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TO: University Senate

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SUBJECT: President's Report

# I. ENROLLMENT DATA FOR FALL 2011

On the September 20 enrollment snapshot date, Stony Brook University reported 24,208 registered students, 739 more students than Day 1 enrollment for the fall semester. The total enrollment figures, reflect 486 fewer students than last year, primarily as a result of planned reductions in the number of undergraduate students.

## II. NYSUNY 2020 UPDATE

We are still waiting for the Governor to sign our NYSUNY 2020 Challenge grant application, which is now expected sometime in November. His formal approval of our plan is needed to provide us with \$35 million in funding to jump-start the construction of a translational medical research center and to allow us to start charging nonresident undergraduate students a higher tuition rate than is being charged at non-university centers. It will also allow us to start billing our students the \$75 Academic Excellence and Success fee. We are currently billing all of our other students at this year's increased tuition rates.

# III. SBU COURSE AND LAB FEES

Last spring, several fee requests were submitted to SUNY for approval. Although some of the requests are still awaiting review, we recently received approval for the following Undergraduate Lab fees:

Biology Chemistry Physics Biomedical Engineering Mechanical Engineering

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The approved fees are projected to generate increased revenue totaling \$369,210. We are still working with SUNY on the review and approval process for course and lab fees in Anthropology, Art History, Chemical Engineering, Geology, Journalism, Pharmacology, SOMAS and Music. We are hopeful that we will receive approval on these in the near future.

### IV. CONSTRUCTION/FACILITIES UPDATE <u>Translational Medical Research Building</u>

The design process has started for a Translational Medical Research building. This new 250,000 gross square foot, eight story facility will be the University's new headquarters for cancer research, advanced medical imaging and cancer care. The building will be located on East Campus adjacent to a planned Bed Tower addition.

#### **Old Chemistry Building**

Construction began six months early on the rehabilitation and expansion of the Old Chemistry building. This project will transform the facility into a state-of-the-art classroom building with three 250 seat lecture halls. Construction is scheduled to be completed by fall 2013.

#### **Graduate and Professional Student Housing**

Planning is underway for a 700-bed graduate and professional student housing complex located on the East Campus, south of Chapin Apartments. Design is expected to begin in late Fall 2011.

#### The Laufer Center

The Laufer Center for Physical and Quantitative Biology is under construction in the old Life Sciences Library. The project is scheduled to be completed this semester.

#### **Computer Science Building**

Design for a new 55,000 square foot Computer Science building has been completed. Location for the new building is adjacent to the existing Computer Science building.

### V. SBU TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENTS

The University has been making tremendous progress in its efforts to enhance **IT services** throughout the campus under the leadership of our new **CIO Christopher Kielt**. A number of important enhancements related to email services, networking, teaching and learning technology, IT assistance, student technology services, and safety and security have been implemented or are currently underway.

We recently launched a project that will be led by a steering committee comprised of faculty, staff and students to select a comprehensive new set of electronic mail and communication services for SBU. This will improve our email services, increase our administrative efficiencies, strengthen our ability to support faculty and student collaboration efforts, and expand our ability to support multi-disciplinary research efforts.

#### VI. PROJECT 50 FORWARD

As part of Project 50 Forward, we are continuing to work towards implementing the new budgeting processes and systems associated with that initiative. We have already included two faculty members on the Budget and Finance Steering Committee and will be expanding that committee by two additional faculty members who will be recommended by the University Senate and approved by the Provost.

#### VII. SELECT UNIVERSITY EVENTS

- SUNY Showcase—Stony Brook University will serve as the host campus for SUNY's Long Island Regional Showcase on Wednesday, October 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Wang Center. Designed to celebrate the best of the State University of New York system, SUNY's Long Island Showcase will feature displays from Farmingdale State College, Nassau Community College, the College at Old Westbury, Suffolk County Community College, Empire State College and Stony Brook University. SUNY Chancellor Nancy Zimpher and the presidents of each of the participating institutions will be on hand for the event. As part of the Showcase, each campus will highlight unique academic programs and specific areas of excellence for their institution. Stony Brook will highlight the areas of economic development, medical innovation and research, community outreach, global initiatives, energy and sustainability, and the School of Journalism. The Showcase is free and open to the public. SUNY will host nine other regional showcase events through 2012. For more information visit www.suny.edu.
- From Oct. 4 through Nov. 6 at the Charles B. Wang Center, Stony Brook University will showcase Recycling & Reincarnation: Exhibition of Public Art, Image Communication and Industrial Design, featuring the work of artists affiliated with East China Normal University (ECNU) in Shanghai. The opening reception for the exhibit, which will be attended by ECNU's president and other senior officials, is scheduled for October 4, at 4:30 p.m., in the Wang Center.
- Hispanic Heritage Month—This month, the University is pleased to acknowledge its support of Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages your involvement in the many academic, cultural and social activities that are planned throughout October. For more information about related events, visit the SBU Hispanic Heritage Month Web pages.

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#### VIII. FACULTY/STUDENT HONORS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS <u>SBU Biomedical Professor Receive Presidential Award</u>

**Dr. Lilianne R. Mujica-Parodi**, an Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering in the Stony Brook University School of Medicine and the Director of the Laboratory for the Study of Emotion and Cognition (LSEC), has been named by President Barack Obama as a recipient of the Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE), the highest honor bestowed by the United States government on science and engineering professionals in the early stages of their research careers. She is one of 94 researchers in the nation to receive the award this year, and the third from Stony Brook University in the past three years.

### SBU Graduate Student Awarded Fulbright Scholarship

The United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board recently announced that Stony Brook graduate student **Andréa Nesteruk** has been awarded a Fulbright Student Program scholarship for an English Teaching Assistantship in Italy. She is one of approximately 1,600 U.S. citizens, and the only one from Stony Brook University, who will travel abroad through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program during the 2011-2012 academic year.