

# Professor to introduce global business



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Professor Chris Bolt

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Economics Professor Chris Bolt will be teaching two new classes this semester aimed at offering students a global focus on business and marketing.

The two new classes, Introduction to International Business and Introduction to International Marketing, are funded by a two-year, \$163,327 federal grant. The grant was first proposed by International Programs and Services Director Eddie West. He came up with the proposal and decided to apply for a federal grant in fall 2007 with the help of other faculty members.

The Introduction to International Business course will be offered in fall 2009 and Introduction to International Marketing will be offered in 2010.

When West offered Bolt the position to

teach the new courses, she willingly agreed. A faculty member at Ohlone for 23 years, Bolt has a bachelor's degree in economics and mainly teaches economics and macroeconomics.

"I have to give a lot of credit to Eddie and all the people who were involved in making a strong proposal," said Bolt. Bolt was in Australia in a study abroad program when she received the news that the proposal had been approved for the grant.

The proposal included the revisions on international law, international economics, and a minor revision for speech courses. The courses were revised in order to be included in the college's Introduction to International Business certificate.

"Ultimately, we hope to have an associate's degree program in international business," said Bolt. These courses were approved for certificates.

There are no pre-requisites. Regarding transferability to a UC or CSU, Bolt explained that it varies, although most classes are transferable at least as electives. These new courses will provide students a new market segment where they could prepare for the CGBP exam, certifying them as global business professionals.

Bolt explained how vital it is to offer students an opportunity to learn the relationships between other countries. "California and Ohlone in particular is situated in a perfect place for international business," said Bolt. "Our student population is from all over the world. It's like a big gap that we don't have international business. In this global market, how do we not have that?" The essential goal of the new courses, said Bolt, is to provide education for those who want to get a designation as a certified professional in global business.

# ASOC plans to protest budget cuts to colleges

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The Associated Students of Ohlone College (ASOC) planned their participation in a budget cut protest in Sacramento and approved a \$2,000 request at their meeting Tuesday.

Vice President of Student Services Ron Travenick sat in for Campus Activities Director Debbie Trigg and Program Coordinator

Renee Gonzales as the adviser. Six new senators were sworn in at this meeting.

ASOC Vice President Kevin Feliciano, along with other council members, have planned the March of March, a rally in Sacramento against budget cuts to California's community colleges.

Provided that a budget doesn't pass, the rally will be on Monday, March 16. Due to severe budget cuts, the ASOC said it is likely that

students will be paying \$30 a unit this summer semester.

A combination of about 270 Ohlone and Chabot students and faculty will take busses up to our state capitol for a protest march from noon to 2 p.m. Students will need to pre-register and pay about \$10 for the cost of transportation and food. The event will cost Ohlone and Chabot about \$2,500 to \$3,000 each. Because this event is still in its planning stages, nothing

is official.

Justin Reyes and Jessica Gutierrez sat in on the meeting as representatives from the Associated Students of Chabot College. They thanked the ASOC for their planning of this event and for the invitation to join it.

The council passed a \$2,000 money request for an "Orientation Mega Day" from Allison Bly and Jesse MacEwen. The "Orientation Mega Day" is an opportunity for

approximately 300 high school seniors and their parents to attend as an extended orientation and early registration. Peer mentors will be actively involved in planning activities and food for the event. According to Travenick this event will be a "big recruiting tool" for clubs and the ASOC. It will be an all-day event.

Next week, the ASOC will vote on a money request for \$240 for the Brown Bag Seminar series.

# Theme for Brown Bag Seminar: Up, up and away

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An Alson Montessori Middle/High School faculty member will discuss the art and physics behind soaring alongside eagles this Friday. Karl Allmendinger will also demonstrate how to assemble and disassemble a glider at Friday's Brown Bag Science Seminar from noon to 12:45 p.m. in Room 3201.

Allmendinger, an aeronautical engineer, rocket scientist and long-time glider pilot will discuss the art of "soaring," which is similar to hang gliding, and how air currents and altitude adjustment allow you to rise above the ground.

Allmendinger previously headed a seminar in fall 2008 discussing his role in building and programming the Hubble Space Telescope. According to Math, Science and Technology Coordinator Yvette Niccolls, Allmendinger will "bring one of his gliders in to illustrate the components and show how to put it together and take it apart" as well as discuss "glider tours." The seminar is geared toward non-science majors interested in expanding their knowledge of science and anyone hoping to discover something new. Niccolls said that the speaker "is very knowledgeable" and "hands-on."

The Brown Bag Seminar series was started in 2000 as a way to "stimulate interest and awareness of current topics, trends and careers in science. The speakers are distinguished individuals in their field and present interesting topics related to



Photo courtesy of Alson Montessori

**Karl Allmendinger**

science and technology." The events are always free of charge and open to the general public. Refreshments are provided and afterward the audience is encouraged to ask questions and meet the speaker on a one to one basis.

According to Speech and Communications professor Brenda Ahnholtz, "The Speech & Communication Studies Department Brown Bag Speaker for Friday, Feb. 20, Clint Pardoe, on the Four Secrets to Success in College, has been cancelled but will be rescheduled this semester."

The next Brown Bag Seminar will occur March 6, and feature Math Professor Jeff O'Connell as he discusses the Golden Ratio.

# Spill swamps Hyman Hall



Photo by Jorge Gomez

**A backed-up toilet flooded the upper floor of Hyman Hall in several inches of water Wednesday afternoon. The water cascaded down the steps to the lower story, but did not reach the carpeting on either floor. Maintenance staff is working to clean up the spill.**