2008 Distinguished Faculty Teaching Awards

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Kathleen A. Lacey is known by students and colleagues throughout the College of Business Administration (CBA) for her dedication and devotion to teaching, concern and care for student learning and superb instructional performances.

Her efforts to create a positive, interactive learning environment based on communication and rapport with students, and to foster their critical thinking and ethical reasoning skills, has made her one of the highest-ranked instructors in the College, with ratings between 4.6 and 4.9 on a 5.0 scale.

Lacey began teaching at CSULB in 1994. In 2005, when the Ukleja Center for Ethical Leadership opened, she was named faculty director. In addition to her roles as professor and faculty director, Lacey has been instrumental in the college’s efforts to develop new curriculum for business ethics and ethical leadership. She has developed and teaches CBA 400I Business Ethics and CBA 401A Ethical Leadership and helped create Ethics at the Beach, a one-day ethics certification program. Lacey also teaches CBA495, an innovative, two-semester leadership course offered through the Ukleja Center for Ethical Leadership that enables students to engage with CEOs and other business professionals in top companies like Toyota, Mattel and The Boeing Company on ethical issues in business.

Lacey is a leader in her field nationally. Her published research in corporate governance and business corruption enhances her teaching of business law and business ethics. She currently serves as president-elect of the Academy of Legal Studies in Business, a national academic organization and participates in pedagogical and business law and business ethics symposiums, seminars and panels in order to enhance her knowledge and engage them the area of business law and ethics and maintain best practices in teaching.