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The MPA Program of the Graduate Center for Public Policy and Administration, is eligible for peer review and accreditation. It was first accredited by NASPAA in 1988, and re-accredited in 1994 and 2001. We now seek a new round of peer review and re-accreditation.

The University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The most recent accreditation was in 2001. Accreditation of the Distance Learning MPA Program was extended by WASC in 2000.

Our MPA Program is designed to provide pre-service as well as in-service

students with the leadership and management skills necessary for success in a public sector career. The program is based on data from employers, graduates and students that has been and continues to be analyzed by the faculty to identify student learning outcome objectives for both core management knowledge and core leadership skills. The mix of full-time faculty who focus on theory and part-time practitioner faculty who focus on practice provide students with a well balanced approach to public policy and administration, which is designed to meet the needs of the local public agencies in the region.

The Graduate Center for Public Policy and Administration offers the Master of Public Administration degree in two formats: on-campus and distance learning. The on-campus MPA includes two options: urban affairs and public works, and offers certificates in Urban Executive Management, Public Management Analysis, Employee-Employer Relations, and Public Financial Management and Transportation Policy and Planning. The distance learning MPA offers no options.

David Powell

Dave Powell continued serving as Department Chair, and the Director of our Distance Learning Program. He presented a paper on the Center's new assessment program at the Teaching Public

Administration conference in Virginia in May. He also recently presented at the NASPAA Annual Meeting in Charleston, South Carolina.





"CATCH UP WITH
THE LATEST FACULTY
ACTIVITY."

Martha Dede

Dr. Martha Dede continues her research on the role of American Public Administration in development and execution of the Marshall Plan. She also is working on two journal articles, one of which compares decision-making processes at NASA before both the Challenger and Columbia accidents. The other explores the concept of "mediating structures", a powerful theoretical construct in the

nonprofit theory and management literature.

The biggest news this past year was "the foot incident". There she was, on a fine late April evening, walking down a completely empty hallway (i.e., nobody and nothing in it) and, before she knew it, was on the floor with, she later learned, a broken foot. Who knew walking could be so treacherous? She spent the first eight weeks of

the Summer in a walking cast and crutches, which made her water-skiing and Mt. Everest hiking plans rather moot.

The big news for the coming year is that Dr. Dede *finally* will get to Paris and Rome this Summer. While both her French and Italian are, at best, mediocre, she'll try hard to not embarrass herself (and you) by saying something completely stupid. Stay tuned.



Frank Baber

Frank and Carolyn are busy preparing for their Fulbright semester, starting at the end of January. Frank will be the Fulbright Distinguished Chair of Environmental Policy at the Politechnic Institute of Turin. Turin, home of the most recent Winter Olympics, is in the northwestern part of Italy in the foothills of the Alps.

Frank's academic home for the semester will be the Department of Ar-

chitecture and Urban Planning, with offices in the Castello del Valentino, a 17th Century Savoy castle on the banks of the Po River. Frank will be teaching a class on international environmental law. While they are in Turin, Frank and Carolyn will maintain a web-log at <http://rohan.sdsu.edu/~babber>. Friends are invited to visit the site starting in February to keep track of the Baber's excellent adventure.

Frank has also had a second book manuscript accepted for publication by MIT Press. Entitled *Global Democracy and Sustainable Jurisprudence: Deliberating Environmental Policy*, the new book will appear in June of 2009. Frank has also had an article accepted for publication in *Public Administration Quarterly* entitled "Race, Poverty and the Environment: Toward a Global Perspective."

William Moore

Dr. Moore completed his first year after tenure and promotion to Associate Professor. He continues to teach public budgeting and finance, policy analysis, urban affairs, and a new economics and public policy course that he developed. Further Dr. Moore continues to direct the public sector financial management certificate program.

Starting in Fall 2008, Dr. Moore became the Director of the Bureau of Government Research and Service. He was awarded a contract from the City of Beverly Hills, CA to provide consulting and training services to help the City

enhance their performance measurement system.

In April 2008 Dr Moore presented a paper titled "Income Inequality and Industrial Composition" at the General Economics section of the Western Social Science Association. The paper will also be published in *Public Administration Quarterly* in 2009.

Dr. Moore continues his involvement in university governance and service through membership on the Program Assessment and Review Council, University

Resources Council, College of Health and Human Services, Grade Appeal Committee, and as Faculty Representative to the Associated Students Incorporated, Board of Control. Finally he just completed five years of service as an At-Large Member of the Board of Directors of the California City Management Association (CAL-ICMA).



Ed Martin

Ed Martin has been working as editor on a symposium for *Public Administration Quarterly*, addressing issues related to "Social Class and Inequality."

