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Nelly Goswitz Receives National Gabriela Mistral Award

On April 23, 2009, Nelly Goswitz, member of the CSULB chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society, received the prestigious Gabriela Mistral Award for her academic achievements as a graduate student in Spanish and her exemplary role in her chapter's activities. The Gabriela Mistral Award is granted by Sigma Delta Pi's national headquarters and may be presented to only one person per chapter annually; the honor is reserved for outstanding graduate or undergraduate students of Spanish who are active members of Sigma Delta Pi. A complete list of the 2008-09 honorees is available at <http://www.sigmadeltapi.org/gabrielamistral.html>.

Established in 1919 at the University of California, Berkeley, Sigma Delta Pi honors those who have completed three years of study of college-level Spanish, including at least three semester hours of a course in Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization with a minimal grade point average of 3.0 in all Spanish courses taken. Candidates must also rank in the upper 35% of their class--sophomore, junior, or senior--and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college work. Graduate students may also be elected to membership upon completion of two graduate courses in Spanish with an average which, if continued, will make them eligible for a graduate degree.

With 564 chapters nationwide and its national office at The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina, Sigma Delta Pi is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies, the nation's only certifying agency for college and university honor societies.

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