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Welcome to the Center for Careers in Teaching (CCT)

Message From our Director

Welcome to the very special 2007-2008 academic year. Cal State Fullerton is celebrating its 50th anniversary of serving the greater Orange County area and many special events are planned. Hope you can join us.

If you're an undergraduate who is interested in teaching, please stop by the Center (H-113) or attend a seminar (freshmen or sophomores—see page 3) or overview (juniors, seniors, or post-baccalaureate—see the bottom of page 3). We're happy to help you!

University Open House
Saturday, September 15th
10am - 3pm

Join in the fun of CSUF's 50th anniversary! Attend the Campus-Wide Open House on Saturday, September 15th from 10am-3pm and visit our information table at the Quad to meet the CCT staff! For more info about this and other 50th anniversary events, visit <http://www.fullerton.edu/50/>.

The Center for Careers in Teaching (CCT) provides:

- Comprehensive academic advisement for Cal State Fullerton undergraduates planning careers in teaching elementary, middle, or high school, or special education.
- Academic counseling support to future teachers currently attending one of our partner community colleges and who plan to transfer to Cal State Fullerton.
- Information about the Cal State Fullerton integrated teacher education programs.
- Information and support for the Freshman Future Teachers program, offered through Freshman Programs.

Stop by our office in H-113 on CSUF Campus or call 714.278.7130 to make an appointment to speak with an advisor. Advising available at CSUF-Irvine (El Toro) Campus on an appointment only basis. Call 949-936-1780 to schedule.



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Meet the New CCT Staff!

Jessica Baker Student Assistant

Jessica will be assisting the CCT team by greeting students, filing, answering phones, and performing database entry.

Jessica is a third year History student at CSUF. Before working at CCT she was a part time babysitter to two wonderful girls. She has also worked for the Housing Office as a Conference Assistant and for the Health Center as a Medical Records Assistant. Jessica is a music lover and has been playing flute for 11 years!

Karleen Brosamer Research Technician

Karleen is responsible for maintaining a workable data-sharing process among CSUF, Fullerton, and Santa Ana College to compile required data. She also performs technical research for the CCT and various Community Colleges.

A Cal State Long Beach grad, Karleen worked at Hughes Aircraft for several years. After leaving Hughes, she felt fortunate to have spent several years as a full-time mom to her three children. Over the past few years she has worked several part-time jobs. She is thrilled to be working at CCT, and loves the energy of a college campus!



Melissa Martinez STEP (Streamlined Teacher Education Program) Advisor

Melissa will be advising STEP students, organizing STEP events, leading STEP information seminars, and co-teaching University 100A and B.

A graduate of CSUF in 2004 with a BA in Liberal Studies, Melissa substituted in grades K-8 before entering the Multiple Subject Credential Program at CSUF and again after receiving her Multiple Subject Credential. In 2006 she moved with her husband to Idaho where she taught 1st grade. Melissa recently moved back to the Los Angeles area and joined the CCT as Step Advisor at the end of July.

Jennifer Moore Graduate Assistant

Jennifer will be providing advice and support to future teachers who visit the CCT. She looks forward to helping students achieve their educational and professional goals.

Most recently, Jennifer worked in student affairs and leadership programs at the University of Idaho, where she earned her undergraduate degrees in Communications and History. She will be completing an M.A. in American Studies here at CSUF. Jennifer is excited to be a part of the CCT team and the CSUF community!

Jeremy Morales Field Advisor

As a Field Advisor, Jeremy will be working with community college students who are interested in teaching. His job is to help them successfully plan to transfer to Cal State Fullerton.

Before becoming part of the Center for Careers in Teaching, Jeremy was a Graduate Assistant in the Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice at CSUF, while completing his Master's Degree in Political Science. During his time in the division, he was also a member of the first class of students to go to Washington D.C. to do Congressional Internships.

Other CCT Staff:

Chris Renne
Director

Lillybeth Sasis
Assistant Director

Barbara Saur
*Community College
Relations Coordinator*

Dana Keithly
*Community College
Field Advisor*

Patricia Ashley-Myles
*Administrative Support
Assistant*

CCT Information Seminars

<http://www.fullerton.edu/cct/Seminars/>

There may be times when the seminar must be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Please call the CCT office or check the website the day of the seminar for cancellation notice.

- These informative seminars are **designed for first or second year students**, or the undergraduate student who has time to plan the integration of general education, major, and credential program requirements prior to graduation. Community college students are welcome to attend.
- **If you are a junior or senior, or already have a baccalaureate degree, you will need to attend a Credential Program Overview—See below.**
- No reservation needed.
- All sessions in MH 141.

