

successes Cenergy Supercluster

Colorado State University in March announced a new Supercluster venture to bring clean and renewable energy to Colorado and the world – the latest development in CSU’s growing reputation as the nation’s “green university.” The enterprise, called Cenergy, is the University’s third and largest Supercluster – an enterprise that rapidly brings groundbreaking research to the global marketplace – following the creation of MicroRx for infectious disease and NeoTrex for cancer. Now, more than 100 faculty members in all eight CSU colleges are training the new “green-collar” workforce and developing market-driven solutions to address great global challenges.

Business best

Business Week recently ranked CSU’s College of Business as one of the top undergraduate business programs in the country. The magazine surveyed more than 80,000 graduating seniors at 127 eligible programs on quality of teaching and overall student satisfaction and interviewed 618 corporate recruiters on the best graduates, curricula, and career services. Colorado State ranked 73rd – 32nd among all public schools listed in the 2008 rankings. CSU’s programs came out ahead of the Leeds School of Business at the University of Colorado (No. 83) and slightly below the Daniels School at the University of Denver (No. 67).

International efforts

A leading national organization has recognized CSU as one of eight outstanding U.S. institutions for campus internationalization. In a report to be released this fall, *Internationalizing the Campus 2008: Profiles of Success at Colleges and Universities*, NAFSA: Association of International Educators has recognized institutions that demonstrate significant strides in campus-wide internationalization, which includes international research, partnerships, study abroad opportunities, and recruitment of international students and faculty. “The selection jury was especially impressed by Colorado State’s substantial, distinctive commitment to integrating international education into the University Strategic Plan,” NAFSA wrote. The CSU Strategic Plan, led by President Larry Penley and integrated with a series of “stretch

goals” set by the CSU Board of Governors, makes enhancing CSU’s international presence a key goal for the University.

partnerships Master’s health program

CSU’s new public health graduate program will open doors to its first students in August. The program is integrated with the Colorado School of Public Health, which includes the University of Colorado Denver Health Sciences programs and the University of Northern Colorado’s community health units. Students will access resources from all three campuses to complete the Master of Public Health. Lorann Stallones, epidemiologist in CSU’s Department of Psychology, is the director of the program, which will offer education in environmental and occupational health, epidemiology, health and exercise science, global health, health communication, and public health nutrition.

Building green

CSU’s Institute for the Built Environment and its construction management graduate students are working with Fort Collins-based Stoner Construction to create the first community of entirely net-zero homes in Northern Colorado. The project team is considering such innovative technologies as shared ground-source heat pump systems and grid-tied solar electric production. The proposed mixed-use development will include single-family homes, multi-unit condos, commercial office space, retail shops, and lodging combined with such neighborhood amenities as a coffee shop, elementary school, community recreation center, restaurant, community garden, and an extensive trail system and open-space network.

gifts Equine endowment

CSU announced the establishment of an endowed chair in the memory of Ken and Virginia Atkinson. The chair, which will reside in the Equine Orthopaedic Research Center, is the third equine chair named in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences in six months. The \$1.2 million gift from the Atkinson estate complements a previous \$500,000 donation given to the Equine Orthopaedic Research Center, which helped to establish the first equine MRI center in the world.

Biochemistry bequest

CEO of Genemed Biotechnologies Dean Tsao has pledged \$1 million to CSU to support teaching and research in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. The pledge will fund graduate fellowships in honor of Emeritus Professor Parviz Azari, CSU biochemistry professor for 39 years and adviser to Tsao, who earned his Ph.D. in biochemistry from CSU in 1973. Presidential initiatives such as internships, Native American scholarships, and science education also will be funded with the gift.

appointments Energy VP

Ron Sega, who led a Presidential award-winning energy-management team for the U.S. Air Force, has been named vice president for Energy, the Environment, and Applied Research at the Colorado State University Research Foundation. Sega also will serve as special advisor on energy and the environment to CSU President Larry Penley. Sega’s new positions formally recognize Colorado State’s longtime leadership in clean energy research and will help CSU focus on solving some of the world’s most pressing environmental problems.

Board appointed

Gov. Bill Ritter has appointed Thomas Farley, a lawyer from Pueblo, Colo., and Patrick McConathy, a rancher from McCoy, Colo., to the Board of Governors of the Colorado State University System. McConathy was appointed in November to replace Jeff Shoemaker of Denver, who resigned last year.

research Into the wild

Colorado State researchers are working to perfect short-term birth control methods for wild animals to manage overpopulation. Overcrowding from bison, deer, elk, and wild horses causes damage to native habitat and compromises the survival of other species, says Terry Nett, researcher at CSU’s Animal Reproduction and Biotechnology Lab. The drug leuprolide and the vaccine GonaCon, both administered by dart, show great promise as wildlife contraceptives in female elk, the research indicates.



The Green University



Educating Tomorrow's Green Workforce

CSU's integrated programs of environmental sustainability and climate change are preparing students for the green-collar workforce, where 40 million new U.S. jobs are predicted by 2030.

Enterprise-Based Solutions

CSU is rapidly moving groundbreaking technologies to the marketplace through its enterprise-based Superclusters, addressing such global challenges as clean and renewable energy.

Green Campus Operations

CSU has long been a leader in adopting environmentally friendly approaches to campus operations, from composting food waste to facilities that meet the highest standards for environmental sustainability.



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