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Communications Students Cover 2024 Olympics in Paris

In the City of Light, Cal State Fullerton communications students took to the streets to film b-roll, conduct interviews and create social media posts. Their hotel was transformed into a makeshift newsroom where they wrote, edited and produced content that captured the story of the 2024 Olympic Games.

As part of a CSUF summer study abroad program, students gained hands-on journalism and reporting experience as they covered the games live from Paris, strengthening their portfolios with sports media clips, broadcast packages and editorial pieces.

Their coverage spanned a variety of highly relevant topics, including feature stories about Olympic athletes, coaches and athletic trainers, and news pieces about LGBTQ+ inclusivity for athletes, sports psychology and one of the Olympics' newest sports, breaking.

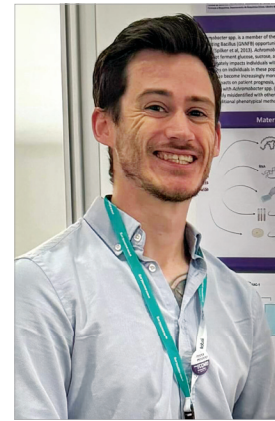
"I never thought I'd be covering the 2024 Paris Olympics as an undergraduate student. Having the opportunity to immerse myself into a new country with students who are driven, confident and passionate within the broadcast field is one of the greatest things I could ever experience," said Lina Naranjo, a third-year communications student.

With more than 20 years of experience as a television sports reporter, CSUF Assistant Professor of Communications Gayle Jansen Brisbane designed the three-week program to help students become top candidates in a competitive sports industry.

"Being able to work on the biggest sports stage and have the opportunity to produce content at a world-class event like the Olympics is a huge boost to the students' careers in sports media," said Jansen Brisbane. "There is no substitute for experience, and this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

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Study Shows Multidrug-Resistance in Leukemia Patients



Cal State Fullerton faculty and student antibiotic-resistance researchers published a new study that describes emerging multidrug-resistance in *Achromobacter xylosoxidans*, an opportunistic pathogen that causes life-threatening infections in

immunocompromised patients.

The study, published in the *International Journal of Antimicrobial Agents*, was led by Nic Furtado, Class of 2024 biological science graduate and aspiring infectious disease researcher. Furtado, CSUF researchers and global collaborators identified mechanisms that could potentially be responsible for causing multidrug-resistance in patients with leukemia who developed resistance to all antibiotics currently available for treatment.

"Antibiotic-resistant pathogens, known as superbugs, are a global issue that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention considers a high priority and is monitoring very closely," said María Soledad Ramírez, professor of biological science and Furtado's research adviser.

Furtado, who gained hands-on research experience in CSUF's Undergraduate Research Training Initiative for Student Enhancement Program and the Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Training Program, presented his findings at the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases meeting in Barcelona, Spain. His work will contribute to the development of successful treatments for antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

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English Faculty Named Andrew Carnegie Fellow

Elise Wang, professor of English, comparative literature and linguistics, was accepted to the 2024 Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program, which supports high-caliber scholarship and research in the social sciences and humanities.

Selected from more than 360 nominations, Wang is one of 28 scholars who will conduct research on political polarization in the U.S. Her project, "That's What They Want You to Think: Identifying Dangerous Conspiracy Theories," will use narrative analysis to explore what makes conspiracy theories popular and their impact on violence and division.

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Money's Rating Places CSUF Among Best Colleges in Nation

Money magazine recognized Cal State Fullerton's innovative, affordable and transformative education with a 4.5 star rating on its national list of 2024 Best Colleges in America.

CSUF received the rating for its high-quality education, affordability and student outcomes, such as graduates' earnings and economic mobility. Of more than 2,400 public and private four-year schools considered, only 745 made the list.

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