CEO Updates, Feb 15, 2016

Spotlight

Coming up at CEO: Tuesday, 3/8/16, 12:30 to 2:30 pm, A Conversation with Na’ilah Suad Nasir, UC Berkeley’s new Vice Chancellor of Equity and Inclusion. In a recent campus profile, Professor Nasir said that Berkeley, “can create a climate [...] that people would emulate across the nation.” In our conversation, we will explore the strategies and goals that Professor Nasir is seeking to create a more open and inclusive campus climate. Please note the start time for this session is 12:30 pm. Location: 303 Doe Library. More-->

The Ed Fund’s 2016 summer activity guide – Get Your Summer On! is a comprehensive listing of summer activities open to elementary school children in West Contra Costa. The guide is distributed by the West Contra Costa Public Education Fund to 220,000 elementary school children and their families. UC Berkeley youth-serving programs are invited to list their programs for free. Submissions are due by March 1st. Submit program information here-->

Funding events & resources

Feb 24, 10-11:30 am–Foundation fundraising essentials, UC Berkeley. This course provides an overview of best practices related to working with foundations. You’ll learn about the various foundation structures and decision-making models, how to identify which of your projects or programs are best suited for foundation grants, how to use available resources to explore funding opportunities, and how to build relationships with funders and campus partners. The course is free of charge (Cal ID required). Register here-->

Grants and funding opportunities for education projects. This list of selected corporate and private foundations that are currently accepting applications is provided by America’s Promise
Alliance. More-->

**GrantSpace** provides easy-to-use tools and resources to help grant seekers. Resources include information about local classes and events, and blog posts with advice from funders and nonprofit experts. More-->

**STEM for all: ensuring high-quality STEM education opportunities for all students.** This fact sheet, from the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, provides an overview of President Obama's 2017 budget priorities for STEM education. The budget invests $7 billion in STEM education spending across the Federal Government. More-->

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**Opportunities**

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**Undergraduate minority science writers internship**—Application deadline 3/1/16. The AAAS and the Pitts Family Foundation offer summer internships for minority undergraduates interested in journalism and science writing. More-->

**UC Berkeley Peter E. Haas Public Service Award.** Nomination deadline 3/18/16. This award recognizes the UC Berkeley alumni who has made an outstanding voluntary contribution in one of four areas: community service, health care, the environment, and education. More-->

The **Council for Graduate Education Debra W. Stewart Award for outstanding leadership in graduate education.** Nomination deadline 3/31/16. Nominees must have a strong reputation for ethics and integrity, a history of active participation in the graduate community, and a record of strategic vision and actions resulting in meaningful impacts for graduate education. More-->

**Outstanding Teachers of America Awards, .** Nomination deadline 4/1/16. This award, sponsored by the Carlston Family Foundation, recognizes and rewards outstanding teachers in California public high schools who have had a life-changing impact on their students' lives both academically and personally. More-->

**Cooke Young Scholars program**—Application deadline 4/15/16. From 8th grade through their senior year of high school, Cooke Young Scholars receive a personal academic and college counselor, funding for academic and enrichment programs, internship and study abroad opportunities. More-->

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**Resources**

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**Exemplary programs in successful STEM education**—This website features examples of successful programs and projects, many funded by the NSF, that are aligned with the recommendations of the National Research Council reports: Successful K-12 STEM Education and Monitoring Progress Toward Successful K-12 STEM Education. More-->

**Engineering insights for future engineers**—This free podcast series is targeted to young people interested in engineering careers. Each week engineers from all sectors discuss what they do, how they got to where they are today, and what excites them about the future. Discussion topics include creative design, time management, team work, project management, and business acumen. More-->

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**Events**
Tuesday, 2/16, 12 noon–Student panel: overcoming barriers to higher education in California. Berkeley Public Library, 2090 Kittredge St, 3rd Fl. A panel of UC Berkeley students discuss how they overcame academic and financial difficulties to reach and thrive at the university. The students come from varied backgrounds, and faced many hurdles to earn a college degree. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters Berkeley Albany Emeryville.

NSF video showcase: advancing STEM for all. Register to enter a video by 3/15. Presenters are invited to share a 3-minute video of their project's work. 20,000 individuals participated in last year's showcase. This year's showcase runs from May 17-23. More-->

Engagement Scholarship Consortium Conference, call for proposals. The Engagement Scholarship consortium aims to build strong university-community partnerships anchored in scholarship. The conference invites proposals for presentations and posters. The submission deadline is 3/15. The conference takes place in Omaha, Nebraska, October 11th-12th. More-->

June 9-10–International best practices in measuring and demonstrating the contribution of science to society, Amsterdam. Sponsored by Network for the Assessment & Evaluation of the Societal Impact of Science (AESIS), this international conference brings together STEM educators and researchers to exchange best practices in demonstrating and stimulating the impact science has on society. More-->

News & views

Catalysts for Change The Catalysts for Change report from the UC Berkeley Division of Equity and Inclusion features case studies that demonstrate how Berkeley has shifted from a "diversity crisis" mode to a "diversity catalyst" model. More-->

In Oakland, building boys into men–Manhood Development is the flagship program of the Oakland Unified School District Office of African American Male Achievement, the country’s first department within a public school district that specifically addresses the needs of its most vulnerable children: black boys who have stubbornly remained at the bottom of nearly every academic indicator. More-->

Gates Foundation adds its voice to calls for closer scrutiny of colleges–The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is pushing for clear and comprehensive information about college costs and benefits to be made easily available to consumers, taxpayers, and policymakers. More-->

About us

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Acronym translator: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics); NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards); NSF (National Science Foundation); K-12 (kindergarten through 12th grade).

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