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DEPARTMENT NEWS

From the Library & Learning Center

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Among the latest acquisitions of Humphreys College Library are books related to the disciplines of Sociology, Political Economy, Mass Communications, Immigration, and Pedagogy.

SOCIOLOGY. Several generations of sociology students are well acquainted with C. Wright Mill's classic study *White Collar: The American Middle Classes*; the library purchased its 50th anniversary edition. Randall Collins presents a concise intellectual history of sociology in his *Four Sociological Traditions*. He traces the main schools from classical theories to current developments. Another well-known publication of the same author explores "the non-rational foundations of rationality; the sociology of God; the normalcy of crime, love and property, and the sociology of artificial intelligence" in his *Sociological Insight: An Introduction to Non-Obvious Sociology*. Under the title *Evaluation: A Systematic Approach*, Peter H. Rossi and his co-authors publish a 7th edition of the premier text on how to design, implement, and appraise social programs through evaluation. The issues of cheating "from our boardrooms to our classrooms" are the main theme of David Callahan's *Cheating Culture: Why More Americans Are Doing Wrong to Get Ahead*.

POLITICAL ECONOMY. In his *Civil Society: The American Model and Third World Development*, Howard J. Wiarda analyzes the processes of dismantling state directed economies and political systems in less developed countries. The book examines case studies from sub-Saharan Africa, East Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. Twenty

years ago, Muhammad Yunus established Grameen, a bank devoted to providing the poorest of Bangladesh with miniscule loans. He aimed to help the poor by supporting the spark of personal initiative and enterprise. Today, more than 250 institutions in nearly 100 countries operate micro-credit programs based on Yunus' methodology. His book is entitled Banker to the Poor: Micro-Lending and the Battle Against World Poverty. MASS COMMUNICATIONS. In his All the News That's Fit to Sell: How the Market Transforms Information Into News, economist James Hamilton presents the first book on economic theory of news, analyzes evidence across a wide range of media markets. **IMMIGRATION**. Humphreys students of the Mass Media and Society class are well acquainted with the name of Roger Daniels, a preeminent American historian of the American immigration. His latest book is titled Guarding the Golden Door: American Immigration Policy and Immigrants Since 1882. It analyzes the immigration issues from the Chinese Exclusion Act through The Post-September 11th Era. Tamar Jacoby is an editor of a collection of 21 essays published under the title *Reinventing the Melting Pot*: The New Immigrants and What It Means To Be American. Hailing from across the ideological spectrum, the contributors include distinguished social scientists, prizewinning journalists, and fiction writers.

PEDAGOGY. The library also acquired four new publications dealing with college student assessment: Norman Gronlund's *Assessment of Student Achievement*; Mary Huba's *Learner-Centered Assessment on College Campuses: Shifting the Focus from Teaching to Learning*; Robert Marzano's *Assessing Student Outcomes*, and Thomas Angelo's *Classroom Assessment Techniques: A Handbook for College Teachers*.

News From the Business Department

Course Announcement: During Summer Quarter 2004, the Business Department will offer some courses that have not been taught for a long time (most of these have not been offered for over one year):

COURSE ACCT 150 ACCT 203 ACCT 230 ACCT 251	Computerized Accounting I (Quickbooks) Intermediate Accounting III Accounting Information Systems Cost Accounting II	LAST OFFERED Fall 2003 Summer 2003 Winter 2003 Over 1 year ago
MGT 115 MGT 230 MGT 255 MGT 260	Credit Management Human Resources Management Small Business Management Principles of Marketing	Summer 2003 Summer 2003 Spring 2003 Spring 2003
CMIS 120 CMIS 235	Computer Logic Computer Installation Management	Winter 2003 Summer 2002

Some of these courses are required for degree programs and some are electives. Since these classes are not offered very often, please try to take any that you can this summer so your graduation is not delayed. As always, please check to make sure you have the prerequisites for any course you choose.

Internship Announcement: This is another reminder that business students are encouraged to do internships. During the summer, this might be an especially helpful way to get experience and test the job market in your chosen field. Internship students select the places to do internships and have them approved by Humphreys College. Jason Wolins, the Business Department Chairman, will oversee internships. Please contact him in his office in the library for more information.

Advising Announcement: Once again, Jess Bonds and Jason Wolins will be working as a team to advise Business Department students for the Summer Quarter. Jess Bonds will advise juniors and seniors; Jason Wolins will advise freshmen and sophomores.

News from the ECE Department

Two ECE Courses offered at new times for Summer Quarter

The ECE Department will be offering two courses from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Summer Quarter.

