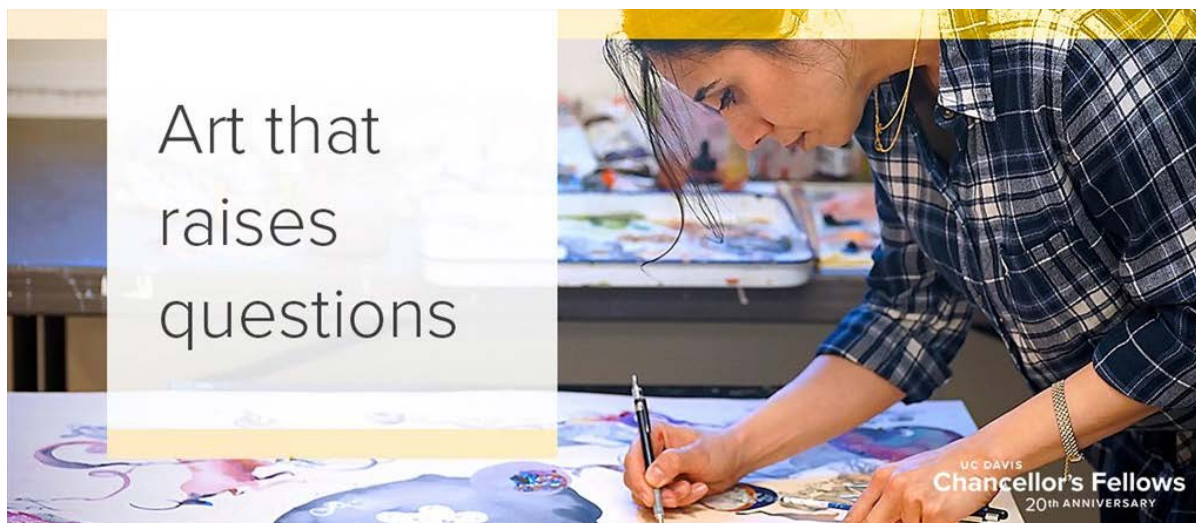


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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Beauty speaks to all of us



Dear Kilby,

Drawing on the Persian miniature painting traditions of her homeland, Associate Professor Shiva Ahmadi, a Chancellor's Fellow, creates works of stunning beauty that often include images of conflict.

"I aim at making art that not only is beautiful, but also raises questions in people's minds," said Ahmadi, whose work reflects her upbringing in Iran in a time of war and chaos.

Yet her art, she feels, speaks to universal experience.

"I believe there is a way for people from anywhere and any background to relate to and understand my art," she said.

"I love working with young, energetic and creative minds. Teaching my students to be aware of their choices and make conscious decisions in their work is very important to me."

- SHIVA AHMADI, 2019 CHANCELLOR'S FELLOW AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ART

A Chancellor's Fellows award provides funding for Ahmadi to pursue an ambitious new piece

and help her students develop their own vision.

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Subject: Building strong careers, together



Dear Kilby,

As a life member and a board member, David Hultman '84 can speak to the power of CAAA in launching and building careers.

"Aggies are everywhere, and Aggies helping Aggies is what comes to mind," said David. "With 280,000 alumni, alumni chapters throughout the world and over 250 events each year, there is an amazing support network, which has been identified as a vital component of career management."

"Attending the Network Leadership Conference made me aware of the global reach of CAAA and our alumni. I was very impressed to learn of all of the activities happening throughout the world year-round. The opportunity to network to build and further one's career is real and significant."

- DAVID HULTMAN, '84

David's devotion to UC Davis is personal. His father Jeff and wife Carla are Aggies, and so are their children Carter and Sydney. A scholarship fund bears the family name, and David participates in career development activities, sharing information and wisdom gained from his experience as a key client advisor at Bank of the West.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 4:20 PM
To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Students make tasty treats from byproducts



Dear Kilby,

Did you know that 40 percent of the food produced each year ends up as waste? That's enough to fill 730 football stadiums a year.

Food science professor Ned Spang is addressing this challenge through End of Waste, a program that challenges students to turn byproducts of food production into nutritious, delicious and potentially lucrative new goods.

Recent winners in food industry competitions include "okaranchi crackers," made from okara, a soy pulp byproduct of soybean processing; and "mocha bites," made from almond pulp, a byproduct of almond milk.

"The best part of being an educator is to watch the lightbulb of understanding and ingenuity turn on in the minds of our students—and I've been lucky to witness many such moments through this work."

