The State of Boise State University

Dr. Robert Kustra
August 2013
Welcome New Faces!

- Laura Simic, Vice President, Advancement
- Tracy Bicknell-Holmes, Dean, Albertsons Library
- James Anderson, Associate Vice President, Enrollment Services
- Greg Hahn, Associate Vice President, Communications & Marketing
- David Smith, Associate Vice President, Campus Planning & Facilities
- Dean Kennedy, Director of Housing and Residence Life
- Larry Harmon, Director, Internal Audit & Advisory Services
- Shari Ellertson, Director, Institutional Research
- Tomas Baiza, Director, Academic Advising and Enhancement
- Chris Anton, COO, Boise State University Foundation
- Corey Ihmels, Head Coach, Track and Field
- Jim Thomas, Head Coach, Women’s Soccer
Welcome

New Faculty!

**College of Arts & Sciences**
- Eric Hayden, Biology - Portland State University
- Brad Morrison, Biology - University of Texas
- Marion Lytle, Geosciences - University of Rhode Island
- Lucas Spaete, Geosciences - Michigan Technological University
- Nancy Glenn, Geosciences - University of Nevada Reno
- Sage Paisner, Art - Pennsylvania State University
- Joseph Bolstad, Art - California Institute of Arts
- Kelly Myers, English - University of Texas
- Benoît Leclercq, World Languages - University of Wisconsin-Madison

**College of Engineering**
- Bhaskar Chittoori, Civil Engineering - University of Texas
- Yang Lu, Civil Engineering - Virginia Tech
- Steve Cutchin, Computer Science - Purdue University
- Vijay Dialani, Computer Science - University of Southampton
- Dianxiang Xu, Computer Science - Nanjing University
- Kurtis Cantley, Electrical Engineering - University of Texas
- David Estrada, Mat Science - University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- Katy D'Amico - University of Arizona
- Jing Wang, Mech & Biomed - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

**College of Health Sciences**
- Cara Gallegos, Nursing - University of New Mexico
- Mark Siemon, Nursing - University of New Mexico
- Janet Willhaus, Nursing - Washington State University
- Betzi Quiroz, Nursing - Gonzaga University
- Paula Shaver, Nursing - University of Wyoming
- Shirley Van Zandt, Nursing - Columbia University
- Mike Berlin, Community & Environ. Health - Univ of Southern California
- Erica Wight, Radiological Sciences - City University of Seattle

**College of Education**
- David Gabbard, Bilingual Ed - University of Cincinnati
- Norm Friesen, Ed Tech - University of Alberta
- Brett Shelton, Ed Tech - University of Washington
- Jesus Trespalacios, Ed Tech - Virginia Tech
- Scott Conger, Kinesiology - University of Tennessee

**Social Sciences & Public Affairs**
- Samantha Blatt, Anthropology - Ohio State University
- Tammy Buonasera, Anthropology - University of Arizona
- Lane Gillespie, Criminal Justice - University of South Florida
- Marc Ruffinengo, Criminal Justice - Arizona State University
- Rebecca Castellano, Sociology - Ohio State University
- Monica Hubbard, Public Administration - Oregon State University
- Julie Van Dusky-Allen, Political Science - Binghamton University
- Stephen Allen, History - Rutgers University
- John Ysursa, History - University of California Riverside

**Foundational Studies**
- Lisa Meierotto -- University of Washington

**Albertsons Library**
- Jennele Estrada - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
“Student Drought Hits Smaller Universities”
The Wall Street Journal; July 25, 2013

“Healing Economy Crimps Northland Colleges”
Duluth News Tribune; Aug. 4, 2013

“College Enrollment Falls as Economy Recovers”
Enrollment Trends

College enrollment growth is projected to be just 1.2% a year between 2011 and 2021.

High school graduate numbers are expected to drop by 28,000 by 2021.

But Idaho is one of just a few states where high school graduates will continue to grow.
Tuition everywhere has jumped

Source: Education Advisory Board
“Spiraling college costs and student debt spark doubts over payoffs.”
Deseret News; May 20, 2012

“Are College Degrees Worth the Money?”
Yahoo News; Aug. 5, 2013

“Does College Still Pay Off?”
CNN; Aug. 6, 2013
“Can We Fix the Skills Gap?”
Forbes; Aug. 2, 2013

“Millennials … Suffer High Rates of Unemployment”
National Catholic Reporter; Aug. 12, 2013

“College Grads: Overqualified and Unprepared?”
USA Today; May 24, 2013
“For 2013, Moody's revises its outlook for the entire US higher education sector to negative, marking a shift to negative from stable for even the sector's market leading diversified colleges and universities... The new sector-wide negative outlook reflects mounting pressure on all key university revenue sources, requiring bolder actions by university leaders to reduce costs and increase operating efficiency.”

Moody’s Investor Service
“Fifteen years from now more than half of the universities will be in bankruptcy, including the state schools.”

-- Clayton Christensen
Harvard Business School
“Massachusetts Ties Community College Funding to Results.”
Boston Globe; Aug 12, 2013

“Graduation Rates, Test Scores Drive Higher Education Funding”
Stateline; July 8, 2013

“Cuts at Clarion U. of Pennsylvania would end 18 Tenured Faculty Jobs”
Chronicle of Higher Education; Aug 19, 2013
“(I am) bound and determined that the government is not going to grow back at the same rate that the economy grows. … there’s no reason to go back to the old way of doing things: because we got a little extra money, let’s spend it.”

Governor Butch Otter to the Idaho Statesman
May 21, 2013
Program Prioritization

• The goal: Ensure that the University is focused and aligned with the needs of its students and the future economy into which they will graduate.
• The process started with a one-year mandate from Boise State’s Board of Trustees.
• Boise State will seize the opportunity to build a meaningful foundation for making rigorous, long-term decisions to improve all of our university offerings.

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Foundational Studies
Learning Outcomes

• Critical thinking
• Problem-solving and inquiry
• Written and oral communications
• Innovation and teamwork
• Ethics and diversity
An emphasis on STEM
Blurring traditional lines
A unique Venture

Inaugural class includes students from:

- Health Science / Addiction Studies
- Business Administration (Masters)
- History
- Computer Science
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Business & Economics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Communications
- Kinesiology
- Public Administration
Attracting Attention with Tech

OnlineColleges.net listed 11 colleges “going all in on Mobile” in September 2012. Among them were:

- MIT
- Purdue University
- University of Louisville
- University of San Diego
- Stanford University
- Harvard University
- **Boise State University!**
Honors heads to Oxford
Broncos take Pompeii
New Football Complex
Generation on a Tightrope

• First generation of digital natives
• More diverse and more global in orientation
• Technology makes them more connected and yet more isolated than ever before
• More immature, dependent and entitled than prior generations
• Products of the worst economy since the Great Depression
Thank You!

President’s Picnic
TODAY
On the Quad
11:30-1:00

Convocation
Friday, August 23
Morrison Center
3:00-4:00