

# TITAN REPORT

## Vision and Visionaries, the Highest Award Bestowed by the University

Four Titan alumni and an honorary alumna were recognized for their service and support of the university on Saturday, Feb. 26, during Cal State Fullerton's 25th Vision & Visionaries celebration at El Dorado Ranch. This year's honorees are: Michael R. Groff '78, Toyota Financial Services President & CEO, Retired, Douglas G. Stewart '87, Chairman, Marts & Lundy, Inc., Dan Young '74, President, Camino Enterprises, LLC, Ingrid Otero-Smart, President & CEO, Casanova//McCann, Lauren DuCharme '15, Fault Protection Systems Engineer, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

[BIT.LY/CSUF-VISION-VISIONARIES-2023](https://bit.ly/csuf-vision-visionaries-2023)



## Cal State Fullerton Dance Team Wins 17th National Championship

The Cal State Fullerton Dance Team won its 17th UDA (Universal Dance Association) National Championship, taking first place in the DI jazz competition at the National Dance Team Championship at Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando.

The Titans came back in 2022 stronger than ever after not being able to compete in 2021 due to COVID-19 and a third-place finish in 2020. Along with their championship in the jazz competition the Titans took second place in pom.

[BIT.LY/DANCE-TEAM-WINS-2022](https://bit.ly/dance-team-wins-2022)



PHIL NEVIN

## Dinner with the Titans

More than 450 guests gathered for Cal State Fullerton's annual Dinner with the Titans event on the evening of January 28, to show their appreciation and support for Titan baseball and raise \$125,000.

Players — past and current — also gathered to honor legendary coach Augie Garrido, who established the powerhouse Titan team and led it to four College World Series wins. A statue of Garrido was unveiled the next morning in front of the nearly completed \$15 million renovation of the baseball facility. Fans were then invited to tour the team's new state-of-the-art clubhouse.

To date, 71 Titan baseball players have made it to the MLB. Among those attending the dinner were Phil Nevin, Tim Wallach, Michael Lorenzen, J.D. Davis and Jason Winder. Titan baseball has produced 116 All-Americans, three Golden Spikes Award winners (Phil Nevin, Tim Wallach and Mark Kotsay), and 15 first-round draft picks.

Phil Nevin, one of those first-round draft picks who, in 1992, was the first player selected in the major league draft (going to the Houston Astros), served as keynote speaker. Nevin also earned the title of Baseball America's Player of the Year in 1992, played 12 seasons (1995-2006) in the major leagues. He is currently serving as third base coach for the Los Angeles Angels.

[BIT.LY/CSUF-DINNER-WITH-TITANS-2022](https://bit.ly/csuf-dinner-with-titans-2022)

## #TITANS GIVE DAY

Save the date - March 9 - as #TitansGive day of giving returns! Last year, \$463,333 from 1405 donors was raised to fund and establish scholarships, support student programs and provide high-impact learning experiences. From midnight to midnight on Tuesday, March 9, philanthropic support for CSUF will be encouraged with exciting matching gifts, challenges and contests. Participate in this online giving event and help be the difference for Titans! Make a gift on March 9 and promote #TitansGive to your network for further impact. Questions? Visit [titansgive.fullerton.edu](https://titansgive.fullerton.edu)

## Cal State Fullerton Advances in Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education

Cal State Fullerton recently advanced to the category of "Doctoral Universities: High Research Activity" by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. In order to achieve this classification, a university must award at least 20 research/scholarship doctoral degrees and have at least \$5 million in total research expenditures, as reported through the National Science Foundation Higher Education Research & Development Survey.

Cal State Fullerton currently offers two doctoral programs: Ed.D. (education) and D.N.P. (doctor of nursing practice). For the 2020-21 academic year, 67 doctoral degrees were awarded. In 2020, research and development expenditures were \$5.9 million; by 2021, this amount rose to \$9 million.

[BIT.LY/CSUF-CITATION-CARNEGIE-2022](https://bit.ly/csuf-citation-carnegie-2022)



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one who stands out for **greatness of achievement**



## Students Start Semester Equipped for Success Thanks to Technology Programs

Incoming students to Cal State Fullerton in spring 2022 semester were eligible to receive a new laptop or an iPad Air, Apple Pencil and Apple Smart Keyboard Folio through the California State University Connectivity Contributing to Equity and Student Success (CSUCCESS) program.

According to Rommel Hidalgo, associate vice president for information technology/innovation officer, Cal State Fullerton purchased an initial batch of 1,000 iPad Air bundles (iPad, keyboard folio, Apple pencil) for the CSUCCESS implantation.

CSUCCESS, a CSU initiative, is designed to enhance student achievement and create more equitable opportunities by providing industry-leading technology. CSUF is one of 14 institutions offering spring 2022 first-year and transfer students this technology bundle and Wi-Fi hotspot.

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