



# **CPP Alumnus Appointed State Geologist**

Alumnus Jeremy Lancaster ('00, geological sciences) was appointed to the top post of State Geologist for the <u>California</u>
<u>Geological Survey</u> (CGS) with the <u>Department of Conservation</u>.

When asked how CPP prepared him for his career, Lancaster said, "I appreciate that there were high expectations. The learn-by-doing resonated with me. We spent time in the field looking at rocks, looking at faults, looking at landslides. Every 2-3 weeks I



### **The Gift of Numbers**

Over twenty years ago, a program was born at CPP called The Gift of Numbers. The concept was simple, take CPP students into elementary, middle, and high schools to teach math. The program has two goals, first to provide a teaching experience, and second to make math more interesting and engaging. The program is so popular that they get more requests than they can accommodate.



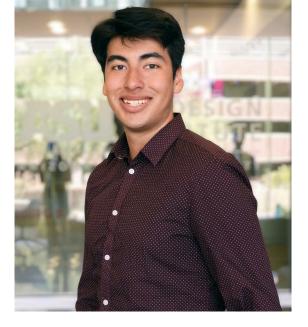
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## In Memoriam: Paul Hiemenz

Beloved chemistry professor emeritus and SEES founder Paul C. Hiemenz passed away on November 8, 2023. He was 87 years old. Hiemenz was the son of Charles P. Hiemenz and Corinne Dowbridge. He received his BS degree from LMU in 1958 and his Ph.D. from USC in 1964. He began teaching at CPP in 1964 and in 1987 founded Science Educational Enhancement Services (SEES).

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### **News**



Ethan Chavarin, a member of Associate Professor Chantal Stieber's lab, received a 2023 SACNAS Student Presentation Award at the National Diversity in STEM Conference. SACNAS is the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science. There were 1,171 posters and oral presentations at this year's conference in Portland, Oregon. Chavarin presented the poster: Bidentate N-heterocyclic Carbene Nickel Complexes for C-F Activation of Hexafluorobenzene. Judges noted that Chavarin's communication skills and command of the topic were exemplary.

#### **Publications**

If you have a recent publication that is not included, please let us know so that it can be listed in next month's newsletter! email: djgriggs@cpp.edu

- 1. Knights, A., Lemasson, A., Firth, L., Beaumont, N., Birchenough, S., Claisse, J., Joop, C., Copping, A., de Dominicis, M., Degraer, S., Elliott, M., Fernandes, P., Fowler, A., Frost, M., Lea-Anne, H., Hicks, N., Hyder, K., Jagerroos, S., Love, M., ... Somerfield, P. (2023). *To What Extent Can Decommissioning Options for Marine Artificial Structures Move US toward Environmental Targets?* https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4544212
- **2.** Najera, J., Berry, M. M., Ramirez, A. D., Reyes, B. R., Angel, A., **Jellyman, J.** K., & **Mercer, F.** (2023). Bovine neutrophils kill the sexually-transmitted parasite Tritrichomonas foetus using trogocytosis. *Veterinary Research Communications*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s11259-023-10260-5">https://doi.org/10.1007/s11259-023-10260-5</a>
- 3. Díaz-Márquez, E., Grau, R., Busquet, G., Miquel Girart, J., Sánchez-Monge, Á., Palau, A., Matthew Povich, S., Añez-López, N., Baobab Liu, H., Zhang, Q., & Estalella, R. (2023). Radio survey of the stellar population in the Infrared Dark Cloud G14.225-0.506. *Astronomy & Astrophysics*. https://doi.org/10.1051/0004-6361/202348085

#### **Grants**

**Professor Steve Alas, SEES, and Department of Biological Sciences**, CSU LSAMP Senior Alliance-Chancellor's Office Supplement, University Enterprises, Inc. (2023-2024)

**Professor Andrew Steele, Department of Biological Sciences**, Broadening Access with an Armamentarium Vector Core Powered by Inclusive Research Experiences, California Institute of Technology (2023-2024)

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## **College of Science Advising Center**

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

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Dec. 11-17: Finals
Dec. 21: Grades due
Dec. 25: Campus closed

Dec. 26- Jan. 2: Winter Intersession

(2 weeks)

Dec. 26- Jan. 17: Winter Intersession

(4 weeks)

Jan. 1: Campus closed

Jan. 8: Add/drop period begins for Spring

'24

Jan. 20: First day of Spring '24 classes

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