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# Singing Their Praises

The Professional Women's Association (PWA) recognized seven staff members for their ongoing commitment to university's mission and to enhancing the campus community and environment. The Unsung Hero/ine Awards were presented at the PWA's 19th Annual Professional Development Conference.

This year's recipients included (l. to r.) Ashley Thompson, business officer in the Department of Black Studies; Griselda Sanchez, Early Academic Outreach Program college site coordinator, Rio Mesa High School; Susanne Perkin, assistant dean of students; Venus Nasri, business officer and operations manager for Campus Learning Assistance Services; Lisa Murphy, UCSB Police Department property officer; Catalina Mendiola, Early Academic Outreach Program college site coordinator, South High School, Kern County; and Tania Dunson, business officer for the Department of Communication.

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## 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.