

SCPD HISTORY

Student Center for Professional Development (SCPD) is a Center of Excellence in the College of Business Administration at California State University, Long Beach. SCPD was established 25 years ago as the Minority Business Program (MBP). Shortly thereafter the name was changed to the Mentoring Business Program. These name changes reflect an expanded charter, which facilitates the academic and professional success of all students within the college.

SCPD continues to develop and empower undergraduate students to be highly valued business professionals through its coordination of multiple programs, events, and community service activities. Our goal is to connect SCPD students to other students, to the campus, to the community and to the corporate world. Through mentoring relationships, we hope to develop meaningful learning experiences for both students and mentors.

In 2006-2007, the National Association for Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) honored SCPD as the winner of the Gold Award of Excellence for Careers, Academic Support, Service Learning and Community Service. This distinction marks the program as the best in the country within this category. [Online Article](#)