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CFA compares CSU to for-profit schools

Report released by CFA outlines how CSU spends more on executive salaries rather than student education

LAURA DAVIS

he California Faculty Association released a report last month in response to recent decisions made by the CSU board of trustees that lean toward transforming the CSU into a for-profit higher education system, similar to schools like University of Phoenix and American Career

College. "For-Profit Higher Education and the California State University: A Cautionary Tale," explains in detail how for-profit education models benefit the salaries of company executives and spends a significantly lower amount of money on actually educating their students.

The report also outlines

how the for-profit model does not support the historic mission of the CSU to guarantee quality education at an affordable price to all those who qualify.

"The chancellor, in particular, is trying to use a bad economy to make bad decisions for students in the CSU," said Nate Thomas, president of the CSUN chapter of the California Faculty Association. "Their idea would be that we're in a budget crisis and we need money, so they're figuring privatization is a way to get more money and putting it on the backs of students."

The report brings attention to the fact that despite soaring tuition rates and enrollment freezes for CSU students, Chancellor Charles B. Reed's salary remains about \$450,000 – higher than Barack Obama's salary of \$400,000.

"This is the first time I've had students come to me in tears because they can't afford to buy the books for my class," Thomas said. "CSU presidents get a free home and a \$12,000

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annual car allowance. That's a nice Mercedes right there."

In addition to the 23 CSU presidents, a new executive director for CSU Online was hired without the knowledge of the California Faculty Association, which the CSU promised to include in the hiring ally partnered with the academic senate in developing," said Erik Fallis, media relations specialist for the CSU.

process, according to Thomas.

California Faculty Association

would be to ask to prove what

they're talking about, like

CSU Online, which we actu-

"My encouragement for the

Fallis said the California Faculty Association has been highly involved in their decision making processes and said they are exaggerating issues like CSU Online.

Some graduating high school seniors are seeking options besides the CSU for their higher education needs, such as Lisa Reynolds who attends Chatsworth High School.

"I applied to a lot of schools out of state because it's pretty much going to cost the same," Reynolds said. "I really want the whole college experience with dorms and everything."

Although the CSU system is overcrowded with students eager to graduate, the CSU has cut expenditures on instruction by about \$88 million since 2008, according to the report.

Since Chancellor Reed has been in office, there has been an 18 percent increase of CSU student admissions, the addition of a new campus (CSU Channel Islands) and

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yet no growth in the number of permanent faculty positions, according to the report.

Thomas said four senate bills are currently being proposed in Sacramento, which if passed would help to democratize the CSU and add more voting power to students, faculty and non-staff faculty.

Since yesterday, all 23 CSU campuses are voting to authorize a two-day, per campus, strike because faculty members have not had work contracts in almost two years, according to Thomas.

"If they don't want to listen to us, there's power in numbers," Thomas said. "When students (come) back to thank us for something we've helped them accomplish in their career, they don't want to come to the president. It's the teachers, and it's the faculty they come back to thank."

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CSU tuition under national average

Despite seeing many tuition spikes, CSU still stands as one of the nation's most economical school systems

CARL ROBINETTE DAILY SUNDIAL

he California State University system has seen massive tuition increases over the last few years, but it remains one of the most affordable college educations in the United States, according to data collected from the National Center for Education Statistics.

The CSU charged \$1,834 less than the national average for the total cost of tuition and other fees at public four-year universities in the 2010-11 academic year, according to a data analysis done by the CSU.

"It still remains a great value, and we want to let students know it is still a great value," said Liz Chapin, CSU spokesperson, about the CSU. "The numbers pretty much speak for themselves."

The national average for a year's tuition and other fees was \$7,119 at four-year public colleges last year for full-time students, and it was \$25,538 at private universities according to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System. The average cost in the CSU was \$5,285.

For students in the system who have seen their educational costs steadily rise in their time at school, this is hardly a silver lining.

"We pay a lot of fees and we get classes that have students crammed together," said Noe Morales, senior business management major at CSUN.

