

Rallies to take place after LA trial verdict

Two local rallies are planned for students and community members the day after the jury announces its verdict in the trial of four Los Angeles police officers.

Caitlin Twain, ASUO safety affairs coordinator, has organized a campus rally to take place at 1 p.m. in the EMU Courtyard the day after the verdict.

In addition, the local National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the African-American Community Coalition, St. Mark Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Clergy and Laity Concerned and the Eugene Human Rights Commission have planned a 3 p.m. rally at the Federal Building. Representatives of those groups will speak at that rally.

Twain said there may be a march from the EMU rally to the downtown rally.

Last year, after the officers were acquitted of assault charges in the beating of motorist Rodney King, violence broke out in Eugene after a rally at the Federal Building. Windows were broken at the building, causing thousands of dollars in damage, and two people were subsequently convicted of misdemeanor charges.

Twain met with members of the Eugene police department, the University Office of Public Safety, University administrators and interested students in an effort to organize a means of expression that would "hopefully avoid a violent outbreak," she said.

Trained student peacekeepers, not affiliated with the police, will be on hand to assist in conflict resolution, should the need arise, Twain said.

PETITION

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practicum supervisors to put together a petition for her six credits.

"My immediate concern was if I didn't work on my scholarship, I would lose it," she said. "The whole process has been more time consuming than I thought it would be. I thought I would be able to get it done winter term. Unfortunately, it's been dragging out."

In a Wednesday news release, Collins Puente apologized for any misunderstanding regarding her fall enrollment status. She said her practicums were with the Women's Center and the Office of the Dean of Students. Her practicum supervisors, Jane DeGidio, the dean of students, and Hasani Kurdura, Women's Center administrative adviser, were out of town and unavailable for comment.

Collins Puente said she is waiting until Wednesday to file her petition because DeGidio must complete some paperwork for the petition and won't return until Wednesday.

If Collins Puente's petition is successful, she will be required to pay the University \$518 for the six practicum credits. If she is unsuccessful, ASUO President Bobby Lee said he will ask her to repay the stipends she received fall term in her post as the ASUO multicultural advocate.

Each petition is reviewed on its individual merits, said registrar Herb Chereck. He and about three other people in the registrar's office review petitions following Academic Requirements Committee guidelines set by the University Assembly.

All petitions first go through the registrar's office, said committee Chairman John Nicols. Given the volume of petitions, the 12-member committee deals only with those cases with "unique circumstances or compelling circumstances," he said.

The committee interprets guidelines but doesn't have the power to waive requirements, Nicols said. The committee may not offer one set of requirements for petitioning students and another set for students who meet deadlines, according to the committee's statement of purpose.

"We don't make legislation," he said. "In the interest of the student we are consistent but compassionate. If you're not consistent, you're going to have students angry."

Neither Nicols nor Chereck had heard of Collins Puente's petition and neither would comment on it.

Once Chereck receives a student's petition, his response usually comes quickly.

"A majority of them have a response in 24 hours," he said.

FACULTY

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ulty members said they each spend an average of 32 hours a week on instruction, which includes teaching, preparation, advising and grading.

However, the survey found research-related activities average only about 17 hours per faculty member, which includes instructing graduate students and about nine hours a week of professional service to the campus.

An average work week is 58.2 hours per faculty member, the survey found.

A comparison of seven Association of American Universities

discovered the University consistently ranked among the schools with the lowest instructional and overall expenditures. Some of those compared include the University of Nebraska, Lincoln; the University of Washington; and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Despite this, University faculty productivity ranks highly. Compared to 11 AAU universities in another study, the average University instructor produces 234.7 credit hours of teaching duties per term compared with the AAU average of 202.7.

This productivity measure takes into account the number of students the faculty teaches in their classes and multiplies that

by the number of hours the class meets a week or the number of hours the class is worth.

University faculty were also found to spend 19.9 hours per term on one-on-one instruction with students compared to the study average of 11.1.

"Our faculty work harder compared to other universities, and we do more with less," MacDonald said.

Furthermore, the study shows that the average University faculty salary is \$11,100 lower than the average salary at 29 comparable universities.

The study also showed the University spends \$3,394 in tax dollars per student compared to an average of \$6,215 at 16 other universities.

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MISCELLANEOUS

ASUO Constitution Court will have a hearing about the incidental fee budget process Saturday at 1 p.m. For location and other information, call 346-3724.

Chinese Student Association will have elections for the position of president today from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in EMU Suite 5. For more information, call 346-4322.

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance will present "Good Vibrations: A Celebration of Lesbians" today from 10 a.m. to noon in the EMU Ben Linder Room. For more information, call 346-3360.

UO News Live will air on cable channel 12 every Friday from 4 to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 346-0780.

LGBA/JSU will have a candlelight vigil to remember the gay and lesbian victims of the Holocaust tonight at 7 in the EMU Courtyard. For more information, call 346-3360.

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 5:00pm-7:00pm - Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance Reunion, EMU International Lounge
 7:30pm-9:00pm - Dean Hamer, *Biological Approaches to Human Sexuality*, EMU Fir Room

Saturday, April 17

10:00am-11:30am - Carman Vazquez, *Men on Top: A Look at Enforced Heterosexism*, EMU Gumwood Room
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