Verizon Gifts $25,000 Grant to CSU Dominguez Hills

Verizon has awarded California State University, Dominguez Hills a grant for $25,000 to support the university’s 2010 Presidential Scholars program and 2010 Summer Bridge Academy for incoming students.

The Presidential Scholars program is CSU Dominguez Hills’s most prestigious scholarship, given each year to approximately 15 incoming freshman or transfer students from the local community who demonstrate academic excellence and strong public service. Presidential Scholars have fees and books paid for through the scholarship and receive other benefits, such as priority registration, one-on-ones visits with the president, and research opportunities.

The Summer Bridge Academy is a free six-week academic readiness program for incoming freshman to CSU Dominguez Hills whose English and/or math placement tests scores indicate the need for additional coursework in those areas to bring them up to college-level study. Students are also introduced to the campus and provided with information to make their college experience more meaningful.

“Verizon’s continued support of these programs ensures that our students will have the tools they need to succeed at CSU Dominguez Hills and beyond,” said Greg Saks, vice president of University Advancement.

For the past three years, Verizon has contributed more than $110,000 to the Presidential Scholars and Summer Bridge at CSU Dominguez Hills.

Share Your Memories!

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of California State University, Dominguez Hills, we invite you to share with us your stories about campus life and what comes to mind when you reflect on your experience here.

From our alumni, we’d like fond memories of fellow students or professors, reminiscences of student life and academic progress, or how your experiences at CSU Dominguez Hills have shaped your lives and careers.

Please send all submissions, either in written (not to exceed 200 words) or photographic form to jharmon@csudh.edu. We will accept submissions throughout the 50th Anniversary celebration, which ends at Commencement 2011.

Please include your name, major and graduation year; if you are also CSUDH staff or faculty please include your title and department, and the year you began your
Click [here](#) for more information about Presidential Scholars. Click [here](#) to read about how last year’s Summer Bridge students have become mentors this year.

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**Scott Gordon: Superior Court Judge Gives Verdict on Academic Excellence at CSU Dominguez Hills**

Alumnus Scott Gordon (Class of ’80, B.S., public administration/criminal justice) has achieved an illustrious law career, having worked as a prosecuting attorney in the O.J. Simpson case, volunteered as a legal specialist for a criminal tribunal for war crimes in the former country of Yugoslavia, and as of last month, being named a Los Angeles Superior Court judge. More than anything, however, he is eager to talk about his only son, Joseph, who attends Gordon’s alma mater as an undergraduate in the university’s negotiation, conflict resolution and peace building program (NCRP).

“He’s having an extraordinary experience,” Gordon says of Joseph, who is currently in Rimini, Italy, attending an NCRP summer program through a partnership between CSU Dominguez Hills and San Diego State University. “He finds, like I did, that the commuter students have a more serious attitude about school. [Being a working student] was accommodated and valued. [He likes] the small class size with very interesting and interested professors, more approachability and is gaining useable skills.”

Gordon says that the exposure to a diverse student population like the one at CSU Dominguez Hills is an important skill for negotiation and conflict resolution students.

Click [here](#) for entire article.

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**Student-Athletes Score Hole in One at 20th Employment Here**

We look forward to hearing from you and sharing your stories on the [50th Anniversary Website](#).

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**Upcoming Events**

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** at CSU Dominguez Hills. This is a program of educational, cultural and social opportunities for retired an semi-retired individuals age 50 and above. Events are located on CSU Dominguez Hills campus at Extended Education Auditorium (EE-1213).

**Aug 17** – Open House, 1:30pm, learn about becoming a member of OLLI

**Sept 15** – 50th Anniversary Alumni Event, 1:30pm, presentation by Dr. Judson Grenier, Emeritus Faculty, History Department

**Oct 3** – “Songs for the Second Half,” 1:00pm, a concert reading of a musical; admission: $15 OLLI members and $20 non-members

**Oct 19** – Open House, 1:30pm, learn about becoming a member of OLLI

For more information contact Jim Bouchard at 310-243-3729 or jbouchard@csudh.edu

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**Stay Connected!** Help us keep your contact information current so you don't miss out on invitations to events, your alumni e-newsletter, and more! Update your information online [here](#).
**Annual Toros Scholarship Golf Classic**

A picture perfect day provided an apt backdrop for the 20th Annual Toros Scholarship Golf Classic, an event that welcomed a sold out contingent of golfers at the stunning Rio Hondo Golf Club in Downey, California, with all proceeds going to Cal State Dominguez Hills student-athletes.

"On behalf of our student-athletes, athletics department and CSUDH, I would like to thank all of our sponsors and participants for making this year's golf tournament a tremendous success," begins CSUDH Director of Athletics Patrick Guillen.

Click [here](#) for entire article.

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**Alumni Notes**

**Joanie Harmon (BA ‘03)** received “Honorable Mention” in the Los Angeles Press Club’s 52nd Annual SoCal Journalism Awards for her individual weblog, “Girl Meets Soup.”

**Kathryn LeMere (BA ‘93)** was recently elected President of the Colorado Federation of Women’s Clubs (GFWC). GFWC is an international community service organization that has clubs in every state.

**Carmelita Jeter (BA ’06)** placed third in the women’s 100 meters with a finish of 10.83 seconds at the elite 2010 IAAF Diamond League series of track and field.

**Rory Natividad (BA ‘93)** has accepted the position of Dean of Health Sciences and Athletics at El Camino College of Torrance. In his new role he will oversee nursing, physical education, athletics, disabled students, radiological technology, respiratory care and the student health center.

**Beverly Read (BA ‘89)**, a seventh grade teacher, has said goodbye to her colleagues and students from Manhattan Beach Middle School after 37 years of teaching.

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**We’d like to hear from you!** Your friends at CSU Dominguez Hills want to know what you're up to! Email the Office of Alumni Programs at [alumniprograms@csudh.edu](mailto:alumniprograms@csudh.edu).

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