Keith Brice is John Brock Award Honoree

The School of Business and Public Administration’s (BPA) Executive Advisory Council has selected Keith Brice, president and CEO of Mid State Development Corporation as this year’s recipient of the venerated John Brock Community Service Award at this year’s John Brock Dinner. Keith’s care for and commitment to the Bakersfield community is reflected in his more than 34 years of service which includes past chairmanship of the United Way, the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce (Chamber), and the Kern Community Foundation. He also has served as past president of the Kern Economic Development Corporation, Junior Achievement, Kern County Special Olympics, and the Kiwanis Club. His current service includes membership in BPA’s Executive Advisory Council and Beta Gamma Sigma International Honor Society, and chairmanship of the Chamber’s Political Action Committee.

Established in 1980 as a non-profit organization, Mid State Development Corporation was licensed by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) the following year as a Certified Development Corporation (CDC). Mid State provides SBA 504 loans for long-term fixed-rate financing for major fixed assets, has funded more than $450 million in loans and has helped create or retain more than 12,000 jobs throughout the county.

The John Brock Dinner will take place September 7 at the Seven Oaks Country Club. Proceeds benefit scholarships for BPA students through the John Brock Endowment. We thank our presenting sponsors Bank of the Sierra, Chevron, Mission Bank, and Valley Republic Bank, and the members of the Executive Advisory Council for their service. For ticket and event information, please contact BPA at 654-2157 or visit www.csub.edu/bpa.

Interim Coach Beard Named Men’s Baseball Head Coach

Jeremy Beard becomes the third head coach of Roadrunner baseball. Jeremy began his CSUB coaching career in 2016 as the pitching coach and was appointed interim in December of that year. Under his leadership, the team achieved a 32-24 season; led the WAC in stolen bases and set a program record of 73; had the second-highest batting average in the WAC; a third-place regular-season finish; was the number two seed in the WAC Tournament; and played the championship game against Sacramento State. His 21-year history includes serving as associate head coach at Columbia Basin College in Washington where he helped the team to a 309-84 record and six conference championships. He served as an associate scout for the Florida Marlins and Boston Red Sox; pitching coach for Western Nevada College and the University of Portland; and head coach for the Portland Lobos. He was a walk-on at Linn Benton Community College and a walk-on starting pitcher at Oregon State University. OSU won the 1994 PAC-10 conference title. Jeremy holds a BS in education from Oregon State and a master’s in education from the American Intercontinental University.
Public Policy and Administration Receives NASPAA Reaffirmation of Accreditation

The National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA) has reaffirmed the accreditation of our Masters in Public Administration program through 2022-2023. NASPAA accreditation, the peer review process for quality assurance of master’s degree programs in public affairs, policy, and administration, is a globally recognized standard in public service education. Congratulations to Drs. R. Steven Daniels, BJ Moore; Chandra Commuri; Craig Kelsey; Jinping Sun; and Thomas Martinez.

Nursing Department Receives $40,000 CDC Grant

The Association for Prevention Teaching and Research (APTR) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) selected our Department of Nursing as one of only two sites nationwide to receive a $40,000 grant to develop case studies for immunization research. The five case studies developed will contribute to the CDC’s and APTR’s repository of immunization resources for use by undergraduate nursing education programs across the country. Congratulations to Dr. Phyllis Heintz, chair of the CSUB Department of Nursing, and the entire nursing faculty. The case studies will be completed by August 14.

Three CSUB Students Selected as 2017-18 Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars

Congratulations to our students Moriah Cobb, Alejandro Cruz, and Jazmine Mejia Munoz on being named Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars. The trio were among 76 CSU students selected from 228 applicants. The scholars will receive $3,000 to support pre-doctoral activities through June 2018, including summer research at a UC or other doctoral-granting institution. We join our students in thanking their faculty mentors. Dr. Amy Gancarz-Kausch was Moriah’s mentor; Dr. Matt Leon mentored Alejandro, and Jazmine acknowledges her faculty mentor, Dr. Antjie Lauer, as well as Drs. Isabel Sumaya, Amber Stokes, and Jacqueline Kegley. Dr. Vandana Kohli, Associate Dean of Undergraduate and Graduate Studies, and Director of the Graduate Student Center, oversees the program.

