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UC REGENTS RAISE TUITION BY 8 PERCENT



On Nov. 18., the last day of the Regents' meeting, UCSD students protested the newly passed fee increases at the annual Founders' Day event in Town Square.

DESPITE THREE DAYS OF PROTESTS THAT INCLUDED THE ARREST OF 13 STUDENTS, THE UC BOARD OF REGENTS PASSED AN 8-PERCENT INCREASE LAST THURSDAY.

BY NISHA KURANI
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR
PHOTOS BY JOHN HANACEK

The UC Board of Regents passed an 8-percent student-fee increase on Nov. 18 after a three-day meeting. The increase will raise tuition prices from \$10,302 to \$11,124 for the 2011-12 academic year, and comes a year after a 32-percent increase passed last November.

According to UC spokesperson Ricardo Vasquez, the Regents were reluctant to increase fees by \$822, but the lack of adequate state funding, in addition to the failure to find a better solution to the budget deficit, led them to vote in favor of the increase.

UC officials suggested that the \$1 billion deficit the UC system faces could be curbed by bringing

in the next few years due to national economic crisis.

State funding for the UC system



in an annual revenue of about \$180 million from the fee increase.

At the Regents meeting at UC San Francisco, UC president Mark G. Yudof spoke about the possibility of additional cuts from state funding



was cut by \$600 million in 2009. Despite the \$370 million increase this year, a budget shortfall still exists, one that must now be covered

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Members of Student Union Disagree Over Labor Contract

By Regina Ip
NEWS EDITOR

UC academic student employees announced a statewide meeting yesterday to discuss disagreements over the tentative labor contract made with UC officials on Nov. 17.

The 12,000 employees represented by United Auto Workers Local 2865 — a group which includes part-time workers such as teaching assistants, graders, readers and graduate student instructors — called for the rejection of the three-year agreement and organized a meeting for Tuesday, Nov. 30 at UCLA.

“We wanted to reach out to membership statewide and let them know that there is another option besides taking inadequate contract agreement,” UC Santa Cruz Unit Chair Brian Malone said. “This is not the best we can do [because] the leadership throughout the contract campaign especially in the last few months has not seriously organized the strike. I feel like we have yet to show our strength to the UC by actually organizing our membership.”

Union members will begin voting on the contract at the nine UC campuses on Nov. 29 and will continue until Dec. 2.

The two bargaining teams tentatively agreed to increase wages by a minimum of 2 percent per year, with the possibility of increases in the 2011-12 and 2012-13 academic years, depending on whether there will be increased funding from the state.

“We are very pleased to have reached what we believe is a fair agreement, and one that recognizes both the contributions our student employees make to UC’s teaching mission and the budgetary challenges we face,” UC chief negotiator Peter Chester said in a statement.

UAW Vice President Daraka Larimore-Hall agreed, despite the minority group disagreement.

“It’s a great contract, particularly in this budget climate,” Larimore-Hall said. “It’s a strong package of guaranteed wage increases with the possibility of even more if the budget situation improves.”

But in the letter sent out on Nov. 21 to UAW members, several members stated that they believed that the 2-percent annual wage increase was inadequate because it does not match the 3-percent inflation rate for the contract term.

“The other reason is that, despite what UAW has said, we know that UC has money to give us a better contract,” Malone said. “It wouldn’t be that expensive...It would be a mistake for UAW to buy UC’s rhetoric about having no money.”

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Eligible Non-Residents Can Pay In-State Tuition in California

By Regina Ip
NEWS EDITOR

The California Supreme Court voted unanimously last Monday to uphold a bill to allow certain out-of-state residents — including undocumented students — to pay in-state tuition while attending California’s public universities and colleges. But the bill, Assembly Bill 540, does not allow undocumented states to apply for financial aid at the federal, state or university level.

AB 540, enacted in 2001 by previous Governor Gray Davis, applies to students who attended high school in California for at least three academic years and graduated with a GED or an equivalent. Students also must be registered or

currently enrolled in an accredited institution.

Eligible students will save approximately \$13,316 per year at UCSD, since full-time undergraduate non-residents pay an estimated \$22,717 while California residents paid \$9,401 per year.

“UC supported AB 540,” UCOP spokesperson Ricardo Vázquez said. “We believe these are students who have worked very hard and, through their persistence, they have been able to get a place in the UC system...so [their efforts] shouldn’t be disregarded.”

The court decision was a result of a lawsuit — called *Martinez v. Regents of the University of California* — filed

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BILLBOARD MANIA



NOLAN THOMAS/GUARDIAN
Far East Movement (left) gave a surprise performance for the Founders' Day event on Thursday, Nov. 18. The next night, Bruno Mars (right) performed a sold-out concert.

WEB POLL

DO YOU THINK FEE INCREASES ARE NECESSARY?

✓ Yes
✓ No

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SUNRISE
6:26 A.M.

SUNSET
4:44 P.M.

NIGHT WATCH

MONDAY TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

SURF REPORT

MONDAY Height: 5-6 ft. Wind: 8-10 mph Water Temp: 61 F
TUESDAY Height: 4-6 ft. Wind: 4-7 mph Water Temp: 61 F
WEDNESDAY Height: 4 ft. Wind: 8-9 mph Water Temp: 61 F
THURSDAY Height: 3-5 ft. Wind: 2-8 mph Water Temp: 61 F

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Standards of Financial Aid Lowered to Make Tuition Increases Manageable

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by changes in tuition fees and the pension system.

According to Vazquez, the standards for providing financial aid have been lowered to help make the fee increase more manageable for students.

The Regents also voted to raise the maximum yearly family income for the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan eligibility to \$80,000.

The plan originally covered the educational costs of students with family incomes less than \$70,000, using grants and scholarships.

"The Regents... extended financial aid for middle income students," Vazquez said. "[In-state] students are eligible for financial aid [for the fee increase] if their family income is between \$80,000 and \$120,000 — they will receive

grants or scholarships for the 2011-12 school year to cover the cost of the fee increase."

During the meeting, Yudof said the increase would not affect the 55 percent of students with a yearly income of less than \$120,000 in the 2011-12 academic year.

Protests at UCSF against the fee increases were largely subdued on Thursday, after 13 people were arrested at the multiple rallies held the day before.

The A.S. Office of External Affairs office broadcasted the meeting on Library Walk and provided microphones to promote student dialogue about the decision.

"It [was] a different way of approaching students to educate them instead of flyering," Vice President of External Affairs Michael Lam said. "It's a way to

actually show students what is actually happening [at the Regents level]."

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MICHAEL LAM
VP EXTERNAL

Governor Abel Maldonado — voted against the increase. Last November, then-Student Regent Jesse Bernal

was the sole dissenting vote against the 32-percent fee increase.

"At the end of the Regents meeting, nobody wanted to speak because the vote was so quick," Lam said. "Every student was stunned about how easy it was and how fast it was passed, they couldn't really say anything."

Students protested at the Founder's Day event against the fee increases, holding signs that bore like "50 years of oppression" and "Celebrating 50 years of fee increases."

A.S. Campuswide Senator Victor Flores-Osorio — one of the organizers for the silent action — said the purpose of holding up signs was to show administrators and the UCSD campus that students are affected by the increases.

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Scientists Find That Spines Naturally Recover After Injury

By Jonathan Chan
STAFF WRITER

By studying the spinal cords of adult monkeys, researchers at the UCSD School of Medicine have discovered that spinal cords can recover naturally after injury.

The researchers looked at the regeneration of the corticospinal tract (the group of neurons that start at the cerebral cortex of the brain and travel down the spinal cord) of adult rhesus monkeys after they experienced mild injuries.

"The spinal cord is not just a single entity," Assistant Project Scientist Ephron Rosenzweig said. "It includes different neural systems running up and down the spinal cord, and some neurons are more likely to regenerate than others."

The corticospinal tract is the most resistant to treatments when compared to other tracts in the spinal cord and, once damaged, does not regenerate well, as found in previous experiments and literature on primate neurology.

It is also responsible for fine motor control in humans — in other words, the coordination of finger movements and visual senses, including skills such as picking up small objects with the hands.

Rosenzweig said this tract is critical

in defining the human body.

"The corticospinal tract plays a crucial role in the human interaction with the world through coordination and fine motor skills," Rosenzweig said. "The corticospinal tract is least likely to regrow but it's not true that nothing in the spinal cord regrows."

Compared to severe brain and spinal cord injuries, which had limited regeneration, smaller injuries to the corticospinal tract were followed by recovery.

To conduct this study, the team used monkeys as test subjects instead of mice, which are the traditional research subjects. In rodent models from previous studies seen in scientific literature, the regrowth was not seen at the level observed in monkeys, whose spinal cord cells began to regrow.

"We needed to be testing possible treatments in models closer to humans," Rosenzweig said. "There are differences in the immunology, size and neuroanatomy of primate models versus rodent models."

The monkeys were tested in a variety of behaviors, such as walking on a treadmill, as well as on parameters like grip strength and hand function — skills that may be damaged after spinal injury. The purpose of the test was to determine the extent to which the spinal cord axon regrowth affected the monkeys' motor control.

After learning what went on in a normal model through behavior training and observation, researchers made a specific, small lesion on the corticospinal tract, designed to cause weaknesses in the hand but keep autonomic function such as heart rate regulation, respiration, digestion and perspiration intact.

The research team — which includes scientists from UCLA and the University of Zurich in Switzerland — then studied the spinal cord and saw spontaneous recovery in some, but not all, of the axons that had been damaged in the applied lesions.

For axons that remained intact, they saw that the connections between the circuits in the spinal cord spontaneously regrew and were restored by 60 percent in the 24 weeks after the mild injury.

Previously, scientists didn't know that the corticospinal tract could regrow, and this new discovery could lead to new ideas about regrowth in spinal cord injury patients, with the possibility of restoring functions such as fine motor skills and grip strength, which are important in improving the patient's quality of life.

