California State University, Bakersfield taught its first classes in September 1970. Since then, more than 28,000 alumni have earned their degrees at CSUB. Significantly, 94 percent of our graduates reported their CSUB education was a good investment, according to a recent alumni survey.

CSUB is the only four year institution within a 100-mile radius; it serves a vast region encompassing Kern, Tulare, Inyo and Mono counties, and parts of Los Angeles and Kings counties. The campus is located on a 375-acre site which was donated for the university, a remarkable demonstration of the community’s commitment to and support for the institution.

CSUB awards bachelor degrees in 32 subject areas from anthropology to theater arts. The master's degree is offered in 18 majors.

CSUB is distinguished by an outstanding faculty and excellent academic programs and by the extraordinary accessibility of the faculty to students. Small classes and close interaction between students and faculty enhance the learning environment. Nearly 90 percent of the tenured faculty hold doctorate degrees in their fields of study. CSUB has the highest percentage of faculty in the CSU with terminal degrees.

CSUB hosts numerous centers and institutes which promote scholarly research and publication, give students an opportunity to conduct research, and provide invaluable scholarly and research resources to the community.

In addition, CSUB offers off site and distant learning programs. Bachelor’s and master’s degree programs are offered by CSUB on the Antelope Valley College campus. CSUB offers degree programs on site with a full complement of student services, including admissions and financial aid. Bachelor’s degree programs in Economics, Liberal Studies, and Special Education, as well as Master’s degree programs in Education and Business Administration are offered. The MBA program is offered at Edwards Air Force Base.

Accreditation and Memberships. The university is committed to the goals of a liberal education - to promote the individual intellectual and personal growth of its students and to contribute to the community by developing in its students a sense of civic purpose and service.

California State University, Bakersfield is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), 985 Atlantic Ave., Suite 100, Alameda, CA. 94501, (510) 748-9001. The Teacher Preparation Program is accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). The Nursing Program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The undergraduate and graduate programs in Business Administration are accredited by the (AACSB) International, The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The Master of Public Administration and the Master of Science in Administration, Health Care Management are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA). The Chemistry Program is approved by the Committee of Professional Training of the American Chemical Society.

The university is a member of the American Association of Allied Health Professions, American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, American Association of State Colleges and Universities, Assembly of Cooperative Assessment of Experiential Learning, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, California Campus Compact, California Collegiate Athletic Association, California Council on Education of Teachers, California Intersegmental Articulation Council, College Entrance Examination Board, College Placement Council, Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Council of Graduate Schools, Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce, Institute of International Education -West Coast Region, National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, National Collegiate Athletic Association, National Student Exchange Program, National University Extension Association, Teacher Education Council of State Colleges and Universities, Western
Association of Art Museums, Western Association of Graduate Schools, and the Western Association of Summer Sessions.

The university is affiliated with many national academic honor societies. The university offers membership in a chapter of Alpha Chi, a honorary society recognizing academic achievement. The School of Humanities and Social Sciences has established active chapters of Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society; Lambda Pi Eta, the national Communication honorary society; Omicron Delta Epsilon, the national Economic honorary society; Sigma Tau Delta, the national English honorary society; Pi Sigma Alpha, the national Political Science honorary society; Psi Chi, the national Psychology honorary society; and Sigma Delta Pi, the national Spanish honorary society. The School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics has established a chapter in the Society of Sigma Xi, the national honorary in the sciences. The Department of Nursing has a chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, International Nursing Honor Society. The School of Business and Public Administration has established chapters of Beta Gamma Sigma, the national honor society for professionally accredited schools of business administration; Sigma Iota Epsilon, the national management honorary society; and Pi Alpha Alpha, the national society for public affairs and administration.

President Mitchell is a signatory to the American College and University President’s Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) and CSU Bakersfield is a member of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE).

Graduates of the university are eligible for membership in the American Association of University Women.

