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UCSB'S COUNSELING/CLINICAL/SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM HONORED BY THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

A University of California, Santa Barbara program

for graduate students that trains psychologists as academicians, counselors, clinicians, and researchers was named one of three national award winners for "excellence in ethnic minority recruitment, retention and training" by the American Psychological Association. UCSB Professors of Education Merith Cosden and J. Manuel Casas will accept the 1999 Suinn Award for the program on Friday evening, Aug. 20, at the annual APA convention in Boston, Mass.

"We're really proud to receive this award," said Cosden, director of training and program leader, "particularly because the

students in our program wrote a letter to the APA nominating us for the award."

Over the past five years, the highly selective program has attempted to maintain an equal enrollment of men and women; had an ethnic minority enrollment of 58

percent; included students with ADA-defined special needs; and has had an impressive rate of nine out of 10 students who initially enroll in the doctoral program receive a Ph.D. Graduates have also had equally impressive results obtaining employment.

UCSB, Ohio State University, and City University of New York were selected from over 30 nominated programs for the honor. For more information on UCSB's Counseling/Clinical/School Psychology Program, http://education.ucsb.edu/Graduate-Studies/CCSP/CCSP-home.html

About UC Santa Barbara

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.