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Spring Enrollment is Thriving at Pacific Oaks College

Dear Pacific Oaks College Alumni:

Pacific Oaks College is buzzing with activity once again!

I am happy to inform you that we welcomed 168 new students this spring semester and total enrollment has exceeded 1,000 students for the second time in less than six months.

In addition to our established partnerships with Pierce College, Los Angeles City College, Pasadena Parks & Recreation, Plaza de la Raza Child Development Services, and a cohort of students in Scotts Valley in Northern California, the college proudly started a new site at Mission Community College.

We are continuing to add additional academic staff to provide personalized service and support to our students. I am also delighted to share with you that Dr. Ellie Kaucher (PO Alumna) is now serving as the Interim Dean of the College.

As you know, Pacific Oaks College has been known for providing a transformative education specifically tailored to adults and non-traditional students. Our School of Education continues to be on the cutting edge, delivering their academic programs, faculty, and student services directly to Head Start Agencies, Early Childhood Education Centers, and local community colleges at a distance. Meanwhile, our School of Human Development and Family Studies continues to attract the best and committed faculty and students from across the nation.

I appreciate the opportunity to keep you informed as Pacific Oaks strengthens its academic position among leading academic institutions in California. I look forward to hearing from you about your success stories and the contributions to your communities.

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STUDENTS REGISTERED			
	Spring 2011	Spring 2012	Spring 2013
Pasadena	453	522	637
Instructional Sites/Cohorts	54	86	170
Online	11	126	199
TOTAL	518	734 (41.7%)	1006 (37.1%)

Spring Scholarships Deadline for Submissions is Feb. 8; Almost \$80,000 in Institutional and Donor Scholarships Will be Awarded to Pacific Oaks College Students



SCHOLARSHIPS
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PACIFIC OAKS COLLEGE

We are delighted to report that we have \$80,000 to award in student scholarships this Spring Semester. Online and on-ground students from all campuses can apply online only for both institutional and donor-based scholarships. The committee will review all applications and will announce the recipients on March 8.

Also, all fall and spring student scholarship recipients will be invited to attend a scholarship reception on Tuesday, April 30. Hosted by President Ezat Parnia, students, donors and the scholarship committee will celebrate our Pacific Oaks Student Scholars.

If you would like to learn more about being a donor to the Pacific Oaks student scholarship funds, please contact (Mr.) Kerry Neal at 626-529-8092 or contact him at kneal@pacificoaks.edu.

Employment Opportunities - Pacific Oaks College Alumni


Bright Horizons
FAMILY SOLUTIONS® CSF Marilyn Reed Lucia Child Development Center,
Assistant Director, San Francisco, CA

The Assistant Director shares the leadership role with and reports to the Center Director; responsibilities include but are not limited to role modeling interactions with

children that are positive, genuine and respectful; consulting with the Director on scheduling and staffing; participating in orientation of new faculty members; assisting faculty in development of individual goals for professional growth; supervising implementation of "The World at Their Fingertips" curriculum; coordinating with the Director whole center parent communications; modeling a positive attitude and professional interactions with parents, children, and clients; sharing in financial responsibilities and other duties as assigned. The Assistant Director will also work in ratio for part of the day.

Qualifications:

BA in ECE or related field preferred; 12 ECE units plus Infant/Toddler and Administration coursework required; minimum three to five years experience teaching young children in a center based setting; strong organizational skills, excellent interpersonal skills; demonstrated leadership capabilities; ability to multi-task in a dynamic environment; ability to work cohesively with a diverse population of parents, sponsors, administration and faculty; computer proficiency (Word, Excel, Outlook, Internet, Database). Internal candidates must follow the appropriate protocol as outlined in Bright Horizons Policy on Transfers/Promotions and notify your supervisor of your interest.

Contact: Margarita Mazaracki -- mmazaracki@brighthorizons.com for more information. Apply online through Bright Web.