- ECE155 Children's Literature T/Th 4:00-5:45 p.m.
- ECE250 Chemical Dependency T/Th 4:00-5:45 p.m.

With this great time slot, ECE aides, teachers, and students should be able to fit these great courses into their busy schedules.

See Pam Wood, Chair of the ECE, for further information.

News from the Liberal Arts Department



Do you enjoy an early morning sunrise? Do you happily get up at the crack of dawn or with the rooster's crow? If so, you probably would enjoy enrolling in a "O" period course offered from 7:00 to 8:10 A.M. MWF this Summer Quarter. California Literature, HUM290, is an upper-division humanities course with the early riser in mind. Focusing on modern authors who incorporate the unique physical and ethnic landscape of our state, the class will study such renown authors as John Steinbeck, Maxine Hong Kingston, and Gary Soto as well as those who often go unrecognized by typical literary anthologizers, including Joyce Carol Thomas and David Mas Masumoto.

So set your alarm clock for California Literature beginning Summer Quarter and join your classmates and Professor Cynthia Becerra for morning coffee.

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# The Campaign for Humphreys College BUILDING BRIDGES TO OPPORTUNITY

Humphreys College has kicked off a million dollar endowment fund drive, chaired by Larry Drivon (Humphreys College School of Law Class of 1970). Mr. Drivon has already pledged \$250,000.

The campaign "will play a crucial role in securing resources needed to complete the institution's transformation into a top-tier, regional college," writes Larry Drivon in his message. The campaign focuses on raising \$1 million in funds to assist in the \$4.5 million campus expansion now underway and seeks to establish a scholarship endowment.

The \$1 million capital and scholarship fund will add \$500,000 to the new building project and establish a first-time \$500,000 scholarship endowment.

#### *How to Contribute to the Campaign?*

The most common form of giving is a gift of **cash**. Most individuals can deduct 100 percent of the gift in the year it is made.

A gift of **appreciated securities**, such as stocks or bonds, can provide exceptional tax savings on capital gains, in addition to the income tax deduction associated with a charitable donation.

You may be able to double or even triple the amount of your gift to the college if you work for an organization that will **match your gift**.

The tax benefits of appreciated **real estate** can be identical to those of appreciated securities - deduction for full fair market value of the property and elimination of the tax on any capital gain.

**Deferred gifts:** If you would like to learn more about bequests, a donation of life insurance or how to establish a charitable remainder trust or charitable gift annuity, please contact the Office of Development of Humphreys College.

#### For more information contact any of the following campaign representatives:

- Larry Drivon, Chairperson, 209-969-0982
- Wilma Okamoto-Vaughn, Co-Chair, Dean of Administration, 209-478-0800
- Ron May, Chairman, Board of Trustees, 209-946-5047
- Dr. Robert G. Humphreys, President, 209-478-0800

#### **COLLEGE NEWS**

#### **Humphreys College Sorority** *Alpha Iota* **Meeting**

On Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, the Humphreys College sorority Alpha Iota met at Tio Pepe's in downtown Stockton. Their guest speaker was Dr. Michael Duffett who spoke of his relationship with the college, a relationship which will be seven years old this summer. He recalled how he was watching his seven children at a rural swimming pool seven years ago when he caught sight of a newspaper "blowing in the wind." It contained an advertisement for a "Permanent Part-time position of Tutorial Services Coordinator." The ad mentioned "flexible scheduling" so he wrote a letter with very little expectation that the flexibility could accommodate his heavy teaching schedule at that time. He was delighted not only to be called on the telephone with precise hours in which he could do the job but to be called into interview and hired.

Dr. Duffett went on to express his delight in an institution which manages, in this age of high technology and inhuman stress, to maintain the old-style collegiate values of relationship between student and teacher, a point which was verified by the memory of one of the sorority of the founder of the college devoted a whole morning of his time to her to elucidate the mysteries of compound interest! Dr. Duffett mentioned that he was pleased to discover that the college had been founded exactly 300 years – in 1896 – after the foundation of his own *alma mater*, Sidney Sussex College on Cambridge, founded in 1596. He talked briefly about the recent changes at Humphreys – the leasing of space to a Charter School and then plans to develop extensive new buildings. He concluded with a couple of his poems, on of which – A Celebratory Acrostic Sonnet (See below) contained the words HUMPHREYS GROWS in acrostic form – and the other of which – "A Father's Prayer" – expressed his hope for the safety and welfare of future generations in an increasingly complex and dangerous world.

