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## **Ambassador Barbara Bodine of Santa Barbara To Serve as U. of California Regent**

Ambassador Barbara Bodine of Santa Barbara has been selected by the UCSB Alumni Association to serve as Alumni Regent on the University of California Board of Regents. Her two-year term will begin July 1, 2002. She will serve her first year as a regent-designate, a non-voting member at meetings and on committees; during her second year, she will be a full voting member. She will serve concurrently as an officer of the Alumni Associations of the University of California.

A 1970 graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara, Ambassador Bodine is president of the UCSB Alumni Association. She also currently serves as Diplomati-in-Residence at UCSB's Global and International Studies Program.

In August 2001, Bodine completed four years as U.S. Ambassador to Yemen. A career diplomat, she also served with distinction at posts in Baghdad, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Kuwait, Taiwan, and Tunis. In the United States, she has served the State Department as Director of East African Affairs, Deputy Director of the Office of Arabian Peninsular Affairs, and as Associate Director of Counterterrorism. She also has served as Dean of Professional Studies at the State Department's Foreign Service Institute.

Ambassador Bodine has received many awards for her work in the Foreign Service, including the Secretary of State's Award for Valor and the Distinguished Honor Award, the State Department's most prestigious.

In 1991 the UCSB Alumni Association presented her with its Distinguished Alumni Award. She earned a master's degree at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy of Tufts University.

Since 1975, the UCSB Alumni Association has selected eight UCSB graduates to serve as Alumni Regents.

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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.