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Determination Helps Students Beat the Odds for Graduation

University Expects Record Number of More Than 6,000 Students to Earn Degrees

When Cal State Northridge officials present diplomas to more than 6,000 new graduates later this month, they will recognize more than academic achievement. The university will honor the tenacity and dedication of students determined to not let anything stop them from achieving their goals.

"Many of our students are the first in their families to go to college. Some have juggled two jobs and full course loads. Others have dealt with family obligations as single parents or extreme physical hardships," said CSUN President Jolene Koester. "These individual stories are truly what CSUN is all about. We are providing an opportunity for individuals, even under the most adverse circumstances, to accomplish their goals."

Here are brief profiles of some of CSUN's extraordinary graduates this year:

**Bettina Austin, B.A., Sociology**

Austin, 41, married immediately after high school. She and her husband struggled to make ends meet on minimum-wage jobs, while raising their daughter in a small town in Pennsylvania until 1992, when they were both laid off.

A free semester at a local community college reignited a love for learning in Austin. She was preparing to transfer to a university when she was in a car accident. Thrown through the windshield, she suffered severe head injuries and, as a result, had to relearn how to learn.

"I had trouble processing things. If someone said something to me, I couldn't remember what he or she said," Austin said. "People look at me now and they think I'm normal, but not normal for me. Nobody understands what it's like to have been one way, and then to have that all taken away."

Austin spent two years in therapy before returning to school, only to learn in the last week of her first semester back that she had a large tumor on her ovary.

After recovering from surgery, Austin was ready to return to school in fall 2000 when her husband surprised her with the news that he wanted a separation. Her daughter now grown, Austin decided to pursue her childhood dream of attending college in another state. She applied to CSUN.

Austin was midway through her first semester at CSUN in spring 2001 when her husband announced he
wanted a divorce. She dropped out and went back to Pennsylvania to see if they could patch things up. Unsuccessful, Austin returned to CSUN.

"I was determined to get my degree," said Austin, the first in her family to attend college. "After I first got married, I realized that life wasn't quite like fantasy land. It was so important for me to get a degree that nothing was going to stop me, slow me down maybe, but not stop me."

Austin, who now lives in Reseda, would like to earn a doctorate in sociology and has started research on the lives of truck drivers.

She will receive her bachelor's degree at 8 a.m. Friday, May 30, during the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' commencement ceremony on the Oviatt Library lawn.

Sister Claire Chang, B.A., Child and Adolescent Development
Chang, 40, of Los Angeles, does not know what she will do with her degree: "That's in God's hands." But whatever it is, she said she hopes to make a difference in the lives of people who live on the fringes of society.

Chang was born and raised in Taiwan, which her parents fled in 1949 following the rise of communism in their native China. Growing up, Chang would often hear stories of war and its impact on families and human suffering.

She earned her associate's degree in business administration at Taipei Business College, and worked for a while in the music industry, composing music on the side.

But that wasn't fulfilling, so Chang became a social worker, helping unwed mothers and broken families, and assisting with adoptions. She also would rescue girls as young as eight-years-old from prostitution and set them up in halfway houses where they could receive counseling and education.

While working as a social worker, Chang felt a calling to become a nun. She came to the United States 15 years ago and joined the Society Devoted to the Sacred Heart. After working as a religious teacher with her order for several years, she decided to continue her studies. She chose CSUN specifically because the university is non-secular, "and I wanted to experience a non-Catholic environment," she said.

Many of her fellow students were surprised to learn she is a nun.

"I don't wear a traditional habit, but once they saw me wear the same type of clothes and the same colors day after day, some of them realized I was a nun," she said. "I enjoyed CSUN. The professors were really respectful of me and the students would be very curious at first. But when they got to know me, we'd converse on a peer level."

Chang will receive her diploma at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, during the College of Health and Human Development's commencement ceremony on the Oviatt Library lawn.

