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CSUB To Host New Generation of Educators Initiative Convening

March 30, 2017 — California State University, Bakersfield will host a New Generation of Educators Initiative (NGEI) Convening to share best practices in teacher preparation across 11 California State University campuses on April 4 and 5. Breakout sessions will be held at Student Housing East each day, beginning at 12:45 p.m. on day one, and 11:45 on day two.

Hosted by the Department of Teacher Education at CSUB, the event will feature topics such as selection of clinical placement sites, recruiting, selecting and supporting mentor teachers, providing quality and calibrated feedback to residents in teacher preparation programs, and the use of candidate data management systems to inform program decisions.

“We are honored to have been selected to host the NGEI Convening this year,” said Dr. Kristina LaGue, professor and chair of CSUB’s Department of Teacher Education. “This is a unique and valuable opportunity to share best practices across 11 CSU campuses. Each of these teams has displayed a commitment to preparing teachers with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to have a significant and positive impact on the lives of children and families.”

The goals of the NGEI Phase Two are:

- advance K-12 STEM learning in California schools;
- foster partnerships between university-based teacher preparation programs and local school district partners;
- prepare teachers who can lead instruction aligned with California Standards;
- support practice-based clinical training; and,
- support and facilitate the effective use of data for continuous improvement.

Under the NGEI initiative, CSUB’s Teacher Education Department has established the Kern Urban Teacher Residency program in partnership with the Bakersfield City School District. This includes a Saturday STEM Lab School on the CSUB campus for fifth- and sixth-graders from BCSD.

The two-day NGEI Convening will include presentations from CSU Bakersfield faculty and

other CSU campuses; the Seattle Teacher Residency; the National Center for Teacher Residencies (NCTR); and breakout sessions with topics such as Bank Street, Sustainable Funding Project, California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, CSU Center for Teacher Quality, LA Educator Pathways Partnership, Observation Rubrics and Feedback Process, and Academic Diagnostics.

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About CSUB

California State University, Bakersfield is a comprehensive public university committed to offering excellent undergraduate and graduate programs that advance the intellectual and personal development of its students. An emphasis on student learning is enhanced by a commitment to scholarship, diversity, service, global awareness and life-long learning. The University collaborates with partners in the community to increase the region's overall educational attainment, enhance its quality of life, and support its economic development. The University was founded in 1965 and opened for classes in fall, 1970. Its vision is to be the leading campus in the CSU system in terms of faculty and academic excellence and diversity, quality of the student experience and community engagement. The University's faculty is world-class, with nearly 75% holding the highest degrees in their respective fields.

The University serves more than 9,500 students between the main campus in Bakersfield and CSUB - Antelope Valley and counts approximately 47,000 alumni from its four schools: Arts and Humanities; Business and Public Administration; Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Engineering; and Social Sciences and Education. The University offers undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate and credential programs, and CSUB's Extended University serves the community by offering additional professional development, certificate, and degree programs.

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