

# ALLIANT INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

## ALUMNI EXPRESS

For USIU, Cal Western & CSPP Alumni

Fall 2008

**Celebrating Years 85 of Alliant & 40 Years of CSPP**



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*Dear Mike,*

*The coming year is an auspicious one for us! It marks the 40th anniversary of the founding of the California School of Professional Psychology and the 85th anniversary of the founding of Balboa College, in San Diego, which later became United States International University -- all of which became Alliant International University.*

*There is much to be thankful for here at Alliant as President Cox's letter below notes. We have opened a new Sacramento campus upstairs from KVIE public TV, and over the past 4 years, enrollments have increased by 26 percent! Read on to catch up with your fellow alumni and check out our growing online communities. And be sure to come visit us at our [Alumni Connect Website](#) - your online alumni hub.*

*-Your Alumni Express Editor*

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#### Quick Links

- [Check out our new Continuing Education website](#)
- [Free CE Gumballs](#)
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## Census: Alumni Online Social Media Sites Thriving!

An online census of Alliant's social media communities shows explosive growth. The census, taken on October 29, 2008 found the following Alliant-affiliated groups:

## Alumni News Notes

Mauritius' newly appointed Ambassador to Sweden is Alliant alumnus **Abhimanu Mahendra Kundasamy (MIBA, USIU 1989)**. He presented his letter of credence to the Swedish King on Nov. 12, 2008.



Alliant alumna **Anne-Marie Larsen, PhD (CSPP 2005)** is running the Forensic Psychology Program at California Baptist University in Riverside, CA. She is an Assistant Professor of Psychology and Director, Graduate Program in Forensic Psychology.

**Marshall Goldsmith School of Management (MGSM) alumnus Julio (Albert) Garibay, DBA 2008**, is the author of [Information Technology Convergence, Innovation Management and Firm Performance](#). Dr. Garibay works at IBM in San Diego, and his research interests include Knowledge-Based Strategy, Innovation Management, and Alignment between Business and IT Strategies.

**MGSM alumna Niloofar Ghods** attended the first, invitation-only International Coaching Research Forum sponsored by the Foundation of Coaching and the Coaching and Positive Psychology Initiative at Harvard Medical School, McLean Hospital in September. A group of about 40 coaching experts and researchers from around the globe joined at the Harvard Faculty Club to develop 100 coaching research proposals to grow the field of coaching.

**CSPP-San Francisco alumna Lisa Dillard Templeton** has just published the following article, based on her doctoral dissertation: Dillard, L. M. (2006). *Musical countertransference experiences of music therapists: A phenomenological study*. *The Arts in Psychotherapy*, 33(3), p. 208-217.

The dissertation of **CSPP alumnus Ute Zimmerman** was cited online in October. Dr. Zimmerman's 2008 dissertation was *Working memory and processing speed as correlates of math skills in adults with learning disabilities*.

Mr. **Sanath Ukwatte** of Sri Lanka, a philanthropist, humanitarian and alumnus of USIU, received an honorary doctorate from Alliant this spring.

Dr. **Dawn Cone**, a 2008 graduate of the Dual PhD Program in Clinical and Industrial-Organizational Psychology, was the runner-up for the

## AlliantConnect

[www.alliantconnect.org](http://www.alliantconnect.org) -1211 members

## Facebook

- 13 members of [Latino Achievement Initiatives at Alliant](#) group
- 14 members of [United States International University alumni \(1980 - 1990\)](#)
- 26 friends of [USGSA](#) student government
- 28 members of [CSPP MA Class of 2010](#)
- 29 members of [CSPP MA and PhD class of 2009 and 2012](#)
- 33 members of [USIU Watford England](#)
- 35 members of [CSPP-LA PsyD Class of 2012](#)
- 45 members of [2008 CSPP-SF Entering Class](#)
- 55 members of [MGSM at Alliant](#)
- 57 members of [USIU 1999-2000 Alumni](#)
- 58 members of [Envoy magazine](#)
- 61 members of [USIU 1994-1999](#)
- 82 members of [Let's Make Alliant Green](#)
- 94 members of [Ansoffians](#) (also a \$5000 contribution towards naming a classroom)
- 95 members of [USIUE Reunion Jan 14-18 2009](#)
- 96 members of [Sigma Iota Epsilon business fraternity](#)
- 104 members of [Coffee and Art Photographic Gallery](#)
- 134 members of [Center for Forensic Studies](#)
- 159 fans of [Marshall Goldsmith School of Management](#)
- 160 members of [I Survived](#)

Society of Consulting Psychology's RHR International Outstanding Dissertation Award.

