

California State University Northridge

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Cal State Northridge's enrollment of 33,243 students for fall 2005 is the highest in the campus' 47-year history. The university's population grew by 6 percent, or 1,902 students, over last year. Northridge is now the third largest campus in the California State University system.

Graduate music student and opera soprano Ani Maldjian won first place at the Metropolitan Opera's western regional auditions in Los Angeles in October, earning a trip to perform in The Met's national semifinals in New York this March. Maldjian became the tenth CSUN student vocalist through the years to win first place in the western regionals, joining other famed CSUN music alumnae such as soprano Carol Vaness and mezzo-soprano Michelle De Young. Cal State Northridge music students have been chosen to compete in The Met's western regionals for more than 30 consecutive years. Maldjian also is slated to sing this December at the Walt Disney Concert Hall downtown.

The university's Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) program has been awarded more than \$2.7 million to continue its efforts encouraging historically underrepresented students to consider careers in biomedical research. The five-year grant for \$2,729,454 to CSUN's Biology Department was awarded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences division of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Cal State Northridge has exciting opportunities for alumni involvement through a network of interest-based alumni chapters that is the largest of its kind in the 23-campus California State University system. CSUN has 26 chapters, each with its own governing board, comprising more than 250 volunteer leaders.

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