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# Applied Sociology Accredited

Cal U's Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Applied Concentration has been accredited by the national Commission on Applied and Clinical Sociology, the only accrediting body in the country for applied and clinical sociology programs.

The University is one of only four schools to have an accredited undergraduate program or concentration in applied sociology, according to the commission's website.

“The accreditation means students are assured the program is in line with national standards of excellence and quality,” said Dr. Elizabeth Larsen, assistant professor and director of the applied sociology concentration.

"This will really benefit our students," Larsen added. "When they graduate with a degree in sociology with an applied concentration, they are automatically certified as sociological practitioners at the bachelor's level. Certified Sociological Practitioner, CSP, is a very nice credential to put after their names."

The applied sociology concentration was established at Cal U in 2004 and “is designed to prepare graduates for immediate employment,” Larsen said.

In upper-level courses, students participate in class projects, which often benefit other campus organizations, and must complete an internship during their final semester.

"One student did an internship with Southwestern Pennsylvania Human Services in Charleroi and Monessen to assess what kinds of services baby boomers are looking for in a community senior center," Larsen said.

“We also did work for the P.E.A.C.E. Project on campus to help them analyze instances of stalking and violence. We were able to give them a thorough report that was helpful as they applied for outside funding.”

After gaining this experience, Larsen said, graduates are ready to work “in just about any kind of business where research studies need to be done.”

“One area of considerable job growth is in evaluation research,” she said. “Organizations everywhere are having to become more accountable about their productivity and they need people who can design and carry out studies to determine how well they are doing at meeting their goals.”

When reviewing a program, the commission considers research and experiential learning opportunities, support for teaching and ongoing faculty research, and an integration of sociological theory, knowledge, methods and skills

In April 2008, the commission conducted an on-site evaluation of the program, and in August 2008, provisional accreditation was granted. In April 2009,

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**Gaye Adegbalola, an award-winning performer, will give a blues duo performance with pianist Roddy Barnes on March 29 in Steele Hall.**

# Lady Sings the Blues

Composer and musician Gaye Adegbalola will be singing the blues March 29-30 at Cal U.

On March 29 the award-winning performer will give a blues duo performance with pianist Roddy Barnes at 8 p.m. in Steele Hall Mainstage Theatre. On March 30 she will lead a workshop on the history of women in the blues at 11 a.m. in Vulcan Theatre, inside the Natali Student Center.

Adegbalola is a powerful singer and songwriter who has composed many blues hits. She has received the Blues Music Award (formerly known as the W.C. Handy Award) for Best Song of the Year. A founding member of Saffire-The Uppity Blues Women, she also performs solo, in a classic blues duo with accompanist Roddy Barnes, and as the front woman for Miz A & The Freedom Band.

Before making music her full-time career, Adegbalola taught science in public schools in Fredericksburg for 18

years. She was named Virginia State Teacher of the Year in 1982.

“We asked her to perform at Cal U because she is a triple threat — an entertainer, an educator and an activist,” said Dr. Marta McClintock-Comeaux, director of the Women’s Studies program. “Her work touches on many of the areas we examine in Women’s Studies, such as women’s rights and empowerment, civil rights and gay rights.”

The performance and workshop celebrate Women's History Month. Sponsors are the Women's Studies Program, History Club, Department of History and Political Science, Rainbow Alliance, Office of Multicultural Student Programs, Women's Center and Frederick Douglass Institute.

The program is open to the public. Admission is free.

For details, contact Kim Lucchini, an intern in the Women's Studies program, at 724-938-5245 or [luc6162@calu.edu](mailto:luc6162@calu.edu).

# Tinsley Speaks at Conference

**D**r. Taunya Tinsley discussed “Counseling Athletes Across the Lifespan” March 18 at a Pre-Conference Learning Institute presented in conjunction with the American Counseling Association (ACA) National Conference in Pittsburgh.

Tinsley, an assistant professor in the Department of Counselor Education, was joined for the presentation by Dr. Albert Petitpas, who directs the graduate training program in athletic counseling at Springfield College in Massachusetts, and Jim Presbrey, co-



**Dr. Taunya Tinsley**

founder of Academics In Motion (AIM), which provides academic support and youth development programs for student-athletes.

