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Making a Promise for Education



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Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Michael D. Young is pictured with Associated Students President Jonathan Abboud.

“I promise to switch jobs for a day with UCSB Associated Students (A. S.) President Jonathan Abboud, as well as shadow at least four other UCSB staff members during the winter quarter!” Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Michael D. Young made this promise in an effort that raised over \$2,000 for scholarships for UCSB students. This fall, the University of California Office of the President launched the Promise for Education fundraising

campaign in an effort that raised over \$1.3M for undergraduate students. During the six-week crowdfunding campaign, anyone could make a promise, set a funding goal, and share it on their social networking channels. Participants could dedicate funds raised to a specific UC campus, or to the UC system.

This winter, with the cooperation of A. S. President Jonathan Abboud, Vice Chancellor Young made good on his promise. On a recent Friday, the two leaders exchanged

offices and spent the day in the shoes of the other. “There’s a new sheriff in town,” joked Vice Chancellor Young. In the Office of the Vice Chancellor, Mr. Abboud met and discussed campus issues with several leaders in the Division of Student Affairs, including the deans of Student Life, the directors of Financial Aid & Scholarships and of Admissions and the Executive Director of Resource and Capital Planning. Mr. Abboud also met with UCSB’s Interim Executive Vice Chancellor. “I’d love to get people to stop focusing on what isn’t working or won’t work,” said Mr. Abboud when asked about his philosophy on being a leader. “Let’s stop the paradigm of things not being possible because of budget issues; let’s be creative and flexible about what can happen.”

While spending his day as an A. S. president, Dr. Young held meetings with the A.S. Executive Committee, attended interviews for student staff positions, held office hours, and toured the A. S. Food Bank. “I was reminded of and re-amazed about how truly broad and varied Associated Students really is,” said Vice Chancellor Young of his day as the student body president. “I already knew how amazing Associated Students is, but there is a certain ‘wow’ factor when you experience it for yourself.” Vice Chancellor Young is looking forward to completing the rest of his promise by shadowing staff members at A. S. Recycling, a UCSB residence hall dining facility, the UC Police Department, and at the front desk of the Student Resource Building. ■

Spring Career Fair 2014

The Spring Career Fair, UCSB’s largest recruiting event of the year, will be held on Wednesday, April 16 and Thursday, April 17 from 12-4 p.m. in Corwin Pavilion. (Special 12-1 p.m. early entry for pre-approved students.) This annual event

hosts approximately 100 employers who are seeking to hire UCSB students as they graduate. Day 1 is “Science, Technology, and Engineering Day.” Students studying in these areas or seeking a job using their technical skills are encouraged to attend this event. Day 2 is “All Majors Day” and will host employers from various industries, including the non-profit sector. This is a general career fair with opportunities of interest to all students. If your student is not yet a senior, you should still encourage him or her to

attend. Getting a feel for these events and learning how to work a fair when you’re not seeking a job is a valuable experience for the future. Visit <http://career.sa.ucsb.edu/career-fairs/spring-career-fair> for more information including criteria for early entry. ■



The MultiCultural Center: A Bridge to the Campus Community



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Above, the interior of the MultiCultural Center Lounge; below, the exterior of the MCC.

For 27 years, the UCSB MultiCultural Center (MCC) has played a critical role in impacting the intellectual and social growth of UCSB students and the greater Santa Barbara community. Established in 1987, the MCC was chartered by students to provide a voice for underrepresented communities at UCSB and a safe space for marginalized students. The MCC achieves this goal by offering consciousness-raising artwork, lectures, films, music, and dance that challenge racial stereotypes, explain

the historical context of inequity, and increase awareness of the barriers to equality faced by many.

Among the cultural centers statewide, the UCSB MultiCultural Center is recognized as a role model for proactive approaches that enhance learning. Through a variety of mediums, the MCC continues to validate, celebrate, and teach about racial equality, social justice, and inclusivity. Events often fill the 154-seat theater; rooms are regularly utilized by various student groups; and programs

generate discussions that make an impression on participants long after the program ends.

The MCC presents an average of 22-24 events each quarter. In particular, the “Race Matters Series” and “Diversity Lecture Series” are popular among students and faculty alike. These lectures address issues of identity, racial and religious profiling, interfaith understanding, and intersectionality. The gallery presents a new art exhibition each quarter and, through multiple art mediums, affirms identity and captures the essence of social justice.