Every semester, it gets harder to find open seats in classes, despite paying more and more, he said.

"It's hard. I work weekends and evenings, and you don't have that kind of flexibility anymore," Morales said.

Since the 2007-08 academic year, student fees have increased from \$2,772 to \$5,472, according to the CSU budget office. This time frame reflects the national average of roughly five years to complete an undergraduate degree for students who entered a four-year college as a freshmen, according to completecollege.org and studentclearinghouse.org. This means students in this year's graduating class have potentially seen their tuition double since their first semester.

"If I had known it would be this hard I would have started at a community college," said junior Katie Phillips, interior design major. "And I don't see **0** it getting much better anytime soon."

The CSU may face another \$200 million trigger cut if Governor Jerry Brown's tax initiative is not passed on voting day this coming November, according to Brown's budget proposal. The CSU has already had funding cut by over a \$1 billion in the last 18 months according to Chapin, and such a trigger cut would have them operating on the bare minimum, she said.

The CSU continues to lobby the state of California to reinvest in higher education according to Chapin, and many students still believe they are getting the most out of

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2010-11 Yearly average cost of tuition and other fees at four year universities for full time students

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their educational dollar attending the CSU.

"I still feel like you get a good education for the price," said Francisco Vasquez, junior accounting major. Vasquez said that he works for UCLA, and he feels the CSU is the better value between the two.

About half of the undergraduates in the CSU don't pay any tuition at all due to financial aid according to Chapin, and one-third of the revenue

generated from each tuition increase goes toward funding financial aid programs, she said.

"There are a lot of financial aid opportunities," Chapin said. "We always suggest that students apply for financial aid, whether they think they'll get it or not."

The yearly net cost of attending the CSU after factoring in financial aid is \$2,124 on average, according to CSU findings.

CSU students also graduate with less debt and earn more money out of college than the national average. CSU students' starting median salary is about \$44,000 after graduation according to numbers at payscale.com. The national average is around \$41,000.

CSU students who earned a degree in 2010 were about \$5,900 less in debt than the national average for public universities, according to findings on the CSU website.



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Celebrating Earth Day with oranges

CSUN's Institution for Sustainability, along with Food Forward, hosted the Earth Day Orange Pick Sunday at the orange grove on campus.

Starbucks and LGBT organization Gay For Good sponsored the event, and brought along its employees to help with the pick.

All of the oranges picked on Sunday went to local food charity SOVA, which will donate all the fruit to the homeless.

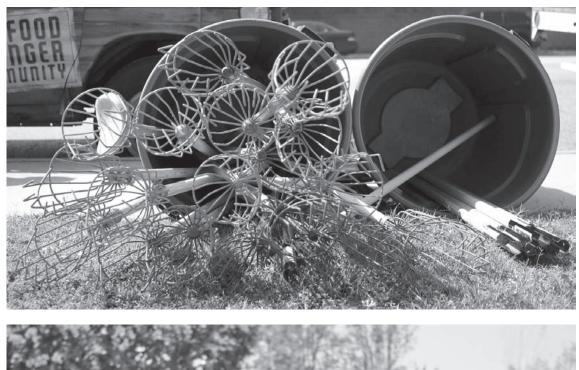
Rich Nahmias, founder and executive director of Food Forward, encouraged the volunteers to pick at least 18,000 pounds of oranges that day.

Nahmias and his organization provided ladders and orange pickers for volunteers to use.

"We've harvested close to a hundred thousand pounds (of oranges) from this orchard alone (for the past three years)," Nahmias said. "It's one of the largest contiguous orchards in the Valley and we feel it's our duty to keep this agricultural history live and keep people connected with where their food comes from."



