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# A Message From the Dean

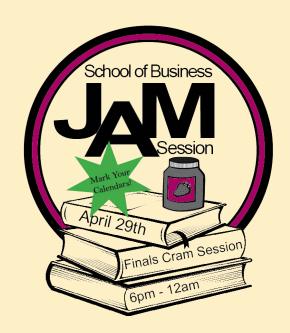


Dr. Dennis Bromley, School of Business Dean

The School of Business sponsored the Spring Semester "Study JAM" on April 29th. The event was held from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. The purpose of the event was to help students prepare for finals or work on group projects. Several group and individual study/tutor sessions were held throughout the Business Building. The Study Jam Committee, Dean, Associate Deans, and Staff/Faculty interacted with students and ran the different activities. New events this year added to the excitement and purpose of the Study JAM. "Shark Tank" was among our new events, where students pitched product ideas to judges. Heather Schumacker's class showcased Macroeconomics and US Economic History Presentations. Jon McGowan held a Robotics event for CSIS students to demonstrate what they created this semester. The Computer Sciences & Information Systems department showcased many of their students' programming projects in their Jamboree. Students were treated to pancakes, ping-pong, and music. The College Store participated by having the Burin Bucks Air Machine and other prizes for the students. Each semester the Study JAM continues to grow. An estimated 300 students, 39 faculty, and 14 staff participated throughout the evening.

I want to extend my sincere appreciation to the Spring Semester Study JAM Committee Chair, Associate Dean, Barbie Willett and the Faculty committee members, Jen Klenk, Sharee Laidlaw, Kristi Grooms, Dennis Wilson, Jon McGowan, Corinne Anderson, and Margret Posch for a successful event. According to participating students this was the best Study JAM yet.





# Spring Semester Study JAM

# A special thanks to all the Faculty & Staff that attended & contributed towards the Study JAM

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**Bookstore/Bruin Bucks Air Machine staff** 







## Mary Perez Retiring

#### Thank you for 36 years of service

Mary Perez started her career 36 years ago at Salt Lake Community College. Mary didn't know great things would come for her and the school. Mary learned that perseverance was the key to success in her personal and professional life.

Mary has been working as the Administrative Assistant for the School of Business, Division of Accounting, Economics, and Finance. She wouldn't have had it any other way, she says. "I studied at this school and now I've been working here for most of my life." She truly has spent many days at the college, whether learning in a classroom or learning at work.



Mary Perez, Admin Assistant

Mary completed a diploma as Executive Secretary and Certification in Stenography,

then an A.A.S. in Executive Secretary/Shorthand Oriented. At the age of 20, she utilized those skills to obtain a secretarial position in SLCC's School of Technology and General Education. Mary recalls being excited to start a new journey. "Meeting the staff members and getting a tour around this campus was amazing. I knew almost everyone. My teachers were now my co-workers," she recalls.

During her 36 years at the college, Mary has worked for a dean; two associate deans, four division chairs, and countless interim division chairs. Mary's favorite part of working at the school is the interaction between the faculty, staff, and students. She said "I will miss that greatly." She has provided much needed continuity within the School of Business.

Mary was born and raised in Salt Lake City and she loves to travel and visit other places. Her parents were from Kansas and Iowa and her grandparents from Mexico. Mary has been married for 30 years has three boys, and do not forget about her precious dog Tito.

What's next for Mary now that she is retiring? Mary is looking for something new and exciting adventures, "baking classes at SLCC, building a home on a cattle ranch in Mexico, getting another dog so Tito has someone to play with, I have endless possibilities", she adds with a timid smile.

Mary was recently nominated by the IAAP for a prestigious Administrative Assistant of the Year Award. The winner will be announced on April 27th.

#### Education:

Certification: Obtained December 2011

CAP-OM (Certified Administrative Professional – Organizational Management

Certification is from the IAAP (International Association of Administrative Professionals)

Degrees: obtained May 1980 – SLCC (Utah Technical College)

AAS Degree – Executive Secretary Shorthand Oriented

Diploma – Executive Secretary

Certificate – Stenographer

#### Awards:

Outstanding staff award – UTC - 1983

Outstanding staff award – SLCC - 1995

Certificate of Achievement – IAAP - 2012

Outstanding IAAP Member – 2013

IAAP Member of the Year - 2014

Certificate of Appreciation – IAAP – June 2014

# Phil Nielson Retiring

#### Thank you for 26 years of service

Phil Nielson started as an adjunct instructor for Larry Kruger 26 years ago. The CIS Department needed an instructor for CIS 1020 at the Sandy Campus. Two days before the semester started, Phil agreed to teach the classes. For 11 years, he taught adjunct for both the CIS and CS departments ( now combined as CSIS ), until a full time position became available and he was hired. He has taught several computer languages including Java, C / C++, Pascal and has been active in teaching database, operating systems, HTML, and several service courses for other departments within the Business College. He taught the first Java course for the CS department in 2001.

Phil is a person with hidden talents. He is certified as a yoga instructor. He has also taken courses in photography here at SLCC



Phil Nielson, CSIS Associate Professor

and has several of his pictures hanging in his and other homes. He is active in his church and has held several positions there.

He is moving to Frisco, Texas (just northwest of Dallas) at the end of May to be closer to his grandkids, daughter, and son-in-law. After spending almost all his life in Utah, he and his wife are building a new house there. He is looking forward to new adventures in retirement.

His biggest desire is to know that students leave his classes with a working knowledge of the subject. His has enjoyed working with students. One of the things he will miss the most is the camaraderie of all the employees and students here at the school. Everybody knows him wherever he goes.