**Availability of Institutional and Financial Assistance Information.** The following information concerning student financial assistance may be obtained from the Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships (SA 114, 661-654-3016):

1. A description of the federal, state, institutional, local, and private student financial assistance programs available to students who enroll at California State University, Bakersfield;
2. For each aid program, a description of procedures and forms by which students apply for assistance, student eligibility requirements, criteria for selecting recipients from the group of eligible applicants, and criteria for determining the amount of a student’s award;
3. A description of the rights and responsibilities of students receiving financial assistance, including federal Title IV student assistance programs, and criteria for continued student eligibility under each program;
4. The satisfactory academic progress standards that students must maintain for the purpose of receiving financial assistance and criteria by which a student who has failed to maintain satisfactory progress may reestablish eligibility for financial assistance;
5. The method by which financial assistance disbursements will be made to students and the frequency of those disbursements;
6. The terms of any loan received as part of the student’s financial aid package, a sample loan repayment schedule, and the necessity for repaying loans;
7. The general conditions and terms applicable to any employment provided as part of the student’s financial aid package;
8. The responsibility of California State University, Bakersfield for providing and collecting exit counseling information for all student borrowers under the federal student loan programs; and
9. The terms and conditions for deferral of loan payments for qualifying service under the Peace Corps Act, the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or comparable volunteer community service.

Information concerning the cost of attending California State University, Bakersfield is also available from the Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships (SA 114, 661-654-3016), and includes fees and tuition (where applicable); the estimated costs of books and supplies; estimates of typical student room, board, and transportation costs; and, if requested, additional costs for specific programs.

Information concerning the refund policies of California State University, Bakersfield for the return of unearned tuition and fees or other refundable portions of institutional charges is available from the Assistance Vice President, Fiscal Services (ADM 103, 661-654-2251).
Information concerning policies regarding the return of federal Title IV student assistance funds as required by regulation is available from the Director, Financial Aid and Scholarships (SA 121, 661-654-3016).

Information regarding special facilities and services available to students with disabilities may be obtained from the Director, Disabled Services (SA 142, 661-654-3360).

Information concerning California State University, Bakersfield policies, procedures, and facilities for students and other to report criminal actions or other emergencies occurring on campus may be obtained from the Director, Public Safety/University Police (SSS 106, 661-654-2111).

Information concerning California State University, Bakersfield annual campus security report may be obtained from the Director, Public Safety/University Police (SSS 106, 661-654-2111).

Information concerning the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse and rehabilitation programs may be obtained from the Director, Personnel Services (ADM 108, 661-654-2266).

Information regarding student retention and graduation rates at California State University, Bakersfield and, if available, the number and percentage of students completing the program in which the student is enrolled or has expressed interest may be obtained from the Special Assistant to the President, Institutional Research (AW 110A, 661-654-3145).

Information concerning athletic opportunities available to male and female students and the financial resources and personnel that California State University, Bakersfield dedicates to its men’s and women’s teams may be obtained from the Director, Athletics (GYM 112, 661-654-2188).

Information concerning teacher preparation programs at California State University, Bakersfield, including the pass rate on teacher certification examinations, may be obtained from the Dean, School of Education (EDUC Bldg, 661-654-6663).

Information concerning grievance procedures for students who feel aggrieved in their relationships with the university, its policies, practices and procedures, or its faculty and staff may be obtained from the Associate Vice President for Academic Programs (EDUC 242, 661-654-3420).

Centers and Institutes. CSUB Centers and Institutes are auxiliary organizations created to encourage applied activity around particular themes and functions. The following centers and institutes conduct studies, carry out research, and provide service in particular subject matter fields:

- Archaeology Information Center organization shall have as its purpose to maintain archaeological site record information for Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, and Tulare counties.

- Business Research and Education Center has many projects which provide regional capability for understanding the dynamics of business changes. The purpose of the Business Research and Education Center is to function as a focal point for the interaction between the School of Business and Public Administration and the business/government communities in providing information in order to assist them in the practice and application of professional, ethical, and effective business activities. In meeting these goals, the Center (1) supports faculty research and consulting opportunities and activities, (2) is actively involved in community-based outreach programs as a resource to local and regional businesses and to economic development efforts, (3) provides local and regional forums for lifelong learning experiences, and (4) creates and administer programs that promote student participation within the university and the community, such as scholarships, internships, cooperative education, and community service projects.

- California Well Sample Repository organization shall conduct and collect, classify or process, store, and make publicly available to bona fide investigators, representative samples of California rocks, including subsurface rocks from wells, investigative borings and other subsurface information.
• **Center for Archaeological Research** is a not-for-profit, educational facility dedicated to archaeological research and long-term instruction of archaeology students. The goal is to provide a service to the community as well as superior-quality archaeological training by furnishing the available expertise to conduct cultural resource assessments in accordance with state and federal regulation.