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Electronics Recycling Event By Laura Yetter

Associated Students is hosting an Electronics Recycling Event on April 27 and 28 from 9am to 3pm at the G10 parking lot located on Lassen and Zelzah. At the event you can drop off old or broken electronics. All electronics are accepted including: computers, laptops, TVs, monitors, printers, cell phones, MP3 players, cameras, audio/ stereo equipment, video game consoles and more. This event is an excellent opportunity to properly dispose of your electronics. As electronics are integrated into our lives and as technology continues to advance we end up with more and more electronic waste. This is termed e- waste, an informal name for unwanted or end of life electronics (CalRecycle).

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It is beneficial to recycle e-waste because resources in the electronics can be reuses, it saves energy, it keeps toxins out of landfills, and recycling reduces the general amount of waste created. Lots of material found in electronics can be reused such as "steel, glass, and plastic, as well as precious metals" (CalRecycle). Energy and resources can be saved that are otherwise used to mine and manufacture new products (EPA). Hazardous material in electronics such as lead, mercury, cadmium, nickel, and flame retardant plastics among others need to be properly disposed so they do not cause health problems or damage the environment (EPA). Recycling is a great way that you can help protect the environment and reduce waste

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'Autism Speaks', but doesn't listen

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f you decide to donate money for Autism Awareness Month this April, be mindful of where your money is going. There are many viable autism charities - the Dan Marino Foundation, Autism Self-Advocay Network and Aspies for Freedom - but I beg you not to donate to one organization: Autism Speaks.

Autism Speaks is a wolf in sheep's clothing. Their website states the organization has "grown into the nation's largest autism science and advocacy organization, dedicated to funding research into the causes, prevention, treatments and a cure for autism; increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders; and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families." But take a closer look at how the organization handles its business and you will not want to give it any support.

1. Shady finance

In 2008, alone, the organization raked in a total of \$65 million. While that's impressive for a nonprofit charity, one must question where all that money goes; less than \$2 million went to helping people, according to the Better Business Bureau. The organization spent more than that on office supplies alone, according to Autism Speaks' website. It also paid its executive science officer upward of \$700,000 and a combined \$1 million to four executive vice presidents. It actually lost upward of \$85,000 at one fundraiser, according to the bureau.

2. Family ties

The organization's name is misleading - currently, Autism Speaks has no members on its executive board who are on the autism spectrum in any way, shape or form. The organization was not founded by parents of children with autism, but by grandparents of children with autism.

"Their whole name and organization is incredibly condescending and parentalistic towards people with autism. They are neuro-typical and to claim that they speak for us is a bit offensive, frankly," said CSUN philosophy professor Jacob Hale, who was diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome as an adult.

3. Misleading message

Autism Speaks has a history of demonizing autism and autistics themselves, and in the past, the organization has funded research not only seeking a "cure" for autism, but seeking out genes in utero that might show if a child has autism before he or she is born. This sets up quite a slippery slope toward eugenics.

In its most famous video, "Autism Every Day," a mother said she contemplated murdering her autistic daughter and killing herself by driving off of the George Washington Bridge because she was unhappy with how the public schools did not give special attention to autistic children. She ultimately decided not to drive off the bridge because she thought of her second, non-autistic child. This promotes fear and pity that demonizes children with autism instead of inspiring people to help them.

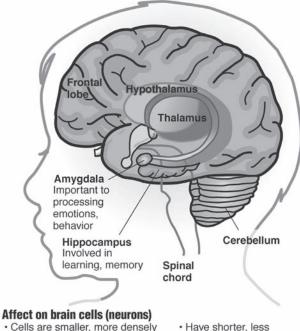
Another video by Autism Speaks titled, "I am Autism," shows pictures of autistic children and a somewhat ominous voice over the words, "I am Autism ... I know where you live ... I live there too ... I work faster than pediatric AIDS, cancer and diabetes combined ... And if you are happily married, I will make sure that your marriage fails." Ari Ne'eman, former president of the Autism Self-Advocay Network (ASAN) and the only member serving on the President Obama's National Disability Council with an Autism Spectrum Disorder, said in response for ASAN to the video that autistic people do not want to be portrayed as burdens or objects of pity and fear. Consistent with the organization's constant victim-blaming, according to Autism Speaks, if the parents of an autistic child divorce, it is the child's fault. In truth, my parents raising me strengthened their marriage, me being both a pride and joy and a handful at the same time. Being smart but socially awkward inspired them to want to teach me and also to protect each other more. My parents' marriage ended when my dad died of cancer, not because of my autism.



