

Ten Reasons for You and Your Students to Attend Freshman Convocation: A Celebration of Learning

6:00 p.m. on the Oviatt Library Lawn

Thursday, September 3, 2009

1. The keynote speaker will be *Los Angeles Times* columnist Steve Lopez, author of CSUN's 2009-2010 Freshman Common Reading, *The Soloist*.
2. Lopez will also be talking more informally with faculty at 4:00 p.m. that afternoon in the Oviatt Library Presentation Room.
3. Your presence as a faculty member will encourage your students to attend.
4. Attending Convocation will demonstrate to your students that your interest in their intellectual progress extends beyond your formal class meeting times.
5. Freshman Convocation is an opportunity to welcome students formally to the campus's intellectual community.
6. You can help your students understand that learning occurs everywhere and all the time.
7. You will help inspire your students with a love of learning.
8. Convocation offers you the opportunity to show your students some of the connections between different academic disciplines (such as Communication Studies, Journalism, Creative Writing, and so on).
9. Attending Freshman Convocation lets you celebrate the start of the academic year with other members of the campus community.
10. Your students will not have another opportunity to experience the pomp and circumstance of commencement until they graduate (may it come to pass!).

Please join President Koester, your colleagues, campus staff, continuing students, and other members of the CSUN community as we welcome CSUN's freshmen. For more information: <http://www.csun.edu/nso/convocation/>

Save some space in your syllabus for Convocation and *The Soloist*!