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To: Campus Coordinators
   Student Research Competition

From: Keith I. Polakoff, Director
       California Pre-Doctoral Program

Subject: Twenty-Second Annual CSU Student Research Competition

The Twenty-Second Annual California State University Student Research Competition will be held May 2 and 3, 2008, at California State University, East Bay. This system-wide competition will showcase excellent research conducted by CSU undergraduate and graduate students in the full range of academic programs offered by the CSU. Student participants will make oral presentations before juries of professional experts from major corporations, foundations, public agencies, and colleges and universities in California.

The guidelines for the competition are similar to those in effect in past competitions. Cash prizes will be awarded for the best presentations in each category of the competition. Please note that students are encouraged to present and discuss creative projects in the Creative Arts and Design category; guidelines for entrants in this category appear under “Competition Guidelines” in Attachment 1.

A campus may deliver a maximum of ten presentations. The CSU East Bay steering committee will accept only those submissions endorsed by you as campus coordinator.
As usual, your campus is free to promote the competition, establish a campus selection process, and screen the final submissions in whatever manner you and your campus think best. While multicampus planning committees have endorsed a few general guidelines and procedures, creativity in designing a local competition that best meets the needs of your campus is encouraged.

Attachment 1 is a sample announcement of the competition. Campus-specific information needs to be added: your name and telephone number, campus deadlines, local competition dates, any campus provisions for defraying students’ travel expenses, etc.

Attachment 2 is a student delegate registration form. A copy of this form should be completed by each student selected by your campus as a delegate to the statewide competition and attached to each of five copies of the summary of the student’s research. We shall be e-mailing you a Rich Text Format version that can be filled out on a computer, saved, and printed.

The five copies of the student delegate registration forms and written research summaries should be mailed in sufficient time to arrive at the CSU East Bay campus no later than March 14, 2008. The forms and summaries for all students proposed for your campus should be sent together to:

CSU Student Research Competition  
Deborah Baker, Associate Director  
Academic Programs and Graduate Studies  
California State University, East Bay  
25800 Carlos Bee Boulevard  
Hayward, CA 94542

Also attached is what we believe to be a correct list of the current campus coordinators. If the campus coordinator for 2007-2008 is not correct or subsequently changes, please let me know by telephone (562-951-4774) or e-mail (kpolakoff@calstate.edu) the correct name, title, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the coordinator.

We look forward to an exciting event and thank you in advance for your contribution to its success. If you have any questions, please contact Deborah Baker by e-mail to deborah.baker@csueastbay.edu or by telephone at (510) 885-3716.

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