While the MCC has evolved over the years, it remains a vibrant voice for the voiceless, a space that makes the invisible visible, and an important place where student communities are built and nurtured. MCC Director Zaveeni Khan-Marcus says, “With over 50 organizations affiliated with the MCC, we are pleased our venue has a positive effect on so many UCSB community members, and we are proud of the legacy we have honored and continue to support.”

For more information about the UCSB Multicultural Center, including upcoming events, visit <http://mcc.sa.ucsb.edu>. ■

Campus Safety: A Message from the Chancellor

The occurrence of sexual assault on university campuses is receiving nationwide attention. UCSB takes campus safety and the issue of sexual assault extremely seriously, and has established itself as a leader in implementing education, prevention and awareness programs. The campus has a professional police force that patrols university-owned property and commits extensive resources to the Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Department to enhance safety in the neighboring unincorporated community of Isla Vista. Despite these efforts, our campus, like other universities, is not immune to crime as was evidenced by a violent assault that occurred on the edge of campus in late February.

In response, Chancellor Yang immediately released a statement highlighting the University’s commitment to the safety and welfare of our students and outlining other measures to increase security. The statement committed the campus to the prompt hiring of more police officers; increase of police patrols on campus and in Isla Vista; and installation of additional lighting and security cameras on

campus and in Isla Vista. Chancellor Yang also committed to increasing staffing to support sexual assault prevention and our campus’s advocacy and counseling response for survivors of sexual violence. The full text of the Chancellor’s message is available at <http://chancellor.ucsb.edu/memos/?2.26.2014.A.Message.from.Chancellor.Yang>.

Parents, please remind your student to make use of UCSB’s Community Service Organization (CSO) which provides courtesy escorts for students traveling on campus and in Isla Vista. Urge your student to enter the CSO phone number (805-893-2000) in his or her cell phone so that it is readily accessible. Escorts can also be requested through red emergency phones located all over campus.

UCSB’s Campus Advocacy Resources and Education (CARE) Program, housed in our Department of Women, Gender, and Sexual Equity, provides sexual violence prevention, education, and advocacy efforts to the campus community. Confidential advocates are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week by

calling the CARE Advocacy Line at (805) 839-4613, or visiting <http://wgse.sa.ucsb.edu/CARE>. CARE also offers ongoing training for students about their services, bystander intervention, how to help a friend/student/loved one, and reporting options.

The University also offers a free course that provides basic self defense techniques and focuses on sexual assault awareness. For more information, please visit the following website: <http://www.police.ucsb.edu/crime-prevention/rape-aggression-defense-program>.

Counseling and support is also available to students through Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) by appointment and 24/7 by calling (805) 893-4411. Students with urgent concerns can be seen on a walk-in basis. If your son or daughter has concerns about the recent assault or needs support, please encourage him or her to seek support from CAPS, CARE, or other campus professionals such as staff members in Residential & Community Living, Student Life, or the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). ■

Hit Me With Your Best Shot ... Fire Away!

Hit me with your best shot ...



UCSB provided the Meningitis B vaccine at no charge to over 9,000 undergraduate students during clinics held February 24-March 7 in the Multi-Activity Court (MAC) at the Recreation Center. Normally used as a regulation-sized floor hockey rink, the MAC was transformed by the campus into a fully operational medical clinic for the two week event. Since the vaccine requires two doses for full protection, the second dose will be administered in the same location during the week of April 7-11. The second dose is very important to provide longer immunity to the disease. Students who were not able to come for the first dose can receive it in April. Students who will not be on campus during these dates should call Student Health at (805) 893-3113 to make special arrangements.

