

Welcome to California State University, Sacramento. You join us at an exciting time as this campus begins the countdown for the 1997-98 celebration of its 50th anniversary. Our academic community is proud of our strong commitment to excellence in teaching, scholarship and public service that we offer as a comprehensive metropolitan university in the Capital of the state.

We are a diverse and vibrant community, whose multiplicity enriches the lives of all and whose members develop a strong sense of personal and community identity as well as mutual respect. As you join this fellowship, you are entering one of life's great opportunities – the chance to pursue a university degree. You will be challenged to grow intellectually, socially, and ethically as you encounter outstanding faculty and staff, an invigorating curriculum, a diverse group of student colleagues, and numerous new experiences.

Fulfillment of your goals may be best achieved through participation in the entire array of university life. I urge you to participate in the broad range of events held on this campus such as a Festival of Arts each spring, lectures by well-known guest speakers, or sporting events. All of these activities will help you to build a sense of community and intellectual excitement by expanding friendships and new experiences.

The investment you make here in your future is a process that takes diligent work, dedication and vision, every step of the way. Most of the information that you need is contained in this catalog. But if you don't find what you need, please ask. We are proud of what we have to offer our students, and our faculty and staff are here to assist you as your prepare for your future.

You will find that we offer strong academic programs, small classes taught by full-time professors and preparation for the professions of the 21st century. Your education will be relevant to real world work experiences. What you take with you from this experience will stay with you for a lifetime. Thank you for choosing CSUS.

Donald R. Gerth
President