CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY BAKERSFIELD | Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 2, 2026

TO: All Faculty

FROM: Provost Deborah Thien

SUBJECT: **Sabbatical and DIP Leaves for 2026/2027 AY - *Revised***

The following is a listing of sabbaticals approved by the President for 2026/2027 academic year. Our faculty members will be engaged in a variety of fascinating research projects. I wish each of them a productive and rewarding professional experience.

Name	Department	Sem(s)	Title of Proposal
Carol Dell'Amico	English	S	Rhys/Banville
~~*Mustafa Dhada*~~	~~*History*~~	~~*F*~~	~~*Warriors at Work (New Edition): Rebuilding the History of Guinea-Bissau's Liberation with Newly Recovered Archives, Oral Testimony, and Media.*~~
Kiran Garcha	History	FS	Movement in the Streets: Oakland's Black Panter in Public History
Kyle Shaw	Music	S	Composition and Improvisation of Electroacoustic Music for Three-Dimensional Speaker Arrays
Steve Gamboa	Philosophy/Religious	F	The Influence of 'General Rules' in Hume's Philosophy of Human Reasoning
Sunjin Pak	Management/Marketing	F	Daily Experiences of Working Women During Infertility Treatment: An Experience Sample Study
Sumita Sarma	Management/Marketing	F	Female Sustainopreneurship and Scalability Challenges: Role of Digital and Psychological Capital (A Comparative Analysis)
~~*Jinping Sun*~~ *(Deferred)*	~~*Public Administration*~~	~~*F*~~	~~*Service Learning in the Master of Public Administration Programs in the CSU system.*~~
Kanwal Gagneja Kaur	CEECS	F	Research Study on Scalable Quantum Error Correction for Reliable Quantum Communications
Nick Toothman	CEECS	S	Training Multimodal AI with (and for) digital performances
Matthew Herman	Geological Sciences	S	Enhancing Geod;ynamics Research and Teaching Capabilities at CSUB
Yangsuk Ko	Mathematics	F	Investigation of the Roles of Invisible Parenthesis in Algebraic Mistakes
Prosper Torsu	Mathematics	F	Focused Research and Scholarly Development
Yvonne Ortiz-Bush	Advanced Education	S	Project 1: Alignment of a Student Affairs graduate program with national accreditation standards. Project 2: Development of a manuscript on "A proven collaborative training model for graduate practitioner programs
Jianjun Wang	Advanced Education	S	Serving Institutional Priorities: A Sabbatical to the HIS-STEM Career Pathway Grant
Jahyun Kim	Kinesiology	FS	Socioeconomic Status induced physical activity disparities and vascular health in healthy young adults
~~*Joanne Kraybill*~~ *(deferred)*	~~*Political Science*~~	~~*FS*~~	~~*Win-Win and Second Chances: Why Expungement is Good for the Individual and Community Crime Prevention*~~

Hwaheun Kim	Psychology	S	Writing a Manuscript on Friendship Jealousy in Young Adolescents, Expanding My Research Scope and Method, and Revamping Courses
Jonathan Basilio	Sociology	F	Developing the Dynamic Intersectional Framework (DIF) for Publication
Alem Kebede	Sociology	S	The Ethiopian Civil War, 2020-22: Causes and Consequences