We wish you well, Phil. You are a kind person and deserve great things in life. You leave a legacy at SLCC that will carry on through the years.

### **Important Dates**

Grades due	May 10 11:59 pm	
Grades available	May 11	
Commencement	May 6	
Registration for Summer Semester	Open now	
Summer Semester classes begin	May 16 or June 13	
Summer Tuition due	June 1 or June 14	
Registration for Fall Semester	April 11- September 1	
Fall Semester classes begin	August 24	

# Jessica Guiver Transferring to IT Department

By Kim Cosby, CSIS Associate Dean

It all began a little over 20 years ago with the SLCC birth of a shy, beautiful red head who was just learning how to spread her wings. Her mentor, Angie Nelsen, taught her everything she needed to know until it was time for her to go out on her own and "run" her own office in the School of Business. Her experience and knowledge of Salt Lake Community College has been invaluable to everyone she has had the opportunity to work with and support.

Jessica is the type of person that would give you the shirt off her back if she thought it could help you. She is creative, innovative, and a very hard worker. Her reputation at the institution is well known. I cannot count the times over the years that individuals all across the college have said, "Your so lucky to have Jessica Guiver as your administrative assistant." It is no wonder that another department at SLCC would want to steal her from us.

I am personally grateful to Jessica for the years of support she has given me. She was so supportive as I started my career here and helped make the transition truly enjoyable. Her bubbly personality is contagious. It has been nothing but a pleasure to work as along level with her over the years and I because



Jessica Guiver, CSIS Admin Assistant

nothing but a pleasure to work so closely with her over the years and I know she will continue making that type of an impact in her new position at SLCC.

Jessica is very proud to say she came from the School of Business because of the people and quality of work that is the standard here. It was a very difficult decision for her to move on to new opportunities; however, her experience in the CSIS department has sparked a new found interest in the IT field. Working for the IT department at SLCC as the Administrative Assistant to Bill Zoumadakis will open doors and opportunities that she is very excited about. She attributes this new found interest to the CSIS department and faculty.

Jessica has broadened her horizons at SLCC from being a staff employee, to a student, and an adjunct instructor. Jessica has an AS in Physics, an AAS in Bio-Technology, and is working on a CSIS degree now. She has been an Adjunct Spin Instructor for six years. Jessica has been a member of the Open Source coding club since its inception and thoroughly enjoys her weekly meetings with the students to share programming ideas. Being an aspiring programmer herself, she loves the time she spends with like-minded individuals.

She is an accomplished violin player, has completed multiple triathlons, completed 100-mile bike rides, and has crocheted and knitted too many blankets and gifts to count. Her green thumb shines through as she sits (with a "cold one") admiring her work from a lounge chair on her deck every chance she gets.

We will greatly miss Jessica's big smile, positive attitude, and cheerful helpfulness. She has made a huge impact on the School of Business that will not be forgotten! We are very sad for us.....but so happy for her!

Jessica has been married for thirteen years. Her greatest accomplishment is her son. She loves spending time with her family and two dogs. Her favorite family activities include camping in the mountains, hiking, and fishing.

# School of Business 2015-2016 Outstanding Student Reception

The School of Business awarded the fourteen 2015-2016 Outstanding Students on April 27 at a reception at the Larry H. Miller Campus. Thank you to the family, friends, staff, and faculty who helped these students reach their goals and excel in their academics. We appreciate all those who attended and helped at the reception. Congratulations again to the Outstanding students and good luck in your future.











# Ahmad Kareh Receives Teaching Excellence Award

Ahmad Kareh, Assistant Professor of Marketing Management at Salt Lake Community College, has been named a regional recipient of the 2016 ACBSP Teaching Excellence Award. The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs recognizes individuals each year who exemplify teaching excellence in the classroom.

Ahmad will be honored, along with other regional recipients, at the ACBSP Conference 2016, June 17-20 in Atlanta, GA. He will receive a medallion and a \$250 check. Two International Teaching Excellence Award recipients will be announced at a special Salute to Regions luncheon, one from a baccalaureate/graduate degree-granting institution and one from an associate degree-granting institution. As a regional recipient, Kareh is now a candidate for the international award.

"Ahmad has a passion for his discipline and for his students. He provides service to his department, school, and the college. Even though this is only Ahmad's 2nd year at Salt Lake Community College, he is recognized by his peers as an innovator in his discipline. He has also worked with several of his peers to collaborate on cross-departmental projects and curriculum. Ahmad was recently invited to present to the college faculty, on the topic of Student Centered Approach to Instructional Design.



Ahmad Kareh, Marketing Assistant Professor

Ahmad currently serves as the Collegiate DECA faculty advisor and concurrent enrollment liaison. He is the Assessment representative for his department and has worked diligently on the redesign of key marketing courses for online delivery. He has written and been awarded several Perkins Grants, which have provided professional development opportunities for faculty. He is currently working to develop a new internship model for the Marketing program.

Ahmad constantly looks for ways to develop his knowledge in the Marketing disciple as well as in innovative teaching techniques and curriculum design. He is currently taking courses at UC Berkley in online course design and courses at Harvard in Digital Marketing. He has worked closely with the college Curriculum Design teams to make sure his online courses meet the highest standards. He does all of this, while continuing to run his creative marketing agency, Twistlab Marketing." Says, Barbie Willett, Associate Dean of Management, Marketing, and Legal Studies.

The ACBSP Associate Degree Commission established the International Teaching Excellence Award in 1995 to recognize outstanding classroom teachers. ACBSP's mission is to promote continuous improvement and recognize excellence in the accreditation of business education programs around the world.