- NED SPANG, PROFESSOR OF FOOD SCIENCE AND DIRECTOR, END OF WASTE PROJECT

"Students are excited to reduce the environmental footprint of the food system while also having the opportunity to be creative in their use of novel ingredients," said Spang.

The College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences offers students hands-on learning opportunities that promote interdisciplinary thinking and entrepreneurship. [Your support helps us educate the innovative scientists of tomorrow. Join us!](#)

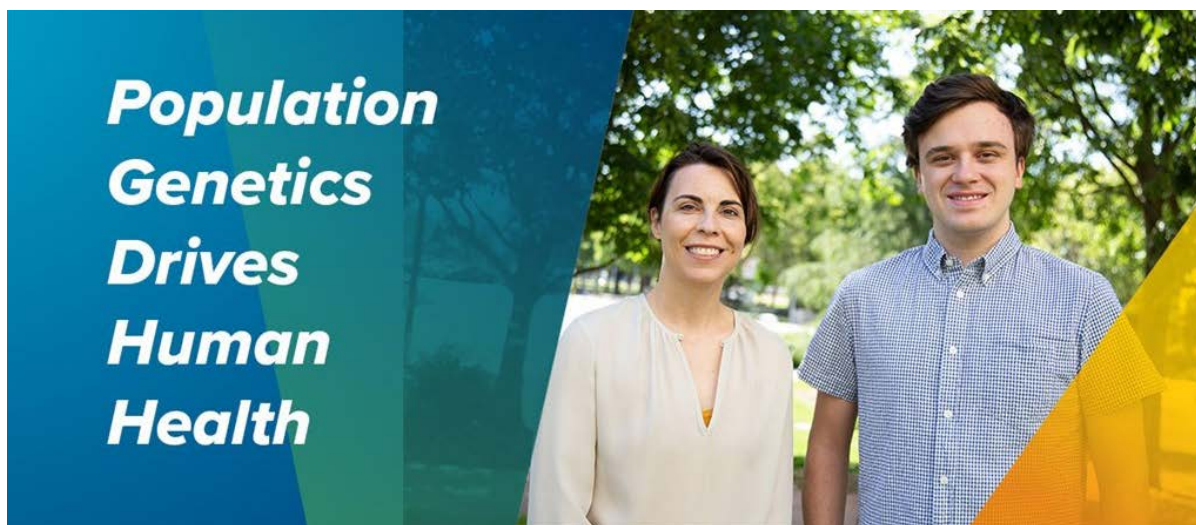
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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Undergrad improves understanding of genetic disease



Associate Professor Brenna Henn and Cole Williams

Dear Kilby,

Cole Williams '19 may have just graduated with a bachelor's degree in genetics and genomics—but he has produced an algorithm that could help researchers better understand the spread of disease among particular hunter/gatherer subgroups in Africa.

"Cole solved a major problem in how to construct multi-generational pedigrees in African genomes," said Brenna Henn, an associate professor with the UC Davis Genome Center and the Department of Anthropology. Cole's work could improve her team's understanding of inherited susceptibility to diseases.

Available computer algorithms, mostly developed with European-descent groups in mind, were of limited use in genomic studies of African hunter-gatherer populations with complex relationships that include cousin-cousin marriages and many half-siblings.

"I knew that human population genetics was what I wanted to do when I came to UC Davis, and Professor Henn's lab was exactly what I'd been looking for. It was such a privilege to be at UC Davis studying and researching the subject I love."

- COLE WILLIAMS '19, GENETICS AND GENOMICS

For his outstanding research and community service, Cole was named the 2019 College of Biological Sciences Undergraduate of the Year.

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Discovering new career paths through student-run programs



Dear Kilby,

Political science major Will Alpers '22 has been interested in U.S. politics since high school. At UC Davis, scholarship support gave him the freedom to augment that passion with new talents he grew by participating in student-run programs.

Alpers joined the team at KDVS Radio Station, where he works on The Cycle News Hour, bringing stories to listeners in greater Sacramento. Then, through the Stand-up Comedy Club, he found a love of performance. His next goal is to write for the *Davis Political Review*, a magazine published by political science students. Donor support allowed Will to grow interpersonal and communication skills imperative to his success.

“Scholarships have the effect of making our society more equitable, by approaching a world where someone’s success is determined only by how big they can dream and how hard they can work.”

- WILL ALPERS '22

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Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 4:00 PM
To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Learning the power of collaboration



Dear Kilby,

Karenna Rehorn '20 is studying biomedical engineering, a major that prepares students to translate groundbreaking engineering discoveries into positive, clinical and personal changes for patients. Since joining the College of Engineering, she has learned a lot about the power of collaborating with students from other engineering departments and related disciplines.