Panetta Institute Congressional Intern Program

Senior history major Karina Morales was selected as a member of the 2017 Panetta Institute Congressional Internship Program. She will spend two weeks in early August in classes at the Panetta Institute prior to heading to Washington, D.C. for the eleven-week internship. Candidates are nominated by each of the 23 CSU presidents and are interviewed by representatives from the CSU and the Panetta Institute. In addition to serving in the office of a member of Congress for two-and-a-half months, interns also will attend weekly seminars given by congressional members, government officials, and a variety of experts. For more information on the internship program, please visit http://bit.ly/2hDo4Lf.

National Federation for the Blind Scholarship

Spring 2017 graduate and outstanding senior Heather Simmons (B.A., English) was awarded the Larry Streeter Memorial Scholarship at the National Federation of the Blind’s annual convention in Orlando, Florida. The $3,000 scholarship assists legally blind students who intend to pursue full-time graduate studies. Heather was among 30 finalists for scholarships in various academic levels and fields of study selected from more than 600 applicants. In addition to the scholarship, finalists also received an expense-paid trip to the annual convention; $1,000 and a Chromebook from Google; $1,000 from Dr. Ray Kurzweil, an innovator of technologies for the blind; and complimentary access to the Kurzweil-
National Foundation for the Blind (KFNB) Reader, a print-to-speech smartphone application.

**Finance Team is #5 in the System**
Congratulations to **Liz Gamez**, Associate Controller of Accounting & Reporting, and her team for being the fifth of the 23 CSU campuses to submit to the Chancellor’s Office (CO) its financial data for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Each year, the State Controller’s Office (SCO) issues instructions and deadlines for the submission of agency year-end financial data. As an agency of the State of California, the CO requires all campuses to submit year-end financial data starting the first week of July, with all submissions completed no later than July 17th. Both pre- and post-close data must be submitted within the ten-day window. The data must be reviewed and approved by the CO for accuracy and SCO compliance before campuses can close the fiscal year.

![L-R: Susan Young, Liz Gamez, Jennifer Johnson, Gloria Aparicio and Nicole Bueno.](image)

**Attendance at International Conference in Berlin, Germany**
**Dr. Jackie Kegley**, Professor of Philosophy and Director of the Helen Hawk Honors Program, presented a paper entitled “Pragmatism and the ‘Other Kant’: Kant as Public Intellectual and Political Theorist” at a Conference on “Kant and Pragmatism” held at the Finnland Institute and the Collegium Hungaricum in Berlin, Germany July 11-13, 2017.

**Juneteenth Celebration**
I was pleased to be one of four African American CSU and UC presidents honored at the African American Civic Engagement Project (AACEP) and California Legislative Black Caucus 2017 Juneteenth celebration in Sacramento. **Dr. Soraya Coley**, President of Cal Poly Pomona, **Dr. Willie Hagin**, President of CSU Dominguez Hills, and **Dr. Gary May**, and I filmed [presidential perspectives](#) on the event’s theme, *Beyond Resistance: Empowerment Through Education and Civic Engagement*. I hope you will enjoy watching and hearing our thoughts on the importance of a college education, community engagement, and student involvement to transform lives and communities.

**University Week**

![University Week 2017](image)

**Summer Schedule**
The main campus and Antelope Valley Center will operate on a 10-hour workday Monday through Thursday this summer from May 22 through August 11, 2017. The campuses will be closed on Fridays except for specially schedule program activities. The two exceptions, May 29 to June 2 and July 31 to August 4, will have regular 8-hour work days Monday through Friday.
Save the Dates!

CSUB Food Distribution
August 21, 2017, 9am-2pm
(every third Monday)

University Week
August 21-25, 2017

University Day
August 24, 2017

New Student Convocation
August 27, 2017

Party in the Park
October 19, 2017

CSUB Theatre Production – The Profane
October 26, 27 and 29, 2017

One Book, One Bakersfield, One Kern
Author’s Visit
November 1, 2017

President’s Faculty and Staff Reception
December 7, 2017

Alumni Hall of Fame
February 16, 2018

Homecoming Week
February 19-24, 2018

2018 Bakersfield Jazz Festival at CSUB
April 27-28, 2018

Celebrate CSUB! 2018
April 28, 2018

Spring Bar-Be-Cue
May 10, 2018

Commencement
May 18-19, 2018

What’s Going On?
Find academic, alumni, arts & culture, campus life, community, or athletics events on RunnerCal. Access the calendar from our homepage by clicking the “Calendar of Events” link at the bottom of the page. Plan an event using the 25Live online scheduling program.

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. Meetings will resume in the fall.

I look forward to seeing you at University Week, Week of Welcome, around campus or at an upcoming University or community event.

Take Care,

Horace Mitchell
President