

UC Santa Barbara Emeriti Association Report

Fall 2021

Infrastructure

- Our website has been completely redesigned and new content has been added. This is still a work in progress, but the new site is up and running: <https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/emeriti-association>
- Membership renewal and dues payment can now be done on-line.

Emeriti and Retirees Center Coordinator

- At UCSB, the Center Coordinator is a .50 FTE staff position, at the Assistant II level. (At most campuses, the Center has a Director, not Coordinator, and at a much higher classification.) When our Coordinator unexpectedly left the position, we endeavored to get the position reclassified and increased to 100% time. (Thanks especially to Jeri Frederick and Sue Barnes for their help.) This effort was not successful. Fortunately, we were nevertheless able to hire a new, highly (overly) qualified Coordinator, now on the job. She is Ellen Pasternack.

New Collaborations

- *Academic Senate.* Together with the Chair of the UCSB Faculty Welfare Council and the Chair of the Committee on Emeriti and Retirement, we are currently working on a document that will present a shared vision of what we believe support for emeriti should be on the UCSB campus.
- *College of Letters and Science.* Emeriti are now eligible to teach Discovery Seminars (formerly known as Freshman Seminars).
- *Library.* The UCSB Library is planning an event involving emeriti that will take place in December.
- *Promise Scholars Program.* See next item.

Emeriti Association Scholarship

- We have inaugurated a new Emeriti Association Scholarship Fund that will be managed by the UCSB Office of Development (making donations eligible for 501-c-3 status).
- We have decided to award the Scholarship to an incoming UCSB Promise Scholar. Promise Scholars are students who have excelled academically, but have extreme financial need. The Scholarship will not only help support a worthy undergraduate student, but also support the campus goals of inclusion and social justice.

Membership

- Is currently at around 115, down significantly from last year, despite enhanced programming and outreach

Events

- First ever Emeriti Bike Ride followed by brunch
- Emeriti Visit to Margerum Winery
- Emeriti group attending a local dance performance (Nebula Dance Theater)

General Meeting

- Our Fall General Meeting was held on October 21. Chancellor Yang presented a campus update and presented the Emeriti Association Scholarship to its first recipient, Maxwell Barrueta, a new freshman at UCSB.

Upcoming Webinars Sponsored by Emeriti Association 2021-22

- October 13: Shawn Hill (Police lieutenant and Ph.D. student in Department of Communication: 'Policing the Community')
- November 17: Marion Witmann (Executive Director, Natural Reserve System)
- February 16: Oliver Chadwick (Emeritus Professor, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies Program)
- March 16: Christopher Newfield (Emeritus Professor, Department of English)
- April 13: Francisco Lomeli (Emeritus Professor, Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies and Dickson Professor)
- May 18: Mike Furlong (Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Department of Counseling, Clinical and School Psychology and Dickson Professor)

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