



Santa Cruz Update  
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## CAMPUS WIDE

### **New Appointments**

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Michael A. Troncoso as chief campus counsel. His appointment is effective April 21. Most recently, Michael served as senior counsel to California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris. Michael has additional high-level experience in environmental protection, technology, constitutional law, compliance, and employment issues.

<http://news.ucsc.edu/2014/04/counsel-troncoso.html>

Keith E. Brandt, Vice Chancellor University Relations. Brant comes to UC Santa Cruz from Saint Mary's College of California in Moraga, where he has served as vice president of development since 2008, overseeing private fundraising and alumni and constituent engagement.

<http://news.ucsc.edu/2014/02/brant-release.html>

### **Campus Initiatives/Events**

#### **Edge of Eden Musical Festival**

The Dean of Students, in association with the Student Union Assembly organized the first annual Edge of Eden Music Festival, which took place on May 10<sup>th</sup> at the East Field. The event is considered a success even though ticket sales did not cover the costs of hosting the event.

Proposed renewal of the 'Employee-Initiated Reduction In Time' Program

<http://news.ucsc.edu/2014/05/erit-program.html>

### **LOCAL SAB**

#### **SAB Winter Chancellor's Forum for staff**

This year we hosted the forum on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Attendance was good with an engaging Q&A session. The main issue was salary compression for policy governed staff.

#### **SAB Staff Appreciation Picnic**

This year the picnic was held on May 20<sup>th</sup>. We partnered with UC Santa Cruz Wellness and held the UC Walks event in conjunction with the picnic. We had over a thousand attendees and it was a fun filled event.

#### **Welcome to Retirement Event**

We are partnering with the Retiree's Association and the Emeriti Association to host the first ever celebration of retirement. June 19<sup>th</sup> 2014 Chancellor Blumenthal will present service recognition awards to retiring staff and faculty.