The presenters examined current counseling strategies used with athletes in a variety of settings, including schools, private practices, mental health agencies, professional sports

agencies and recreational settings. Their discussion and small-group activities explored current research in motivation and life skill development, psychosocial development and career maturity.

In addition to teaching at Cal U,

Tinsley is president of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association, a division of PCA and a chapter of the American College Counseling Association. She also served as the North Atlantic Regional representative for the Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development.

Tinsley is one of six founding members of the Minnesota Association of Counselors of Color. Since 2006, she has been working in collaboration with the ACA to develop and facilitate the Sports Counseling Interest Network, a forum for professional counselors who are interested in learning about counseling athletes.

Presbrey oversees the day-to-day operation of AIM. A professor in the

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Paul Rathway (from left), Drew Gillingham and Preston Williams, all eighth-grade students from Bellmar Middle School, explain their project, 'Influential Blues: Changing the Color of Music,' to the judges at the third annual Primary Sources History Day contest.



# Young Historians Square Off

Education and history intersected when 110 eighth-grade students from Belle Vernon Area, Charleroi, Ringgold and Uniontown Area school districts competed in the third annual Primary Sources History Day contest in the Performance Center.

First-, second- and third-place medals were awarded in junior and senior divisions for outstanding exhibits, documentaries, performances, websites and research papers. All participants received framed certificates.

Judges and event volunteers included Cal U history and education students, University faculty, current and retired educators, and community members who belong to local historical societies.

The event was modeled after the National History Day competition. For many students, the Cal U contest was a warm-up

for last weekend's regional competition, held at the Senator John Heinz History Center in Pittsburgh.

One of these students was Drew Gillingham, of Bellmar Middle School in Belle Vernon. He and classmates Preston Williams and Paul Rathway created an exhibit depicting the history of blues music.

"Winning or losing didn't matter, because we made a good topic choice and learned a lot," said Gillingham, whose group began working on the project in September.

Were it not for the contest research, "we would not have known who most of these musicians were," he said.

Dr. Michael Brna, director of Cal U's Teaching with Primary Sources program, called the event a complete success.

"Both students and teachers reported a greater understanding of

the use of primary sources for research and learning in relation to historical inquiry," he said.

"This event afforded teachers and students the opportunity to participate in learning beyond the classroom," added Dr. Kevin Koury, dean of the College of Education and Human Services. "We highly value our affiliation with the Library of Congress and the opportunity to share its valuable resources with members of our educational network."

First-year Belle Vernon Area superintendent Stephen Russell, who served as a consultant with the Heinz History Center for many years, praised the sponsoring schools and teachers for encouraging students to participate.

"What is most important is that students learn the importance of using primary sources, along with collaboration in (creating) the final product," he said.

# Intern Addresses Governors

Andrew Piring went to Washington, D.C., last summer with a clear picture of what he wanted for his future.

Then Piring, a dual operational meteorology and political science major with a concentration in law and a minor in math, received a phone call from Earth Aid Enterprises. That call helped to shift the focus of his future and led him to make a presentation before the Board of Governors of PASSHE, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Earth Aid Enterprises, based in Washington, D.C., provides education about energy and water use. Earth Aid enables households to monitor their utility usage and find ways to conserve.

"I was the only intern with environmental experience," Piring said. "It was better for them to introduce me as their environmental intern, rather than just a political science intern."

Piring obtained his internship through the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, an organization that places students from around the world with internship positions in Washington.

Program adviser Kia Hall served as Piring's counselor during his internship. "Earth Aid had wonderful things to say about Andrew," she said.

That thought was echoed by Earth Aid Rewards program director Lindsey Peterson, who was Piring's agency supervisor. "Andrew was a really great intern and a fun person to have around the office," she said.

Piring's academic adviser, history and political science professor Dr. Melanie Blumberg, recognizes his drive, adding that Piring "is very committed, very directed in what he wants to do."

Because of his exceptional performance during his



Through the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, Cal U student Andrew Piring interned at Earth Aid Enterprises.

Earth Aid internship and his previous internship at the 2008 Democratic National Convention, Piring was invited to speak before the Board of Governors and the PASSHE university presidents in Harrisburg.

"I let them know that the scholarship and the money that's put forth towards internships are really doing some good," Piring said. "Presenting to the Board of Governors was definitely a great experience."

Despite job offers, Piring says he is concentrating on applying to graduate school.