"It takes a team to solve an engineering problem and it takes a team to become an engineer," Karenna said.

Karenna serves as a leader of the BioInnovation Group (BIG), in which undergraduates from across the College of Engineering and campus work together to find innovative solutions to address research challenges. BIG helps students put the theories they learn in class into practice.

"In our BIG research projects, students have the opportunity to strengthen their lab skills, practice troubleshooting, and sharpen the collaboration skills necessary for any successful researcher."

- KARENNA REHORN '20

As a group leader, Karena has seen students from engineering and other technology-focused disciplines develop important collaboration and communication skills while working together to find unique research results.

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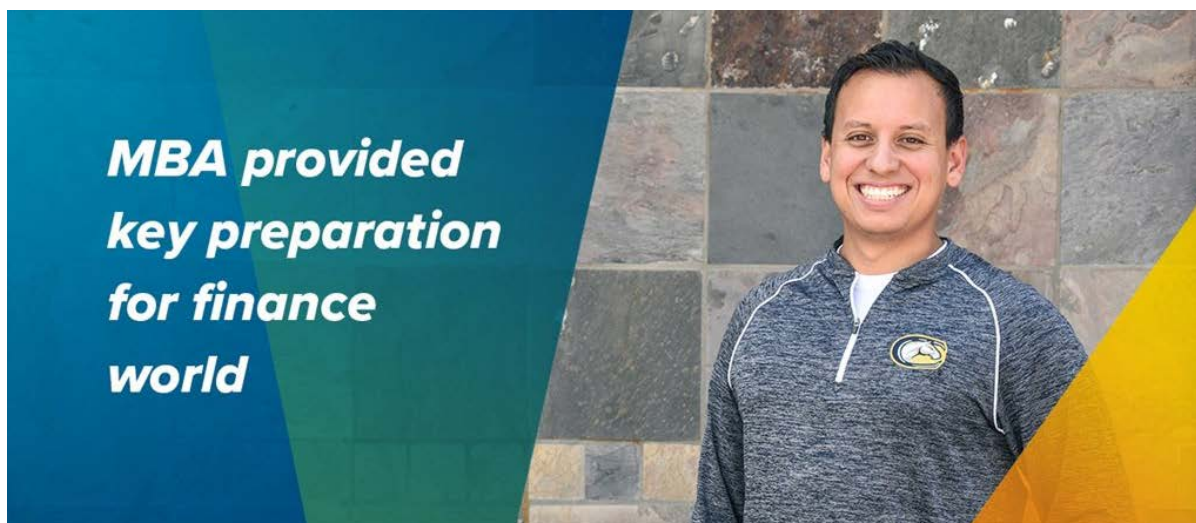
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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: 2008 economic downturn inspires finance career



Dear Kilby,

Jesse Rodriguez '13, MBA '19 always factored graduate school into his plans.

"I remember the first time I met a Latino with an MBA in my senior year of high school," he said. "It seemed like a near-impossible journey, but it was encouraging and had an impact on me ultimately pursuing the same path."

As a graduate student pursuing finance, Jesse drew on his interest in the factors behind the 2008 global recession, a subject that also fueled his undergraduate studies. Scholarships supported him in his academic goals.

"I am grateful for the scholarship because it helped me significantly. As an alumnus, I think doing what I can to help current students succeed is important, and financial contribution is a strong piece of that."

- JESSE RODRIGUEZ '13, MBA '19

Today as a financial analyst with Upwelling Capital Group in Davis, he advises institutional investors on their private equity portfolios. He credits the Graduate School of Management as giving him the foundation he needed to thrive in the finance field.

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Library a second home for new students



**Research and
resources key
to student
success**

Dear Kilby,

Like many first-generation college students, Emily Mijangos '20 relied heavily on the library for resources and support when she arrived at UC Davis.

From the UC Davis librarians, Emily learned how to research credible sources she could reference in her academic papers. The large study spaces available in Shields Library also facilitated team collaboration on her large group projects.

"As a first-generation college student, I gravitated towards the library. I came into college really lost, with less resources than other students. The library became my second home."

- EMILY MIJANGOS '20

"For one class, I had to meet consistently with a team of nine people," Emily said. "We really needed a place with a big screen where we could work together on our project."

Because group study rooms with digital screens are in such high demand, she hopes more could eventually be added. "It would be so helpful to me and all of my friends," she said.

By supporting the UC Davis Library today, you provide important resources and guidance

that help first-generation students like Emily succeed. [Join us!](#)

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Training bees to fly (but why?)

