



Final Year on the Quarter System

We are in the final lap heading toward converting our academic calendar from quarters to semesters. Our 2015-16 academic year will be our last on the quarter system. We look forward to faculty returning to campus on September 8 and the first day of classes on September 14.

University Day 2015

I hope all faculty and staff have [registered](#) to attend our annual **University Day, Thursday, September 10, 2015**. A week of activities has been [scheduled](#) for faculty and staff from Tuesday, September 8 through Friday, September 11.



New Student Convocation and Family Weekend

New student convocation weekend will take place Saturday and Sunday, September 12-13. Events include student housing move-in day; Roadrunner Parents Association Family Day Luncheon; a midnight pancake breakfast; wellness service; and convocation pinning ceremony. Be sure to check the full [schedule](#).

Chief Information Officer Appointed

Faust Gorham has been appointed Associate Vice President for Information Technology Services / Chief Information Officer (CIO). Faust comes to CSUB with more than 20



years' experience in higher education, most recently as interim CIO at UC Merced. Effective April 30, following the arrival of our new Vice President for Business and Administrative Services, **Thom Davis**, I moved the department's reporting relationship to Business and Administrative Services. ITS will continue to have a strong relationship and interface with Academic Affairs. Faust earned a bachelor of arts in communication from UC Davis. Please join me in welcoming him to CSUB.

Bob Macaluso Named Head Baseball Coach



Athletics Director **Kenneth "Ziggy" Siegfried** today announced the appointment of interim baseball coach **Bob "Mac" Macaluso**, as head baseball coach. The selection was made after a national search following retirement of baseball coach

Bill Kernen. Bob joined the team in 2014 as assistant coach. In the last year, he served as third-base coach, oversaw the offense, and worked with our infielders, contributing to our Western Athletics Conference (WAC) Tournament win and advancement to the NCAA Division I regionals. Prior to coming to

CSUB, Bob served 7 seasons as assistant coach at UC Irvine and 1 season at Cal State Los Angeles. Bob earned bachelor of science and master of science degrees in physical education from Springfield College in Massachusetts.

CSUB Faculty Awarded Grants



The National Science Foundation has awarded **Dr. Cesar Aguilar**, Assistant Professor of Applied Mathematics, a 3-year \$231,314 grant for his proposal entitled: "RUI: Controllability Classes and Leader-Follower Configurations in Complex Dynamic Networks." His research methods will blend techniques from mathematical control theory, algebraic graph theory and matrix analysis, and scientific computing. One of the impacts of his research will be to provide control design engineers and scientists a broad overview of a network's controllability profile and its effect on designing decentralized control protocols.

Dr. Saeed Jafarzadeh,

Assistant Professor of Computer and Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, has received a 3-year grant totaling \$439,393 from the Department of Defense, Army Research Office, for his proposal entitled: "Quantitative Forecasting for Renewable Power Generation: Fuzzy Logic Approach." The research, undertaken as part of the California Energy Research Center (CERC) at CSUB, seeks to advance the state of the art of intermittent energy forecasting, and has implications for integrating renewable energy sources in electricity grids and micro-grids.



Lady 'Runners Take Costa Rica

Our CSUB women's basketball team had a tour of Costa Rica which included three basketball games. They won all three games, including two wins over the Costa Rica National Team. Congratulations to head coach **Greg McCall** and the Lady 'Runners basketball team. The trip was made possible by a generous donation from **George Martin, Esq.**, Of Counsel to the Law Offices of Borton Petrini, LLP.

Upcoming Events

Whether you are looking for academic, alumni, arts & culture, campus life, community, sports, or a calendar of highlight events, find them on [RunnerCal](#). Access the calendar on our website by clicking the "Events" link at the bottom of the home page.

University Council

University Council is an open forum for members of the campus community to voice concerns or make suggestions for continued improvement. All faculty, staff, and students are welcome to attend. The first meeting of the academic year will take place at 10:00 a.m., Friday, October 16, 2015, in the Albertson Room.

I look forward to seeing you around campus or at an upcoming University or community event. Take care.


Horace Mitchell
President