• **Center for Economic Education and Research** has the following purposes: To further the goal of economic literacy by (a) maintaining a formal affiliation with the National Council on Economic Education and California Council on Economic Education; (b) providing in-service workshops and curriculum consultation for teachers and school districts; (c) offering enrichment programs for teachers and special publics; (d) sponsoring lectures and symposia; and (e) facilitating cooperation among the Economics Department, School of Education, and K-12 educational community.

• **Center for Living and Learning** purpose is to support and undertake research on matters related to aging; facilitate community service programs; organize and facilitate delivery of educational programs relevant to the population of older adults in the community; establish a living laboratory consistent with the mission and purpose of the university for continuous research and development of model programs that enhance the well-being of older adults; and encourage the further development of interdisciplinary programs in gerontology and related subjects at California State University, Bakersfield.

• **Center for Virginia Woolf Studies** was established to further knowledge about the work of Virginia Woolf, especially her feminism and anti-fascism during the 1930s by, among other things: maintaining a website which publishes Woolf’s Reading Notes and manuscripts and provides contextual resource materials related to the online edition thereof; offering enrichment programs for scholars, students and significant segments of the public; and sponsoring lectures, symposia and other events related to the person and work of Virginia Woolf.

• **Environmental Studies Area (Facility for Animal Care and Treatment)** is a 40 acre site in the southeast corner of the campus devoted to research in the biological sciences. The facility contains areas for student and faculty field research. Within the Environmental Studies Area is the Facility for Animal Care and Treatment (FACT), where care and rehabilitation of local wildlife (mostly raptorial birds) brought in by the public, is accomplished. University students are given the opportunity to care for wildlife. FACT also serves as an educational facility for the community about the conservation of wildlife and natural habitats by conducting tours and open houses.

• **Kegley Institute of Ethics** purpose is to enhance the quality of our community by stimulating thought and involvement in ethical issues. It achieves this mission through a renowned lecture series, community-based panels on current ethical concerns, faculty research grants, and student scholarships.

• **Nursing Center for the Advancement of Research/Evaluation (NCARE)** encourages research, evaluation and the dissemination of information that will benefit the Greater Bakersfield area, the Southern San Joaquin Valley, and the State of California. NCARE will conduct research and evaluation for public and private agencies, institutions and corporations. NCARE will provide basic and applied nursing and health research, evaluation, consultation and related educational services.

• **Politics Research Center** shall have as its purpose to do research and consulting that enhance student training and faculty competence in the following areas: U.S. elections, political participation, intergovernmental relations, and fiscal and regulatory policies; international trade, commerce, and environmental issues; and human rights. The PRC focus is on matters in which power relations, institutions and decision-making processes, and discretion and choice in policy-making are important variables.

• **Public Service Institute (PSI)** makes available university-based resources and expertise to public, nonprofit and health care agencies in the southern San Joaquin Valley so that these organizations might carry out more effectively the duties and responsibilities rendered them by the citizens of the
region. PSI has a three-fold mission: (1) to provide state-of-the-art technical, supervisory, managerial, and leadership training and assistance to public and nonprofit agencies in the service area; (2) to provide policy analysis and program evaluation assistance and training to public and nonprofit agencies in the service area to improve their service delivery and policy effectiveness; (3) to build international linkages that will be of benefit to CSUB students and practitioners in our service region.

- The Institute for Social and Community Research (ISCR), formerly known as the Applied Research Center (ARC), is the behavioral and organizational research arm of California State University, Bakersfield. ISCR also is an especially thorough teaching and learning laboratory for faculty and students.

For information on any of these and other CSUB Centers please contact the Office of Grants, Research and Sponsored Programs at (661) 654-2231.

Food Service. The Runner Café, Wiley’s Pub, Peet’s Café, and the Dining commons are operated by Sodexo USA, Campus Division. The Runner Cafe is open Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 2:00 pm, Friday until 1:00 pm with grab and go items and snacks available until 5:00 pm Mon-Thur and Friday until 3:00 pm. Wiley’s Pub is open Monday through Thursday 11:00 am until 9:00 pm and Friday until 5:00 pm. Peet’s Café is open Monday through Thursday 7:30 am until 8:00 pm and Friday until 3:00 pm. The Dining Commons is open to the public.