“We are very grateful for the support of parents who encouraged their students to obtain the vaccine. Many students told us

they only came at the urging of their parents, who have a stronger appreciation for how important it was to receive the vaccine,” comments Senior Associate Dean for Student Life, Debbie Fleming. Although there have been no new cases of meningococcal disease at UCSB since November 2013, the CDC still considers the campus to be in an outbreak and recommends that all eligible students be vaccinated. “It would be tragic if someone here got this disease and we could have prevented it with this vaccine, which we have taken extraordinary measures to bring to campus,” reminds Dr. Mary Ferris, executive director for UCSB Student Health. “To help prevent further spread, the University supports the CDC’s recommendation and is making this vaccine available at no charge.” For more information please visit <http://studenthealth.sa.ucsb.edu/Meningitishealthalert.aspx> or the CDC site <http://www.cdc.gov/meningococcal/outbreaks/ucsb.html>. ■

Parents, Please Help Discourage “Deltopia”

For several years in a row, crowds have converged on Isla Vista on a Saturday in early spring quarter to participate in an unsponsored, un-hosted street party dubbed “Deltopia.” Each year, word has spread through social media channels resulting in increasing numbers of visitors and increasing problems. In past years crowds have formed on Del Playa, the ocean-side street that houses many UCSB students. Large open parties at private residences and a festival atmosphere in the street are the attractions. In 2013, Deltopia crowds unexpectedly swelled to over 15,000 causing vandalism to parked cars, as well as dangerous crowding on balconies. Most tragically, a college student visiting Isla Vista from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo fell from the cliffs and lost her life.

In anticipation of a 2014 Deltopia

on April 5, the Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Department is planning for substantially increased presence of officers and a zero tolerance approach to enforcing laws and ordinances in the community. UCSB is communicating with students to remind them of the negative consequences of this unplanned and unsponsored event that takes place without proper infrastructure to ensure safety and security.

As UCSB’s Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Michael Young, said in a recent email to students, “Despite all the concerted efforts of local officials, no one can really end or contain Deltopia except the students and other residents who live in Isla Vista. It is, after all, the members of a community who define the character and quality of that community. Ultimately, you will decide what behaviors

are acceptable in Isla Vista; you must demand respect from the outsiders you invite in. Making positive, healthy, and safe choices over the Deltopia weekend is a critical first step. What can you do? Discourage visitors; pass on hosting a large party; stay off roofs, avoid crowded balconies; and keep a safe distance from the cliffs, which were significantly eroded in some places by recent storms. Watch out for your friends. Better yet, start a social media campaign to end Deltopia. By making sound collective choices, our community can begin to regain a sense of safety and security and we can protect the beautiful place in which we are so privileged to live and learn.”

Parents, please join UCSB in communicating with your students about the dangers of Deltopia and the negative impacts of this event on the local community. ■

New University-Owned Sierra Madre Apartments Coming Fall 2015!



Construction on the Sierra Madre Apartments has begun! The new apartment complex will provide housing for 515 students in 115 double-occupancy units including 3-bedroom, 2-bedroom, and 1-bedroom apartments. Sierra Madre will be much more than a typical apartment complex; it will be a bustling community with a central commons area to support studying, socializing, dining, and recreational activities. True to UCSB’s commitment to the environment, Sierra Madre has been designed to exceed LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental De-

sign) Gold—a federal standard that rates buildings based on their environmental friendliness by using guidelines set by the U.S. Green Building Council. This new housing project is part of the University’s Long-Range Development Plan, which encompasses expanding enrollment and provision of UCSB-operated housing to a higher percentage of undergraduate students. Sierra Madre is scheduled to open fall 2015, so your son or daughter could be one of the first residents! For more information, please visit <http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hrs-building-development>. ■

A New Chapter for the UCSB Library



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A rendering of the Davidson Library Renovation.

In August 2013, the UCSB Library broke ground on its first major construction project in 35 years. Rising enrollment, technological advances, and the changing nature of research and learning have demanded a reinvention of the Library.

Major components of the project are:

- A three-story building addition on the north side of the Library to include a 24-Hour Information Commons, Faculty Collaboration Studio, interactive instruction lab, café, and state-of-the-art facility for Special Collections, which houses the Library's unique and rare treasures;
- A complete renovation and seismic retrofit of the original two-story building to house the Art Library, an exhibition gallery, and bookable group study rooms;
- A Paseo, or grand walkway, which connects all parts of the Library as well as the campus; and
- A seismic retrofit of the eight-story tower and life-safety upgrades throughout.

Library services remain fully operational throughout construction, and most of the building is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for students. Already, the loudest phase of construction—demolition work to make way for the Paseo—is complete. The entire project is expected to be completed in January 2016.

