

California State University Northridge

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Know ...

The Joseph Drown Foundation has awarded Cal State Northridge's Center for Cancer and Developmental Biology \$30,000 to continue its cutting-edge research on cell adhesion. This is the tenth grant from the foundation in 12 years, bringing the total to more than \$300,000. About 30 undergraduate and graduate biology students in the center are studying cell adhesion in an effort to understand how cancer cells spread. The students have published several well-received papers on their work, which could have an impact on how doctors treat cancer patients or on the development of drugs to fight cancer.

During Cal State Northridge's 43-year history it has provided credit classes to more than 450,000 students and awarded degrees to nearly 150,000.

The Clean Air Coalition recently hailed Cal State Northridge for its use of alternative energy sources, citing the installation of new microturbines—electrical mini-generators that were a gift from the South Coast Air Quality Management District—as a role model for other similar-sized institutions across the state.

Child development professor W. David Wakefield and several students are working with Los Angeles area high school students to help them deal with everyday racial and ethnic discrimination. A \$380,000 grant from the National Science Foundation assures that what they learn can be used to help parents, teachers and other professionals as they work with young people in the future.

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