

New Beginnings

Full quarter is underway and campus is bustling once again. We are actively welcoming the newest ACE cohort, the Class of 2012. We find ourselves missing those who graduated last year, but know you are experiencing wonderful new adventures around the world.

The 2008-2009 academic year will be known as one for new beginnings. In September, the Leavey School of Business dedicated its new home—the technologically advanced Lucas Hall. Students, faculty, and staff overwhelmingly approve of the new facility and Lucas Hall is already becoming a favorite spot on campus.

The university will welcome its 28th president in January. Father Michael Engh, S.J., distinguished historian and current Dean of Liberal Arts at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, will be succeeding Father Paul Locatelli.

As the year progresses the business school will be preparing for Barry Posner's departure as dean in July, marking 4,475 days of service. After a year sabbatical, Barry

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Buon Giorno from ACE Student Ryan Amante

Learning Business with a Global Accent



Milan is one of the largest fashion centers in the world, as well as one of the largest financial centers of Italy—perfect for a Marketing major like Ryan Amante

There are things I've done that I will tell my children about. Then there are things I've done that I know my friends will tell my children about. Now that I've gone abroad, neither my friends nor I will be short of stories to tell.

My name is Ryan Amante, and I'm a junior marketing major. When I had to choose the location for my abroad experience, Milan, Italy was a pretty attractive choice. It's one of the largest fashion centers in the world, as well as one of the largest financial centers of Italy.

My cultural experience so far has been unbelievable. Just this weekend, I had the

opportunity to travel and play with the Collegio di Milano soccer team in Tuscany for a tournament. Believe me—if you asked the Italians about their culture, calcio (soccer) would be at the top of their list.

My academic experiences have been nothing short of astounding either. I have never done anything like visiting Salvatore Ferragamo and the Design Museum for my marketing class or even something as small as walking into a grocery store and having to ask for a kilo of mozzarella in Italian.

As a true beginner in Italian, it was a bit of work to get accustomed to using the language on a regular basis, but

once I started to follow it more easily, I felt like a whole new culture had been laid at my feet. Much like in the ACE program, once everything was approached with an open mind and unwavering determination, it was just an easy step from there into the stream of cultural immersion.

Luckily, the business skills I learned from ACE even helped me obtain a job here, and I'm doing well, using it to support my Italian lifestyle—in other words, it helps put the pasta on the table.

Ciao from Italy, and from the ACE representative in Milano. ♠

ACE Alumna Kristin Love Boscia

Relationships help forge new paths



Kristin Love Boscia had no idea when she started SCU as a member of the second class of Accelerated Cooperative Education (ACE) students in 1999, that nine years later, she'd be graduating from SCU's School of Law.

And, instead of the career in public relations or marketing she planned, she would be looking for work as an immigration lawyer. Boscia says that — given the leadership and service aspects of the ACE program — her law goals aren't as far a stretch as might be imagined.

"I wanted to do something to make a positive impact on the world in a different way," she says.

That led to her starting a second economics major in the School of Arts and Sciences.

After graduating with a double degree in marketing and economics and a minor in religious studies, she joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps serving as a legal caseworker for a year at the Catholic Charities Cabrini Center for Immigrant Legal Assistance in Houston,

Tex. Boscia, who speaks Spanish, says that job brought together her interests in business, economics and law.

During her time there, she coordinated political asylum and unaccompanied refugee minor programs, helped clients obtain work permits and green cards, and worked with survivors of human trafficking, political persecution and

inestimable value, starting when she was matched with a mentor as a freshman, a CEO of a local company; continuing through her ACE cohort membership; to her husband, Chris Boscia, who worked in SCU's DISCOVER (Developing and Inspiring Scholarly Communities Oriented toward Vocational Engagement and Reflection)"

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domestic violence to prepare documents for immigration relief.

"Helping people get work permits makes you feel like you're making a difference," she says. "But it also uses many of the skills I learned in business school, including time management and leadership."

She says the support and relationships she started at Santa Clara have also been of

Project when they met her junior year.

"In this area, it really means something to be from Santa Clara," she says. "The SCU network doesn't just happen. People make it happen with programs like ACE that help build relationships. I don't think I recognized that as a freshman, but looking back, I really appreciate it." ♠

ACE in Action

Wendy Hsieh '01 recently graduated from the McCombs School of Business in Austin, TX and will start at Textron Inc. in Providence, RI.

Michael Pellegrini '02 and his wife, Alissa '02, had their first child, Julia Christine, on April 28, 2008. On the work front, Michael is entering his 6th year with Marsh Risk & Insurance Service where he serves as Vice President for the Marine Practice.

Lindsey Braff '03, is a Vice President at Willis Re in Seattle. She'll be relocating to San Francisco in October after her upcoming wedding.

Sean Bui '03 graduated from Santa University Law School in 2007 and is currently working as a Staff Attorney for Santa Clara County Superior Court in the Family Law Facilitator's Office.