In May, in Dayton Ohio, alumnus **Thomas O'Neill Farnsworth** made his first profession of vows as a member of the Society of Mary. His CSPP mentor and former member of the order, Professor Emeritus Christopher Tori was at the ceremony with Tom's family and friends.

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## Letter from our President

*Dear Alum:*

*Exciting things are happening at your alma mater! Thanks in part to new programs in Forensics, Criminal Justice, Education, Marriage and Family Therapy and the strength of our Clinical Psychology and Business Management programs, our enrollment has grown significantly.*



*We have strengthened our commitment to applied research by establishing the Monte Fenix [Institute on the Addictions](#), the [Rockway Institute](#) on LGBT issues and the [Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma](#).*

*We are responding to the urgent issues of our time with several new ventures:*

- *by creating of a new Post-Combat Behavioral Health Certificate for psychologists who deal with returning veterans*
- *by providing psycho-pharmacology interns working with Native Americans and*
- *by focusing on environmental sustainability in the Marshall Goldsmith School of Management.*

*We have renewed our commitment to international education by strengthening our presence in Mexico City. By opening new Tokyo and Hong Kong programs, we have also renewed our commitment to serving our increasingly multicultural society.*

*We are committed to diversity here on our California campuses as well. For the second year, Alliant awarded more doctorates in psychology to*

[USIU Europe](#)

- 201 members of [Alliant International University](#)
- 337 members of [United States International University](#)

### LinkedIn

- 13 members of [Center for Forensic Studies](#)
- 30 members of [USIU Alumni](#)
- 132 members of [Alliant International University](#)

### MySpace

- 6 friends of [Sigma Alpha Pi](#)
- 12 friends of [IOSA](#)
- 34 friends of [IV Feria de Agua](#)
- 36 friends of [Sigma Iota Epsilon business fraternity](#)
- 44 friends of [Envoy magazine](#)
- 118 friends of [Adelante con Alliant](#)
- 1064 friends of [Alliant International University](#)

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## **Participate in Faculty and Student Research**

### GRANDPARENTING SURVEY

CSPP Associate Professor Suni Peterson, PhD is conducting a study on grandparenting roles. She invites anyone who is a grandparent to click this link and take an online, anonymous [grandparenting survey](#).

### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

CSPP San Francisco student Kinshasa Bennett wants to interview parents or guardians of 7th, 8th, or 9th children and the students themselves about achievement and motivation. Participation will be confidential; and take about 10-15

*university and ranked in the top 10 in business doctorates awarded to African Americans.*

*Behind all this good news is an extraordinary group of people - an academic community that draws on the intellectual capital of our fine faculty, alumni, students and staff. I invite you to read profiles of some of the more noteworthy members of the Alliant community in [this year's annual report](#). When you do, I hope you share my pride in Alliant.*

*Thank you for your commitment and generosity to the University.*

*Sincerely yours,  
Geoffrey Cox, PhD  
President, Alliant International University*

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*Dear Mike,*

*It's important to remember that, as an alumnus, you can make a difference for students by giving back to the university for student scholarships, fellowships, faculty chairs or improvements to our campuses. Alliant continues to grow and develop in the many communities we serve but only with your help.*

*You can read about [scholarship recipients on our Alliant Connect website](#) and see how the generous donations of alumni and friends of the university have made a difference for our Alliant students. You can [learn more about Alliant's schools and programs](#) and different [ways of giving](#) on our new giving website. You can also donate securely online at the [Network for Good](#).*

*I also welcome you to contact me personally at [jdemichele@alliant.edu](mailto:jdemichele@alliant.edu) to explore ways you might support the university and its students.*

*Sincerely,  
John DeMichele  
Vice President for Development  
Alliant International University*

minutes of parent/guardian time and 15-20 minutes of child time. A gift certificate will be offered to thank both students and parents or guardians.

Contact

[BennettResearchStudy@gmail.com](mailto:BennettResearchStudy@gmail.com).

#### **WOMEN IN MANAGEMENT**

MGSM San Diego student Stacy P. Miller wants to [survey female managers](#) who have at least one year of experience. Her 20-25 minute survey is about success and barriers perceived by women in management. There is a \$125 incentive drawing for survey participation and for referring others.

#### **OPEN ADOPTION**

Christy Sherman, clinical PhD candidate at CSPP Los Angeles, seeks adults 18-25 who are adoptees from open (or semi-open) adoption arrangements for a 20 minute, confidential, anonymous [adoption survey](#). (Those unsure if their adoption was open are encouraged to participate anyway.)

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**The best way of giving thanks is by giving back.**

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