The Library Addition and Renovation project, which was in the planning stages for many years, is being financed in part by a \$76 million state bond. Additional fundraising is underway to support the technology and furnishings necessary for student and faculty success in the new spaces, and to endow collections and digitization efforts beyond the scope of the building.

Hard hat tours will be offered during All-Gauchos Reunion and at other special events. More information about the project, including renderings of the new building, photographs of construction, and a virtual tour can be found at <http://www.library.ucsb.edu/building>. ■



At left, a rendering of the entrance to the Davidson Library. At right, the side of the Davidson Library.

Greek/Student Life Resource Center Opens Its Doors



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Participants in the 14th Annual Leadership Conference

Working closely with student leaders and the Student Life Interns this past summer, the Office of Student Life (OSL) remodeled the Greek/Student Life Resource Center to be a more welcoming and useful space. Frequented by students seeking involvement in UCSB's 450 diverse registered campus organizations, the Resource Center also functions as a comfortable space for student leaders to hold informal meetings and as a place for students to study.

The remodel focused on creating plentiful seating and workspaces, the infusion of technology, and the increased availability of rental equipment. Four seating areas/workspaces were created: a casual lounge of comfortable couches with pull-up tables, a conference table with plug-and-play access to a 55" LCD screen, two seated and two standing workstations for the Student Life Interns, and two wall-mounted net stations, which accommodate standing and seated users, including users in wheelchairs. Funding for the remodel came exclusively from revenue generated by reservations of campus facilities by off-campus users.

The Student Life Interns work closely with the OSL staff to administer registered campus organizations, Greek Life (fraternities and sororities), leadership development programs, and other initiatives and they are readily available in the Resource Center to assist students with related questions.

The Resource Center is located in the Student Resource Building (SRB), room 1104, and is open and staffed during most building hours (Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-12 a.m. and Fri. 9 a.m.-6 p.m., closed holidays). Please encourage your student to stop by and talk to the Student Life Interns about getting involved! Visit <http://osl.sa.ucsb.edu>. ■

“Doctor in the House” Connects Medical Hopefuls and Practicing Professionals

Even though UCSB doesn't house a medical school, it still attracts undergraduate students planning careers in medicine and public health. As a way to nurture this interest and increase interaction between students and medical professionals, Student Affairs' Academic Initiatives launched the Doctor in the House lecture series in winter quarter. Assistant Vice Chancellor Claudine Michel worked with Dr. Edwin Feliciano of UCSB Student Health to reach out to a variety of doctors, including family practitioners, dentists, psychiatrists, and surgeons.

“We want students to get a real sense of what it means to work as a medical professional,” says Dr. Michel. “It's important for students, especially undergraduates, to be able to talk with people in the field who have first-hand knowledge.” The doctors also share their experiences as medical students—how they selected and applied to their medical school, what it is like to be a resident, challenges they faced.”



Undergraduate Johanna Rangel, a Michael D. Young Intern hoping to be a psychiatrist, is facilitating the project. “It's a wonderful opportunity that is available on campus,” she says. “There is so much to learn from all these professionals.”

The Doctor in the House lecture series continues through spring quarter. For information on scheduled speakers, visit the Doctor in the House Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/doctorinthehouse>. ■



Dear UCSB Parent,

I am pleased to announce that a new financial aid program will soon be available to UCSB students. The State of California recently created the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program. The MCS is a new program beginning in the 2014-15 academic year that provides undergraduate students with family incomes up to \$150,000 a scholarship to attend University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) campuses. In order to be considered for this new program, students must be a California resident attending a UC or CSU; a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or have AB 540 student status; meet certain income and other financial aid standards; maintain satisfactory academic progress; and, may not be in default on a student loan.

For families with income up to \$100,000, students may be eligible for a scholarship of up to 40 percent of the mandatory systemwide tuition and fees. However, the program will be phased in and the maximum award amount is a lesser percentage of mandatory systemwide tuition and fees for each academic year beginning in 2014-15 at 14%; then 2015-16 at 20%; and 2016-17 at 30%. Students from households with income between \$100,001 and \$150,000 may be eligible for a reduced scholarship of no less than 10 percent of the mandatory systemwide tuition and fees.