"I'm trying to get my master's (degree) in environmental legislation," he explained. "I'd like to earn my Ph.D. and teach, but then again, I'd also like to run for office someday. We'll see how everything goes."

## Campus BRIEFS

### Penguins' Bourque to Discuss Leadership

Pittsburgh Penguins radio analyst and former standout player Phil Bourque will discuss leadership March 30 before signing autographs for Cal U students and hockey fans.

Sponsored by the Leadership Advisory Board, Leadership Studies Program and Leadership Club, the event is scheduled for 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Morgan Hall auditorium.

In a 30-minute talk, Bourque will discuss his leadership experiences, challenges and successes within the sports arena. He will sign autographs after the talk.

Bourque played eight of his 12 National Hockey League seasons with the Penguins and was a key member of Pittsburgh's back-to-back Stanley Cup champion teams in 1991 and 1992. He has been with the Penguins broadcast team since 2003.

"This is an annual event in which we identify a leader from a specific career path to speak to the campus community about their leadership experiences," said Dr. Emily Sweitzer, who serves on the advisory board with faculty colleagues Drs. Gary DeLorenzo, Melanie Blumberg and Craig Fox.

"We view leadership from a multidisciplinary perspective and acknowledge that leaders exist across many disciplines, fields, and cultures."

Bourque's talk is open to the Cal U community and to the public; admission is free.

### Jackets Needed for Earthquake Victims

The Modern Language Club, the Hispanic Student Association and the International Club are collecting jackets for people who lost their homes when an earthquake, and then a tsunami, struck the island of Juan Fernandez, off the coast of Chile.

With winter fast approaching in the southern hemisphere, jackets of all sizes are desperately needed. The clothing will be collected Thursday at the Natali Student Center.

For more information, contact the Modern Languages and Cultures Department at 724-938-4246.

### Cross Country Teams Go Academic Distance

Both the men's and women's cross country teams recently were named NCAA Division II All-Academic Teams by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

To receive the award, a team must have competed and compiled a team score at an NCAA Regional Championship and also attained a minimum 3.00 team cumulative grade-point average.

The women's team achieved a 3.53 GPA, which is tied for 20th among the 101 women's teams to earn the honor. The men's team, with a team GPA of 3.27, was one of 62 teams recognized.

Earlier, freshman Erin Kling and graduate student Clara McSweeney received individual all-academic honors from the USTFCCCA, along with freshman Chris Werner, junior Tony Russo and graduate student Eric Reeger.

### AVI Awarded Contract

AVI Fresh, the largest privately held, family-owned and operated food service company in the country, will continue to provide dining and hospitality services for Cal U.

A five-year base contract will take effect June 1. After that, as many as five one-year renewals are permitted.

In the coming months, a number of food service venues will be refreshed, and new dining concepts will be introduced.

AVI also is committed to working closely with Cal U's executive conference services staff to provide "three diamond" conference services and amenities at a reasonable cost.



# Arborists Mend Storm-Damaged Trees

The trees on Cal U's campus took the brunt of last month's heavy snowfall, which damaged some historic specimens and posed a challenge for the University's physical plant and grounds crew.

Mike Peplinski, director of physical plant, said most of the tree damage occurred on the Quad, the heart of the campus arboretum recognized by the American Horticultural Association and the American Public Gardens Association.

"We had 10 of our big trees damaged, not counting the small ones we could handle," Peplinski said.

After the grounds crew plowed the February snow and an outside contractor helped to haul it away from the main campus, Peplinski brought in Bartlett Tree Experts, one of the world's leading scientific tree and shrub care companies.

"They are registered arborists, and they pruned all the broken branches off," he said.

A number of limbs snapped under the weight of snow and a thick layer of ice that built up during the storm.

"Our guys cleaned up everything that



Last month's record-breaking snowstorm damaged many trees on campus.

fell, but there were a lot of branches that were just hanging," Peplinski said. Arborists are trained in safe pruning practices that maintain the health of the tree.

Several of the recently planted ornamental trees beside Hamer Hall were destroyed and must be replaced. And the

oldest tree on campus, a sycamore London plane tree behind Herron Hall, was among those that took a hit from the storm.

"The big sycamore had a cable and chain on it to hold the two branches on it upright, because it was spreading out too far," Peplinski explained. "The weight (of

the snow) actually broke that chain, and two pieces were still hanging there."

