

Sample Biographies for EPC 620

Please e-mail in the body of an e-mail message by February 8 to merril.simon@csun.edu. Do **not** use hard line endings (i.e., hit the return button—just let the text flow.)

Brevity is fine, just be sure to include where you attended college, what positions (if any) you have held in Student Affairs or other employment (summarize, if appropriate), where you are currently working, and other volunteer and leisure activities you enjoy.

These brief bios will be given to each of the guest speakers so that we do not need to use class time to introduce students in depth each week.

Thank you for your indulgence. We will all benefit from this effort.

Samples:

JO-HASA PEPPER

I am in the M.S. in Counseling program in the CC/SS specialty option. Several years ago I re-entered college and earned a B.A. in Sociology in June 2003.

My employment background has been in various service-related positions. Currently I am working in the Philosophy department at CSUN and participate in Student Services organizations on campus including the Student Health Advisory Committee, Adult Re-Entry program, and as a student board member in the Women's Center.

Outside the campus, I enjoy staying active (such as by doing folk dancing) and volunteering at the American Red Cross, Rose Parade floats, and in all elections.

My goal is to work in Student Affairs providing advisement services or outreach to a special population program on a college campus.

JANET PLANET

My name is Janet and I am a first-year graduate student in the Master's in Counseling program in the College Counseling and Student Services option here at California State University, Northridge. I am also pursuing a Career Certificate and plan to work with student-athletes in a college setting. I am currently involved in two different internships on campus. The first is a graduate assistant position (Career Counselor-in training) at the Career Center. The second internship is in Athletics as an Academic Advisor.

I grew up in the San Fernando Valley and am currently residing in the Santa Clarita Valley. After high school I pursued my Associate's Degree in Psychology at Los Angeles Pierce College. After receiving my Degree, I transferred to California State University, Northridge and acquired my Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. I graduated in 1999 and became a weight-loss counselor. I knew I wanted to go back to school, but it took me two years to finally apply to this graduate program. I have enjoyed this program and plan to graduate in Fall 2006.

Two additional examples of EPC 620 Bios

Edgar Garcia



I received my bachelor's degree in 1996 at California State University, Northridge. My course of study was Child Development. I am currently in my second semester in the College Counseling and Student Services Program. I initially started my graduate work in the Marriage/Family/Child Counselor program, but due to personal reasons I have decided to pursue my career as a college counselor. In the future, I will perhaps continue to do some type of therapeutic work.

I grew up in the city of Los Angeles and feel fortunate to have been able to come in contact with many different ethnicities. My employment background has mainly dealt with children as an Teacher Assistant in a classroom environment. Although I have not yet had the necessary experience in the student services area, I feel quite confident that I will be able to make a difference counseling at the college level.

Fong Xi

Hi, my name is Fong (though I go by Faye) and I am in the second year of the Educational Psychology and Counseling Master's program in the College Counseling/Student Services option at Cal State Univ. Northridge. I received my undergraduate degree in Communications and a minor in Visual Arts from UC San Diego. After my undergraduate work, I was a graphic designer for a year and decided that was not my field. I knew I wanted to work with students, so I went back to school for a counseling degree.

Currently, I am in two internship positions at two different settings and colleges. I spend a few days a week at the Advising Resource Center/EOP as a career graduate intern at CSUN and other days at the GAIN/ CalWORKs/ Citizenship office at LA Pierce College. I have also interned at the Career Center at College of the Canyons and The Career Center at CSUN.

My goals are to work with international students as well as conducting career counseling with college students at a community college. 🍀