Dear Alumni, Friends, and Supporters:

As we close the 2012-2013 academic year at California State University, Long Beach, I would like to share news about the wonderful students, faculty, and soon-to-be graduates of the College of Health and Human Services (CHHS). Our over 3,000 bachelor’s and master’s degree candidates will graduate this spring and pursue new chapters in their lives. As the newest generation of health and human services professionals, they will fundamentally impact your communities and your personal health and wellness.

Our Students, Our Graduates

Holding a total of 22 accreditations, the college’s nine departments and two schools provide cutting-edge education and relevant hands-on experience. Through their exposure to and experiences in research, service learning, volunteering, student groups, and study-abroad opportunities, our students are well-equipped to compete in and contribute to a rapidly evolving, complex, and highly competitive workforce upon graduation.

Throughout their studies, CHHS students acquire a top-notch theoretical and applied education that incorporates valuable volunteer, internship, and field work opportunities as part of their degree requirements. Our graduates embody the college’s mission to Connect, Discover, Educate in their careers, communities, and families. And the work in CHHS proves just that.

1) Barry Lavay, Professor of Adapted Physical Education in Kinesiology and the Director of Camp Nugget- a summer camp for children with disabilities and special needs- employs his major’s upper-division and credential students as the camp’s staff each summer.

2) Natalie Cheffer, Associate Professor of Nursing and the CSULB
Director of Health on Wheels (HOW), has nurse practitioner students work and train as clinicians on the HOW mobile clinic. Established in 1996, Health on Wheels is a collaboration between Kaiser Permanente, CSULB, the City of Norwalk, and the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District. HOW is a school-based mobile pediatric clinic that provides free health care services to the uninsured and underinsured children in the Norwalk-La Mirada school district. Since its inception, 138 CSULB Nursing students have staffed the mobile clinic.

3) As part of their education and training, 30 to 36 Physical Therapy students serve 15 to 18 clients annually in the Department of Physical Therapy’s Pro-Bono Clinic. This clinic is available only to people with central nervous system diseases who have exhausted their insurance benefits but have goals for recovery and improvement.

These are just a few examples of opportunities and experiences that CHHS students have in obtaining their degrees and preparing for the workforce.

This past year has also been a year of several milestones and accomplishments for CHHS.

- 2013 WELLNESS WEEK
- Distinguished Alumni Steve Molina and Lori Brault to be feted May at annual alumni awards
- 9th Annual Lauda Lecture
- Annemarie Pellerito Scholarship Awarded
- CSULB Delegation visit to Sacramento to discuss Hospitality Industry
- 2nd Annual Latino Health Equity Conference
- Archery’s 50 year anniversary
- Campus Couture Fashion Show celebrates 25th anniversary
- FMD students participate in Royal Fashion Show on the Queen Mary
- Archstone Foundation award to research and design a “Hub & Spoke” Aging-in-place Village in downtown Long Beach
- NIH awards Prof. Alex Washington grant to increase HIV testing
- New Graduate Certificate in Latino Health and Nutrition Studies approved
- Roger F. Greaves and Health Net, Inc. Scholarships announced
- LifeFit Center @ the Beach celebrates grand opening
- Two new doctoral degrees in Physical Therapy and Nursing now offered
- Prof. Betty McMicken honored with Anne Douglas Legacy Award
- CD Student Heidi Kim receives ASHA Minority Scholars Award
OUR SUPPORTERS, OUR FRIENDS
CHHS faculty continues to pursue academic excellence in their research and community service. The college strives to Connect with its students and the community, Discover knowledge through faculty and student research that helps improve the quality of living of the community, Educate its students and professional fields, and the community. The College of Health and Human Services strives to impact the lives of its students, nearby communities, and the health and wellness of California. Doing this takes the support of CHHS alumni, friends, and community and corporate supporters. The college is endeavoring in many exciting opportunities in each of its 22 disciplines. To see some of these opportunities, click here.

The success of our mission and 22 academic units depends on dedicated faculty, outstanding students, and forward-thinking supporters. It also depends on alumni, their families, CSULB friends, and corporate and community supporters who have been personally impacted by our work. I encourage you to consider contributing to these worthwhile programs. Your contribution will help to advance the mission of our College and is an investment in your community and profession.

Sincerely,

Kenneth I. Millar
Dean
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