guests — including 300 CSUF student presenters — from more than 100 colleges and universities across the region. The 2014 Trust Summit (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/2014-trust-summit.asp) brought more than 400 business and nonprofit leaders, marketing strategists, entrepreneurs and educators. The College of Engineering and Computer Science hosted the 12th International Symposium on Geo-Disaster Reduction (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/geo-disaster.asp), while a panel of scientists, engineers, environmental agency and industry representatives delivered a primer on oil extraction in north Orange County (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/Oil-Extraction-Symposium-Enlightens.asp).
Cal State Fullerton joined the California State University and sister campuses in implementing the Red Folder Initiative (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014fa/Red-Folder.asp), a reference guide for a wide variety of emergency campus resources to help any student in distress.

A March 28 earthquake (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/0328temblor.asp) caused the closure of the fourth, fifth and sixth floors of the Pollak Library. To serve the research needs of the campus community, the library began and continues a book-paging program.

VISITORS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Last year, Titans welcomed a Central American delegation (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014fa/HACU-Delegation-Tours-Campus.asp) of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, 62 faculty members from universities in China's Juangsu Province (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014js/visiting-chinese-faculty.asp) as part of a visiting scholars program and Cuban journalism (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014fa/cubanjournosvisit.asp) professors, students and professionals for a collaborative training effort — a project of the College of Communications' Maxwell Center for International Communications and Media.

The University hosted its first USA-Uzbekistan Conference (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/uzbekistan-conference.asp) on Natural Sciences and Mathematics in May.

President Mildred Garcia met with Pyeongtaek University (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/Korean-Agreement.asp) President Ki-Hung Cho in July to formalize an agreement of student exchanges and collaboration between the two universities.

In December, Korean Consul General Hyun-myung Kim (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014fa/Korean-Consul-Visit.asp) took a tour of the campus and a meeting with the Titan baseball team; he also gave a presentation about the influence of Korean culture around the world.

The School of Nursing (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014sp/nursing_partnership.asp) formed a partnership with Orange Coast Memorial Medical Center to work with the hospital's registered nurses on evidence-based practice research. The partnership will give opportunities to nursing faculty and students to work with registered nurses who are conducting evidence-based research focused on enhancing the quality and safety of patient care to optimize outcomes, said Christine Latham, professor of nursing.

GOING SOCIAL


In July, Cal State Fullerton was the winner of Forbes magazine's #MyTopCollege (http://news.fullerton.edu/2014su/CSUF%20MyTopCollege.asp) social media campaign. To see how the year was shaped by contributions from our thousands of followers and likers, read our Storify (https://storify.com/csufofficial/csuf-the-2014-top-social-media-stories). And yes, please repost, retweet and share with your family, friends and colleagues — and check out images of these and other highlights of the year (https://www.flickr.com/photos/csufnewsphotos/sets/7215764943949398270).

What did we miss? Let us know! Send your suggestions to newssubmissions@fullerton.edu.

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