Clint Nohavec '03 is an MBA student at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management in Chicago, IL. He and his wife Erika, an attorney, are celebrating their one-year wedding anniversary in August.

Abel Cuskelly '04 is working at Merrill Lynch as well as currently developing a web community site with one other co-founder called Yocal Music (www.YocalMusic.com).

Kerrie Foy-Babbage '06 and her husband, Daniel, welcomed their first son in February 2008.

More updates may be found at www.scu.edu/business/ace/ and you can send us your news—change of address, change of job, change of status—at:

UGBPrograms@scu.edu

Congratulations Class of 2011 : A Successful 1st Year



The ACE Class of 2011 did a tremendous job completing their first year of college. We congratulate them on their efforts and wish them the best as they begin their sophomore year.

<i>ACE Student</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Tracy Akashi	Santa Rosa Valley, CA
Cassie Braun	Livermore, CA
Matt Chee	Waipahu, HI
Eduardo Choto	Las Vegas, NV
Bobbi Cornell	Aptos, CA
Justin Gilio	Fresno, CA
Lori Hsu	Fremont, CA
Audrey Kambara	Los Angeles, CA
Beth Kiikvee	Richmond, CA
Cynthia Lam	Pleasant Hill, CA
George Lawrence	Spokane, WA
Ariana Lujan	Ventura, CA
Kevin Mahaffy	Scottsdale, AZ
Chris Max	Bethesda, MD
Jodi Montoya	Corrales, NM
Jessica Nakamura	San Mateo, CA
Kiersten Petesch	Redmond, WA
Carolyn Sage	Mercer Island, WA
Marty Sanchez	Fairfield, CA
Aron Satre	Helena, MT
Jill Schoenfelder	Gig Harbor, WA
Thain Simon	El Dorado Hills, CA
Adrian Tan	Milpitas, CA

Expand your SCU Network

Now SCU Business School alumni have more opportunities to connect with other Leavey School of Business alumni.

Are you on Facebook? Use LinkedIn? Sticking with inCircle? Using all of them? No matter which online networking tool you use, you are never far away from your SCU colleagues! Add yourself to a new network to re-connect with old friends and make new ones.

Go to www.scu.edu/business/alumni/connections/ or use the links below:

FACEBOOK

www.new.facebook.com/group.php?gid=20998993602

LINKEDIN

www.linkedin.com/e/gis/2634/4BF3D501AEE4/

INCIRCLE

www.scu.edu/alumni/incircle/

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Get in touch with your news. E-mail us at:
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Welcome to the ACE Class of 2012

<i>Name</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
Jamie Barnes	Portland, OR
Matthew Briggs	Edina, MN
Amanda Buthe	Portland, OR
Alexandria Carpenter	Spokane, WA
Spencer Chavez	Fullerton, CA
Bao Dong	San Jose, CA
Erik Fialho	Arroyo Grande, CA
Elaina Gianotas	Bellevue, WA
Todd Lane	Renton, WA
Christianne Lucas	Auburn, CA
Andrew Marcelino	Chicago, IL
Melba Mathew	San Jose, CA
Mitchell Metling	Pacifica, CA
Cynthia Naumes	Medford, OR
Eric Nelson	Seattle, WA
Whitney Nelson	Paradise, CA
Nicole Ramos	Reno, NV
Nathan Schaeffer	Bellevue, WA
Neil Shah	Salinas, CA
Christian Spencer	Mukilteo, WA
Nicholas Swan	Bainbridge Island, WA
Chase Thomet	Eugene, OR
Khanh Le Trinh	San Jose, CA
Ana Valdes	Mill Creek, WA
Victoria Watson	Los Gatos, CA
Kortney Wynn	Benicia, CA
Brett Zylstra	Santa Barbara, CA

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will return to the business school as a professor of leadership. The dean's search is underway and we look forward to welcoming our new leader next September.

Finally, the ACE Program is also welcoming a new Faculty Advisor. Buford Barr, a faculty member in the marketing and communications departments, will hold this position for the 2008-09 year and is sure to bring fresh ideas and energy to the program. Professor Barr steps into the role created by our colleague, Tyzoon Tyebjee.

The excitement of a new year brings many new starts and opportunities, and provides us time to reflect on previous years. We hope you find some time to think back to your time at SCU and remember the fun of each new school year.

Enjoy this edition of *ACE Your Life*. Please send any comments, suggestions or story ideas to UGBPrograms@scu.edu.

Tonja Brown

The ACE Alumni Network invites you to the

2008 Fall Social
Saturday, November 8
12:00—3:00 PM

Pellegrini Family Vineyards
Santa Rosa, California

Spend an afternoon catching up with old friends, enjoying appetizers, wine tasting, and a tour of the vineyards.

Thank you to Michael Pellegrini ACE '02 and the Pellegrini Family for the arrangements.

\$35/person

RSVP by November 3

www.scu.edu/business/ace/news/

Free charter bus transportation from SF to the vineyards is available, but you must reserve by November 3.

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What's new with your ACE colleagues?