

**Transfer & Career Center** 

### NOVEMBER 2018



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**CSU & UC APPLICATION WORKSHOPS** 

## Haven't applied for admission to a four-year university yet? It's not too late, attend an application workshop!



**UC and CSU Application Assistance Workshops** 

All Workshops are from 8:30am-1:30pm and 3pm-5pm in the Transfer & Career Center!

- Monday, Nov. 5th
- Tuesday, Nov. 13th
- Thursday, Nov. 15th
- Monday, Nov. 19th

- Wednesday, Nov. 21st
- Tuesday, Nov. 27th
- Friday, Nov. 30th
  \*\*8am-1pm-Last
  day to apply!!!

To reserve your seat for a workshop, please email transfer@barstow.edu



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## FACULTY SPOTLIGHT— RODOLFO DUQUE, TRANSFERRED TO CSU San Bernardino



#### Please tell me a little bit about yourself?

My name is Rodolfo Duque. I am from Los Angeles California. I enjoy outdoor activities including hiking, and riding mountain bikes and motorcycles.

#### Why did you choose to transfer to CSUSB?

I decided to transfer to a 4-year university to earn a bachelor's degree in Mathematics. My career goal was to earn a bachelor's degree and eventually a master's degree as well.

#### What is your favorite thing about CSUSB?

My favorite thing about CSUSB was making new friends and participating in campus activities. There are a lot of activities on the university campuses.

## What was the most challenging thing you encountered when it came to transferring to CSUSB and how did you overcome it?

One of the most challenging things I encountered was time management and adjusting to having schoolwork as my number one priority. I did not study and scored poorly on assignments until I overcame this challenge. I overcame this challenge by using a calendar and making a weekly plan. I set time aside for completing homework and studying. I also made time for my hobbies, so that I could have a balanced life style.

#### Were you a first generation or low-income college student? If so, what was that like for you?

I come from a low-income family of five. I am the only college graduate in my family. My family did not encourage me to pursue higher education. They wanted me to work and be a provider for my family. However, they did support my decision to pursue higher education and helped me financially as much as they were able. I also had 3 jobs to offset my expenses and my hobbies. I joined EOPS and received lots of support from that program.

## Is there anything that you wish you would have known before going to CSUSB that you didn't find out until after the fact?

I wish I would have known how difficult college classes can be so that I could have been more mentally prepared.

#### Did you go to college with the intention of getting the job you have now?

My intention in going to college was to obtain a teaching job as a high school math teacher. After high school I wanted to become a math teacher because I enjoyed math and teaching others. Math has not always been my strongest subject. However, with dedication and motivation anything can be learned. After I graduated, I taught high school math for a year and decided I should continue my higher education. I earned a masters degree in mathematics which allowed me to teach at a community college. Looking back, I am glad I made that decision and ended up teaching math at BCC where I love what I do.

#### What advice would you give to someone who's considering transferring to a four-year university?

I advise everyone that is considering transferring to a four year university to complete their prerequisites before transferring and save their notes as they might become handy when transferring. In addition, they should also make sure to take higher-level courses in their major. I recommend learning and not just passing classes as knowledge is essential to being successful in university classes. Make a plan and stay dedicated and motivated when challenges arise. Do not forget that everything will be worth it in the end and that the struggle is part of life.



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### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT— STEVEN BORRUEL, TRANSFERRED TO CSU FULLERTON**



#### Please tell me a little bit about yourself?

Hey! My name is Steven Borruel and I am one of the many proud alumni from Barstow Community College. Within two years I obtained my associates in science while attending BCC. Right now, I am enrolled at Cal State University Fullerton majoring in kinesiology with my concentration being in clinical movement. I work part-time for the athletic department on campus, at CSUF, as an athletic training aid. I plan on applying for the graduate program, in 2020, in hopes of receiving a master's in athletic training. Go Titans! I grew up in Barstow all my life and love our little town! No matter where I go, or what I do, I never forget where I came from and I am always shinning some light for the town that I love.

#### Why did you choose to transfer to CSUF?

I was told by many people that CSUF has one of the better kinesiology programs for your money in the country. Consequently, the time that I have been here I must say I cannot disagree.

#### What is your favorite thing about CSUF?

One of my favorite things about CSUF is the Titan Student Union (TSU) building. It's a neat area where the students go to study in a different environment, shoot pool, rent out a variety of video games, play table tennis, and even has a little section that is dedicated for an arcade. My friends and I find ourselves there every Thursday to wind down from a busy school week by watching Thursday Night Football over a few games of billiards.

#### Do you feel that you have been challenged in your coursework at CSUF?

Definitely! I feel that the workload is about the same when it comes to assignments, but there is surely more critical thinking at play. Consequently, all of my professors at BCC have prepared me to take these challenges head on with the mindset to overcome obstacles.

#### Do you feel that the professors and the college staff are helpful and approachable?

Absolutely! I honestly think that the professors here at CSUF really know how to make you feel welcomed. I feel this is one of the greatest qualities that I have noticed here on campus with the professors. They are more than helpful, knowledgeable and can be approached as easily as you would approach a close friend.

#### What advice would you give to someone who's considering transferring to CSUF?

To just breathe! I know all to well that the transferring process may be a little hectic but remind yourself this. You have just knocked out two years of community college and obtained your associates. Transferring should not be a dreadful process. Your transferring process should be a joyful one because you are taking the next step to a brighter future. If you remember to breathe everything else will fall into play. Besides, if you transfer into CSUF during my studies here I would be more than happy to show you around the campus to make you feel right at home. Here at CSUF we reach higher, go Titans!



