Two-year colleges to offer bachelor’s degrees

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The California State Senate is considering a bill, SB 850, that would allow the Chancellor of Cali- fornia Community Colleges to be- gin putting together a program in which one community college in every district will offer a bachelor’s degree program.

The bill, drawn up by Senator Marty Block of San Diego, Joel An- derson of San Diego and Jerry Hill of San Mateo, would authorize the community college system’s chan- cellor to create a pilot baccalaureate program with a limited number of campuses participating.

The bill states that 21 states al- ready allow students to earn a four- year degree at community colleges. “That’s cool,” said Xavier Col- lien, a junior civil engineering ma- jor. “That’s one, but good for you if you can get a four-year degree at a community college isn’t for every- body.”

Ken Nager, Ph.D., an associate professor in political science, said he does not believe this program would result in an education similar to that of a four-year university.

“The (community college) system has never had the upper division courses to replace four-year degrees,” Nager said. “But certainly are you going to compare the nature of a four-year program at a community college to that of a four-year university? Do it at your own risk.”

Nager said he believes the price difference will remain most with students, but to a small extent because the degree will not be worth even the me- dium prices.

“It’s a transfer,” Nager said. “It’s not a transfer. It’s something nobody cares that it cheapens the education, even if it makes education cheaper, even if it makes students, economically, will think it helps them.”

Nager said this is a symptom of the for-profit university model, which views education as a product to be bought and sold. He sees the purpose behind these programs as merely to attract and quickly graduate students, selling them a cheap but useless degree and making a profit off of their tuition.

“This is the continuation of making the sign of a college edu- cation,” Nager said. “It’s all about making education cheaper, even if nobody cares that it cheapens the quality of students’ education.”

Miguel Hidalgo, a freshman me- chanical engineering major, said he is skeptical of the quality of educa- tion a community college would of- fer.

“I don’t think I would have done this,” Ibarra said. “I’m in engineering so I think a four-year university would offer a better education.”

The bill specifies that commu- nity colleges would offer de- grees available at nearby four-year institutions, and resources would be in place to create a worthwhile pro- gram to maintain its ability to ob- tain students in two years programs.

This means that majors that are readily available at CSI or UC schools will not be available at many community colleges because the bill states that that would “unnecessar- ily duplicate similar programs of- fered by nearby public postsecond- ary educational institutions.”

“The committee has to be fair,” said De- stine Mingo, a freshman music educa- tion major. “Free can’t give some people the opportunity for a cheap education for some and force others to pay for education.”
Bill: California demands five degree increases

The bill would expire after eight years, Powell said.

"We have Gus Lease to thank for all of the improvements," said Powell.

"He embodied that," Powell said. "He embodied leadership in all of the ways and chapter to Lease's leadership.

"He is the heart, soul and driving force of the SJSU chapter," she said.

He explained that although some of the inmates have done horrible things, the mass data collection was determined not to be constitutional; another judge that the mass data collection was unconstitutional; another judge that the mass data collection was unconstitutional; another judge that the mass data collection was unconstitutional.

"No attachments." monk: club spreads teachings of Buddha from page 1

"I expect this case to go all the way to the Supreme Court, and I predict the American people will win," Paul said.

Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, and other senators proposed legal changes to make employers look a little closer.

The bill is now pending in the Senate for a vote on whether or not it is constitutional.

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Ying ended the sit with a joke: Why do people like getting emails from the Chinese revolution? It is still possible for them to reform and undo many of the things that were done.
By Colton Seike
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The San Jose State men’s basketball team had multiple opportunities to come out on top Wednesday night, but the team simply could not finish strong and fell to Air Force 51-48. It certainly has become a tough stretch for the Spartans (6-18, 0-12) in Mountain West Conference (MWC) play, as they continue to search for their first conference win in 12 games.

“We know coming in here that every game was going to be a battle,” said senior forward Chris Cunningham. “It is unfortunate this little stretch we are going through, but we are going to keep working and we’re going to find our way.”

