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Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH 2132)

Dr. Jayson Smith, CSU Fullerton

“Long-term change in macrophyte and macroinvertebrate communities on wave-exposed rocky intertidal shores”

- **Grants** — Dr. Virginia Vandergon has received the following grants recently including a California Science Project grant (\$100,000), a CPEC (California Post-secondary Education Commission), Teacher Retention Initiative grant (\$100,000), as well as a campus grant from the Service Learning Scholar program (\$1500) and a service learning grant (\$2000) to support the “Tomorrow’s Scientists” program
- **Faculty and student collaborations**— Dr. Steve Oppenheimer is inviting students interested in cancer/development research to visit his lab (EH 2005). There, students are collaborating with Dr. Oppenheimer, Dr. Ed Carroll, Dr. Stan Metzenberg, Dr. Cathy Coyle Thompson, and Dr. Virginia Hutchins-Carroll on this NIH funded project.
- **Presentations and workshops**— Dr. Janet Kubler presented “Biology for Nonbiologists” at a Meeting of the Biomimicry Institute at Flathead Lake, MT in July - a nonprofit organization supporting biologically inspired design, biomimetics and biomimicry • Graduate student Christian Rodriguez (advisor Dr. Vandergon) presented at the American Botanical Society annual meetings this summer in Chicago • Dr. Sean Murray represented our department at the NSF Quality Education for Minorities workshop in Washington, DC this September.
- **Visiting Scientist** — Arnaud Taton, a visiting scientist from Virginia Commonwealth University, gave a seminar to the Microbiology Student Association recently concerning a new "BioBike" bioinformatics tool he is developing to study cyanobacteria and viruses. He is now in the lab of Dr. Mike Summers conducting small sessions on the uses of this web-based resource until Wednesday Oct. 3 should students and faculty wish to meet with him.