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## **UC APPLICATION PERSONAL INSIGHT QUESTIONS**



If you are planning on applying to a **University of California (UC)** location you will be required to submit a personal statement. The important thing to keep in mind is that your essay will be read by a person that is ultimately deciding if you will be accepted or not. This is your time to shine and you also want to make sure to present yourself in a positive light.

There is one required question and you will also need to select an additional three out of the seven other questions for a total of four responses. We will only be looking at the one required question for this topic.

#### **REQUIRED QUESTION**

Please describe how you have prepared for your intended major, including your readiness to success in your upperdivision courses once you enroll at the university. Your response has a 350 word limit.

#### Things to consider:

How did your interest in your major develop? Do you have any experience related to your major outside the classroom — such as volunteer work, internships and employment, or participation in student organizations and activities? If you haven't had experience in the field, consider including experience in the classroom. This may include working with faculty or doing research projects.

If you're applying to multiple campuses with a different major at each campus, think about approaching the topic from a broader perspective, or find a common thread among the majors you've chosen.

<u>CLICK HERE!</u> For a full list of personal insight questions OR visit: http:// admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-toapply/files/uc-personal-questions-guidetransfer.pdf

<u>CLICK HERE!</u> For a list of writing tips and also how to avoid the most common mistakes OR visit: http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/howto-apply/personal-questions/writing-tips/ index.html **Need Help!** Visit the Transfer Center or attend a workshop. Workshop date and times can be located on pg. 10.

**START EARLY**. Remember to start early and give yourself plenty of time for preparation, careful composition and revisions.

**USE "I" STATEMENTS**. Talk about yourself so that the evaluator can get to know your personality, talents, accomplishments and potential for success on a UC campus.

**PROOF READ AND EDIT**. Although you will not be evaluated on grammar, spelling or sentence structure, you should proofread your work and make sure your writing is clear.

Sources: University of California - Admissions. N.p., n.d. Web. 21 June 2017. <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-



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## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

## Need more CA\$H for College? Apply for scholarships!

You should apply early, and apply often. Some scholarships may require essays or specific requirements but with a little effort you can find a scholarship that's right for you. Who couldn't use some extra CA\$H for college?

### Here are some websites to help you get started!



Click <u>HERE</u> or visit: https://myscholly.com/



Click <u>HERE</u> or visit:

https://www.fastweb.com/



Click <u>HERE</u> or visit: https://www.scholarships.com/



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## **UNIVERSITY SPOTLIGHT- CAL STATE LONG BEACH**





<u>California State University, Long Beach</u> is the third largest campus of the 23 -school California State University system and one of the largest universities in the state of California by enrollment .lt has a total undergraduate enrollment of 31,351, It utilizes a semester-based academic calendar. CSULB offers a multitude of majors within their 8 colleges.

California State University, Long Beach is a diverse, student-centered, globally-engaged public university committed to providing highly-valued undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities through superior teaching, research, creative activity and service for the people of California and the world.

**Basic Requirements For Transfer:** 

- Complete 60 transferable semester units or 90 transferable quarter units.
- Have a minimum, overall college GPA of 2.00 or higher in all transferable college course work attempted.
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended in a regular session.
- Complete a minimum of 30 semester units or 45 quarter units in courses approved to meet CSU General Education (GE) requirements.
- Complete with a grade of 'C' or better the CSU GE requirements in Written Communication, Oral Communication, Critical Thinking and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning.



Take a Virtual Tour: http://www.csulb.edu/





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TRANSFER AWARENESS TENT– OCTOBER 2018

## **TRANSFER AWARENESS TENT**



9:30am-1:30pn

Amphitheatre



**Participating Universities** 

CSU Bakersfield Azusa Pacific University Grand Canyon University National University



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## **UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES ON CAMPUS– November 2018**



Grand Canyon University November 7th, 2018 9:30am to 1:00 pm Viking Learning Center Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about Grand Canyon University or visit:: <u>https://www.gcu.edu/</u>



University of La Verne November 08th, 2018 10:00 am to 1:00pm Viking Learning Center Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about La Verne or visit:: <u>https://laverne.edu/</u>



CSU San Bernardino November 14th, 2018 10:00 am to 3:00pm Transfer Center Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about CSUSB or visit:: <u>https://www.csusb.edu/</u>

To schedule a one-on-one appointment with a university representative, please email <u>transfer@barstow.edu</u> or call us at 760-252-2411 ext. 7321



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### TRANSFER CENTER EVENTS CALENDAR– November 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 UC Fall 2019 filing period open – Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup> Ft. Irwin Application Assistance 8am-12:00pm 1:30pm-4pm	2
5 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	6 How to Transfer to CSU's Workshop 12:30pm-1:20pm Transfer Center	7 Grand Canyon University 9:30am-1pm Viking Learning Center	8 University of La Verne 10am-1pm Viking Learning Center Transfer Series Workshop 12:30pm-1:15pm & 4pm-5pm	9 TCC Univ.Trip: Pending
12 CLOSED	13 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	14 CSU San Bernardino 10am-3pm Transfer Center How to Transfer to UC's Workshop 12:30pm-1:20pm Transfer Center	15 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	16 TCC Univ.Trip: Pending
19 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	20 Transfer Awareness Tent 9:30am-1pm Top Parking Lot	21 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	22 CLOSED	23 CLOSED
26 Finding the Right University for YOU! Workshop 12:30pm-1:20pm Transfer Center	27 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm	28 Transfer Series: Next Steps Workshop 12:30pm-1:15pm & 4pm-5pm	29 STEP MTG. 12:30pm-1:20pm Transfer Center	30 UC & CSU Application Assistance Transfer Center 8:30am-1:30pm 3pm-5pm