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Dear Kilby,

Did you ever think of training bees to fly upwind?

Associate Professor Stacey Combes, a Chancellor's Fellow, does exactly that. She lures bees through a long wind tunnel using fake flowers and nectar while high-speed cameras capture every movement.

The purpose? To better understand how bees fly and forage — an important question for our food supply as climate change reshapes ecosystems for bees and other pollinators.

“My goal is to inspire students to be constantly curious about the world around them—and to understand how to go from that curiosity to designing a scientific study and critically evaluating the results.”

- STACEY COMBES, 2019 CHANCELLOR'S FELLOW AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF NEUROBIOLOGY, PHYSIOLOGY AND BEHAVIOR

The research fascinates students, said Combes: “They love it, and end up looking at insects and animals in a whole new way.”

A Chancellor's Fellows award, supported in part by the Parents Fund, will allow Combes to expand on her work. For two decades, the Chancellor's Fellows program has helped early

career faculty pursue important research and offer life-changing learning opportunities for students. [Your gift today will continue that amazing legacy. Join us!](#)

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Sport Clubs fuel fitness, fun and leadership



Dear Kilby,

What keeps students physically and mentally fit—and provides meaningful social connections, leadership experience, and enough fun to fuel happy memories for a lifetime?

The Campus Recreation Sport Clubs program encompasses 39 sport clubs and 2,000 student athletes—and they all are run by students, emphasized staff coordinator Mike Dominguez.

“The students are the ones putting in the work day after day outside of their schoolwork, jobs and internships,” Dominguez said. “They build friendships and skills such as budget and time management, organization, work ethic, public speaking, problem solving, communication, marketing, community outreach and team building. These are all skills top companies are searching for in their employees.”

“I don’t know what my college experience would have been without Club Volleyball. I learned how to manage my time better, improve my skills in volleyball and, of course, meet new people. I had the opportunity to hold officer positions for two years and considered the club my family.”

- PAOLO CASTILLO '19

Their hard work pays off. Women’s Water Polo are frequent national champions; Women’s

Soccer placed second nationwide; Fencing won the Northern California Intercollegiate League Cup for the first time in 10 years; and Men's Crew and Women's Crew raised more than \$120,000.

When you give to our Campus Recreation Sport Clubs program, you invest in a hands-on learning program that builds community and teaches valuable leadership skills through participation. [Join us and support Sport Clubs today!](#)



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“What do cell phones mean for us?” art show asks

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Doug Aitken, *NEW ERA*, 2018. Video installation with three channels of video (color, sound), three projections, freestanding room, PVC projection screens, mirrors. 10:56 minutes/loop. Installation dimensions variable. Edition of 4, with 2 AP, DA 620. © Doug Aitken / Courtesy 303 Gallery, New York

Dear Kilby,

More people now own cell phones than toilets, a U.N. study says. An immersive, walk-in video installation from artist Doug Aitken at the Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art this fall explores the miracle of instant global connection—and the downside of being tethered to constant overload.

NEW ERA, an installation by Doug Aitken that previously showed in New York, Europe and Asia, comes to the Manetti Shrem Museum starting September 26. Visitors are invited into a unique immersive environment that pushes the limits of perception in an exploration of contemporary culture. The installation includes an interview with Motorola executive Martin Cooper, 90, who invented the cell phone in 1973, and kaleidoscopic, multiplying images of his early DynaTAC phones.

"Aitken raises philosophical questions about the challenges of immediate access to communication and network while we distance ourselves from our metaphysical being," said Manetti Shrem Museum's Founding Director Rachel Teagle. "The artist has earned international acclaim with his groundbreaking work that redefines how we experience art."

NEW ERA is a fine example of **world-class art offered free of charge to all** at the Manetti Shrem Museum, which serves as a creative hub and vibrant learning space for all to enjoy.

While gifts of any amount are welcome, **by giving just \$25 a month, you can join our Museum Partners** and help us **maintain our commitment to being free for all**. Museum Partners also enjoy such benefits as access to exclusive Partner Events, recognition on our annual donor wall, and priority notice and early registration for select public programs.

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NEW ERA runs September 26, 2019–June 14, 2020.

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Educating teachers for classroom success



Dear Kilby,

When her students walked into her classroom on that first day of school, Natalie De La Cruz (Cred. '19) immediately went into teacher mode. "I knew what to do because the credential program prepared me so well," she said.

Now, a few weeks into the school year, Natalie's confidence continues to grow and she is proud to be teaching in the Sacramento community where she grew up. She credits scholarship support for allowing her to complete her education.