"With 90 percent of the original axons removed, the remaining 10 percent filled in far more than expected," Rosenzweig said.

Rosenzweig's team is studying the

implications this discovery can hold for humans, since there is usually at least a little spinal cord tissue intact after an injury.

"Right now, we're trying to figure out the mechanism behind the regrowth," Rosenzweig said. "That way, we would be able to develop treatments to elicit or enhance that same response in humans."

The research team will continue testing new treatments and exploring the mechanisms behind the process of spontaneous recovery. Its goal is to find a drug or treatment therapy to enhance these mechanisms and promote spinal cord regrowth and healing.

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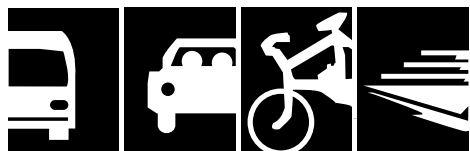
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LIGHTS AND SIRENS

Friday, Nov. 12

4:05 a.m.: Drunk in public

▶ A female wearing a "multi-colored skirt" was seen "crying in the street" near the Mobil Gas Station on the corner of Gilman Drive and Villa La Jolla Drive. *Information only.*

7:01 p.m.: Disturbance

▶ A group of people seen drinking "unknown what" loaded onto buses at Lot 207. *No disposition.*

10:47 p.m.: Information

▶ A person was caught shining a green laser pointer at vehicles from Goldberg Hall. *Verbal warning issued.*

Saturday, Nov. 13

8:21 a.m.: Non-injury accident report

▶ A Goody's cart "rolled down a hill into a tree" at the Thurgood Marshall Activity Center. *No disposition.*

6:31 p.m.: Indecent exposure

▶ A male exposed himself to a female juvenile and was "playing with himself" at Thornton Hospital. The subject had on a "black jacket [with] no shirt under [and] black Ugg boots with tan shorts." *Report taken.*

9:21 p.m.: Welfare check

▶ A reporter said his roommate has been saying he "has a chip in his brain [and] this is life or death." *Checks OK.*

Sunday, Nov. 14

9:18 a.m.: Hazard situation

▶ A tree fell in a parking lot on Regents Road, "taking up a few parking spaces, but did not hit any cars." *Information only.*

8:59 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A 30-year-old male in a "yellow jacket, white bicycle helmet and khaki pants" was seen sitting in front of Ballroom A in Price Center talking to himself since noon. *Field interview administered.*

9:10 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A heavyset 60-year-old male, with "white hair [and] white facial hair, was seen standing at a dumpster area behind Muir Apartments. *Gone on arrival.*

10:51 p.m.: Medical Aid

▶ A person "cut his finger on razor" at Marshall Apartments West. *Information Only.*

Monday, Nov. 15

1:36 a.m.: Suspicious person

▶ Two students facing the Faculty Club were seen "acting suspiciously." One was wearing a gas mask and hid behind bushes. *Unable to locate.*

11:18 a.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white male in his 20s was spotted "going from Dumpster to Dumpster" on Muir Lane. *Unable to locate.*

2:35 p.m.: Non-injury accident report

▶ A shuttle was seen colliding into a parked vehicle at the off-campus Shuttle Trailer. *Report taken.*

11:14 p.m.: Disturbance, noise

▶ A large group had "gathered and [were] yelling" on the fourth floor of the Pangea Parking Structure. The reporter believed they were watching something inside the structure. *Will cooperate.*

Tuesday, Nov. 16

9:25 a.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white female in her 40s was seen wearing a "blue UCSD sweatshirt" while sitting in the lobby of the Leichtig Building with her "dirty feet on chairs." *Field interview administered.*

2:30 p.m.: Information

▶ A 90-year-old female drove a Buick into a parked vehicle at Villa La Jolla Drive and Nobel Drive. *Referred to other agency.*

6:32 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A male was seen lying in front of the Warren Literature Building by the recording studio. Reporter said this has become a "chronic problem." *Unable to locate.*

Thursday, Nov. 18

7:53 a.m.: Petty theft

▶ A male transient, wearing a "red/black track suit," was seen "taking trash bags from custodial cart" by Burger King in Price Center. *Report taken.*

3:44 p.m.: Medical aid

▶ A 19-year-old female who gave blood claimed to be feeling "light-headed, dizzy [and] like she is going to pass out." *Information only.*

5:50 p.m.: Disturbance, vehicle

▶ A reporter in a white Mazda hatchback claims a person behind her with "road rage" followed her onto campus at Lot 303. *Information only.*

— **Compiled by Andrew Tieu**
STAFF WRITER

Students Also Protested Lack of Diversity and Focus on Humanities, Social Sciences

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"We held up different signs to show our presence — that we care and that we matter and that we are outraged about the fee increase," Flores-Orsorio said.

He added that the protest was about more than the fee increase. He said he and other students felt that the university does not place a significant importance on diversity, humanities or the social sciences.

"We don't see ourselves as represented,"

Osorio said. "We wanted to show UCSD that we are here and that we are not satisfied with the overall general progress, with regard to diversity. There is a much greater emphasis on the physical and biological sciences, and the university does not prioritize the social sciences or humanities, or the access [to those] on campus."

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Plaintiffs Claimed that AB 540 Violated Immigration Laws and Fourteenth Amendment

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as a class action suit in 2005. According to the National Immigration Law Center, Arizona citizen Robert Martinez and 42 other U.S. citizens said AB 540 infringed on their constitutional rights, since it allowed undocumented students privileges not accessible to some U.S. citizens.

The plaintiffs argued that the bill violated federal immigration laws that ban states from granting higher education benefits to undocumented students based on residency without providing the same privilege to non-resident U.S. citizens. They also claimed that the state law violated rights of out-of-state students under the 14th Amendment, which states that U.S.-born and naturalized citizens cannot be denied the privileges and immunities of U.S. citizens.

The state Supreme Court rejected the plaintiffs' arguments and ruled exemptions for out-of-state tuition as constitutional since it was not based on state residency, but on other requirements like high school attendance.

Under the bill, undocumented students must file an affidavit stating their intent to apply for legal residency as soon as they are eligible. Also, students cannot hold certain non-immigrant visas because — according to last year's annual report on tuition exemptions

in the UC system — this requirement limits eligibility to U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, students with immigrant visas (including approved petitioners) and students with no legal immigration status.

The...majority of students at UC who get...exemption[s] are actually U.S. citizens."

RICARDO VASQUEZ
UCOP SPOKESPERSON

In 2008-09, about 80 percent of the 2,019 students who qualified for tuition exemptions in the UC system were U.S. citizens or legal residents. Since the law's implementation in the UC system in 2002, legal residents made up more than two-thirds of those

benefiting from the law.

"The overwhelming majority of students at UC who get the AB 540 exemption are actually U.S. citizens or legal residents and the other percentage [are] potentially undocumented," Vázquez said.

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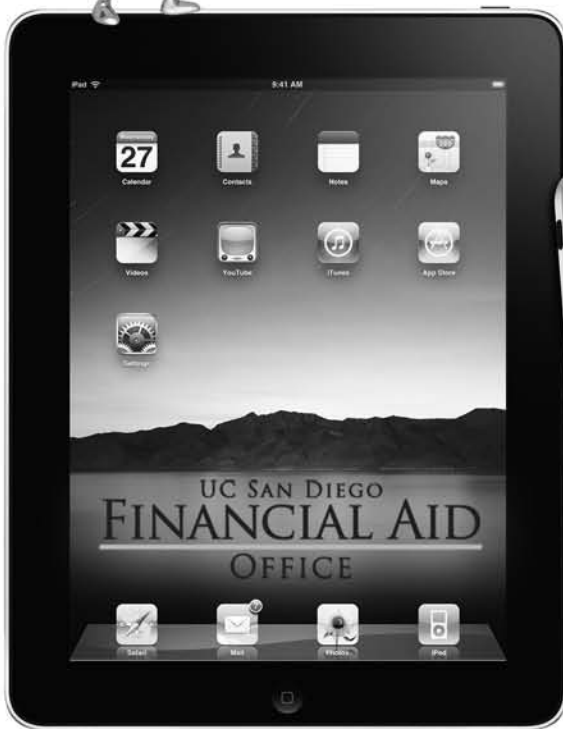
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Tentative Agreement Expands Negotiating Roles and Improving Timeliness in Job Offer Notifications

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According to the letter, the UC Board of Regents received an increased total executive compensation of \$11.5 million this year and spent \$2 million last year on bottled water that could have been used for wages.

UAW recording secretary David Selby said members should appreciate what has already been passed.

"It's a great contract and there is a difference of opinion on it," Selby said. "But...the specific claims they make about more things we can gain, we're getting things that other people aren't getting right now. We're actually getting a wage increase — small as it might be — other people are taking furloughs [and] that's a massive cut and pay. The faculty took that before."

In addition, the contract increases the total childcare reimbursement amount from \$900 to \$2,400 per year. The subsidy would be extended into the summer terms.

"[Childcare is a priority] because it's a basic question of equity," Larimore-Hall said. "We think childhood poverty is a serious issue in California and we want to make sure that the UC as an employer is part of the solution and not part of the problem. Also, many reports have shown that childcare responsibilities are a major factor in... major academic careers."

Selby — who worked as a teaching assistant for UCSD's political science department and Revelle College for seven years — also agreed.

"[The tentative agreement] is really wonderful for graduate students and academic student employees, especially in the increases for childcare subsidy which would make UCs more family-friendly," Selby said. "We think that's something that's actually going to pay off for both UC and workers specifically. We think that it'll really help drive recruitment in a really smart way [and] keep UC at the forefront of family-friendly policies across the nation."

Those who disagreed said they thought the increasing childcare reimbursements increase to \$600 per quarter was inadequate because it does not match the estimated cost of \$1,000 per month.