Getting To Know The Campus. Orientation programs provide newcomers with an introduction to academic life and the campus community. Conducted virtually year round to accommodate all students, University Outreach provides newcomers an opportunity to become better acquainted with the university. Students entering at the beginning of the academic year are given three options: April orientations for transfer students and first-time freshman; May and Summer orientations for any new students; and September orientation before the first day of class for the fall quarter.

Students entering at the Winter and Spring quarters have two orientation options: a program is offered during preregistration period before each quarter and an orientation briefing is presented the first day of the quarter.

Parking Information. The California State University Police, as a sworn law enforcement agency pursuant to California Penal Code Section 830.2, is responsible for the enforcement of parking and traffic regulations at California State University, Bakersfield. Parking regulations and ordinances are enforced 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. If not otherwise specified, all ordinances and laws contained in the California Vehicle Code are applicable to the operation of vehicles on this campus. All parking citations and fines are processed through Parking Management Bureau, 801 West Monte Vista Ave, Turlock, CA 95382. Failure to pay parking fines may result in the withholding of vehicle registration by the State Department of Motor Vehicles, Section 41103 C.V.C, and possible immobilization or towing per Section 22651(i)(1) and 22651.7 C.V.C.

University Parking Regulations require that the permission to park on campus is dependent upon the payment of an established parking fee and possession of a daily, quarterly, annual, or temporary activities permit (except in metered, loading, time limited zones or by issuance of a visitor’s permit). These regulations apply to students, the general public, and state university employees.

Permits may be purchased during registration at a designated station or at any time during normal business hours from the Accounting Office. Daily Parking Permits are available 24 hours a day from dispensers at each entrance to the University.

Paid parking is in effect 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Permits are valid as indicated with beginning and ending expiration dates on the permit. The permit or decal must be clearly visible at all times to be valid. The parking decal is not transferable and must not be altered. Visitor permits will be valid only when displayed as directed on the permit.
All areas on the campus where vehicles may be legally parked are designated. Motorcycles and other motorized two-wheeled vehicles shall be parked in designated areas. Parking areas marked with a green curb or a posted sign are time-limited areas. Parking spaces marked with a yellow curb or a posted sign are loading areas with a time limit. Areas marked in red or a posted sign are designated no parking zones. Metered spaces are provided for short-term parking. Parking permits are not valid in metered spaces.

Disabled parking spaces for persons with physical disabilities are designated in each major parking lot on campus. Disabled spaces may be used by vehicles displaying a valid DMV issued Disabled Placard and a valid CSUB parking permit. Persons with a temporary physical condition in need of disabled parking can apply for a one-week temporary parking permit. Contact the Student Health Center for further information at (661) 654-2394.

**Walter W. Stiern Library.** The Walter W. Stiern Library, completed in 1994, is an attractive and useful resource for CSUB students, faculty, and staff. This 150,000 square foot, five-floor complex includes library collections and services, computer labs and classrooms, a media center, faculty and graduate student study carrels, group study rooms, as well as instructional television studios. ADA compliant seating and computing equipment is also available. Wireless Internet access is available within the library.

Stiern Library personnel offer an array of services and programs. To assist students and faculty, research assistance is provided by librarians at the reference desk and by appointment, phone, email or chat. Library Courses and orientations are offered every quarter.

For students taking CSUB courses outside the Bakersfield area, the Library’s Distance Services area provides library access and assistance to currently enrolled CSUB students. A full-time librarian is available to assist students at the CSUB Antelope Valley Center.

The Library provides access to over 20,000 electronic journals and a half a million volumes. Other collections housed in the Library include the campus archives, special collections, new acquisitions, multicultural and faculty books. Off-campus access is available to the Library’s electronic resources, requiring only a current CSUB ID and an Internet connection. A Course Reserves collection includes many electronically available materials as well as some print materials for course assignments. Additionally, if the Library does not own or have access to a particular article, book, etc. current CSUB users can request the material through the Interlibrary Loan Service.

The Library’s web page is the portal to library resources including online periodical databases and reference sources, the library’s online catalog, subject guides, and links to other services such as distance services, interlibrary loan, course reserves (online and print), and library courses.

For more information about the Library, please visit in person or via the library web site:
http://www.csub.edu/library/