"Your gifts to the School of Education truly make a difference and pave the way for learning."

- NATALIE DE LA CRUZ (CRED. '19)

"Becoming a teacher is very rigorous, and it's nearly impossible to have a job on top of classes and full-time student teaching," Natalie said. "That support took a lot of stress off me and allowed me to focus on my studies."

When you make a gift to the School of Education, you are supporting future teachers like

Natalie who may not otherwise be able to earn their teaching credential at UC Davis. [Join us!](#)

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Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 4:00 PM
To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Navigating legal waters in the tech industry



Dear Kilby,

Scholarship recipient Benny Lima '18, JD '21 wants to be to be on the front lines of 21st Century technology. After graduation, he plans to make an impact by working with emerging companies and venture capital.

"My dream is to influence society on a national scale through technology and innovation," said Benny.

As a first-generation college student, Benny is grateful to receive merit and need-based scholarships at King Hall, nationally ranked 4th in generosity of financial aid at public law schools.

"I know first-hand that any amount truly makes a difference."

- BENNY LIMA, '18, JD '21

Benny chose King Hall knowing its reputation as one of the few law schools truly committed to recruiting an exceptional and diverse student body. His class of 2021, includes 30 percent

first generation students, 58 percent women, and 53 percent students of color, all with diverse dreams and passions.

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: New dean, new academic year



Dear Kilby,

Is it fair to say that your UC Davis medical education has had a huge positive impact on the physician you are today? Can you look back and truly appreciate the education you received from UC Davis School of Medicine?

If the answer is yes, now is a perfect time to give back once again and renew your gift to the School of Medicine. Your annual support is so important, and truly needed to ensure that our students have the same positive experience you did.

Alumni participation is crucial to our success as a medical school. Each year, every gift makes a difference. You have been a part of that success in the past, and our hope is that you will continue to count yourself among our annual donors.

This year, consider directing your support to the School of Medicine Alumni Scholarship Fund, which provides critical support for our entering students; or the School of Medicine Annual Fund, our unrestricted fund which enhances medical education in myriad ways wherever the need is greatest in a given year.

With [Dr. Allison Brashear](#) taking the helm as our new dean of the School of Medicine, this is the perfect time to once again show your support and your pride in your medical education.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 4:03 PM
To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: Building diversity in nursing



Dear Kilby,

When Carter Todd MS '19 wanted to learn why more black men weren't nurses, he got them talking where they'd feel comfortable: at the barbershop.

As a pediatric ICU nurse at UC Davis Medical Center, Todd is one of the nation's roughly 280,000 black registered nurses, few of whom are men.

"I want to change that, because nursing is a wonderful option for us," said Todd, a graduate of the leadership program at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing.

"When I asked how to get more African American men into nursing, several participants said, 'By doing what you're doing—getting out and talking about nursing.' Until we advocate for nursing in the community—in places like churches, schools and barbershops—things won't change."

- CARTER TODD, MS '19

Scholarship support allowed Todd to hit Sacramento barbershops for his thesis project. There he found that challenging the stigma of nursing as feminine and providing accurate information about nursing education made men more open to considering it as a viable career path.

Your gift to the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing supports top quality education and research that advances the nursing profession—and opens the door to diverse new students. **Join us!**

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To: Kilby E Graham
Subject: The Class of '92 is leading the way



Dear Kilby,

By challenging the Class of '92 to name the Hot Lab in the All Species Imaging Center at the future Veterinary Medical Center, Dr. Jon Klingborg BS '87 DVM '92 figured out a way for his class to make a philanthropic impact on every future graduate from the School of Veterinary Medicine.

That's because working in the new center will be a required rotation for literally every student.

When completed, the new All Species Imaging Center will bring together veterinarians, physicians, researchers and other scientists across multiple disciplines to expand innovation in imaging, so it will be an excellent place for students to learn.

"If there is one word that describes the Class of '92, it is 'caring.' As students, we took care of one another and, decades later, our friendships are going strong. To celebrate our reunion, we've chosen to give the School a gift that will support and nurture every Veterinary Student."

- DR. JON KLINGBORG DVM '92

The Center will include CT, MRI and PET scan imaging modalities and will be at the cutting edge of detecting, diagnosing and treating disease and trauma.

A second-generation alumnus, Jon is an Alumni Achievement Award recipient, veterinarian and practice owner at Valley Animal Hospital of Merced in Merced, CA, and a former CVMA President. **He hopes this gift with his fellow classmates will inspire other classes to do the same.**

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