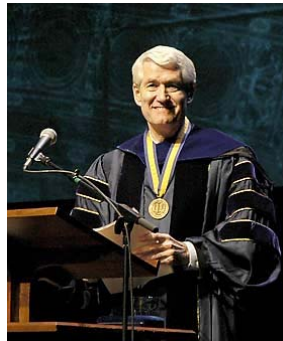




BERKELEY STAFF ASSEMBLY

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Robert Birgeneau Inaugurated as the 9th UC Berkeley Chancellor

Robert Birgeneau was formally inaugurated as Chancellor of UC Berkeley on April 15, 2005. The ceremony was one amid many activities, including a multi-day education symposium, a reception for faculty and staff, Charter Day activities including the Charter Day games, dinners, and the Chancellor's State of the Campus address. For the first time, Berkeley Staff Assembly leadership was invited to address the crowd at the faculty/staff reception. At the formal inauguration ceremony, staff were represented by the campus ombudsperson. Our local staff assembly marched in the processional, and several of the officers were invited to the luncheon preceding the inauguration ceremony.

BSA Spring Luncheon

Berkeley Staff Assembly's annual Spring Luncheon will be held on June, 2005. Open to all BSA members, the catered lunch is also open to potential members who may attend with a BSA member host for half price. This fun, relaxed event—usually attended by about 50—features an overview of BSA committees, introduction of the officers and coordinating committee and an opportunity to mingle and socialize.

Summerfest 2005 – “The Road to Cal”

UC Berkeley's Staff Appreciation Day—this year the theme is “The Road to Cal”—will be held on Wednesday, June 22, 2005. All staff are given two hours of administrative leave to attend this very popular event, which features music, food, information booths, activities and prizes. An innovation this year is “Life After Five,” an opportunity for staff to showcase their hobbies outside of their jobs. Collections, crafts and displays of talent will be revealed.

New Chancellor Meets With Staff Assembly

Berkeley's new chancellor, Robert Birgeneau, will meet for the first time with the Berkeley Staff Assembly's Coordinating Committee on June 23, 2005. The committee looks forward to having the Chancellor's undivided attention to focus on staff issues. Of particular interest is collaborating on an annual event or series of events that brings the Chancellor together with staff in a venue that allows for a two-way flow of ideas. Whether the events prove to be formal addresses or informal social opportunities remains to be seen.