



### RECORD-SETTING DINNER WITH THE TITANS HELPS KICK OFF 2015 SEASON

The ninth annual *Dinner With the Titans* set new attendance and fundraising records as more than 500 guests gathered recently to support the Cal State Fullerton baseball program.

The event raised more than \$75,000, eclipsing the previous mark of \$46,700 raised in 2013. The proceeds will also help fund the Titans' trip to Gwangju City, South Korea as Fullerton represents the United State at the 2015 World University Games from July 3-14.

College baseball and Titans legendary coach Augie Garrido headlined the event, serving as the keynote speaker.



### CARNEGIE FOUNDATION AGAIN HONORS CAL STATE FULLERTON

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has once again honored Cal State Fullerton for its distinctive community-engagement activities, making it one of only 361 institutions in the United States to hold the classification.

The 2015 Community Engagement Classification documents Cal State Fullerton's "excellent alignment among campus mission, culture, leadership, resources and practices that support dynamic and noteworthy community engagement." Community engagement, as defined by the foundation, focuses on the collaboration between institutions of higher education and their larger communities for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources.

Cal State Fullerton had previously been honored in the joint category of curricular engagement and outreach and partnerships, since reclassified as the community engagement classification. During the 2012-13 academic year, Cal State Fullerton students performed more than 1.4 million hours of service through course-related and voluntary service hours, high-impact practices, international service-learning opportunities and new community partnerships.

### ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAMS RANK HIGH NATIONALLY

Cal State Fullerton's online master's degree programs in business, engineering and education are among the nation's top 25 in their fields, according to rankings announced recently by *U.S. News & World Report*. The University's online graduate business program ranks sixth in the nation; engineering programs are No. 16; and education programs are No. 21.

CSUF's online business program – the highest ranked in California – shares the No. 6 spot with Auburn and Villanova universities among 90 ranked programs (excluding the MBA). This year's ranking is a jump up from No. 23 in 2014. Since 2005, the College of Business and Economics has offered an online master of science degree program in information technology.

The University's online engineering programs are No. 16 among 58 such programs ranked nationally and are the third highest ranked in California, behind No. 1 UCLA and No. 3 USC. CSUF's ranking is unchanged from 2014. The College of Engineering and Computer Science offers the master of science degree in software engineering, launched in 2004, and the master of science degree in environmental engineering, offered since 2012.

### BIOCHEMISTRY UNDERGRAD WINS TOP CSU RESEARCH AWARD

For her exemplary work in investigating a type of protein responsible for degenerative neurological diseases, biochemistry major Ashley Chui is the winner of the California State University Biotechnology Symposium's top undergraduate research award.

Chui is a student researcher in the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Undergraduate Research Scholars Program. Through her research, Chui has characterized the behavior of a protein linked to cancer, which has implications in the medical treatment of various neurological diseases, such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.



## TITAN DANCE TEAM WINS 14TH DIVISION I JAZZ TITLE

The Cal State Fullerton Dance Team clinched its 14th National Universal Dance Association/Universal Cheerleaders Association College Dance Team Championship at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida on January 18. The Titans competed in the Division I Jazz category.

"Today at finals was everything I was hoping for," said Head Coach Jennie Volkert. "The team worked so hard and nailed their performances. They represented Cal State Fullerton with pure class, hard work and dedication. We were proud to show the nation what the Cal State Fullerton Dance Team is all about."



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## Did You Know?



- Cal State Fullerton faculty and staff members garnered more than \$3.5 million in grants and contracts during the second academic quarter, ending Dec. 31, 2014.
- New and returning students learned about on-campus clubs and volunteer opportunities, during "Days of Discovery" Jan. 28 and 29, as well as other extracurricular activities by visiting booths in the Quad and elsewhere around campus during this "Week of Welcome."
- The instructional program of the University is offered by eight colleges: The Arts, Communications, Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Health and Human Development, Mihaylo College of Business and Economics, and Engineering and Computer Science.