Kim Rollins and her autistic son Sage say that former teacher required him to sit in a cardboard box in the classroom.

Autism and the brain

The areas of the brain affected by autism, which stems from abnormal brain development:



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4. Faulty science

Autism Speaks continued to pursue research of the connection between vaccines and autism long after research proved vaccines don't cause autism. Two of its own board members, Alison Singer and Eric London, resigned in protest in 2009 after Autism Speaks continued to commit funding to research linking vaccination and autism. London, who was on Autism Speaks Scientific packed in certain areas Source: The Journal of NIH Research

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Affairs Committee, said that the organization was "adversely impacting" true autism research by continuing to pursue arguments connecting the two, that are "misleading and disingenuous." Singer said vaccines save lives and don't cause autism.

5. Hurting, not helping

Autism Speaks does not come from a social justice or advocacy/activism perspective and as such, their primary focus is finding a "cure" for autism, when money would be better spent advocating for disability rights and helping people on the spectrum to adjust and thrive.

"You can advocate for the rights of people with autism and help them adjust to the needs of society. The two are not diametrically opposed," said Hale. "They should be focusing on the way social institutions demonize non-typical behavior and advocate that non-neurotypical behavior is not dangerous and because of that it's hard for me to support them."

Before giving to Autism Speaks, think of the countless other autism organizations that are struggling, but truly represent and speak for the needs of people on the Autism spectrum. The ugly truth is that Autism Speaks, but does not listen.

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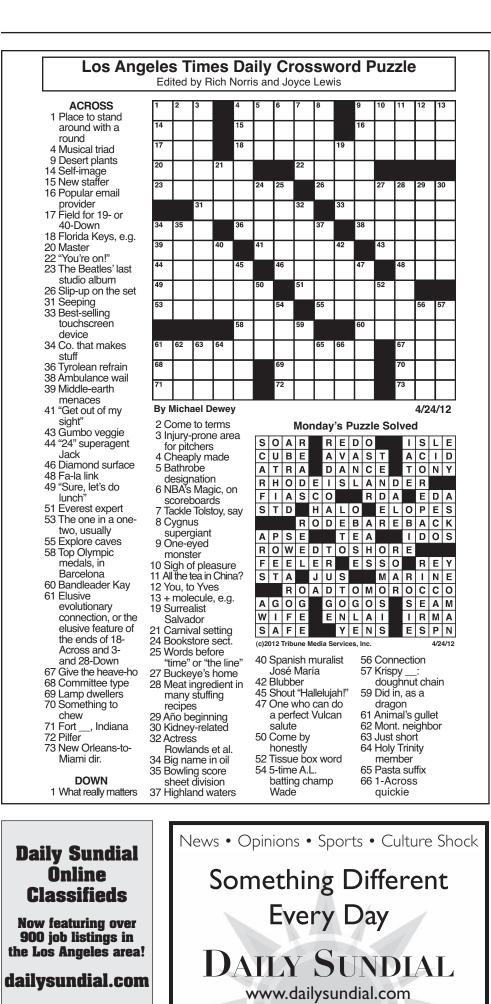
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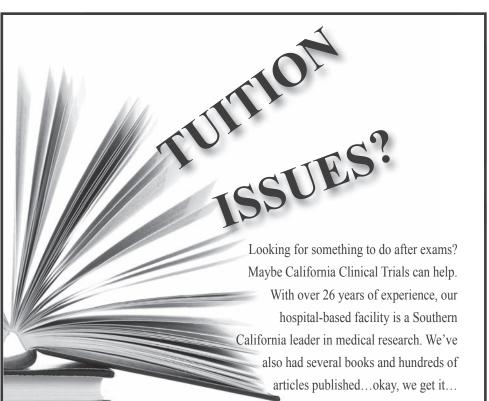
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It's those guys again

CSUN tries to beat non-conference rival CSUB for second time in 2012

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SUN outdueled CSU Bakersfield in the first meeting between the two on Apr. 10 and have another chance today to prove that the walk-off win wasn't a fluke.