Two of his publications will be forthcoming in this

journal, "Critical Social Analysis and Service Learning Methods: Investigating Social Class and Inequality through MPA Courses," and "Reexamining Devolution."

Last year Ed published "Liberalism, Postmodernism,

and Welfare Policy," in *New Political Science*.

He continues to stay active coaching baseball for his two sons.



Michelle Saint-Germain



Michelle Saint-Germain continued in her position as Director of Program Review and Assessment for the Division of Academic Affairs. She has been involved in coordinating the program review process between the elected Program Assessment and Review Council of the CSULB Academic Senate and the various academic degree programs under review, along with their respective directors, chairs and college deans. She has also overseen the collection and analysis of the annual

assessment report from all 151 degree-granting programs on campus. Having this comprehensive view of activities geared to monitor and improve academic quality and student success across campus, Dr. Saint-Germain has been able to contribute to the university's process of re-accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). As a long-time member of NASPAA, the agency that accredits MPA programs, Dr. Saint-

Germain has been active in the development of the new standards for accreditation which were unveiled at the fall 2008 annual NASPAA conference. She also made a presentation about using new technology in teaching. Dr. Saint-Germain remains active in research, now working on a study of faculty worklife and on a project to increase retention and graduation rates in graduate degree programs at CSULB.



Happy Holidays



CSULB GOES GREEN



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Dealing with California's growing money crunch announced a plan that provides state university campuses with more affordable power.

The state recently agreed to let solar power company Sun Edison build, maintain

and pay for solar panels at 15 California State University campuses, including Cal State Long Beach. In return, the company will charge the school cheaper rates.

SunEdison officials said construction on the solar panels with likely be

completed by early 2009 and will generate more than 12 million hours of energy a year.

More than 3,000 panels generate about 800,000 kilowatts a year, producing nearly a fourth of campus power needs, according to university

INSIDE STORY ON CSU BUDGET



GOVERNOR CUTS EDUCATION

The State of California is facing a \$10 billion budget shortfall. Obviously, this has meant a great deal of belt tightening at UC and CSU campuses across the state. Most colleges have implemented hiring freezes and faculty salary increases have been put on hold.

The impact of the budget shortfall extend to our course offerings as well. We are anticipated the same 50% cut to our summer courses as we experienced in Summer, 2008. Class sizes are increasing and equipment

purchases are being delayed. These cuts are occurring at the same time that Center enrollment has surged. The Center enjoyed a record growing popularity of the CSULB MPA degree combined with the severe budget reduction we are facing make for a difficult situation.

That being said, the Graduate Center is committed to offering courses that student need to graduate and will continue finding ways to service our students while providing the high

quality public affairs education we are known for. The Center will continue to strive to provide the best and the brightest in Southern California with cutting edge, practical public affairs education!

Help CSU find a solution to appropriate funding for higher education.



SUMMER SCHEDULE

2009 CLASS

SESSION I DATES
JUNE 1 — JULY 10

SESSION II DATES
JUNE 22 — JULY 31

SESSION III DATES
JULY 13 — AUGUST 21

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DISTANCE LEARNING COHORT 9

The Graduate Center for Public Policy and Administration at the California State University, Long Beach is pleased to announce the formation of the 9th MPA Distance Learning Cohort.

Our program is built around the needs of full-time employees. It affords the flexibility that working professionals need to balance work and education.

A unique scheduling allows working professionals to complete the MPA degree without career interruption in as few as 22 months!

Discussions on program design and student interaction at scheduled sites.

Special support coordinator to assist with off campus transactions
 Detailed admissions process and packets available to interested individuals.

Requirements for University and MPA Program will be explained in admission packet or visit our web site.

Selected DL student admits are processed separately than regular on

campus students and are guaranteed courses.

Pre-selected courses (36 units) are 6 weeks long and two weeks off.

A tentative schedule of classes, along with special admission packet can be sent to you directly by e-mailing Shawn Bauer at sbauer@csulb.edu or Call 562/985-4179



MPA ALUMNI NEWS UPDATES

IS THERE SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT PUBLIC POLICY NEWSLETTER?
DON'T HESITATE! JUST COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW AND RETURN TO THE GRADUATE CENTER.

NAME (INCLUDING NAME AT TIME OF GRADUATION IF DIFFERENT): _____

DATE OF GRADUATION FROM CSULB _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

WHAT IS YOUR PROFESSION?

PLACE OF WORK: _____

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

WORK PHONE: _____

WORK E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

WHAT ELSE HAVE YOU BEEN DOING SINCE LEAVING CSULB? PLEASE LIST PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS, FURTHER EDUCATION, TRAVEL, FAMILY ACTIVITIES, OR OTHER ITEMS WHICH YOU WISH TO INCLUDE IN FUTURE NEWSLETTERS (PICTURES WELCOMED);