Bartlett will return to campus for further branch removal and to repair the sycamore once the snow melts. The trees need special care because wood that has been damaged becomes easy prey for pests and diseases.

"The trees will get a fertilizer and insect spray in the spring before they leaf out, just to make sure they don't get infested."

Peplinski said he often discusses tree issues with Dr. Robert Whyte of Cal U's Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences. Whyte is curator of the John Franklin Lewis Herbarium, a collection of plant specimens.

Another staunch admirer of Cal U's arboretum is President Angelo Armenti, Jr., whose father was a groundkeeper.

"Our trees and shrubbery are a significant part of our beautiful campus," the President said, praising the grounds crew's efforts to restore the campus landscape. "We are committed to restoring anything that was damaged during the storms and to preserve and increase the arboretum."



## Faculty, Students Choreograph Concert

The Department of Theatre and Dance continues its 2010 season with a spring dance concert featuring the innovative choreographic talents of faculty and students. Performances are at 8 p.m. March 25-27 in Steele Hall Mainstage Theatre. The program includes jazz, tap, contemporary lyrical, modern and narrative dances, plus an abundance of high-energy athleticism.

Faculty choreographers are Donna Marovic, Diane Eperthener and Dr. Becky Hess. Student choreographers are Ashley Betmarik, Rachel Colson, Kaitlin Descutner, Jessica Krieger and Sarah Penz.

The performance is open to the public. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and children. Cal U students with valid CalCards are admitted free but must pay a \$5 deposit, which will be returned when they attend the performance. For ticket information, or to order tickets (with a credit card) by phone, call the box office at 724-938-5943. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. Tickets also may be purchased at the door.

## Coal Mining Focus of Author's Music, Discussion

Dr. Shirley Stewart Burns, author of *Bringing Down the Mountains* and co-editor of *Coal Country*, will discuss "Mountaintop Removal in Central Appalachia" at a free event 7 p.m. March 26 in Morgan Hall auditorium.

The presentation also will include original music inspired by the coalfields of southern West Virginia, including songs from Burns' latest CD, *Coalfield A Cappella*.

A native of Wyoming County in the southern West Virginia coalfields and the daughter of an underground coal miner, Burns has a passionate interest in the communities, environment and histories of the southern West Virginia coalfields.

She holds a bachelor's degree in news-editorial journalism, a master's degree in social work and a doctorate in history with an Appalachian focus, all from West Virginia University.

The event is sponsored by the Northern Appalachian Network Learning Community and funded by the Faculty Professional Development Center at Cal U.

The program is free and open to the public.



Dr. Shirley Stewart Burns

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Larsen submitted an annual report highlighting the growth in the concentration, and the commission granted full national accreditation effective Dec. 31.

"The commission was very impressed that we had gotten the concentration to the point where it could be accredited in such a short period of time," she said.

"They also were very impressed with how much support we have received at every level of the University — from the President and provost, to the dean and department chair, to the faculty.

Larsen wants to build on the new accreditation to expose students to career possibilities.

"We need to spread the word about what applied sociology is and why it's important. Sociology students leave here with so many skills. They can work in almost any job setting."

## Tinsley Speaks at Counseling Conference

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Psychology Department at Springfield College, he is director of AIM's Center for Youth Development through Sport.

"It was an honor for me to present with those these gentlemen at a national conference," said Tinsley, who previously worked at the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University. "Dr. Petitpas is regarded as a guru in the field of sports counseling and psychology."

Cal U's Counselor Education Department hosted a networking event March 20 at the conference, and Drs. Jackie Walsh, Gloria Brusoski and John Patrick presented a poster.

"This was an ideal opportunity for students, alumni, site supervisors and faculty to network and learn more about the important things our department is doing at Cal U," Tinsley said.

## THE CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY FORUM Academic Policy Committee Faculty Election Results

Presiding Officer Hoover presented the following Academic Policy Committee Faculty election results to the Executive Committee via e-mail ballot for certification. The Office of Continuous Improvement submitted the electronically-tallied results. The term for the faculty seats is a three-year term (2010-2013). Notification and voting instructions were sent via e-mail to eligible faculty members on February 17 and 18, 2010, which were the dates the elections were held. Two hundred eighty-two (282) full-time permanent faculty members

were eligible to vote. One hundred thirty-two votes were reported for a voter participation rate of forty-seven percent (47%).