"We're the only group in the nation, probably in the world, that gets this benefit and we tripled it," Selby. "To belittle it and say 'that's nothing,' tell that to the people actually claiming the benefits."

In the tentative agreement, the union will also receive partial fee remission for non-resident tuition that will increase along with possible tuition increases.

"For the first time in history, we have a partial tuition remission for nonresident tuition," Larimore-Hall said. "That's what the university system has been opposed to in the last decade of negotiation. That's a very big victory."

The proposed contract also includes expanding the union's role in negotiating health care benefits, maintaining compensation for union bargaining team members and improving timeliness of job offer notifications.

"We improved our appointment notification language," Selby said. "That's really important for members because we don't get a job every quarter [so now] we know when we have a job beforehand — that's a good thing that our members are happy about."

If the union ratifies the contract, the terms will go into effect from the day of ratification to Sept. 30, 2013. The union ratification process is expected to take several weeks. If the agreement is not approved, UAW and the UC system will have to renegotiate their terms.

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DAVID SELBY
UAW RECORDING
SECRETARY

The union filed an unfair labor practices suit in Spring Quarter 2010 to upgrade its contract. Negotiations then began at the end of June.

In June, more than 50 teaching assistants and tutors participated a grade-in (grading assignments) at the stage in Price Center.

"It was to demonstrate that our working conditions as academic employees are tied to the learning conditions of students," Selby said. "It's one of the other things we're focused on is quality of education at UCs and specifically doing the best we can to keep class size down."

In addition, more than 600 UCSD members of 6,000 members statewide added their names to a report card that graded the UC system's performance in its core education values with regards to budget priorities.

The negotiated contract, which expired on Sept. 30, was extended to Dec. 4 to accommodate the ratification process.

According to Larimore-Hall, 2,000 of the union members attend UCSD. The average total compensation for teaching assistants working part time for nine months is about \$28,500.

About 90 percent of funding for the salaries of student employees comes from general funds.

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OPINION

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OUT OF CONTEXT

“Just another jaw-dropping, head-bashing-against-the-wall moment for California. I expected no better. And of course, what do the illegal residents do when they graduate? We can't hire them, right?”

NORMAN WALKER
RESIDENT, SAN DIEGO

When No One Shaves, Everyone Loses

Three things happen in November: seasons change, the birds fly south for the winter and men's facial hair gets way out of hand. It's the biggest phenomenon to sweep college guys since the bromance: No-Shave November.



Status Update: It's Complicated

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During this month, men conveniently “misplace” their razors for the rest of the month, transforming into Tom Hanks in “Castaway.”

But, those talented in growing facial hair often continue on to Don't-Shave December, Just-Don't-Shave January and Forget-to-Shave February.

As a woman, I do not understand the pride that goes into growing facial hair. The logic probably goes like this: Only women and boys don't have beards, so of course men want to prove they're neither. You could all try volunteering at an animal shelter instead. It's just as hairy and will increase your chances of getting laid far more.

Still, there's something special about watching men attempt to grow beards. Some get hobo beards, some get creepy stringy beards, and others have the ability to rock it like Clooney.

As No-Shave November seems to be celebration of masculinity (for while women create life, men create... more hair) I was curious if this ritual was used to hook the ladies by showing off their man-imal ways.

I couldn't be more wrong. Men go into No-Shave November knowing that it is a conscious decision that will inhibit their interactions with women. It's a month dedicated to sacrificial brotherhood. The trade-off: An excuse to not shave for the longest period since they were prepubescent.

The only force strong and stubborn enough to break this bond of refusing to shave is “the girlfriend.” It's understood among men that if a buddy has a girlfriend, she'll be first to say that the Hagrid look is has got to go if he expects to get within yards of her.

Thanksgiving break also often results in an understandable buzz to the midnight shadow so Mom does not mistake her son for Zach Galifianakis (The guy from “The Hangover”...another option, ZZ Top?)

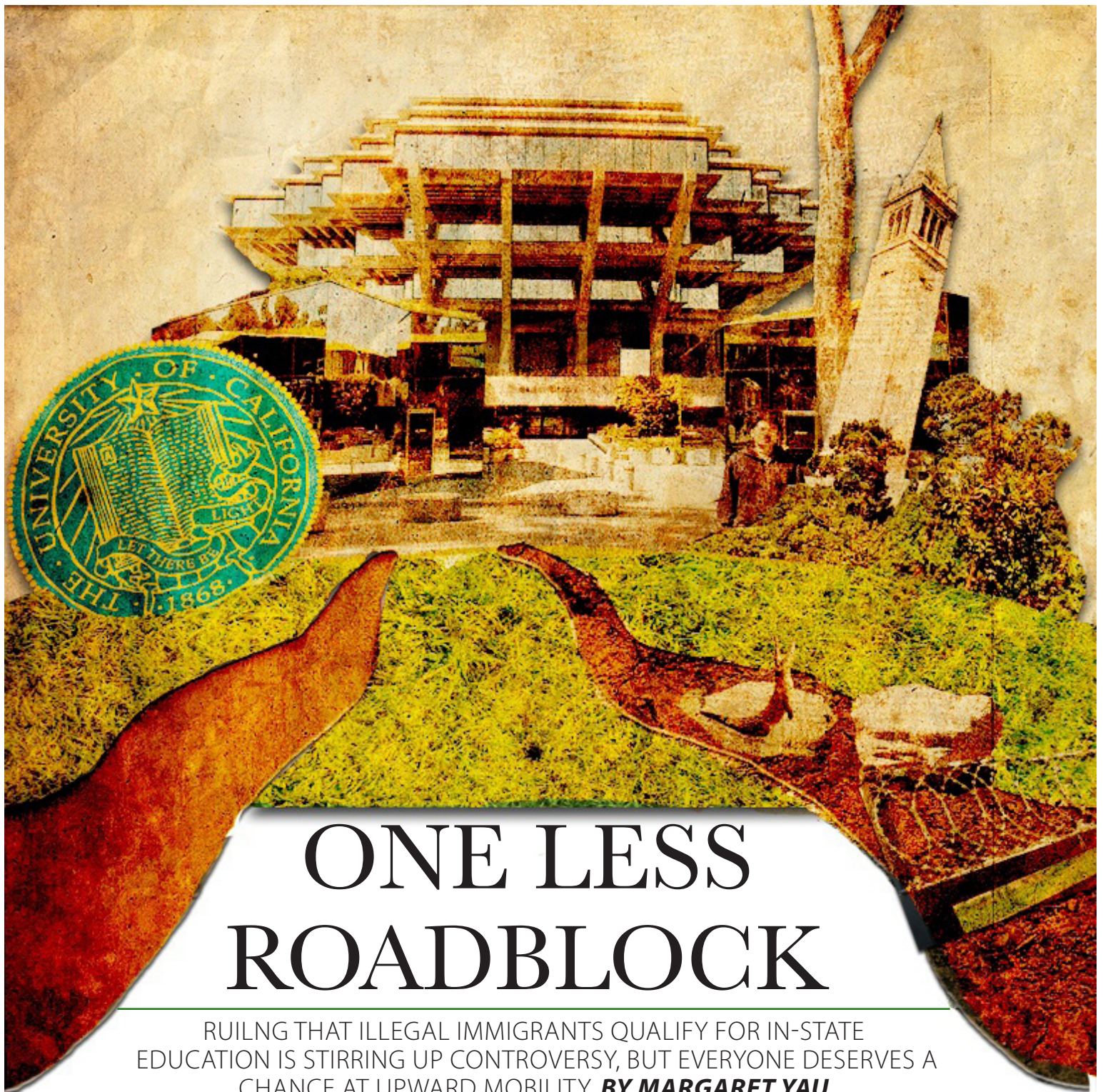
To me, it seems that this month is about laziness — because what better pact to make with your buddies than to forego personal hygiene?

A few of my girlfriends voiced some excitement in participating in No-Shave November. Because really, if guys are going to boycott the razor, we should be allowed to too. But when I brought this up to one of my guy friends, he did not approve.

His stance is yet another example of the male double standard — claiming that it's acceptable for men to not shave, while it's unacceptable for women to ditch the Gillette.

With these gender-biased comments, No-Shave November could go from a display of manliness to a feminist rebellion of societal pressures.

So, in the name of equality, what if No-Shave November wasn't just restricted to dudes who want to let themselves go for a month? What if no one decided to groom their dog, didn't mow the lawn, and skipped those expensive waxing appointments? Everything would be an absolute mess by the time the month is over. So guys, consider picking your razors back up before the world gets as out of control as your beard.



ONE LESS ROADBLOCK

RULING THAT ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS QUALIFY FOR IN-STATE EDUCATION IS STIRRING UP CONTROVERSY, BUT EVERYONE DESERVES A CHANCE AT UPWARD MOBILITY. **BY MARGARET YAU**

Even as protesters march on UC San Francisco with signs decrying the University of California's rapidly diminishing affordability, the California Supreme Court is doing its part to open the doors of the state's public universities just a little bit wider.

Last Monday, seven justices unanimously upheld a bill that allows illegal immigrants living in California to pay in-state college tuition. The ruling is a reaction to a 2005 class-action suit called *Martinez v. UC Regents* in which the irate parents of out-of-state students sued the UC Office of the President, arguing that their children should not have to pay higher student fees than illegal immigrants. This backlash is unwarranted, because illegal immigrants already contribute to California society and will only be more of a boon when armed with a college education.

The difference between out-of-state and in-state tuition in California can be as high as \$13,316 at UCSD, in-state students pay \$9,401 while out-of-state students cough up \$22,717. The 2001 Education Code and Assembly Bill 540 grants in-state tuition to all students who have had at least three years of high school education in California and obtained a GED or equivalent, regardless of their legal status. In the case of *Martinez v. UC Regents*, the court ruled that the code should continue applying to illegal immigrants, though it does not make students eligible to receive federal or state financial aid.