# The Poetry Corner

#### AN ACROSTIC CELEBRATORY SONNET

H umphreys has been here eleven decades
U ntil the twenty-first century starts.
M ore is in store for the students she aids
P rospering both in their minds and their hearts.
H ow can we measure the world's accolades
R elying on both science and arts
E xcept by valuing what Time not fades
Y ear by year with his slow poisoned darts?
S o now as we turn the first portion of soil,
G rass that now will yield far more than weeds,
R emember we must the long decades of toil
Of those who before us planted seeds.
W e turn the bright grass on this gentle slope
S o that those who will learn here have hope.

### Job Search Skills Workshop



DATE: Thursday, June 3, 2004

TIME: 4:30-6:00 p.m. (Walk-ins welcome at any time)

**LOCATION:** Forum, Main Campus

### **Topics to be covered:**

- → Humphreys College Job Placement Assistance
- → Principles of Writing Effective Resumes and Cover Letters
- → Electronic Formats For Resumes and Cover Letters
- → Interviewing Skills and Techniques

### **Humphreys College Library & Learning Center**

Extra Math Sessions with Mrs. Walker

Where:

Classroom A3, West Campus

When:

Saturday, June 5 10-12 a.m. Saturday, June 12 10-12 a.m.

No appointment necessary

For more information on Humphreys College tutorial services and programs call 478-0800

or email AskYourLibrarian@humphreys.edu



#### **Humphreys College Professor Visits Her Native Country**

Professor Samantha Yem is about to graduate *cum laude* from National University. To her bachelor's diploma in Biological Science from UOP, she will add the master's degree in Business Administration. At Humphreys, Samantha teaches Science and Mathematics.

Several weeks ago, you had the opportunity to visit your native country, the Kingdom of Cambodia. Give us a short background. What should we know about Cambodia?

The kingdom is located in Southeast Asia, bordering the Gulf of Thailand, between Thailand, Vietnam, and Laos. It has a tropical climate with monsoon season from May to November and dry season from December to April. In 1975, after the Vietnam War, the communist Khmer Rouge forces captured Phnom Penh, the capital city. They ordered the evacuation of all cities and towns. More than a million displaced people died as a result of the evacuation or enforced hardship. Three years later, the Vietnamese invasion drove the Khmer Rouge into the countryside and fighting between the two forces lasted for almost twenty years. A United Nations sponsored election in 1993 helped restore some semblance of normalcy and led to a rapid weakening of the Khmer Rouge by the mid-1990s. A coalition government, formed after national elections in 1998, brought in a renewed political stability and the surrender of the remaining Khmer Rouge forces.

It took about twenty-five years after coming to the United States, before you could visit the country of your childhood for the first time.

A week before my departure, in 1998, I was unable to sleep! I could not wait to meet my older sister and her family for the very first time after more than two decades. On June 13, 1998, we finally met. Right before the plane landed at Phnom Penh International Airport, I got very nervous. I felt that I was about to die. My hands and my whole body were shaky. At the immigration desk, I was unable to fill out the visa application. I could not even recall my own home telephone number! After obtaining the visa, I left the airport and walked straight to the waiting area looking for my sister and her family. There were many people waiting in extreme heat. I had no clue how to recognize my sister in the crowd. I had seen her photos but I was afraid I would not recognize her. Finally, as I was looking around, I saw a little girl flashing my picture in the air. Speechless, I ran to her! My sister cried, I cried, and the whole family cried until we arrived at her home.

In the United States, you became an educator. Before joining Humphreys College, you spent four years in Brookside Christian High School as a Math/Science teacher. How would you characterize today's school system of Cambodia?

It is very strict. The schools have strong curriculum. In the countryside, however, schools lack learning resources, especially textbooks and technology. The facilities are horrible, no air conditioning or good drinking water. I visited a lot of country schools and I was sad to see students sitting in a 90-degree classroom -- and yet, none of them complained. They study very hard and most of them told me that they were very happy to have a chance to attend school. In Cambodia, a three-day absence can lead to a dismissal because the space is limited; there are too many students on waiting lists. Unfortunately, higher education in Cambodia is not for everyone. You have to be from a rich family in order to attend college or university.

I am sure your latest trip to Cambodia gave you another opportunity to enjoy your family and learn more about modern Cambodia. As a young professional living and working in California, do you feel "at home" here or there?

I must admit, I feel "American" while traveling in Southeast Asia. As a United States citizen, I carry my passport with pride. I feel free as an American citizen. People are very friendly to me when they learn that I am an American. In Cambodia, people see the United States as the most powerful country in the world. America is always on my mind and I miss it constantly when I am away. America will always be my home and Cambodia will always be my native country.

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# REGISTER FOR SUMMER QUARTER 2004!!

See your academic advisors to register.

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