Notification and Certification of Faculty Election Votes  
The election results are presented as follows:

College of Education & Human Services

Chris Harman	52
Holly Diehl	43
Barbara Bonfani	42
Laura Miller	32
Denise Joseph	18

College of Liberal Arts  
Clarissa Confer 41

Craig A. Smith	39
Elizabeth Larsen	36
Greg Harrison	33
R. Scott Lloyd	26

Eberly College of Science

& Technology

David Argent	66
Swann Gill	55
Lisa Kovalchick	34
Debra Shelapinsky	22
Mario Majcen	12
Edward Mendola	8

Therefore, the top two vote-getters from each college are as follows:

College of Education & Human Services  
Chris Harman

Holly Diehl

College of Liberal Arts  
Clarissa Confer  
Craig Smith

Eberly College of Science & Technology  
David Argent  
Swann Gill

By a majority e-mail vote of the executive committee, the Academic Policy Faculty election results were certified electronically on March 10, 2010 as presented. The successful candidates will assume their terms at the beginning of the fall 2010 semester.

ATTENTION ALL FACULTY, ADMINISTRATORS, STAFF, STUDENTS AND UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY!!

Call for NOMINATIONS to the University Forum Standing Committees

The California University Forum has announced a call for the nominations of standing committee constituent seats.

Nomination forms will be sent to your campus mailbox on March 15th. The nomination form is also available in Public Folders/Campus-Wide Resources/University Forum/Nomination Form — Standing Committees of the University's Microsoft Outlook Software. Members of the University community may nominate themselves or another person. Your nominations are not limited to within your own constituency. You may nominate faculty, students, staff, administrators or coaches. Alumni have received a nomination form in the winter edition of the *Cal U Review*. The deadline for alumni nomination is set for March 26, 2010.

The deadline to nominate yourself or a colleague is Friday, **March 26, 2010**. All nomination forms are to be returned to Mrs. Dana Turcic, Forum Recording Secretary, at Campus Box 99. For further information you may contact her at 724-938-1633 or via email at [CalForum@calu.edu](mailto:CalForum@calu.edu) or [turcic@calu.edu](mailto:turcic@calu.edu).

This is your opportunity to participate in the continuous improvement of your university. The information below outlines which committees you are eligible to serve.

Constituent Seats Available on Forum Committees

FACULTY SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

Faculty members are encouraged to nominate themselves or faculty colleagues for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (All appointments are for three (3) years.)

I. Academic Policy Committee

One (1) seat is available for a faculty member who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

The chair and vice chair of the University Curriculum Committee are ex-officio members of the committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

The chair and vice chair of the General Education Committee are ex-officio members of the committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

In addition to the [appointed](#) positions listed above, the Forum Constitution also calls for the [election](#) of six (6) faculty members to the Academic Policy Committee, with each undergraduate college having two (2) representatives. The Executive Committee will supervise the election and certify the results. The terms of office shall be three years.

II. Athletic Advisory Committee

Two (2) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Faculty Athletic Representative (F.A.R.) shall be an ex-officio member of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) this member.

III. Budget Committee

One (1) seat is available for a faculty member who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Two (2) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IV. Communication Committee

Three (3) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

V. Core Values Committee

Three (3) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VI. Planning & Priorities Committee

One (1) seat is available for a faculty member who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VII. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Three (3) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VIII. Student Life Committee

Two (2) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IX. Technology Committee

One (1) seat is available for a faculty member who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three (3) faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

STUDENT SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

Students are encouraged to nominate themselves or a fellow student for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (All appointments are for one (1) year.)

I. Academic Policy Committee

The Forum Constitution calls for the [election](#) of four (4) students to the Academic Policy Committee — two (2) undergraduate students, and two (2) graduate students. The Executive Committee shall supervise the election and certify the results. The terms of office shall be for one (1) year.

II. Athletic Advisory Committee

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

III. Budget Committee

One (1) seat is available for a student who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Two (2) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IV. Communication Committee

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

V. Core Values Committee

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VI. Planning & Priorities Committee

One (1) seat is available for a student who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VII. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VIII. Student Life Committee

The President of Student Government shall be an ex-officio member of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) this member.