Jordan Kao, B.S., Information Systems
Kao's parents don't talk much about their lives before fleeing Cambodia. This much he knows:

His Chinese father and Cambodian mother fled the political turmoil of their country in 1979 with three daughters. His parents could not find work for four years before they fled. The family barely survived through farming and bartering with their neighbors.

"I'm supposed to have four sisters," Kao said. "The youngest sister died of
starvation, my mom told me. But she really doesn't like to talk about those days."

Kao was born in a hospital in Los Angeles' Chinatown and grew up in Echo Park. His parents struggled to make ends meet on his father's salary as an appliance repairman.

Kao, 22, of Atwater Village, was determined not to add to his family's financial burden, so he has paid his way through CSUN using financial aid, student loans and jobs on campus.

He would love to get a job in information systems management and eventually own his own business.

Kao will get his diploma at 8 a.m. Thursday, May 29, during the commencement ceremony for the College of Business and Economics on the Oviatt Library lawn.

Cynthia Olson, B.A., Sociology
One of Olson's most vivid memories of her time at CSUN is of squatting beside her desk and crying while taking an exam.

"It wasn't the test I was crying about," Olson said. "I don't know what people thought, but I was in so much pain."

Olson, 49, of Agoura Hills, had married just after high school and worked through much of her young adulthood while raising two children. Now that she had the time and the resources, she decided to fulfill a lifelong dream and return to school. She enrolled at CSUN in spring 2000.

But injuries she suffered during a traffic accident while working as an ambulance attendant in her 20s came back to haunt her.

During the past few years, she has had four surgeries on her right rotator cuff, which, being right-handed, hampered her ability to write and take notes. She postponed her studies for a semester last year when she had a three-level lumbar fusion in her back. The fusion had to be repeated this year.

"It was an incredible struggle at times—the pain was so bad sometimes that I couldn't think," Olson said. "But I didn't want to give up my goal."

She was unable to use her right arm at times, so professors devised creative ways to accommodate her. One taped a test to her desk to make it easier to write, while another arranged for her to take an essay exam orally. This past semester, professors in three classes modified their curriculum so she could do most of her work online.

Despite her disabilities, Olson still managed an internship at the county Probation Department's Camp David Gonzalez, tutoring young men for their GEDs. She said she wants to continue her relationship with the camp once she graduates.

Olson will receive her degree at 8 a.m. Friday, May 30, during the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' commencement ceremony on the Oviatt Library lawn.

Stephanie Grabow, B.A., Liberal Studies
After serving four years in the Army, Grabow had a tough decision to make. She loved the military and had risen quickly through the ranks from private to non-commissioned officer. But she was a single parent, and if she wanted to continue her career in the Army, she would be required to leave her daughter behind for long periods while she served overseas.

"I really loved serving in the military, but I couldn't be away from my daughter
that long," said Grabow, 31, of Camarillo.

Grabow said she was an average student in high school and had no intention of going to college thereafter. She had been in the workforce for a few years when she got a call from an Army recruiter and accepted his offer.

Grabow said her military experience prepared her for going to school full time while being a single parent, and supplied financial support for her education through the GI Bill.

The first in her family to attend college and a third-generation single parent, Grabow is determined that she and her daughter, now 6, will break the cycle.

"I have become a much better person because of her. She was my inspiration for going back to school and sticking it out when it's 9:30 at night and all you want to do is to sleep and there's a paper to write and a test to study for," she said.

? Grabow wants to be an elementary school teacher and will enter the credentialing program at CSU Channel Islands in the fall.

She will receive her degree at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 29, during the College of Humanities' commencement ceremony on the Oviatt Library lawn.

Ari Soto, B.S., Manufacturing Systems Engineering

When Soto was 14, his stepfather fired a shotgun at him in an attempt to kill him. With his stepfather then gone, Soto dropped out of high school to take care of his mother and three younger brothers.

