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**CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES EARLY ADVANTAGE
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH YUBA COLLEGE**

Sacramento, Calif. – July 6, 2009 – Chapman University College Chancellor Gary Brahm and Yuba College President Dr. Kay Adkins will sign an Early Advantage Partnership (EAP) between the two educational institutions on Wednesday, July 15. The agreement increases higher education opportunities and offers enhanced cooperative academic and student services for students at the community college.

Yuba College students who participate in the EAP program will have access to Chapman University College's advising services, information sessions, academic catalogs, educational plans and transfer credit through its Web Advisor as well as personalized career counseling while still attending community college and taking transferable coursework. Furthermore, students' initial application fees will be waived and will receive a 10 percent tuition discount for classes taken at Chapman's Sacramento Valley campuses for up to four years after submission of a formal "change of location" to Chapman University College.

"Chapman University College establishes Early Advantage Partnerships with community colleges like Yuba College to help ease the transition to universities by giving students the individual support they need and providing guidance through the entire process," said Brahm. "It's comforting for students to know that the coursework they have taken at their community college will be transferable to Chapman University College and that counselors will help them navigate a clear path to pursuing their higher education goals."

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Yuba College students are eligible to enroll in the EAP program which began in spring 2009 and can take transferable coursework in the following programs: Applied Studies, Computer Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Development, Legal Studies, Liberal Studies/Multiple Subjects Teaching, Organizational Leadership, Psychology, Social Science and Sociology.

"We are excited Chapman University College has selected Yuba College to provide another option for our students to pursue their bachelor's degree," said Dr. Adkins, President of Yuba College. "The Early Advantage Program will make the transition to Chapman College practically seamless."

Community college students are eligible to apply for the program after they have fulfilled 12 transferable credits at Yuba College with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 from all schools previously attended. Yuba College transfers also must attend at least one academic term/semester at Yuba College and adhere to all Chapman University College admission requirements.

"Chapman University College is delighted to be working with Yuba College to help expand learning opportunities for students in the Sacramento Valley and the surrounding community," said Patricia Hammer, regional director of northern campuses for Chapman University College.

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About Chapman University College

[Chapman University College](#) (CUC), a member of the Chapman University system, is a nonprofit higher education institution which has been serving the unique needs of adult students for 50 years. CUC offers undergraduate and graduate degrees, graduate certificates, teaching credentials and extended education programs at campuses throughout California and Washington. Over 6,000 students per session enjoy convenient class times, exceptional faculty, and unparalleled student service.

[Chapman University](#), founded in 1861, is one of California's oldest, most prestigious private universities and home to over 4,000 undergraduate students and 1,500 graduate students at its beautiful home campus in Orange, California. *U.S. News and World Report* ranks Chapman a Top School in *America's Best Colleges 2009*. Chapman University is accredited by, and is a member of, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

Find more information on Chapman University College at www.chapman.edu/cuc

About Yuba College:

Yuba College has been providing quality education to the residents of the Yuba-Sutter for over 80 years. There are more than 7,000 students enrolled at Yuba College, but the college boasts a small students-to-teacher ratio. The smaller class sizes signify more individual instruction attention from professors.

For more information about Yuba College, please visit the website at www.yccd.edu/yuba.

The Yuba Community College District spans eight counties and nearly 4,200 square miles of territory in rural, north-central California. It has colleges in Marysville and Woodland, an education center in Clearlake, an outreach facility on Beale Air Force Base and additional outreach facilities in Sutter and Colusa Counties will be added as part of the Measure J facilities bond.