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Burbank First United Methodist Church Job Posting

Title: Preschool Director
Hours: Approximately 30 per week, 11 months per year (July off)
Salary: Commensurate with education and experience

Job Description Summary:

The Preschool Director is responsible for the overall organization and administration of a developmentally appropriate, play-based, NAEYC accredited, half-day preschool, which is a ministry of the Burbank First United Methodist Church.

Qualifications

- A bachelor's degree from an accredited or approved university with a major or emphasis in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, or related field.
- Program Director status (as required by the State of California Title 22) and one program year of director experience.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience in the administration of a licensed, child care program and NAEYC accreditation criteria.
- Computer literacy in Word, Excel and Outlook, with the willingness to train in new and other programs as needed.
- Excellent interpersonal skills.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to communicate with parents, co-workers, children, youth and visitors in a pleasant and professional manner.
- Health Screening Report and TB clearance prior to employment
- Live Scan clearance prior to employment
- CPR and First Aid certification within 30 days of employment

Duties and Responsibilities:

The Preschool Director is responsible for delivering a high quality, early childhood education program which meets the developmental needs of the whole child. The duties include day-to-day management of staff and programs, student enrollment, health and safety, facilities maintenance, fiscal management, and compliance with the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation standards.

Apply by
February 22, 2013

Email resume and cover letter to wwalters@bfumc.net
or mail to:

Burbank First United Methodist Church
700 N. Glenoaks Blvd.
Burbank, CA 91502
Attn: Dr. Wayne Walters

No phone calls please.

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Lift Up Your Voice - Pacific Oaks College Annual Fund Campaign Supports Students and Faculty

The annual fund effort is off to a great start. Letters were signed this fall by PO academic rock stars Betty Jones, Ph.D., Cheryl Greer-Jarman, and PO alumnus Laura Fierro, Ph.D. to reach out to our alumni with news about different college programs underway. Also, personal letters were signed by PO Trustee Jerry Mandel to the Friends of the Pacific Oaks College to encourage support. This year alumni donors can designate between three categories of how their support can be realized: 1) unrestricted operating support; 2) student scholarships and 3) instructional site resource fund.

As of Dec. 31, we have raised more than \$25,000!

Every dollar counts towards supporting our faculty and students. If you would like to make a donation please visit www.pacificoaks.edu/giving and make an online gift or contact Kerry Neal at 626-529-8092 or kneal@pacificoaks.edu. All donations for the annual fund will count through the end of the fiscal year, May 31, 2013.

Make your voice heard and send in your gift to support Pacific Oaks College! As our motto says, "We have the power to create change in our world."

Need Nominees for the next Pacific Oaks College Alumni Profiles Directory

We are taking nominations for the 2013 addition of the Pacific Oaks Alumni Profiles directory. The directory will be printed in Fall 2013, and posted on the Alumni web site, distributed at Orientation and at Alumni and student-

centered special events throughout the year. Please send us an email to alumni@pacificoaks.edu regarding your nominee and why you believe she or he is an inspirational PO alumnae who is changing the world for the better.



PACIFIC OAKS COLLEGE EVENTS - 2013



President Parnia is delighted to announce that the College is organizing a formal commencement ceremony for our Northern California graduating students on Saturday, May 11 in Watsonville, CA. More details will be forthcoming.

Get ready to have some fun and meet fellow alumni at the following events:

We are hosting a free Parent Education Night on **Wed., February 20** at the

Pasadena campus; the theme is *Inspiring Kids to be Great Eaters*; guest speakers are Catherine McCord and Ashley Koff.

The CAEYC conference will be held in San Jose, CA from March 14-16. We will be hosting an alumni reception on **Fri., March 15**. Invitations will be distributed soon via email and traditional mail to this East Bay area bash.

The Second Annual Living Legends Awards Luncheon will be held in Pasadena on **Tuesday, April 9, 2013**. This year's honoree is PO College supporter Maureen Carlson.

To ensure you are included on our mailing list, please email us at alumni@pacificoaks.edu. We look forward to hosting you soon!