



### FORMER ALUM DRIVES IN GAME-WINNING RUN IN WORLD SERIES

Former Cal State Fullerton infielder Christian Colon drove in what turned out to be the game-winning run in the 12th inning to help lead the Kansas City Royals to a 7-2 victory over the New York Mets in game five of the 2015 World Series, helping the Royals clinch the series four games to one.

In his three seasons with the Titans, Colon posted a career .349 batting average with 267 hits, 214 runs scored, 46 doubles, 6 triples, 29 home runs and 147 RBI. Colon ranks fourth in runs on the Titans all-time career record book.

### WEATHERING THE RECOVERY: ECONOMISTS DISCUSS OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE

It's been a long, slow recovery from the Great Recession but the end may soon be in sight, according to Cal State Fullerton economists Anil Puri and Mira Farka in their Oct. 29 Economic Outlook and Forecast presentation before an audience of approximately 800.

"The economy will improve and we see the next couple of years being better than the last six," said Puri. However, the collapse in oil prices, strong dollar, international trade and global events have left the recovery vulnerable to a number of shocks. That's why the economists are projecting a more temperate 2.5 percent growth over the next two years — up from 2 percent recorded during the past few years, but below 3 percent trend levels.

The CSUF economists expect the Fed to move in December — a position they have maintained for more than two years — which also was shared by CSUF alumnus Richard Davis, CEO of U.S. Bancorp, in his presentation on the economy and cyber security during the forecast.

While consumer spending, homebuilding and commercial construction are expected to grow, the economists see production, inventory and the global outlook to temper growth to the country's economy.



### CENTER FOR ORAL AND PUBLIC HISTORY RECOGNIZES FOUR OF OC'S POLITICAL GIANTS

University leaders, supporters and community members gathered recently to honor Orange County political game-changers Howard Adler, Marilyn Brewer and Jim Morrissey, and Jerry Patterson whose oral histories became part of Cal State Fullerton's Center for Oral and Public History.

"Tonight we are able to honor four individuals whose personal and professional narratives are central to the fabric of Orange County political history," Sheryl Fontaine, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, told the crowd.

"The great thing about this project is that it records Orange County's history in all its diversity," said Natalie Fousekis, director of the center and associate professor of history.

The Center for Oral and Public History, the largest regionally focused oral archive in the state, holds 5,700 recorded interviews, related transcripts, photographs and other materials.

In 2011, the center was awarded a \$425,000 National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant for the renovation and expansion of the center.

### SCHOLARS TEAM UP TO TRAIN STUDENTS IN EMERGING FIELD

The National Institutes of Health awarded Cal State Fullerton a \$1 million grant for a five-year multidisciplinary "big data" science program to train students in this emerging field.

The University received \$187,789 in first-year funding for the program, which focuses on increasing big data exposure and knowledge through research, education and collaboration, with integration of neuroscience, genomics and epigenetics.



### SILVER STARS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Cal State Fullerton has again earned a silver rating in the Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS).

STARS is a self-reporting framework for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance. It was developed by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) with participation from the higher education community.

### CAMPUS START-UP INCUBATOR HELPS STUDENTS SUCCEED

Twelve budding businesses with multiple student/alumni founders are getting a head start through the new business incubator operated by the University's Center for Entrepreneurship in Placentia.

The incubator is "an extension of what we do in the classroom," says John Bradley Jackson, center director. "The goal is to commercialize resident start-ups within 180 days by aggressively challenging them to 'succeed quickly or fail fast.'"

As part of the incubator residency, participants are offered assistance for business model validation, customer identification, formation as a legal entity, business plan revision and determination of necessary funding.



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## Did You Know?



- As of Fall 2015, the ethnic distribution of Cal State Fullerton students, excluding international students, is as follows: American Indian (.1%), Asian/Pacific Islander (22.7%), Black/African American (2.3%), Hispanic/Latino (40.5%), White (25.4%), Multi-Race (4.6%), Unknown (4.4%).
- The average age of a Cal State Fullerton student is 23.
- The university hosts 2,410 international students from 78 nations.
- This semester, female students make up 56 percent of the student body.