For Information on Teaching Elementary School			For Information on Teaching Middle or High School		
Thurs	09/06/07	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Wed	09/19/07	02:00 PM - 03:00 PM
Wed	09/12/07	03:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Thurs	09/27/07	09:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Wed	10/03/07	02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Thurs	10/11/07	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Tues	10/09/07	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Thurs	10/25/07	09:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Admission to Teacher Education Credential Program Overviews

If you are a junior or senior or already have a baccalaureate degree, you will need to attend a Credential Program Overview. Call (714) 278-3412 (option 2) or go to <http://ed.fullerton.edu/adtep/Overviews.htm> for a schedule of additional overview dates and times.

Single Subject Overviews			
Wed	Sept 5	5:00pm	EC 379
Sat	Sept 8	11:00am	*IRVC 1-152
Thurs	Sept 13	7:00pm	EC 379
Tues	Sept 25	7:00pm	EC 379

Special Education Overviews			
Thurs	Sept 6	5:00pm	EC 379
Thurs	Sept 13	5:00pm	EC 379
Sat	Sept 15	11:00am	*IRVC 1-152
Wed	Sept 26	3:00pm	EC 379

Multiple Subject Overviews			
Thurs	Sept 6	10:00am	EC 379
Tues	Sept 11	7:00pm	EC 379
Wed	Sept 19	10:00am	**IRVC 2-124
Wed	Sept 19	1:00pm	EC 379
Tues	Sept 25	2:00pm	EC 379

*IRVC 1= Irvine Campus

**IRVC 2 = New 2nd Building on Irvine Campus

Meet the STEP Ambassadors!

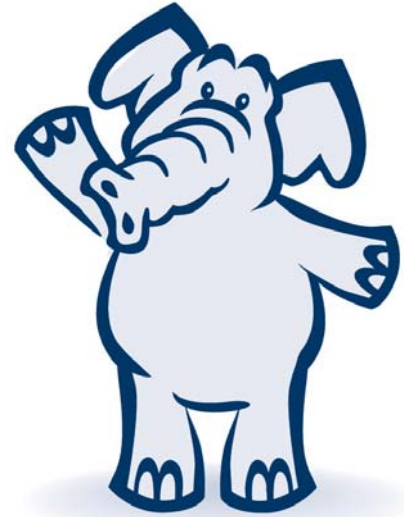
STEP Ambassadors are current CSUF students and future teachers who visit area High Schools to speak with interested students about the benefits of attending CSUF and about our Streamlined Teacher Education Programs.

Robert Aguilar is a junior in Mathematics. He plans to teach secondary education. In his second year as a STEP Ambassador, Robert credits the position with enabling him to continue down a teaching career path and allowing him to stay involved at CSUF.

DeAnna Benavides is a junior majoring in Child Development. She became a STEP Ambassador to help students gain access to information that she was unaware of when she was in high school.

Christopher Nguyen is a sophomore majoring in English with plans to teach high school. He became a STEP Ambassador primarily to spread the word around Southern California high schools about an extremely beneficial program. He enjoys making people aware of a program like STEP that can help them achieve their goal of becoming a teacher faster.

Mindy Samuel is a senior who will be entering the Multiple Subject Credential Program in the spring. She is majoring in Liberal Studies with a minor in Natural Science. She loves visiting high schools and speaking to students about her passion for CSUF and for teaching.



California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)

The CCT advises future teachers to complete their basic skills competency either via the CBEST or the writing skills subtest on the CSET (for students seeking the multiple subject credential only). Students are encouraged to take the CBEST any time after graduating high school. Many elect to take the test after completing their college level General Education math and English courses.

We recommend students visit the CBEST website at www.cbest.nesinc.com to learn more and take the practice test before registering for the test.

The test may be taken as many times as necessary. A passing score is 41 out of 80 on individual sections or 123 total score.

Visit the web site now to learn more!
www.cbest.nesinc.com

2007 Step Kickoff! Thursday, Sept 20 9:30-11:00am

CCT is proud to host the 2007 STEP Kickoff on Thursday, September 20 from 9:30-11:00am in the Titan Student Union Pavilion B. Refreshments will be served.

STEP Students will have a chance to mingle with College of Education faculty and staff, faculty from the departments of English, Child and Adolescent Studies, Liberal Studies, and Religious Studies as well as with staff from the Center for Careers in Teaching.