



'Runners on the Rise: **Building Community Together** 

CSUB UNIVERSITY WEEK 2024 • Wednesday - Friday, August 21-23

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CSUB family,

Every day, in countless ways, the faculty and staff of this university work to accomplish the endless duties required to support, enhance and grow this beacon of enlightenment in our region. At times, we may wonder how our contributions, as important as they are, fit into the overall picture at CSUB.

And that's the magic of University Day.

This annual gathering allows us to reunite with one another, refreshed and recharged, to focus our gaze on the goals that will lead us forward into a new academic year. Some of those goals are essential components of our mission to put students first while providing a nurturing, supportive environment that encourages the professional development of our extraordinary faculty and staff. Those core objectives will never change.



But University Day also allows us to articulate additional aspirations and aims, which we have captured in this year's theme: 'Runners on the Rise: Building Community Together.

Community is a powerful theme at CSUB. Internally, we work to build family and friendships within the broader university community based on our affinities, affiliations, working relationships and other things that unify us.

But community doesn't end at the boundaries of our campuses. The community we build with our external neighbors is just as meaningful – and vital – to CSUB's belief that education is the most powerful exponent of social justice, progress and prosperity for our region.

Yet in this broader community, there is work to do. Only a small fraction of Kern County residents possess a college degree. How can we change a culture that has not always prized higher education? How can we spread the message to every corner of our massive service area that we are Kern County's university?

It will take all of us. We are the best ambassadors of the transformations that take place on our campuses, with our students, day in and day out.

President Kennedy once said that "Change is the law of life." That sentiment has particular resonance at CSUB as we begin an academic year that will see the appointment of our sixth permanent president and the launch of programs and initiatives intended to diversify our campus community and amplify our tradition of excellence.

But as we contemplate these transitions, and our own place within this culture of change, let us lean on one another and the communities that sustain us and give us the security and support to soar.







**August 21-23** 

### **FACULTY**

**TUESDAY, AUG. 20** 

Department Chairs Meeting (DCLC Full Group) 10:30am – 12:45pm Stockdale Room

Available for Department Meetings
1pm - 5pm

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21** 

Faculty Professional Development 10:30am – noon SCI III-108

> Lunch in SRC Noon - 1pm

Department Chairs Professional
Development (Unconscious Bias Workshop)
1:00 – 5:00 pm
Stockdale Room







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### **FACULTY**

#### **THURSDAY, AUG. 22**

University Day
Student Recreation Center
8:30am – 1pm
Lunch: Noon - 1pm

Available for School Meetings
1pm - 5pm





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General Faculty Meeting
Student Union MPR
8:30am - 1pm

Available for Department Meetings
1pm - 5pm





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### **STAFF**

**TUESDAY, AUG. 20** 

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21

Available for Department Meetings
1pm - 5pm

Available for Department Meetings 8am - noon

> Lunch in SRC Noon - 1pm

Staff Professional Development
Student Recreation Center
1- 4pm







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### **STAFF**

**THURSDAY, AUG. 22** 

**University Day Student Recreation Center** 8:30am - 1pm Lunch: Noon - 1pm

Available for School Meetings 1 - 5pm





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FRIDAY, AUG. 23

Available for Department Meetings 1pm - 5pm



