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Celebrating the Tenth Anniversary of Steven G. Mihaylo Hall

Nearly 200 supporters, faculty and students gathered in the courtyard of Steven G. Mihaylo Hall last month to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the building's dedication.

In the decade that followed that October 2008 dedication, the Mihaylo College of Business and Economics, which is housed within the new building, saw alumni ranks grow to more than 60,000. The college also strengthened multiple centers, including those focused on entrepreneurship, leadership, family business, and insurance; launched startup incubators in Placentia and Irvine; and created the Titan Capital Management Center, an immersive, state-of-the-art trading lab for students.

The \$89 million, 195,000-square-foot building was launched with a transformative gift from Steven G. Mihaylo '69 (B.A. business administration).

CSUF RANKS NO. 6 IN NET PRICE

Cal State Fullerton has been recognized for its efforts in helping students achieve social mobility while offering a top education at an affordable price.

In the September/October 2018 issue of *Washington Monthly*, CSUF ranked 6th in net price in the "2018 College Guide & Rankings," recognizing that cost is often what can make or break a college dream.

The publication also ranked CSUF in the top third of national universities in consideration of its eight-year graduation rate, percent of first-generation college students, alumni median earnings 10 years after entering college, and bachelor's-to-Ph.D. ranking.

FIRST-YEAR SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS STUDENTS LEARN TO 'THINK LIKE EINSTEIN'

"Think Like Einstein" is a new course this fall offered by the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. The course gives incoming freshmen skills in critical thinking, argumentation, and logical and scientific reasoning to prepare them for the rigors of studying math and science. "Einstein demonstrates how critical thinking and scientific reasoning can lead to the discovery of truths about our world," said Merri Lynn Casem, professor of biological science. "Data that support parts of Einstein's theory of general relativity are only now being collected, but he arrived at the ideas through critical thinking."

Seed funding to cover a portion of the support was donor-funded.



PROGRAM HELPS STUDENTS SEE THE OPPORTUNITIES IN ALLIED HEALTH CARE

A federally funded program to broaden students' understanding of career options in the health care field, particularly allied health, will be expanding to reach more students, and to help them succeed.

David Chenot, chair and professor of social work at Cal State Fullerton, (*pictured with students and Careers Opportunity Program Manager Erin Manalo*) along with Laurie Roades, dean of the College of Health and Human Development, are recipients of a new five-year U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, grant for the Health Career Opportunity Program (HCOP). First-year funding of the anticipated \$3.1 million award is \$635,872.

"We know that many students think of health care as being doctors and nurses, but the allied health care fields — occupational therapy, communicative disorders, counseling, social work, public health, epidemiology, health education and gerontology — are less well known," says Chenot. "We wanted students to recognize that there are many viable career options."



ROTC CADETS SHARE CAMP EXPERIENCES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTY, THE WORLD

Last August, Sara Berlinger took a step beyond the dance studios where she's usually found. The junior dance major, one of 26 female cadets in Cal State Fullerton's ROTC program, recently returned from a three-week Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program in Thailand.

But she wasn't the only one who wore army fatigues this summer. Fellow cadet Sherin Tara, a senior nursing major, spent almost a month serving in the emergency room at Martin Army Community Hospital in Fort Benning, Georgia. And Hunter Stepp, a graduate student studying clinical psychology, went to Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Tara took part in a 28-day Nurse Summer Training Program. If she hadn't been sure about her choice of nursing as a career, she is now after gaining more than 150 hours of clinical experience in the ER at Fort Benning.



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Did You Know?

Titan Alums Led in Major League Baseball Postseason

This year, Cal State Fullerton had more alumni on playoff rosters than any other college, with five players playing postseason. Dylan Floro and Justin Turner teamed up for the Dodgers and Kurt Suzuki served with the Braves. Matt Chapman and Khris Davis this season starred for the Athletics (who lost in the American League Wild Card game). In fact, Fullerton had seven alumni on Opening Day rosters.