His family immigrated to the United States only four years earlier and settled in a drug- and gang-ridden area of Canoga Park. Soto didn't have many options, and quickly realized that his best bet to take care of his family was to finish high school. His mom didn't work, so the family survived on donations from local churches and charity groups and whatever income Soto brought in from part-time jobs.

Soto, 24, said he had no intention of going to college until a high school counselor convinced him to apply to CSUN just days before the admission deadline. He enrolled in 1996.

Despite his obligations, Soto has been active on campus. He started a nonprofit organization, Technology Empowering Communities Hands-on, which recycles corporate technology castoffs into resources for middle schools, community centers and churches.

He also has been determined to serve as a role model for his younger brothers. "My little brother, he's 14, is my project. He's definitely college-bound. He wants to be a marine biologist and I'm going to make sure that happens," Soto said.

Another brother is a junior in high school and Soto expects he will go to college when he graduates. One brother dropped out of high school, but Soto convinced him to complete his education. The brother is now
studying to become a nursing assistant.

"I have hope for all of them," Soto said.

Soto, meanwhile, has accepted a position with General Electric's management training program. Though he will be required to travel in North and South America, Soto said he will continue to support his family in Canoga Park to ensure that his brothers have a stable home so they can complete their educations.

Soto will receive his diploma at 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, during the College of Engineering and Computer Science's commencement ceremony at the University Club.
President's Message: Retirement Announcement by Provost Kennedy

Date: May 6, 2003
To: Campus Community
From: President Jolene Koester

I am writing to inform the campus community that Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Louanne Kennedy has announced her decision to retire. Her official last day will be August 31, 2003.

Provost Kennedy is a passionate and dynamic leader whose contributions to this institution are innumerable and extensive. In her 10 years of service here, she has provided leadership to one of the largest and foremost academic programs in the CSU, successfully bringing the Division and its Colleges and Library into the 21st century. She has increased accountability, implemented innovative distance learning programs, and expanded the use of technology in the classrooms. And through comprehensive reviews she conducted of the University's academic programs, Provost Kennedy has worked to ensure that the University's academic, general education, and teacher preparation programs meet the modern day needs of CSUN's students, the community, and the state.

Of course, her leadership and hard work extend beyond Academic Affairs and the University. As Provost and our most senior vice president, she has been a key member of the President's Cabinet. She is respected throughout the CSU system and in the Chancellor's Office. This is evidenced by her recent success as co-chair of the systemwide Task Force on Facilitating Graduation and her work as a Commissioner with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, our regional accreditation association. Her legacy at CSUN is further enhanced by her productive and effective service as CSUN's Interim President during the 1999-2000 academic year. During this appointment, she ensured the smooth transition of leadership at the University.

On a personal note, I want to express my personal respect, appreciation, and affection for Provost Kennedy and her work and achievements at CSUN. As a new president, I relied greatly on her wisdom and advice, and her extensive knowledge of the campus. The University's recent successes—such as the Teachers for a New Era Initiative, which has brought national prominence to CSUN—owe much to her outstanding support and hard work through the years. As anyone who knows her well can tell you, her values, passion, and dedication are rooted in a deep commitment to the University's mission to give students—particularly those from traditionally underrepresented groups in higher education—every opportunity to succeed. This commitment is the direct result of Provost Kennedy's personal experiences; the challenges she has faced in her career as a woman, a working student, and a working parent instilled in her great character and tenacity, and deepened her commitment to community service and to higher education.
In the next few weeks, I will announce details of the search for an interim appointment to the position and the search for the regular appointment.

