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- The Political Science Department's award winning Model United Nations program garnered several awards at Model UN competitions in California and New York, including national awards for "Outstanding Position Paper" and "Distinguished Delegation Award."
  - Geography graduate student Lisa Baughn earned a Fulbright teaching assistantship to implement a community literacy and American culture project in an Indonesian neighborhood, offering reading and writing instruction.
  - The work of the Center for Southern California Studies includes a recent policy brief, "Taking California's Temperature: Prospects for Reform Under Schwarzenegger," demonstrating that California's political culture continues to favor centrism and pluralist collaboration.
  - Professor emeritus Richard Smith established The Richard W. Smith Endowment for Cultural Studies to support activities including the study of non-Western culture and create a professorship, lecture and student award in cultural studies.
  - Merry Ovnick, associate professor of history, was honored with the UCLA-CSU Collaboration Recognition of Excellence in Mentoring for 2005, a tribute created by UCLA's Graduate Division to salute the role of CSU faculty in preparing students for graduate education.
  - The Master's Degree in Social Work launched in fall 2005, and includes a field practicum as a keystone in this program, which prepares students to become advanced social work professionals.
  - The Psychology Department was recently ranked number one among all comprehensive universities in the nation in producing students who go on to earn doctoral degrees.
  - Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunex, Los Angeles Times columnist Patt Morrison and former presidential candidate and Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis joined over 300 scholars, state and local leaders, business professionals and community members to explore the state of California's infrastructure at the 17th annual Envisioning California Conference on campus.