To apply for the MCS, students must complete a 2014-15 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <https://fafsa.ed.gov> or the California Dream Act Application at http://csac.ca.gov/dream_act.asp by March 2nd. For more information on this exciting new program, visit <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/paying-for-uc/glossary/middle-class-scholarship/index.html>.

Sincerely,

Michael M. Miller
Director, Office of Financial Aid
and Scholarships

It's Better After Dark

College students often have a reputation for partying and UCSB students are no exception. But many students who enjoy an occasional party, might think twice if more interesting events were available. The Office of Student Life provides leadership and support for After Dark Late Night Social Programming—a university-wide effort that focuses on changing the campus social culture.

The After Dark Club, a student-run organization, creates, plans, and supports social, recreational, and entertainment events and trips open to all UCSB students. This campus club provides opportunities for students to get involved and to connect with other students socially outside of the college party scene. Students interested in planning activities and joining the After Dark Club, can contact the After Dark Club Intern and President Leoda E. Valenzuela at l_e_v@umail.ucsb.edu or by calling (805) 893-4672.

After Dark also publishes the Gaucho



Nights calendar which serves as a weekly resource for students looking for things to do on campus, around Isla Vista, and in the communities of Goleta and Santa Barbara. Gaucho Nights features activities starting after 5 p.m., Monday through Sunday and can be found on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/gauchonights>.

If your student wishes to connect with others outside of the party scene, suggest the After Dark Club and the Gaucho Nights calendar. For more information contact the After Dark Intern, Marcella Wong at marcella.wong@sa.ucsb.edu. ■

Community Housing Office Supports Students Living Off Campus



College is full of stressors and when you add roommate conflicts and landlord issues into the mix you can end up with one stressed out student! UCSB's Community Housing Office (CHO) knows how important it is for

students to live in a comfortable environment they can call "home." When roommate conflicts emerge or landlord issues remain unresolved, CHO is available to help by assisting students who live in non-university-owned housing with housing concerns, questions, and conflicts.

CHO takes a two-pronged approach to supporting students. First, CHO provides students with information and tools they need to avoid conflicts with roommates and landlords. CHO encourages students to choose compatible roommates and to discuss key topics BEFORE deciding to live together. When areas of conflict do arise, CHO empowers students with effective communication techniques to resolve conflicts for a positive outcome. CHO also provides information about finding rentals, choosing compatible roommates,

understanding rental contracts, subleasing, renter's insurance, and habitability, and a valuable Move-in/Move-out Videotaping Service to help avoid security deposit disputes. Second, when conflicts do arise between roommates or with a landlord, CHO can help students work towards a resolution. The staff of CHO can provide information about renter's rights and responsibilities and act as free, confidential mediators.

"Home" should be a place where students can relax and feel comfortable and the CHO, located on the 3rd floor of the UCen, is here to help your students find their "campus home." Encourage your student to visit the Community Housing Office for all of their off-campus housing needs. Visit <http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/cho> for a list of resources and publications. "Like" us at www.facebook.com/ucsbo. ■

SCHEDULE OF CEREMONIES:

Sunday, June 8, 2014 - 11 a.m.
College of Creative Studies,
Campbell Hall

Friday, June 13, 2014 - 10 a.m.
Bren School of Environmental Science
& Management, Bren Courtyard

All Saturday (June 14) and Sunday (June 15) ceremonies take place on the Faculty Club Green

Saturday, June 14 - 9 a.m.
Sciences

Saturday, June 14 - 12:30 p.m.
Engineering and Sciences

Saturday, June 14 - 4 p.m.
Social Sciences I

Sunday, June 15 - 9 a.m.
Social Sciences II

Sunday, June 15 - 12:30 p.m.
Humanities and Arts

Sunday, June 15 - 4 p.m.
Graduate Division

A GIFT FOR YOUR GRAD: GAUCHO FOR LIFE Need a special graduation gift for your son or daughter? Consider giving a gift that will last a lifetime - a life membership in the UCSB Alumni Association. Benefits include career connections, job postings, networking opportunities, the Coastlines publication, travel tours, and access to the alumni directory and locator service. More information can be found on the Alumni Association's website at www.ucsbalum.com.



