UCSF Multicultural Resource Center Opens Its Doors

The UCSF Multicultural Resource Center has opened its doors to the campus community, to promote a culture of inclusion and offer a gathering place for discussions about diversity.

The pre-grand opening was celebrated last month at the new center, which is featuring a special photo exhibit called "100% You," a collection of 82 portraits by UCSF School of Dentistry photographer David Hand of multiracial members of the campus community. Attendees of the July 17 opening event viewed the artwork, inspired by artist Kip Fullbeck's “Hapa Project,” and were invited to write on a board what multiculturalism means to them.

Mijiza M. Sanchez, MPA, the center’s director, said its mission is to offer support and programatic services surrounding diversity issues, such as recruitment and retention of underrepresented students, faculty and staff and provide culturally competent education and patient care. Sanchez said she also hopes the center will be a space where everyone feels welcome to share their experiences and challenges.

LGBT Leaders Receive Chancellor's Award at UCSF

Three members (one faculty, one student and one staff) of the UCSF community were recognized with the Chancellor's Award for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Leadership during a ceremony on June 13.

The 2012 staff honoree is Shane Snowdon, director of the Center for LGBT Health & Equity, who is recognized in the staff category, for elevating the equality, visibility and status of LGBT people at UCSF and for being an extraordinary LGBT leader for more than 14 years.

UCSF Launches Organic Food Service called Farmigo

UCSF Staff and faculty at several locations can now order fresh, local, organic produce on a weekly basis and have it delivered to their workplace. This new service is called Farmigo (farm-i-go) and has been very well received by the staff as a way to eat healthier and support local organic growers and food producers.

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