Those opposed to the ruling claim that it's a violation of the 1996 Illegal Immigration Reform and

Responsibility Act, which prohibits giving greater educational benefits to illegal immigrants than legal citizens.

Though AB 540 may seem like a raw deal for those who don't chip in on the state level but pay taxes to the federal government — a small portion of which does come back to the university in the form of contracts and trickled-down state funds — the *Martinez v. UC Regents* case is based on more than just a dollar amount. Granting education access to illegal immigrants has historically been linked to the Fourteenth Amendment and issues of discrimination that make the necessity of such a law clear.

And it's not like this is the first time the subject of illegal immigrants and education has come up; in the 1982 case *Plyler v. Doe*, the Federal Supreme Court found that Texas education laws that withheld state funds for illegal immigrant children were unconstitutional. These laws, it said, violated the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, because restricting the ability of undocumented minors to educate themselves would gradually form a caste-like system that left illegal immigrants at the bottom. The Federal Supreme Court hypothesized that with no opportunities for upward mobility, the resulting social class of illiterate illegal immigrants

would simply add to the growing rate of poverty.

The *Martinez v. UC Regents* case might seem like it just concerns a disparity in tuition prices — one offered to “illegal aliens” and one offered to “true Americans” (derogatory phrases used in conjunction to the recent court ruling) — but there are greater constitutional issues at stake.

A world-class education at a cutting-edge university is just a pipe dream if it comes with a price tag that most of these lower income students are unable to accommodate.

Some argue that, since UC enrollment is open to all qualifying students, there is no issue of discrimination. But a world-class education at a cutting-edge university is just a pipe dream if it comes with a price tag that most of these lower-income students are unable to accommodate. Offering them a \$13,316 discount on a college education will put a decent education

within their price range.

Additionally, those out-of-state parents who are comparing their own contribution to UC's coffers favorably to that of illegal immigrants may have the wrong end of the stick.

The reason that the University of California is so cheap for Golden State natives — comparatively speaking, and for now, at least — is that our families have spent years chipping in tax dollars that supports the state and, by proxy, our public universities. Detractors argue that since illegal immigrants dodge most of these taxes, they shouldn't be able to

go to the institution they have done nothing to support for the same price as those that have kept it afloat.

But with the common exceptions of payroll taxes and corporate income taxes, illegal immigrants do pay, same as the rest of us. In 2008, illegal immigrants contributed an estimated \$9 billion dollars in taxes to the state, despite the fact that they do not benefit from social programs like Social Security. Though illegal immigrants cost the state \$10.5 billion through education, health care, and incarceration, their huge contributions — monetary and otherwise — cannot be overlooked. There is a reason for this misconception; not all illegal immigrants pay taxes, but their financial contributions to this economy mean that they deserve the same education as the next taxpayer.

Additionally, higher numbers of college graduates — an expected outcome of allowing students to pay \$11,285 instead of \$34,164 — will only help California's economy in the long run.

Every 30,000 students that earn a bachelor's degree add \$20 billion dollars to the state economy, increase state and local tax revenue by \$1.2 billion a year, and bring about the creation of 174,000 new jobs. According to CSU Stanislaus, for every dollar invested in a California State University student, the student ultimately returns \$4.62 to the state economy by being an asset to society. The potential economic boom that these new college students can provide is a long term benefit that cannot be overlooked.

ANIMAL INSTINCTS By Kim Cyprian



Upholding the Law is Upholding the D.R.E.A.M.

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Providing illegal immigrants with college educations is the first step in them receiving jobs and helping the economy. The D.R.E.A.M. Act, a piece of proposed federal legislation, will allow undocumented high school graduates to apply for conditional permanent residency — provided that they arrived in the U.S. as minors, lived here for at least five years, and are of good moral character. If, in the next six years, they enroll in and complete two years of college education or enlist in the military, they will be eligible for citizenship. The result of *Martinez v. UC Regents* coupled with the potential enactment of the D.R.E.A.M. Act will

play an essential role in giving illegal immigrants the rights they fled to the United States to receive.

One inadvertent potential result of this ruling will, unfortunately, be a continued financial burden on the UC system. Many will claim that upholding this state education code will continue to hurt California's economy, because for every illegal immigrant who pays in-state tuition, the state loses out on \$13,316 in increased revenue. But *Martinez v. UC Regents* only upholds the status quo, it doesn't take away money that was previously being funneled into the UC endowment. Still, with students still reeling from news that the UC system has raised tuition by 8 percent for the top 45 percent of the income

bracket, fee hikes are likely going to be incorrectly attributed to this court ruling. More lawsuits from irate parents are sure pop up in the near future.

The California Supreme Court did right by future generations when it presented a unanimous front on this controversial subject. The appeals process means that this case will likely travel up to the United States Supreme Court; right-wing conservatives, indignant out-of-state parents and illegal immigrants alike will be waiting anxiously to see if the big nine will put this xenophobic backlash to rest for good.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Online Classes Provide Quality Education for Working Students

Dear Editor,

Your Nov. 13 editorial, "When You Leave it All Online, Quality is the First to Go," really struck a chord with me as an older returning-to-college student who is not only enrolled full-time at UCSD, but is also a mother of two children, and a wife who also happens to work a 40-hour week Monday through Friday. Attitudes such as that of your Op-Ed department are what dissuade many older adults in similar life situations from making an attempt to return or begin college classes with the aspiration of completing an undergraduate degree. I also know many friends and colleagues who chose to obtain their degrees via less traditional methods, including online.

While every person should be afforded the opportunity to go to college, the reality is that for every high school graduate who goes to college, there are several more who are faced with a full-time job and putting college on the backburner. The attitude that quality is measured by how much face time spent in a classroom is almost elitist and ignores a prevalent and unfortunate trend that already occurs in classrooms across UCSD. I have witnessed enough classmates since I transferred last winter who sat through entire lectures texting blatantly in front of the professors, holding conversations with other students and of course, checking their Facebook pages. So, it seems that the quality of education one receives should not only be measured by whether or not the class was online or in person, but rather, to what extent do those students take advantage of the time they have with their educators. That seems to be the greatest difference and common misunderstanding that perhaps younger college students fail to recognize.

Adults who return to college online or in person, generally return for the sole purpose of obtaining a degree and little else. Online classes make it more convenient to reach those goals while taking care of families.

Without online classes, which you believe are of lesser value than classes "in person," I could not have possibly dreamt of transferring to UCSD, or any university for that matter, in a timely manner. There are more reasons than saving gas and rent that one chooses to go the online route.

Furthermore, while you may vaguely remember a time without iPods, with the advent of such technology, it has given the possibility of an effective, high-quality online education community more possible than perhaps even five years ago. There are many classes across the country being taught via a mixed-media approach in which classes are sometimes taped or podcasted, and hybrid classes which feature both online and in person platforms are also prevalent. In the case of UCSD, I know for a fact that this quarter marked the beginning of a pilot program in the CSE department in which the professor was essentially being broadcast to other classrooms without physically being there. For all of the fee hikes and increases students experience on a quarterly basis, shouldn't we be up in arms over this reduced quality in the way our education is being presented? I don't know about you, but if I'm going to be in a class listening to a lecture, I sure as hell wouldn't want that lecture being broadcast over a projector.

Furthermore, one does not necessarily need to graduate from what you describe as a university of higher caliber to obtain quality positions in one's field. I think that we need to really reassess the way in which we perceive the various means of obtaining educa-

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 tion and understand that this is not a black-and-white issue in which so-called vocational schools are perceived as being of lower quality than places like UCSD. The reality is, there are certain occupations that require four-year degrees and it may matter where you went to school. But, you don't need your diploma to say UCSD in order to find a good job or make something of yourself.

Instead of supporting a plan that will make UCSD's education more accessible to a greater number of people, you managed to make UCSD sound more elitist and less attainable to those who have aspirations to attend but would be unable to due to reasons you may or may not understand yet. For as great as UCSD seems, this institution would be just as good as any to find a way to make online learning more valuable and meaningful than it already is for the millions of working adults that graduate from those proverbial hallowed halls.

— **Alyssa Magat Crutchfield**
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QUICKTAKES

One Way Ticket to Mars

With Empty Wallet, Mars is Last Priority

Scientists Dirk Schulze-Makuch and Paul Davies have brought the attitudes of long-ago pilgrims into the space age. The two have suggested that astronauts traveling to Mars in a proposed colonization program should do so with the same mindset that settlers had when making their way to America — they should leave their homes without expecting to return. While the idea has stirred up controversy among space enthusiasts globally, it's fairly premature to get worked up over this when N.A.S.A. is still having trouble making its way to being a financially stable enterprise.

N.A.S.A. has bigger issues on its plate right now than whether a group of aging astronauts on a trip to Mars should be allowed back. In 2008, Congress announced that two-thirds of N.A.S.A.'s major new programs were over budget, a fact that has nearly dismantled a Mars Rover project. When the government proposed a 2011 budget for N.A.S.A., huge changes were suggested. Though N.A.S.A. has been a major pioneer in space exploration, its business management is open to problems like fraud and mismanagement. Given its current problems, a Mars colonization effort is beyond the realm of possibility right now; instead, the NASA should focus on keeping its current programs on track and under budget.

Putting the mission to Mars on the back burner is the best solution. This one-way trip to Mars, however ambitious, is the least of N.A.S.A.'s worries. It may well happen eventually, but let's sit tight until then.

— **Arik Burakovsky**
STAFF WRITER

We Can't Afford to Send a Death Capsule

The Red Planet: No trees, no water, high radiation levels and — hell, there's hardly even an atmosphere to speak of. It doesn't sound like anywhere anyone would want to live for the remainder of his life, and yet for some reason, some scientists are proposing we whip out our checkbooks and send astronauts on a one-way mission to Mars for the sci-fi goal of colonization.