WEBCAST OF COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES For those who cannot visit campus to attend the 2014 commencement ceremonies, there will be a live webcast of the Sunday, June 8; Saturday, June 14; and Sunday, June 15 ceremonies. The web link will be posted on the UC Santa Barbara commencement website www.ia.ucsb.edu/commencement at the beginning of June 2014.

2013-14 SENIOR BOOK The Senior Book will feature a list of all graduating seniors and senior portraits taken on campus. Graduating students who have not had their photos taken can visit <http://seniorbook.sa.ucsb.edu> for more information. The last photo session available for students to have their photo included in the Senior Book is April 7-18. Senior Books will be available for pick up and purchase during commencement weekend, June 14 and 15, and can be pre-ordered at <http://seniorbook.sa.ucsb.edu>. The cost is \$20.

COMMENCEMENT PLANNING BEGINS NOW! Students must make a commencement reservation for an open and available ceremony in order to participate in commencement. Special note: Parents, please remind your student that declaring candidacy for an official degree and making a commencement reservation are two separate actions in the GOLD system. Please keep in mind that thousands of graduating seniors will be inviting family and friends to the commencement ceremonies. Students should limit their number of guests to a maximum of six to help maintain a high level of comfort and decorum. For more information, visit <http://www.ia.ucsb.edu/commencement> or contact the Office of Public Events at (805) 893-7382 or email commencement@ia.ucsb.edu. For information about accommodations, visit www.santabarbara.com. It is wise to book hotel rooms soon since space is limited, but be sure to coordinate with your student as he or she reserves a space in a particular commencement ceremony.

A new resource is now available for students and parents who have questions about the campus. UCSB ANSWERS, our robust campus knowledge based system, went live on January 27, and has been receiving nearly 1,000 questions per day in its first weeks.

The knowledge base contains answers to hundreds of common questions on a wide variety of topics, including admission, registration, campus resources, housing, financial aid, and student activities, among others, and new questions are being added all the time. The purpose of the new service is to make it easier for members of the campus community to find information without having to call, email, or wait in line at an office. According to University Registrar, Leesa Beck, who led the project to implement the service, "Over 80% of the questions that come to our office are routine, and most students would rather find the information on their own than wait for a response from us, but they simply have trouble finding what they need by searching the web." She hopes that UCSB ANSWERS will help students get timely and consistent information while reducing traffic to campus offices, so that staff can devote more time to students with complex issues.

UCSB ANSWERS can be accessed through a question box located on the Office of the Registrar or Office of Admissions websites and will be coming to other campus websites and Facebook soon. You can also access the site by visiting <http://ucsb.intelliresponse.com>.



#saysomething

Across the nation, college students are experiencing significant increases in distress including suicidal ideation.

Many times, parents are the only connection for students when they are struggling in college. In a 2011 study of over 14,000 students, Daniel Eisenberg et al. found that 52% of students with mental health issues reported turning to family members first for support. Walking the line between encouraging your student to tough it out and urging them to seek help is a difficult job. UCSB wants parents to be aware of campus resources, so that you can encourage good self-care and help-seeking behaviors for your student.

Say something. This message is being shared with parents, students, staff and faculty across

campus. Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) has developed a campaign – known as #saysomething – that focuses on empowering individuals to speak up about mental health and suicide prevention. The message is twofold. It encourages both students in distress and those who may see someone struggling, to “say something” and talk to someone who can help. This message has expanded across campus through workshops, printed material, a speaker series, a smartphone app, and a bus advertising campaign. The goal is to educate the campus community about the warning signs of distress and to get the message out about UCSB counseling and mental health resources. For more information and resources please visit <http://counseling.sa.ucsb.edu/saysomething/>.

This campaign is funded with the help of the Student Mental Health Initiative (SMHI). Aimed at prevention and early intervention, the SMHI is a statewide effort of all UC, CSU and CCC campuses. Administered by the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA), it is funded by voter-approved Prop 63. UCSB is a recipient of grant funding through the end of the current academic year.



Therapy Dogs Help Students De-Stress

Every quarter during the week before finals, Health and Wellness brings certified therapy dogs to campus to help student de-stress during one of the toughest times of the year. Studies show that animal therapy has many health benefits, including stress reduction. Encourage your student to take a break from studying for finals and come out for some much needed healthy stress relief! To reduce your stress, check out our video at <http://wellness.sa.ucsb.edu/videos.aspx>.