Provost Kennedy's retirement date happens to coincide with the very month of her tenth year of service to Cal State Northridge. We are proud of the impact she has had on the University and the system and, especially, our students. Her shoes will be very hard to fill and the influence of her work and leadership will be felt for many, many years at CSUN. In the months ahead, I know there will be opportunities for the University community to honor and celebrate Provost Kennedy's service and achievements. I hope all of you will take part and join me in expressing appreciation to Provost Kennedy for her work, her leadership, and everything she has contributed to Cal State Northridge.
## 2003 Cal State Northridge

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FYI

For Your Information publishes announcements of public meetings, notices, classes and courses of interest to the university community. The deadline for submitting items generally is noon on Monday, one week before the issue appears.

The deadline for the May 27 issue is Monday, May 19. We strive to include all items submitted by deadline occurring during the two-week period until the next issue. Items further in advance will be run on a space-available basis. Submit future items by e-mailing them to pubinfo@csun.edu, sending them to mail drop 8242 or faxing them to (818) 677-4909. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting.

Note: fmi—means for more information.

Events

Wednesday, May 14

Humanities Faculty Event

The College of Humanities is hosting its annual "Celebration of Faculty Scholarship" event honoring faculty for their accomplishments during the past year. The event will feature displays, arranged by academic department, of faculty books, publications, compositions and other works. 35 p.m. in Sierra Hall, Whitsett Room, fourth floor. Refreshments will be served. fmi3301.

Friday, May 16

Staff Recognition Awards

Human Resources Services presents the annual Staff Service Recognition Awards ceremony from 911 a.m. in the Satellite Student Union Shoshone Room. Along with the traditional employee of the year award, several hundred university employees will be honored for their length of service, based on five-year period anniversaries. fmi2118.

Friday, May 16

Professors Golf Tournament
The Professors Golf Association hosts its final golf tournament of the academic year at the Westlake Golf Course, 10 a.m. at 4812 Lakeview Canyon Road. The event will include a "short game" clinic at 9 a.m. conducted by PGA teaching professional Joe Buttita. Both individual and team prizes will be awarded. The $46 registration fee includes cart, greens fees and clinic. fmi leland.gassert@csun.edu.

**Saturday, May 17**

**Science Poster Symposium**

CSUN hosts a student science poster symposium co-sponsored by the National Science Foundation, the Eisenhower/Improving Teacher Quality Programs, the California Science Project, and LAUSD. 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the University Student Union Grand Salon. About 100 high school, middle and elementary school students will present the results of their research in poster form. Participants should park in Lot G4 off Zelzah Ave. fmiSteve Oppenheimer, x3336 or steven.oppenheimer@csun.edu.

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**Public Meetings**

**CSUN Foundation Board**

Meets Wed., May 14
Finance/Investment Committee: 4 p.m.
Executive Committee: 6 p.m.
University Hall 250

**Personnel Planning and Review Committee**

Meets 1:155 p.m. Wed., May 14 and May 21
University Hall 277

**Faculty Senate**

Meets 24:30 p.m. Thu., May 15
Oviatt Library Presentation Room

**University Planning and Budget Group**

Meets noon2 p.m. Fri., May 16
Education Building, Skinner Room 1216

**Educational Policies Committee**

Meets 24 p.m. Wed., May 21
University Hall 211

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**Notices**

**Catastrophic Leave Request**
Monica Wofford in University Counseling Services will begin a six to eight week medical leave of absence at the end of May. Catherine Sluter in Oviatt Library's Technical Services section is unable to return to work until July. Both are in need of catastrophic leave donations. Most staff employees may donate up to 40 leave credits per fiscal year in one hour increments. Unit 4 employees may donate up to 32 sick and vacation hours and those in Bargaining Units 1, 3 and 8 up to a total of 16 hourly credits. The "Pledge for Donation of Leave for Catastrophic Illness" form may be accessed at www-admn.csun.edu/hrs/forms/pledge.pdf. Completed forms should be forwarded to Manager, Payroll Administration, mail drop 8228.

Library Chair Appointment

Provost Louanne Kennedy has announced the reappointment of Michael Barrett as chair of the Oviatt Library's Reference and Instructional Services Department for a three-year term effective July 1, 2003. The appointment was based on the recommendation of Dean Susan Curzon.

