

Occupational therapy programs awarded 7-year reaccreditation

The occupational therapy bachelor and certificate programs within the School of Allied Health Professions have received recertification from the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education. The recertification was awarded for substantial compliance of educating occupational therapists.

The process included an internal study of all courses taught, interviews with students and faculty, and an on-site visit by members of the Council. The accreditation process occurs every seven years.

For the 1996-97 school year, the occupational therapy department has 58 juniors, 56 seniors, and 58 occupational therapist assistant students enrolled.

First Walter's Children's Charity Golf Classic benefits LLU Children's Hospital

Luxury cars and sick children are two things not usually associated with each other. But now they are thanks to Steve and Cathy Kienle, owners of Walter's Mercedes-Benz of Riverside.

The inaugural Walter's Children's Charity Golf Classic was held on November 18 at the Canyon Crest Country Club in Riverside. Around 144 people participated in the tournament which kicked off this annual event.

Walter's Mercedes-Benz has been a part of Southern California's Inland Empire for over 30 years, serving area residents through a variety of efforts.

"With this commitment to serving the community, it is only natural that Walter's Children's Charity Classic would be conceived," explains Steve Kienle. "That's why we chose Children's Hospital as our way to help children in need within the greater Inland Empire."

"The Children's Hospital Foundation is grateful for the generous support and commitment of Walter's Mercedes-Benz," says Reiner Roeske, director of the LLUCH Foundation. "Planning an event like this demonstrates a serious investment in the lives of children, and we are appreciative to Walter's for their support of the Children's Hospital."

Mr. Kienle was extremely pleased with the outcome of the tournament and feels it was an enormous success.

"This was the premier golfing event for the Inland Empire," Mr. Kienle reports. "Most importantly, we reached all of our goals with the tremendous support from businesses and media in the community. With this help, we look forward to many more successful tournaments."

Psychology department signs agreement with Cal State San Bernardino

Loma Linda University Graduate School's department of psychology has signed a consortial agreement with California State University at San Bernardino's (CSUSB) department of psychology. This agreement includes collaboration and benefits for both departments in areas of research, teaching for faculty and students, and student referrals.

The first aspect of the agreement involves the opportunity for CSUSB faculty members to have an appointment and teach as adjunct faculty members in the psychology doctoral program at LLU. The appointment to LLU is at the same rank held at CSUSB and involves the following criteria: 1) adjunct faculty members may not teach more than one four-credit course per academic year, and no less than one four-credit course, seminar, or dissertation supervision in three years; 2) adjunct faculty may supervise doctoral research but must be fully responsible for mentoring and training students to meet the Graduate School's requirements; and 3) adjunct

faculty may have their research and accomplishments listed in the *LLU Graduate School Bulletin*.

The agreement also enables faculty members from CSUSB to have access to the LLU library and other LLU, Graduate School, and department of psychology resources. CSUSB faculty are invited to participate in an annual faculty meeting and present research to the annual LLU Research Brown Bag Seminar. CSUSB faculty may also participate in research opportunities available to LLU faculty members.

Loma Linda University department of psychology regular faculty may present their research at CSUSB colloquia and have access to CSUSB's human subject pool for research purposes. Psychology graduate students at LLU are able to take specialized courses at CSUSB. The agreement also enables second-year doctoral students from LLU to teach undergraduate courses at CSUSB, provided they have completed their master of arts degree in psychology.

One of the consequences of this agreement is that, while CSUSB graduate faculty have the opportunity to teach and work on research with doctoral students in psychology at LLU, the department of psychology at LLU is enriched in terms of areas of teaching and research supervision available to the students. Also, students at LLU receive a reliable opportunity to get teaching experience, which is primarily important to those focusing on a research academic career.

Currently, there are already a number of LLU psychology students teaching at CSUSB. Also, there are a number of CSUSB faculty teaching doctoral level courses at LLU.

The final aspect of the agreement involves the appointment of the chair of each department to be a member of the other department's advisory board.

The contract will remain open to additional areas of collaboration, should they be accepted and agreed upon by each department's respective chair.