Those arguing in favor of the cheaper one-way mission forget there is no Martian agriculture and a settlement there is not self-sustaining. Though scientists claim that foregoing a return journey will reduce costs, the long-term costs of sending supplies up to Mars will add up. The mission is only one-way if we forget about all the other "ways" we need to get food and supplies to the people. If we can barely fund the International Space Station, there's no chance we can drop millions to keep the astronauts alive for the rest of their lives.

The thought of being the first to settle on that giant floating red rock might be exhilarating to some, and even badass. But in reality, it comes down to eating food from tin cans. And if you think your chances of getting laid on Earth are bad, just wait until you get to Mars. Since there's no return trip, your reward for living this ascetic life is a lonely death millions of miles from your family.

— **Saad Asad**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Only Way to Be Pioneers is to Take the Leap

Mars isn't just for aliens anymore. Sending astronauts to Mars for good is a smart idea that would speed colonization time and reduce the cost involved.

With all this talk of global warming and the ever-popular 2012 doomsday scenario, it makes complete sense to think about realistic possibilities of survival. Permanently sending aging astronauts to Mars would be a sign of progress and show a dedication towards the possibility of escaping earth's dangers by leaving it altogether.

Sending away colonizers is not a new idea; explorers have been on similar missions since the beginning of time — early settlers left Europe for the sake of a permanent future in the U.S. As a society, we need to use our technological advancements to push our boundaries and spark innovative spirit. Space exploration doesn't have to take a nose dive right after the first man makes it on the moon.

Most importantly, sending these astronauts away is worth it since living on Mars is actually a realistic possibility. The atmosphere closely resembles that of Earth and there are water, carbon dioxide, and mineral sources. Money is the only thing that is stopping us from taking full advantage of these resources. By sending astronauts one way, we will save money in the long run and make the project more feasible.

It may seem crazy to permanently send people to Mars, but sometimes it takes a few brave men to make giant leaps for mankind.

— **Revathy Sampath-Kumar**
STAFF WRITER

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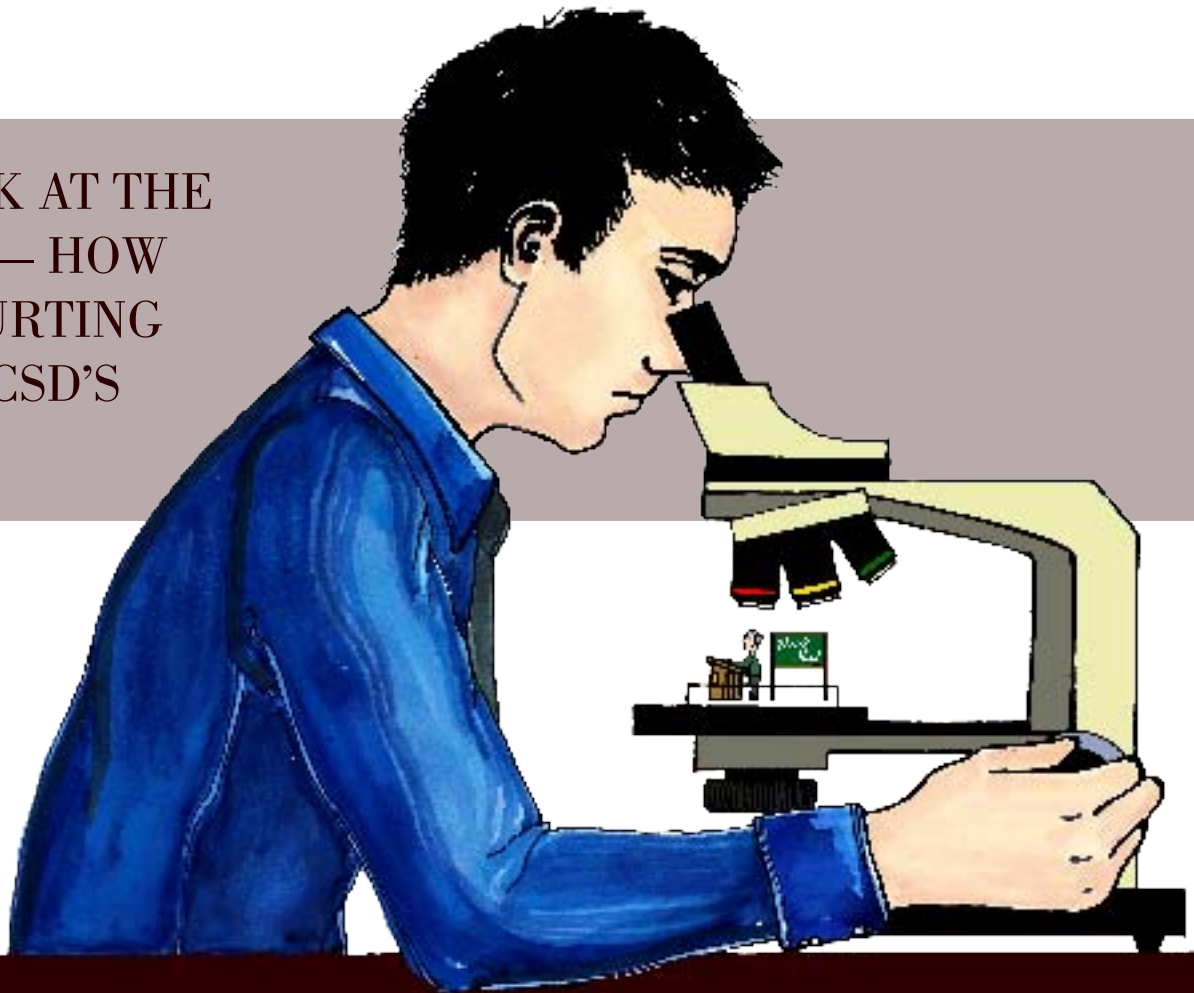
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The number of people who attended the Nov. 13 match between FC Barcelona and Villarreal, in Barcelona, Spain.

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK AT THE UC TENURE SYSTEM — HOW IT’S HELPING AND HURTING THE QUALITY OF UCSD’S EDUCATION.



ON THE RIGHT TRACK

BY ZOË SOPHOS • ASSOCIATE FOCUS EDITOR // ILLUSTRATION BY REBEKAH HWANG

It’s the pinnacle of professorhood: After years of inattentive student audiences and pressure for results, a teacher is finally rewarded with the promise of financial security in the form of the all-powerful, all-coveted tenure.

But the title has its ups and downs. Over the past few years, tenure has come under fire — in the newly released documentary “Waiting for Superman,” director Davis Guggenheim points fingers at tenure’s ability to allow bad teachers to remain in positions they shouldn’t be in, which he contends will erode the quality of education. Others counter with the argument that tenure provides job security in academia and allows professors to express controversial, groundbreaking views.

Tenure is a lifetime appointment, where a professor cannot be removed from his position unless he resigns or is dismissed under extraordinary (and most likely illegal) circumstances. Most recently, UCSD attracted national attention when the tenure of visual arts professor Ricardo Dominguez was threatened due to his side projects, which included building an application that aided illegal immigrants trying to cross the border, and overloading the UC website with messages about the system’s lack of transparency.

At UCSD, the tenured pay may be cush, but getting there isn’t; the process of hiring professors is yearlong, and the tenure track could take another five years. To achieve tenure, candidates are recruited and their files reviewed by academic personnel. The Academic Senate then evaluates the files, researches the candidates and makes a recommendation to the Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, who then identifies and invites approximately five candidates to come in for interviews with the entire faculty.

Once hired, assistant-level professors have eight years to start doing research, with the potential to advance to an associate professorship (tenure-track) and eventually full professorship (tenure). Tenure and tenure-track professors are funded by the state — an arrangement that offers more job security because they don’t need to depend on private grants — while all others are funded temporarily or through grants.

Professors are reviewed every one, three and five years on the basis of their research, community service and their teaching; the five-year mark is usually the first benchmark for being considered for tenure.

In order to get tenure, “You really have to prove that you are worthy of an advance-

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If you're not a rock climbing enthusiast, recent box office smash "127 Hours" may have you even less enthused about a foray into the world of sharp, jagged rocks. Luckily, the Mesa Rim Climbing and Fitness center has the 52 feet and high-stakes adrenaline of "Southern California's Largest Indoor Climbing Gym," minus the part where you saw your arm off after a 900-pound boulder crushes it beneath you.

A \$17 day pass will give you access to Mesa Rim's 30,000 square feet of climbing terrain and a free class with teachers from Kaya Yoga, a studio inside the gym. Located a 14-minute drive from campus, Mesa is immaculate — there's no sweat-stained harnesses or scuffed floors here. The floor under the climbing portion is padded, while marble, wood and slate floors cover the rest of Mesa's expansive ground. The place is eco-conscious too, and uses chalk balls instead of chalk dust to reduce the amount of chalk that ends up airborne.

For those coming in sans equipment, separate (low) prices are set for each item. Employees are quick to assist burgeoning climbers with harnesses or grips via a \$30 non-member belay lesson (a quick how-to for newcomers) or the more complex lead-climbing lesson for those feeling a little more confident in their skill level.

The routes range from 5.5 (the easiest route) to 5.14d (think Spiderman hanging from treacherous heights — these are some of the hardest routes in the world), pandering to all skill and experience levels.

If that's not exciting enough for you, Mesa also has crack climbing where daredevils can scale multiple crevices of varying widths, using just fingers or a forearm to test upper body stamina.

Boulderers can also take advantage of the gym's "walk off climbing," which lets participants hoist themselves up over the structure and go down a short flight of stairs, instead of



dropping down off of the wall.

