

# THE STATE OF THE S

The Heartbeat of Our Region

BAKERSFIELD • ANTELOPE VALLEY



UNIVERSITY WEEK • AUGUST 18-22, 2025

## President's Message

Dear CSUB Family,

As we gather together today to chart a course for the academic year ahead, I want to reflect on the importance of defining our purpose. During the 2025 spring commencement ceremonies, I shared a powerful reflection from Mark Twain with our graduates:

"The two most important days in life are the day you are born and the day you discover the reason why."



When we discover our reason "why," we discover our purpose.

What is CSUB's purpose? What is our community's purpose? What is your purpose?

The past academic year was one of the most challenging and consequential in the history of this university and, more broadly, for higher education in this country. Many of us faced tough choices and felt deep despair.

But it is in our darkest moments that we take comfort and renewed strength from the purpose that guides us.

This year, we will define CSUB's purpose, and that purpose will reflect the principles, priorities and hopes of every member of this university community. It is worth reminding ourselves that CSUB is the most powerful engine of opportunity and promise in Kern County, not just because we say we are; we prove our purpose through action, and we make the choice to live our mission not once, but over and over again, every single day.

May the year ahead bring personal and professional fulfillment to every member of the CSUB community and may we envelop our students with the support, encouragement and faith they will need to seize the dreams that brought them to Kern County's University.





# Faculty Schedule

**MONDAY, AUGUST 18** 

Available for Department Meetings
1pm - 5pm

**TUESDAY AUGUST 19** 

Chairs Meeting 10am - 1pm

Available for Division/College Meetings
1pm - 5pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20**

University Day 7:45am – Noon Lunch: Noon-1pm Room: SRC Gym

Faculty Professional Development
1pm - 3pm
Room: SCI III-108





# Faculty Schedule

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

Available for Department Meetings 8pm - 5pm FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

General Faculty Meeting 8:30am-2pm Room: Student Union MPR

Available for Department Meetings 2-5pm





## Staff Schedule

#### **MONDAY, AUGUST 18**

Available for Department Meetings 8pm - 5pm

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 19** 

Available for Division/College Meetings
1pm - 5pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20**

University Day 8:30am – 1pm Room: SRC Gym Lunch noon-1pm

Staff Professional Development
1-3:30pm
Room: SRC Gym





## Staff Schedule

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 21** 

Available for Department Meetings 8pm - 5pm FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

Available for Department Meetings 8pm - 5pm



