

# UCSD Emeriti Association

## Chancellor's Scholars Program (CSP) / Emeriti Mentor Program (EMP)

### Summary Report, 2012-2013

**EMP numbers:** The mentoring program is continuing to grow. This year we have 28 active mentors who mentor 48 first and second year mentees. 26 out of the 28 first year Chancellor's Scholars (93%) have opted to be paired with a mentor. This is a substantial leap from 66% participation of 1<sup>st</sup> year students in 2011-2012.

#### Chancellor's Scholars Program

In an effort to create a better sense of community and promote participation from all cohorts, there have been exciting new initiatives added to the CSP this year:

- CSP Handbook
  - At the first meeting in fall, each scholar and mentor received a full color, 40 page handbook which included the program description, rules and an entire section listing the brief bios and photos of each our emeriti mentors. We will continue to produce these handbooks each year.
- Mandatory monthly meetings and attendance incentives
  - Monthly meetings this year are mandatory for all 1<sup>st</sup> year students. Chancellor's Scholars from all years are invited to all the meetings and several attend. Students with perfect attendance get invitations to exclusive events such as the RA/EA Holiday Luncheon in winter and the EA Annual Luncheon in spring.
  - We saw an increase in attendance this year, and consistently have 25-30 attendees for each monthly event (up from 20-25 in 2011-2012)
- Etiquette Dinner – Fall Quarter
  - All first year Chancellor's Scholars, several key emeriti mentors and staff members were invited to this unique experience in fine dining etiquette. Grace Bagunu, Assistant Director of CSI – Communication and Leadership, led the 30 attendees in a detailed etiquette lesson while Chancellor's Scholars dined and mingled with mentors and staff. Every detail was attended to including mock champagne & wine, tray-passed hors d'oeuvres, a 5-course meal and full table and flatware setting. This event was very well received and will be included as a yearly event.

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- Dream to Reality Luncheons
  - These quarterly informal seminars bring together a sector-specific panel for each luncheon, offering students an up-close look at what it takes academically and professionally to succeed in each of these sectors. Chancellor's Scholars may choose to attend based on the sector presented at each seminar. An added bonus, is the opportunity students will get to interact with different Emeriti Professors – something students have expressed a desire for in past years' program evaluations. The topics this year were: Healthcare Professions, Social Sciences and Computer Science & Engineering.
  - These seminars were a success and students who attended took advantage of the intimate setting to ask all their questions to the emeriti panelists.
- Community Service Projects
  - Each quarter, Chancellor's Scholars have the opportunity to participate in a volunteer project. The projects selected were: a soup kitchen in fall, a beach cleanup in winter and the 2013 RA Art Show and Sale. About 10-20 students have volunteered for each event and give positive feedback on the experience each time.
- Donor Recognition Dinner – Spring Quarter
  - Donors who had contributed at least \$500 to the Emeriti Scholarship Fund were invited to share a special evening with select Chancellor's Scholars in appreciation for their generosity.
  - Standout Chancellor's Scholars invited to attend, were invited to write a thank you letter to the donors expressing their gratitude. Two scholars presented their letters at the dinner and all the letters were compiled and included in the printed Souvenir Program for the evening.
  - This event was very much appreciated by donors and generated an additional \$2,000. This will also be included as a yearly event.
- Year End Reception and Certificate Ceremony – At the end of the academic year, first and second year Chancellor's Scholars are all invited to attend a Reception at which Certificates of Achievement are distributed, which commemorate their successful completion of participation in year one or two of the program.
- Student Org – Chancellor's Scholars Alliance
  - A 2<sup>nd</sup> year Chancellor's Scholar has spearheaded the Chancellor's Scholars Alliance in an effort to create more cohesion between the different cohorts of scholars. Since its inception in January, the Student Org has recruited 6 officers and 15 members.

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