There's also chimneys for the people looking to climb something resembling an elongated door frame, with walls on two sides of you, without holds and a bouldering cave that lets people climb without a rope at a much smaller height. The cave has one straight wall and another curved one that extends for 100 feet and complexity from VB (easy) to V13d (hard).

But Mesa isn't just about climbing — there's a separate room for hosting parties, a regular gym with a squishy-chaired, WiFi-equipped lounge area (complete with a kid's section), an empty office space that will soon be converted to a space for an in-house chiropractor and masseuse and a kid's climbing wall (with animal and face-shaped wall holds). If you're hungry, the retail shop at the front of the gym has healthy snacks (read: powerbars) — if all else fails, it's only a five-minute walk to Mira Mesa Blvd. And did we mention there's a sauna inside the locker rooms and bathrooms?

There are drawbacks to Mesa's expansive size — for one, \$17 dollars is pretty steep for a day at a climbing gym, and it's hard to break into the climbing "scene" as a beginner in such a large, overwhelming atmosphere. First-timers may want to start out in a smaller locale.

A little advice: If you find yourself smitten with the rocky highs and lows, drop some cash on your own shoe and harness set. It's worth avoiding the disgusting bowling alley feel on your feet.

Mesa Rim Climbing and Fitness Center is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. and weekends from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

— AMY KLOVA
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After the World Cup, Fútbol Fever Goes On

Studying abroad is meant to be a time of exploration — something that, sadly, I have largely avoided for the last two months — so last week I decided to go to a *fútbol* (soccer) game. I've never been before, but with Spain as the reigning World Cup champ, it seemed only logical to have my first authentic futbol experience while in a country that lives and breathes the sport.

I am not a sports fan. Before my trip to the Camp Nou stadium, I had never attended any kind of sporting event that didn't involve garlic fries, and I didn't really have any expectations. I watched just enough of

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the World Cup this summer to know that soccer games generally involve a lot of players rolling on the ground, clutching a knee or an ankle with a pained expression (if pressed, maybe I could even rattle off a name or two that isn't Beckham), but that was pretty much it.

So when, by chance, I ran into a classmate who offered me a free ticket to the FC Barcelona-Villarreal futbol game with only a couple of hours to prepare, I realized I didn't know anything about the nuances of being a spectator. Would the color of my sweater be an accidental offense? Would I have to sing the Spanish national anthem before the game? Would there be snacks?

One fact I picked up quickly is that watching futbol here isn't altogether that different from watching American football, or baseball, or hockey, but with one glaring exception: There's beer, but only of the non-alcoholic (or otherwise smuggled) variety. While this late discovery certainly accounted for a discouraging start to the game, I wasn't about to let my sobriety get in the way of a free ticket.

Anyway, the game. I'd been told that I wouldn't play witness to the best of FC Barcelona in all its glory, since they were playing Villarreal, rather than rival team Real Madrid. But that couldn't have mattered less. I squinted down from the nosebleed section, miles away from the pitch. I took my cues from the red- and blue-clad Barcelona fans in front of me and cheered excitedly when they did. And — pardon my rusty So Cal vernacular — it was fucking awesome.

It's said that futbol, certainly more than Catholicism, is the religion here. And it's true: Even for someone as lacking in knowledge and devotion as me, going to a game clearly isn't just an excuse to get drunk in public and heckle the more hapless players. For comparison, last Sunday, the pope himself came to Barcelona and there was just enough fanfare for Sagrada Familia to trend on Google News. One FC Barcelona match — not even against a top-tier rival — gets the kind of coverage that Benedict XVI can only pray for.

The game took place at Camp Nou — a massive stadium owned by FC Barcelona, built in 1954 and located in the heart of the city — which can seat up to 99,354 rabid futbol fans at any given time. That night, the stadium wasn't quite so packed; the game probably drew a half-capacity crowd, with thousands decked in either a jersey of choice or (probably more likely) tourist garb, as I certainly wasn't the only exchange student in attendance.

Unlike America, where you get a hodgepodge of supporters in any given section of the stands, fans are obligated to sit next to other fans supporting the same team (even without real beer, I suspect there'd be a strong possibility of mid-game brawls).

It wasn't long after I settled in to the top of the stadium with my fellow Barcelona supporters that David Villa of Barcelona scored the first goal, 21 minutes into the game. My side of the stadium erupted into a level of excitement that I normally associate with nothing less than a Super Bowl victory: People cheered, hugged, climbed over one another, spilled non-alcoholic beer with abandon and cried. The jubilation didn't last long, though — the Brazilian Nilmar, from Villarreal, scored five minutes later and tied up the first half of the game, banking a shot off the far post just past the charging keeper (he was aptly cocky afterwards; we booed him). Luckily for us, Lionel Messi was on the pitch and dominated the second half of the game.

At first I was a little skeptical — what's a sporting experience without a pint in hand? — but by the time FC Barcelona's star forward Messi scored his second goal in the 83rd minute of the game, (another quick lesson from that night: He's, uh, pretty important), it wasn't obligation, feigned joy or even the example of the rows ahead that brought me to my feet. Instead, it was the actual excitement of the moment: Of feeling, despite my nationality and curious accent, a swelling of pride for this place that's started to become my home.

UCSD's Tenure System is More Rigorous than at Ivy League Schools

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ment," said Jon Welch, a UCSD administrator in the Academic Personnel Office.

The tenure process evaluates professors at the department level, the division level and the university level based on the three criteria mentioned above: Have the professors published research in respected, high-profile journals with extensive readership? Do they represent the university well as a member of the campus, city, national and international communities? Does the success of their students reflect exceptional teaching?

Staff at UCSD are required to teach about three courses per year, depending on the department, but there is no predetermined number for how much or how often professors must publish.

"It's an ongoing thing where you are teaching and doing research at the same time," Welch said. "Research takes some time — they don't pump out articles once a year."

Professors must apply to organizations outside of the UC system to fund their research. The UCSD tenure track requires that all professors' bids for grants are approved by UCSD's Independent Review Committee.

According to UCSD's website, the IRC — the principal advisory group to the Chancellor — reviews professors' proposed research projects in order to "establish mechanisms to eliminate, reduce, or manage conflicts

of interest, if possible and to safeguard the interests of the University and the individual principal investigator."

Professors are prohibited from having any significant financial interest in the company for which they are conducting research and from allowing their research to inhibit their work at the university — these mandates emphasize that a professor's teaching comes first.

And compared to private schools like Yale University, UCSD's standards for tenure are harsh. In 2007, according to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, Yale's tenure policy underwent revision. Before the policy revamp, tenured professors would either have to retire, leave or die for a position to open up for non-tenured faculty. Post 2007, Yale has taken a much more active role in the progression of its junior faculty's careers. By the end of each junior faculty member's eighth year, at the latest, he would have begun his tenure track. At fellow Ivies

Princeton and Cornell, the process begins two years sooner.

Additionally, there is a notable difference in the number of faculty tenured within each department and large gaps in pay between the arts and sciences at UCSD.

According to data from the *Sacramento Bee*, lecturers in the fine arts department earn far less than those teaching sciences or mathematics, a disconnect that carries over into the higher rungs of academia — associate professors and professors in the sciences are paid far better than those in humanities or fine arts.

In 2004, according to the Division of Social Sciences, out of a total of 682 tenured faculty members, the number of tenured life science (biology, agriculture, etc.) professors was 49, while 67 professors in the fine art department had tenure. UCSD tenures more arts-related faculty, but pays them less than the science professors.

At UCSD, an exceptionally rigorous tenure process has made it difficult for bad professors to sneak through the cracks, but the tradeoff is that it's harder — when compared with Ivy League schools like Yale and Princeton Universities — to attract young staff without the promise of a tenured position in the near future.

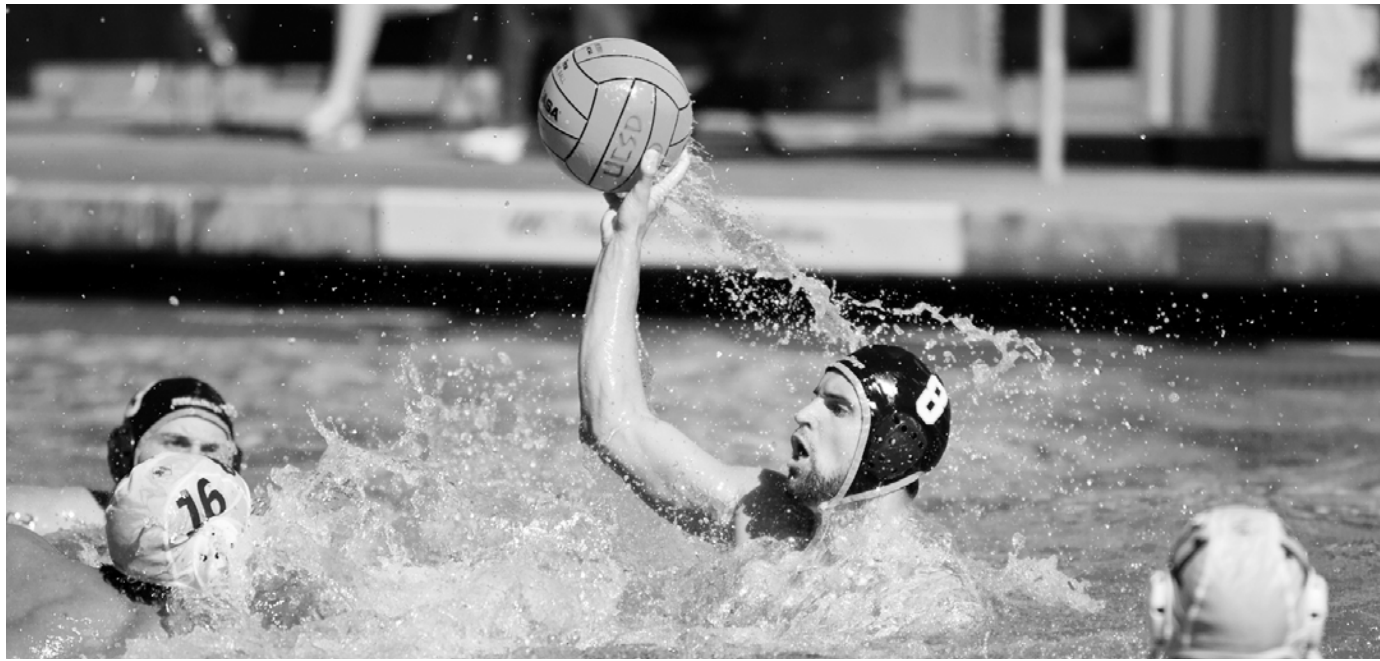
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Tritons Bested at WWPA Tourney



NOLAN THOMAS/GUARDIAN FILE

Senior driver Ryan Allred and the Tritons were unable to reach the WWPA final after losing to UC Davis, then lost to Santa Clara in the consolation game in Sunday.