University Recycling Program

The University Recycling Program is sponsoring a "move-out" donation drive for our residents and the campus community for recycling their old household items. A Goodwill Industries truck will be located in student housing, Parking Lot F9 just east of University Park Apartments buildings 4 and 5. The program runs Wed.Fri., May 21-23. A Goodwill attendant will be available on those days from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to receive donations and issue tax receipts. fmiCyndi Signett at x2477, Goodwill at (888) 446-6394, or www.csunas.org/servimenu/recycle.html.

Chicano/a Studies Chair Appointment

Provost Louanne Kennedy has announced the appointment of Mary Pardo as chair of the Chicano/a Studies Department for a three-year term effective August 20, 2003. The appointment was based on the recommendation of Interim Dean Alden Reimonenq of the College of Humanities.

Asian American Studies Chair Appointment

Provost Louanne Kennedy has announced the reappointment of Gordon Nakagawa as half-time, interim chair of the Asian American Studies Department for a one-year term effective August 20, 2003. The appointment was based on the recommendation of Interim Dean Alden Reimonenq of the College of Humanities.

Final Examination Policy

Provost Louanne Kennedy reminds the campus community of the university policy regarding final examinations, which is stated on page 55 of the current University Catalog. "In lecture courses, no final examination may be scheduled by an instructor prior to the regular scheduled time." Under no circumstances should faculty change the time or date of a scheduled final examination without written approval of the department chair and college dean.

Work Study Meeting

All departments, programs and research directors interested in hiring federal work-study students in 2003-04 must send at least one representative to the following meeting if you have not already attended a past session. Tue., May 13, 9 a.m. to noon, Oviatt Library presentation room. All work-study supervisors are encouraged to attend. For reservations, call Josie Carbajal, x3875 or e-mail work.study@csun.edu.

English Program for International Students

The College of Extended Learning offers two sessions of an Intensive English Program this summer for international
Translation and Interpreting Program Open House

The College of Extended Learning will offer a free seminar to introduce its Translation and Interpreting Program. 9 a.m. to noon, Sat., May 31, Manzanita Hall, room 130. The event will highlight the use of bilingual skills for careers as state-certified government interpreters. fmi x3923 or www.csun.edu/iep.

Clean Out Your Files

As part of the University Recycling Program, the campus community is asked to extend the "Out of the Brown and Into the Blue" recycling drive until the end of May. Use the blue bins in your office and make a difference. Co-sponsored by Physical Plant Management. fmi2477 or www.csunas.org.

Network Connectivity Outages

Information Technology Resources staff, as part of the Technology Infrastructure Initiative project, are upgrading CSUN facilities. As part of this work, various CSUN buildings are expected to have a day when their network connectivity will be disrupted, causing the temporary loss of web and e-mail access at those locations. In addition, the entire campus will experience a temporary loss of network connectivity, including lack of e-mail and Web services, between 5 p.m. and midnight on Saturday, July 5. fmi Yvonne Davis, x4700 or www.csun.edu/itr/tii.

The schedule for outages follows:

Tue., 5/27 UPA Building 14
Wed., 5/28 Monterey Hall
Mon., 6/16 Student Services
Wed., 6/18 University Hall
Mon., 6/23 Sierra Tower
Wed., 6/25 Jerome Richfield Hall
Mon., 6/30 Women's Center, Asian and Black Houses, HHD Preschool, USU Children's Center
Tue., 7/1 Nordhoff Hall, Music Bldg.
Wed., 7/2 Faculty Office Building
Sat., 7/5 Sequoia Hall (data center)
Thu., 7/15 Physical Plant Mgmt.
Wed., 7/16 NCOD, Chicano House, H-Complex
Thu., 7/22 Oviatt Library
Thu., 7/24 Education
Fri., 8/1 Engineering
Fri., 8/8 Student Health Center, USU, Boiler House, Green House
Mon., 9/8 Science 4
Tue., 9/9 Science 3
Thu., 9/11 Science 1 and 2

Classes

Floor & Building Warden Training

The Office of Environmental Health and Occupational Safety is offering a workshop on Floor and Building Warden
Training. 12:30 p.m. Fri., May 16 in the Environmental Health and Safety room, PPM Corporation Yard. For reservations, call x2401.