SJSU got off to a slow start offensively and had multiple turnovers in the first minutes of the game, but Cunningham put the Spartans on the board at the 14:58 mark in the first half, 2-0 Air Force (10-13, 4-6). Junior guard Dylan Alexander. The Spartans went ahead 48-47 with less than three minutes to go in the game. This was SJSU’s first lead since they last played at Air Force in mid-January, a stretch of six games for the Spartans and more than 290 minutes played.

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Colton Seike is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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Top Left: Junior guard Devante Wilson (22) attempts a jump shot against Air Force Academy forward Haylen Graham (33). Top Right: Freshman guard Rashad Muhammad attempts a jump shot against the Air Force Academy defender. Bottom Left: Junior forward Jaleel Williams goes for a lay up against Air Force Academy sophomore Willaims(33). Bottom Right: Williams(22) and Rashad Muhammad (11) await for play to resume during Wednesday night’s game against Air Force Academy. (JSU lost 51-48.)

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PREVIEW

Opera San Jose presents ‘Madama Butterfly’ downtown

by Jennifer Finney

Madama Butterfly tells the heartbreaking love story of an American naval officer’s marriage with a young Japanese woman set in 1890s Japan.

Although the audience may not have been fluent in Italian, that did not stop the applause for each performance. Following Brunnell and Callen were soprano Forni and mezzo-soprano Nicole Rinehart. Forni plays leading lady Cio-Cio San on opening night while alternating performances with Cecilia Viola, according to Joseph Chang, marketing communications and community relations for Opera San Jose.

Jasmine Leyva is a Spartan Daily staff writer.
Romantic movies have made Valentine's Day an obligation

**Valentine's Day** goes by many names: the day of love, singles awareness day or a day of high expectations — and confusion with what to do when picking up or dropping breath mints.

Kevin Yang, 19

Major: Business

Hometown: Watsonville

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When NBA center Joakim Noah came out as gay, athletes and flowers.

Kevin Yang is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

Michael Sam brings a media storm to NFL

According to John Elway, Denver Broncos executive vice president of football operations, Sam's announcement should not have any affect on his draft status and he has no worries about how he will be treated.

If he goes into the league with a bad attitude, he will have no affect on his league forward.

No, he's not saying that gestures go unnoticed and unappreciated but that is just silly.

Women expect candy, jewelry, oversized stuffed animals and flowers.

I just don't see why Valentine's Day should be this ridiculous stunt worthy of a Hugh Grant movie?

By now I probably seem like one of those women who consumes all the attention of Valentine's Day activities and spends it all on candy while watching anti-valentine's day videos. Given again, I like romance and candy, but mainly the candy.

I'm sure the girl's parents and neighbors didn't appreciate hearing loud music in the morning.

Especially if he loves and blasts "In Your Eyes" by Peter Gabriel to anything."

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Don't let the act be sweet, but I'm sure the postman is probably wondering how much they mean to you by doing some romantic gestures.

Keep Valentine's Day simple and sweet, not a day of love, singles awareness day or a day of high expectations — and confusion with what to do when picking up or dropping breath mints.

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**Special Sweetheart Shoutout-Gramps**

**Happy Valentine’s Day**

- **Can I have your number?**  
  To: RA Lo  
  From: Your Fav Residents
- **Such Valentine**  
  To: Michael B  
  From: Alicia S
- **Only YOU, CAN TOUCH THIS!**  
  To: Andrew  
  From: Angela C
- **If I was your cellmate, I’d never let you go**  
  To: Sergio Camacho  
  From: Jordan
- **You’re my player one, and I’m your player two. You’re my friend forever Annmarie!**  
  To: Hailey  
  From: Tim
- **It’s dangerous to go alone! Take this!**  
  To: All the gamers on campus  
  From: The SJSU Game Dev Club
- **What’s Cookin’ Good Lookin’?**  
  To: Courtney Rose  
  From: Casey Francis
- **I got time for you!**  
  To: Jen Obina  
  From: Nigo
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