By Hanna Rahimi
STAFF WRITER

The UCSD Men's Water Polo had a disappointing weekend at the Western Water Polo Association Championships, as the team beat Pomona-Pitzer 11-8 only to be defeated by UC Davis and host Santa Clara University.

Friday's victory over Pomona-Pitzer brought the Tritons into the WWPA semifinals. The team started strong with goals from John Butler, Jakub Bednarek and Brian Donohoe bringing the score to 3-1 for the second quarter. The Tritons continued to dominate and led by five at halftime.

"We came out and played really well, tried to make a statement early," sophomore utility Brian Donohoe said. "The 6 on 5 helped but we played average [on the advantage]. We worked the ball really well and had good defense, but we haven't capitalized on our shooting."

In the second half, the Sagehens attempted

a comeback, but could not close the deficit despite outscoring the Tritons.

The match saw four goals from senior driver Ryan Allred and three from junior driver Graham Saber. Donohoe, leading goalscorer for UCSD this year with 42 goals, got two goals on Friday, and Bednarek and Butler each contributed a goal. Junior goalkeeper David Morton recorded seven saves.

"The other guys on the team have just done an awesome job of blocking me in shooting situations," Donohoe said. "I get a lot of my goals on man-up situation and those situations are drawn from other guys on the team. We've got over five guys within 10 goals of each other so there is a lot more balance this year...I can't, as one person, take credit."

Saturday's game with Davis was a tough 10-6 loss for the Tritons, with the Aggies beating UCSD for the third time this year. Saber had three goals and Butler added a pair, but it was not enough as the Tritons allowed four goals in the fourth quarter.

"The season isn't over yet, we do have another game and we really owe it to ourselves to play well, better than today," Donohoe said. "No one is really happy about the way we played against Davis so tomorrow [Sunday] is a chance for us to salvage what we can out of the season."

But the Tritons could not come out on top in Sunday's third place match against Santa Clara, as the Broncos earned a narrow 7-6 win. The Tritons went into halftime down 5-1, but were unable to complete the comeback. Six different Tritons scored, and Morton recorded 8 saves.

Loyola Marymount University won the WWPA championship for the fourth straight year. Since 2000, no team other than LMU and UCSD have taken home a WWPA title.

The Tritons went to 13-13 on the season after the tournament.

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Several Tritons Record NCAA Qualifying Times Against Top Competition

► **SWIMMING**, from page 15
3:47.97, respectively.

Freshman Anji Shakya was on the qualifying medley team. She went on to place 16th in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:58.89 — 13 seconds faster than her previous personal record. The men's relay teams took seventh in the 200 free, with a time of 1:23.10, and sixth overall in the 400 medley, with a time of 3:20.28.

On the second day of competition, freshman Nick Korth scored a sixth-place finish in the 100 breast stroke while junior Griffin Bracke finished eighth in the same event. Korth also took the Tritons' best finish of the tournament when he placed third in the 200 breast stroke with a school record time of 1:59.32 — nearly three seconds faster than the previous record. Bracke also placed sixth in the same race. Both swimmers hit NCAA qualifying times with their efforts.

NCAA champion and junior captain Alex Henley took ninth overall with a time of 4:18.90, which also qualifies her for the NCAA tournament at the end of year.

On the third day, junior Matt Herman broke the school's longest standing swim record, finishing the 1650 free in 15:29 to best Dave Sacco's 1988 time of 15:38.

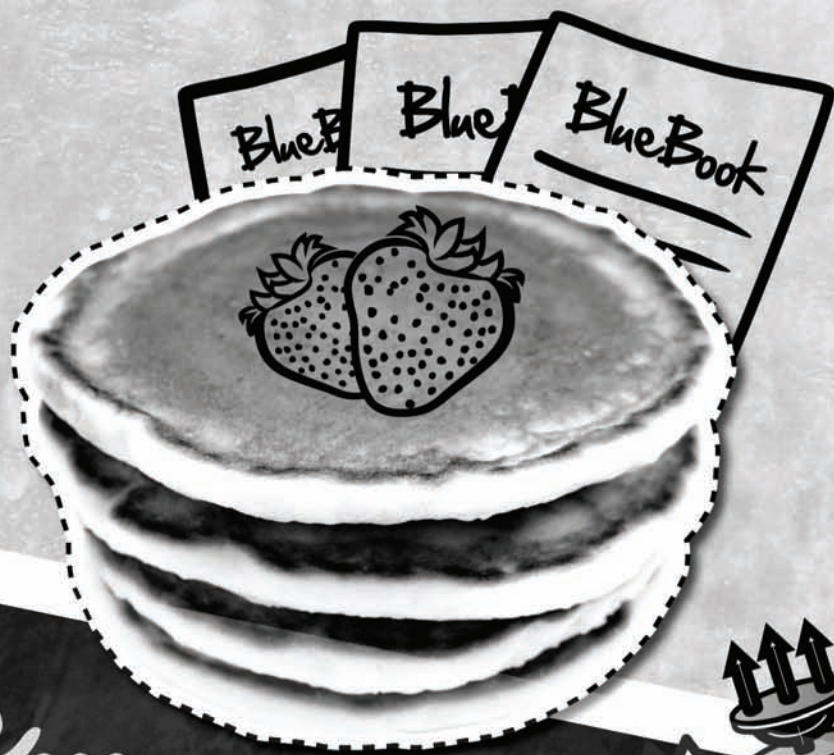
The Tritons now have a break in their schedule, and will rest for a few days before resuming their rigorous training.

"When we come back after Thanksgiving we're going to start training hard," McGihon said. "The Sunday after finals we have our training camp, where we go for six to seven hours a day for two weeks. The athletes must be prepared physically and mentally because they are probably going to break down."

The Tritons return to action on Jan. 8, in a duel meet against Loyola Marymount University at Canyonview Pool.

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Tritons Head to Louisville to Face St. Rose For Spot in Championship Game

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to beat Falcon goalkeeper Maddie Dickinson and put the Tritons up 1-0.

With 17 minutes remaining in the match, the Falcons switched up their formation to add an extra attacker in an attempt to equalize. In the 74th minute Falcon forward Kellie Zakrzewski found herself one versus one with junior goalkeeper Kristin Armstrong, who was able to deny the shot.

"I knew it was going to be a really tight game, so I had to keep a clean sheet for my team," Armstrong said. "It's really tough to come back from behind in a playoff game, and I don't want to take any chances this late in the postseason. I knew that I could not let the attacker equalize. I ran out, set myself into position, made myself as big as possible and also got kind of lucky that [Zakrzewski] hit my knee."

The keeper was called on four times throughout the game, denying two Falcon forwards in one versus one opportunities and collecting her 14th shutout of the season.

The Tritons utilized 19 out of their 20 available members in the match against Seattle Pacific. Senior captain Lisa Bradley said it took every one of those players to get the win.

"The players that came off the bench really contributed to the game; they were able to step in and immediately impact the game which is really hard to do," Bradley said. "All of them brought more energy and created chances."

The win moved the Tritons into the quarterfinals, where they faced the eighth-ranked St. Edward's Hilltoppers on Nov. 20 at the Hilltoppers' home field in Austin, Texas.

UCSD was unfazed by the overwhelming support for St. Edward's,

as the Tritons netted what turned out to be the game-winner early in the match. In the 22nd minute, sophomore defender Hayley Johnson lined up to take one of her nine corner kicks of the night. The defender sent a right-footed ball toward the near post, which was cleared for another corner kick. Johnson lined up again, this time switching to her left, and sent a driven ball into the penalty area. The ball found the feet of senior forward Annette Ilg, who won the ball amongst a crowd of St. Edward's defenders to score.

Ilg and Johnson lead the team in goals scored and assists, respectively, both with 10 on the season.

For the remainder of the match, the Triton backline — composed of Bradley, Johnson, sophomore defender Ellen Wilson and junior defender Sara Spaventa — shut out the Hilltoppers and preserved the 1-0 score.

"I didn't have to make any saves against Texas, but I wasn't exactly bored," Armstrong said. "We scored early on, so it was scary trying to hold onto the lead for so long, especially since they were playing with a lot of momentum with their home crowd behind them. I'm just glad we were able to pull away with a win in regulation time."

The 1-0 win marks the Tritons' third straight victory against teams ranked higher than them in the national standings, a trend which they will need to continue in the Final Four. The Tritons will face No. 1 St. Rose — a squad that has scored 84 goals in its past 23 matches, and has won 47 out of its past 48 games over the past two seasons.

Junior captain Annie Wethe said the Tritons are weary of their East Coast opponents, but are excited to advance in the tournament.

"We are all really excited to be



ANDREW OH/GUARDIAN FILE

Junior forward Sarah McTigue scored the only goal of the game to propel the Tritons to a 1-0 victory over Seattle Pacific on Nov. 18.