Seven (7) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IX. Technology Committee

One (1) seat is available for a student who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three (3) student seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

ADMINISTRATIVE SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

An Administrator is defined as any person who holds a management title. Administrators are encouraged to nominate themselves or colleagues for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (All appointments are for three (3) years.)

I. Academic Policy Committee

The Forum Constitution calls for six (6) ex-officio, administrative members of this committee as follows: Provost; Associate Provost for Enrollment Management; Dean of the College of Liberal Arts; Dean of the Eberly College of Science and Technology; Dean of the College of Education and Human Services; and Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

II. Athletic Advisory Committee

The Forum Constitution calls for five (5) ex-officio, administrative members of this committee as follows: Vice President for Student Development and Services; Dean for Student Services; Chair of the Athletic Council; Athletic Director; and Senior Women's Administrator. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

III. Budget Committee

One (1) seat is available for an administrator who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Two (2) seats are available on this committee for administrators. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Budget Director and the Vice President for Administration and Finance shall be ex-officio members of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

IV. Communication Committee

Three (3) administrative seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Director of Public Affairs and the Vice President for Advancement shall be ex-officio members of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

V. Core Values Committee

Three (3) administrative seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Director of the Character Education Institute shall be an ex-officio member of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) this member.

VI. Planning & Priorities Committee

One (1) seat is available for an administrator who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three administrative seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VII. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Three (3) administrative seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Director of Public Safety; the Director of Environmental Health and Safety; the University EEEO Officer; the Director of the Office for Students with Disabilities; the Dean for Student Development; and the Chair of the President's Commission on the Status of Women shall be ex-officio members of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

VIII. Student Life Committee

One (1) seat is available for an [academic](#) administrator on this committee. The Executive committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

The Vice President for Student Development and Services; the Dean for Student Development; and the Dean for Student Services shall be ex-officio members of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

IX. Technology Committee

One (1) seat is available for an administrator who is currently serving on the California University Forum. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

Three (3) administrative seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

The Director of Computing Services and the Dean of Library Services shall be ex-officio members of this committee. The Executive Committee shall [notify](#) these members.

STAFF SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

A Staff member is defined as any person belonging to one of the five [staff unions](#) on campus: AFSCME, APSCUF (Coaches), OPEIU, SCUPA, SPFFA. Staff members are encouraged to nominate themselves or staff colleagues for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (All appointments are for three (3) years.)

I. Academic Policy Committee

One (1) staff seat is available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) this member.

II. Athletic Advisory Committee

Two (2) staff seats (other than coaches) are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

III. Budget Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IV. Communication Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

V. Core Values Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VI. Planning & Priorities Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VII. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Three (3) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VIII. Student Life Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IX. Technology Committee

Two (2) staff seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

COACH SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

Coaches are encouraged to nominate themselves or coach colleagues for appointment to the Athletic Advisory Committee of the California University Forum. (Appointments are for three (3) years.) Coaches are also eligible for appointment to other Forum Committees as Staff members. See separate listing for Staff Seats.

I. Athletic Advisory Committee

Three (3) coach seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

ALUMNI SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

Alumni are encouraged to nominate themselves or alumni colleagues for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (Appointments are for three (3) years.)

I. Athletic Advisory Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

II. Budget Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

III. Communication Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

IV. Core Values Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

V. Planning & Priorities Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VI. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

VII. Technology Committee

Two (2) alumni seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

EMERITI FACULTY SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

Emeriti faculty are encouraged to nominate themselves or emeriti faculty colleagues for appointment to Committees of the California University Forum. (Appointments are for three (3) years.)

I. Communication Committee

Two (2) emeriti faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

II. Core Values Committee

Two (2) emeriti faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

III. Safety & Social Equity Committee

Two (2) emeriti faculty seats are available on this committee. The Executive Committee shall [appoint](#) these members.

FORUM MEMBER SEATS AVAILABLE ON FORUM COMMITTEES

(Appointments are made by the Forum Executive Committee.)

The Forum Constitution provides that every standing committee shall include in its membership a member of the Forum. The Executive Committee shall appoint a Forum member to any standing committee that does not already have one.

The standing committees meet periodically to tackle certain issues and make recommendations to the full Forum. For further information and details of the standing committees visit the Forum website at [www.calu.edu/forum](http://www.calu.edu/forum).

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