In the first matchup, the Matadors (16-20) narrowly came away with a victory over the Roadrunners (18-18) after a Ryan Raslowsky grounder was mishandled by the CSUB shortstop, allowing CSUN to score the winning run.

This time around, Northridge will have sophomore Harley Holt on the mound to start while CSUB will start junior Scott Brattvet.

Holt is 0-2 this season and will make his first start of the year after mostly seeing playing time out of the bullpen. The righty has given up 22 hits in 20.1 innings and struck out 10 with a 3.10 ERA.

Brattvet is 4-3 for the Roadrunners and will be

TODAY:

Matadors vs. CSUB 3 p.m. at Matador Field

JONATHAN ANDRADE making his ninth start of the season wielding a 3.92 ERA. In the first meeting,

Northridge jumped to a 3-0 lead in the first inning off a three-run blast by junior Miles Williams, but couldn't stave off a CSUB comeback in the following innings.

The Roadrunners chipped away at the lead with runs in the second and fifth before evening up the game at 3-3 with a pair of ninth-inning doubles.

CSUN senior Steven Keller doubled to start off the bottom ninth, followed by a single from junior Nate Ring. The next two batters couldn't bring home the run for Northridge, but Raslowsky's chopper to short brought home pinchrunner Chester Pak.

The Matadors were last seen in action last Tuesday at UCLA to face the team that had embarrassed them in their home opener on Feb. 21 in a 19-7 romping.

Northridge exchanged runs with the Bruins early, but a seven-run seventh inning put UCLA up for good.

The Matadors committed five errors on defense while their bats tallied 11 hits on the day.

Junior Cal Vogelsang had three hits while three other



JOHN SARINGO-RODRIGUEZ / CONTRIBUTOR

CSUN first baseman Cal Vogelsang gets ready for his at-bat during a game against Cal Poly on April 14 at Matador Field. The Matadors play Cal State Bakersfield for the second time this season today in non-conference action.

Matadors notched two hits apiece. Williams went hitless

against the Bruins and left three runners on base dropping his batting average to .263 this season.

Williams has been the power supply for CSUN up to this point in the season

with five home runs and a .414 slugging percentage while Vogelsang continues to hit for average in the two spot of the Matador lineup.

Vogelsang hit safely three times and scored once against the Roadrunners the first time around.

Freshman third base-

man Michael Livingston has found his swing at the plate after seeing some struggles at the dish early on since replacing junior Brett Balkan at the hot corner.

Livingston has gathered five hits in his last three games with a double and a run scored.

After today, the Matadors will return to Big West Conference action with a threegame home series against Long Beach State.

Northridge has won three of its last four Big West games, including a series win over Cal Poly two weekends ago.



BY SUNDIAL SPORTS DESK @SUNDIALSPORTS57

What are the Matadors saying on the social network?



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I don't think you're supposed to be that color when sun-tanning. @RLFriess, Randi Friess, women's basketball Going for the lobster look tonight #sunburnt Apr. 20



You hanging out with Spongebob? @MamaUwineFine, Janae Sharpe, women's basketball Ugh his laugh is so ugly Apr. 18



Eh ... I would still try to watch what I eat, Cal ... @calmfvsang, Cal Vogelsang, baseball 40 piece mcnugget and large french fry. the nutrition lady said I could eat whatever I wanted bc I was an athlete. Apr. 20



Not that cheap since it's probably going to cost him some games and lotsa \$\$\$. **@HGurriell**, Hayley Gurriell, water polo Dang I'm all for the Lakers but damn Metta that was a cheap shot if I ever saw one Apr. 22