Smoke and Tobacco Free

Beginning Jan. 1, 2014, all UC campuses, labs, and centers are smoke and tobacco free. The new policy demonstrates UC's commitment to providing a healthy environment for faculty, staff, students and visitors. At UCSB, the use of all tobacco products – smokeless or otherwise – is prohibited in all indoor and outdoor spaces

managed by the campus. This includes smoking (cigarettes, pipes, water pipes and hookahs), smokeless tobacco (snuff, snus and chew), and unregulated nicotine products such as e-cigarettes.

“A smoke-free and tobacco-free environment will save lives and improve the health of our community,” said Chancellor Henry T. Yang. “We thank you for not smoking or using any tobacco products on campus.”

For more information about the policy, including the full text, visit <http://tobaccofree.ucsb.edu/policy>. The site also provides information about resources for those who want to kick the tobacco habit.



Gauchero Certified Farmers' Market Invites Students to 'Eat Fresh, Buy Loco'

The Gauchero Certified Farmers' Market is finally here! The on-campus market provides a resource for students, staff, faculty, and community members to buy fresh fruits, veggies, and artisan goods, as well as to learn about topics such as healthy living and sustainability. The market is conveniently located in LOT 23, adjacent to San Rafael and Isla Vista, and operates every Wednesday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Some of the local farmers participating include Ellwood Canyon Organic Farms, Friends Ranches, Underwood Family Farms, Tamai Family Farm, Rodriguez Brothers, and Tutti Fruitti Farms. Local artisans include Crazy Good Bread, Sweet Lady Cook preserves, and Rock Rose nut butters.

The market also involves the wider local community by hosting a campus or community club each week to present an educational demonstration. Live music can be heard from a local musician twice a month and popular food trucks visit monthly to enhance the community atmosphere. Next time you're on campus be sure to check us out. For more information and updates about special happenings, like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/gauchocertifiedfarmersmarket>. ■

Taking Care of Gauchos

UCSB is committed to promoting a healthy and supportive learning environment. Parents concerned about the health or safety of their son or daughter are encouraged to take advantage of campus resources.

Student Mental Health Coordination Services (805-893-3030) is a readily accessible point of contact for concerned parents. The coordinators will consult about a student in distress, provide referrals to campus departments, develop actions plans, and follow up with students and parents, as appropriate. The coordinators are available for consultation and appointments during working hours. Other resources for consultation include **Social Work Services** (805-893-3087) and **Counseling & Psychological Services** (805-893-4411).

Additionally, UCSB provides **24-hour phone counseling** (805-893-4411) for anyone concerned about a student during weekends, evenings, or holidays. If there is a potential for danger to self or others, or immediate attention is needed, please call 911 or **Campus Police** (805-893-3446) for an immediate response.

To learn more about the **Distressed Students Protocol** and for links to other helpful resources, please visit <http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/distressedstudentsguide/Protocol>. ■

[WELCOME TO CAMPUS]



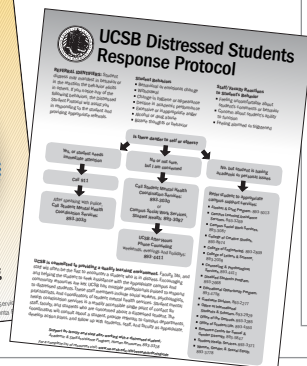
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If you've already visited our beautiful campus, you might have met Campus Tours Coordinator **Anil Gnanamuthu**. The UCSB Visitor Center provides admission presentations and campus tours for approximately 40,000 guests each year. Visit <http://admissions.sa.ucsb.edu> to book a tour or to register for our **2014 Spring Insight Open House** event on Saturday, April 12, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.!

Staying Connected

- UCSB Campus Calendar:** <http://events.sa.ucsb.edu/index.asp>
- UCSB Home:** <http://www.ucsb.edu> or call (805) 893-8000
- Campus Connection Newsletter:** <http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/parentnewsletter>
- Campus Learning Assistance Services:** <http://www.clas.ucsb.edu> or call (805) 893-3269
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