Deadlines

Human Subjects Research Approval

All faculty and students performing research including the use of human subjects must complete a Human Subjects Protocol Approval form. An original form and nine copies should be submitted to the Research Office for review by the Standing Advisory Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects. The next deadline for submissions is Tue., April 29. The next committee meeting is Tue., May 13. Protocol submission forms are available at the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, University Hall 265 or can be downloaded from www.csun.edu/research.
CALENDAR

The Associated Students Ticket Office is in the University Student Union sells tickets to many events on campus, excepted for some held by outside groups. The ticket office is open from 9:30 a.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri.. For prices not given, call (818) 677-3093, or x2488.

Art

Admission is free unless otherwise specified.

Annual Juried Art Student Exhibition

Works by CSUN graduate and undergraduate art students will be selected by art professionals and awards will be announced during the opening reception.
Opening reception: Fri., May 9, 79 p.m.
Fri., May 9 through Fri., May 30
Main Art Gallery

Spiritual Expressions: Rassouli-Jenik-Mozafarian

Surrealist works by three American-Iranian artists from Southern California that share their rich symbolism of Persian mystic poetry.
Extended through May 2003.
Performing Arts Center Gallery

Embroidery, Batik and Tie-Dye: Textiles Crafts of Southwestern China

An exhibit displaying colorfully embroidered garments and intricate batik cloth of the Miao people and elaborately patterned tie-dyed cloth and clothing of the Bai people. Opening reception:
Thu., April 24, 6 p.m.
Mon., April 21 through Wed., Aug. 28
Oviatt Library Exhibition Gallery

Athletics (home games)
Men's Baseball

5/16 Pacific 3 p.m.
5/17 Pacific 1 p.m.
5/18 Pacific 1 p.m.

Cinematheque's 'Film Noir'

CSUN's Department of Cinema and Television Arts presents its Cinematheque spring series "Film Noir" featuring cinema and television classics. The screenings are free and take place every Wednesday and Thursday in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater, on the first floor of Manzanita Hall at the southwest corner of campus. For more info, call (818) 677-3192 or see www.csuncinematheque.com.

Clint Eastwood

Featuring "Escape from Alcatraz" and "Tightrope."
Wed., May 14, 711 p.m.

Music

Admission to all music events (unless otherwise specified): $10 general, $7 faculty, staff and seniors, $5 students.

Opera Workshop

David Sannerud directs.
Thu., May 15, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Guest Artist Recital

Cellist Ann Kim and marimba and percussionist David Rozenblatt perform works by Bach, Bartok, Piazolla/d'Rivera and Rozenblatt.
Sat., May 17, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

CSUN Youth Orchestra Gala Finale

John Roscigno conducts.
Sun., May 18, 3 p.m.
Northridge Center

Adults $15, students and children $10

Theater/Performance

Jim Bailey's 'Fever'

Part of the Show of the Month in the PAC series, the incomparable Jim Bailey recreates Peggy Lee in "Fever," a tribute to the legendary vocalist.
Sun., June 1, 2 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$30

**Planetarium Sky Tours**

CSUN's Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium hosts Sky Tour star talks exploring the splendors of the night sky. Recommended for ages 8 and above. Tickets can be ordered in advance by calling (818) 677-2488 or purchased at the door before show time.

7 p.m. Saturday, May 3 and 17

Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium, on the west side of the Science 3 Building.

Recommended parking is Lot G4 along Zelzah Ave.

$5 adults and $3 children