In the 21st century, California State University, Long Beach, a metropolitan comprehensive institution serving richly diverse communities, is committed to being the campus of choice for students in Southern California. Among the more than 30,000 students attending CSULB, there are over 300 high school valedictorians and National Merit scholars representing every county in the state, one of the largest numbers of valedictorians studying on any university campus in California.

After more than 50 years as an institution, surging enrollments, new technological opportunities, increasingly diverse students’ needs, and the continuing explosion of knowledge challenge the campus. The CSU Long Beach academic program continues to combine theoretical and practical learning through a wide range of degrees in the liberal and fine arts, natural and social sciences, allied health fields, engineering, teacher education, business, and various professional disciplines. The blend of programs and the centers of excellence that have developed continue to be attractive to people from our region, the state, and beyond. The campus, with its fine facilities, is a magnet for the cultural, intellectual, and athletic enrichment of the surrounding community.

The campus is anxiously awaiting the opening of our new science building in the spring of 2003. This will be the first new science building on this campus in nearly 40 years and will enhance the contemporary science education that our students receive. This project was funded in the previous four-year bond passed by the voters in November 1998.

Equally important is the renovation of our science buildings. Peterson Halls 2 and 3 have served the campus and state very well for more than 40 years. However, since these buildings were designed and built, a revolution in science, technology, and building standards has greatly diminished the educational value of these buildings. Our students and faculty will benefit greatly from safe, modern laboratories and equipment. The campus evaluated various options, including the replacement of these two buildings with a single new building but chose renovation as the most cost-effective option. **Peterson Hall 3** is proposed for renovation in the 2003 program. The Library Addition and Renovation project, included in the governor’s budget for 2002, is proposed for funding from the bond that is going before the voters in November 2002.
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This project will renovate 68,900 ASF/112,200 GSF of functionally obsolete instructional facilities in Peterson Hall 3 (#39) after the biochemistry, chemistry, and some biology laboratories move into the new Peterson Hall Addition. The building was constructed in 1962. After renovation, accessibility to laboratory functions will be improved, fume hoods that are being replaced in the new Peterson Hall Addition will be demolished, and some fume hoods will be replaced. The HVAC, electrical distribution, and window systems will be replaced. The project will correct fire and building codes and will comply with Cal OSHA, NIH, and USDA safety requirements. Present animal facilities located in the courtyard will be relocated into the building and will meet animal welfare standards. There will be no change to the building capacity of 209 FTE in LD laboratory space, 66 FTE in UD laboratory space, and 25 faculty offices after renovation. The building will be used by the biology, chemistry, geology, and physics disciplines. Future funding of $3,250,000 will be requested for equipment for the project.

NONSESTATE

PROJECTS IN BUDGET YEAR

None

Teri Yamada, the director of the Center for Southeast Asian Studies at Cal State Long Beach has published a historic, first-ever anthology of Southeast Asian short fiction, collecting the work of 33 writers from 10 different nations in an effort that took seven years of diligent work.