GAME SUMMARIES

NCAA Tournament — Third Round

Nov. 18, 2010



UC SAN DIEGO VS. SEATTLE PACIFIC

McTigue (73)

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NCAA Tournament — Fourth Round

Nov. 20, 2010



UC SAN DIEGO VS. ST. EDWARD'S

Ilg (22)

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going to Kentucky for the Final Four," Wethe said. "Probably the hardest thing for us is to not get overexcited. We just need to keep doing things the way we've been doing them because that's what's

been working for us."

St. Rose has a 23-0-1 record on the season. The Tritons will look for the upset on Thursday, Dec. 2 in Louisville, Ky. The winner of that match will take on the winner

of Grand Valley State and Florida Tech, who will play on the same day.

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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

TRITON SEASON ENDS IN SAN BERNARDINO



Junior outside hitter Katie Condon had a match-high 10 kills, but the Tritons lost 3-0 to Cal State San Bernardino to crash out of the NCAA Tournament.

THE TRITONS NCAA TOURNAMENT RUN ENDS IN THE SECOND ROUND WITH A LOSS TO NO. 6 CAL STATE SAN BERNARDINO.

BY LIAM ROSE * SPORTS EDITOR
PHOTOS BY JOHN HANACEK

The UCSD Women's Volleyball team had its season ended on Friday by Cal State San Bernardino, which made a strong case for its bid for a first-ever national title.

The Coyotes — ranked sixth nationally and first in the West Region — took down the Tritons in the second round of the NCAA Division II Tournament with set scores of 25-14, 25-11 and 25-13.

"They don't really have any weaknesses; every position hits well, and there's nothing you can key in on," head coach Ricci Luyties said. "Obviously, they are a great team. I don't think we played our best match, but we fought the whole way."

The Coyotes kept the Tritons on their heels for the first two sets, outhitting and outblocking UCSD by a heavy margin. The Tritons showed some life in the third set, rattling off four-point and five-point runs to stay in the game. Freshman Brittany Lombardi saw her first action of the match during the four-point run, contributing two service aces.

The Tritons were down 19-14 late in the set and came back to tie the scores at 19. With the score tied at 23, San Bernardino won a point after a long rally, and a Triton service error ended the match.

Junior Katie Condon had a match-high 10 kills for the Tritons, while junior Hilary Williamson and sophomore Julia Friedenborg had five apiece. As a team, the Tritons hit just .044 for the match while the Coyotes hit .330.

Five Coyote players racked up at least seven kills each, including seven by recently named CCAA Player of the Year Samantha Middleborn.

Friedenborg, Condon and junior Roxy Brunsting were named to the All-CCAA first team this season.

UCSD finished its season 19-9, with three of the losses from matches against San Bernardino. The Coyotes improved to 27-2 on the season, and went on to sweep Seattle Pacific on Saturday for the West Region title.

UCSD qualified for the NCAA tournament for the fifth consecutive year, and the program has been in the tournament 10 of the 11 years it has been in Division II. But this year's run was more trying for the Tritons, as the team suffered a five-match losing streak in September, the program's worst since 1992.

"We still had high expectations once we got over that hump," Luyties said. "It's a little disappointing, but I'm happy with the whole season. Overall — getting to the tournament, winning a match — it's satisfying, but it still leaves an emptiness inside that's hard to get rid of."

On Sept. 25, the Tritons had an overall

record of 5-6 and were just 2-5 in the CCAA. But the team regrouped to win 15 of its last 17 matches, only losing to San Bernardino. The Tritons beat Sonoma State in the first round of the NCAA tournament on Thursday.

After the rough start, the Tritons seemed



to come together under their first-year head coach.

"We used a lot of people in a lot of different ways," Luyties said. "Throughout the season there was a lot of learning what to do with people, and learning what they could do and couldn't do. Overall, we got better as the season went on, so I'm happy about that. But as coach, you always want to see your team play a great game in the last match, and when you don't play a great game it's a little disappointing."

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SWIMMING

Tritons Put in Strong Performance at Invite

By Tyler Nelson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

SWIMMING — The UCSD swim team put in a strong performance over the weekend at the Triton-hosted Arena Invitational in Long Beach.

Competing against some of the best D-I and D-II competition in the nation, the Triton men finished fifth overall and the women finished 11th.

Through the course of the tournament, the men qualified three swimmers for the NCAA finals tournament and the women qualified nine swimmers.

"It's pretty awesome," junior captain Michael Lorch said. "We swam extremely well this weekend — the emotions on the deck were amazing. I think to have qualifiers like Nick Korth and Alex Henley is amazing. We're doing very well right now."

The men took last week off of competition, and both teams spent an easy week at practice to prepare for the meet after six weeks of intensive training. At the tournament, competition began each day around 9 a.m. and continued until early evening.

Lorch said the schedule was hard, but the squad was well-prepared through its training.

"It's tough," Lorch said. "It's draining, emotionally and physically. But it's nice to only have to swim one or two events a day so you get to focus on individual races more. We got a little bit of rest before the meet. Everybody was doing well preparing for the meet and it turned out to work for our advantage. Our coaches prepared us very well for this meet."

Head coach Scott McGihon said the results were a direct result of the team's preparation strategy.

"We are definitely well prepared, maybe more so than we ever have been," he said. "What we have done in terms of preparation is great. We were ready to swim fast and we achieved all of our goals — even exceeded them. But now it's time to get down to business."

On the first day, the women's 200 freestyle and 400 medley relay teams recorded NCAA automatic qualifying times as they finished 11th and ninth with times of 1:34.39 and

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PHOTO BY WILL LOTHERINGTON/GUARDIAN FILE
Senior Jesse Morrill was the Tritons' top individual finisher, covering the 10k course in 33:10 to take 26th overall.

STRONG SHOWING BUT NO QUALIFICATION FOR TRITON XC

By Liam Rose
SPORTS EDITOR

CROSS COUNTRY — The UCSD Cross Country team ran well at the NCAA Division II West Regionals over the weekend, but was unable to qualify for the NCAA National Championships.

The men's team placed eighth out of 22 teams competing, while the women placed 14th out of 26 teams. The meet was held in Bellingham, Wash., at the home course of Western Washington University.

"I really feel like we ran a great race," head coach Nate Garcia said. "We didn't get exactly what we wanted out of it place-wise. But those teams that beat us were, in all honesty, just better than us on the day."

The men were led by redshirt senior Jesse Morrill, who placed 26th overall after completing the 10k course in 33:10. The Tritons then had a pack of runners come in together, as UCSD had five runners within 12 spots of each other. Sophomore Matt Linehan and junior Patrick French were next across the line, finishing 48th and 49th with times of 33:53 and 33:54, respectively. Freshman Kellen Levy came in just behind at 33:56 to

take 51st place, while junior Alex Corliss took 53rd place with a time of 34:04 to round out the Triton scorers.

Despite not qualifying for nationals, Garcia said he was happy with the Tritons' performance.

"I was pleased with the way the guys performed," Garcia said. "We put ourselves in position to matter throughout the race, which is something we've been focusing on all year. We were able to get out in good position and work together really well. We were pleased with our effort, even if not overjoyed with the final score."

Alaska Anchorage thwarted Chico State's bid for a ninth consecutive West Region title, as the Seawolves had the overall winner and three runners in the top seven. Marko Cheseto covered the course in 31:20 to beat out Western Washington's Jordan Welling, who finished in 31:29. Alaska Anchorage finished with 49 points, Chico had 54 points and Western Washington took third place with 93 points.

On the women's side, UCSD was led by sophomore Catherine Crisp's 52nd place finish as she covered the 6k course in 24:41.

"The performance from Catherine Crisp

was great," Garcia said. "It's something that she has been working hard towards all year, so it's satisfying to see her move up into the top 60 in the region."

Redshirt sophomore Heather Hisgen was next across the line, placing 62nd with a time of 24:49. Junior Aaryn Kobayahshi, sophomore Jackie Sikkema and junior Kathryn Turner were the rest of the Triton scorers, finishing in 66th, 74th and 78th place, respectively.

Alaska Anchorage completed its sweep of the meet with a strong performance, taking three of the first five spots. The Seawolves finished with 40 points, Chico again took second with 55 points and Western Washington again placed third with 111 points.

Western Washington's Sarah Porter was dominant in taking the individual title, covering the course in 21:21 — almost 40 seconds faster than anyone else.

The Tritons will return 13 of the 14 runners that ran in the NCAA Regional meet for 2011, although top men's finisher Morrill will be replaced.

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RUNNING DOWN A DREAM

BY RACHEL UDA * STAFF WRITER
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AFTER A PAIR OF 1-0 VICTORIES, UCSD IS STILL ALIVE IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT AND HEADED TO THE FINAL FOUR

The women's soccer team put together two tremendous performances last week to advance to the Final Four stage of the NCAA national tournament for the first time since 2003. The 12th-ranked Tritons collected two 1-0 victories, upsetting No. 9 Seattle Pacific in the West Region finals and St. Edward's University in the quarter-final round held in Austin, Texas.

The Tritons met with Seattle Pacific on Nov. 18, beating the Falcons 1-0 in a single elimination match that decided the West Region champions. The two teams were evenly matched throughout the game, with both squads fighting up and down the pitch for possession. The Falcons managed to outshoot the Tritons 10-8, recording a number of very dangerous attempts on goal, but the two teams retired after the first half with the game still tied 0-0.

The lone goal did not come until the 73rd minute. With the Tritons mounting increasing pressure on the Falcon defense late into the game, junior midfielder Shelby Wong found junior forward Sarah McTigue off of a throw-in. McTigue got around her defender

to find herself alone with the ball outside of the Falcon goal box. McTigue — recently named to the All-West region second team — cracked a hard shot from 25 yards out into the corner of the goal

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