College of Business and Economics Center for Economic Education

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT (2014-2015)

There were no funds received or dispersed through the University for the Center for Economic Education in 2014 – 2015. Programs and projects were supported through external funding. For local programs, major support was provided by the Bay Area Financial Education Foundation (BAFEF). An economic-education related PEIL grant was administered through Faculty Development. Other projects and activities were funded by the organizations listed in the program descriptions in this report including USAID and Financial Markets International, the University of South Florida, the American Institute for Economic Research, and the California Council for Economic Education.

## ECONOMIC EDUCATION EVENTS, PROGRAMS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Consultant to Council for Economic Education in New York for National Economics Challenge, a nationwide economics competition for high school students, 2015 – 2016. Activities include developing questions for regional and national competitions and serving as a judge at national competition.

Developed 16 videos and assessment activities for PEIL grant project "Mathematics for Economics" with Dr. Julie Glass, CSUEB Professor of Mathematics. The materials present the mathematics necessary to succeed in principles of economics classes. CSUEB students were involved in the project on a student advisory committee and as research assistants.

Secretary of the Board of Directors and founding board member of the Global Economic Education Alliance, a non-profit corporation dedicated to promoting economic and financial literacy worldwide. www.globableconed.org

Consultant to Financial Sector Development Program (USAID / FINREP-II) through Fopme3c.404.2 () ) (/TT6 1 Tf (n) -0.2 (d) 2738J ET Q q 0.24 0 0 0.2m /TT6 1 Tf2v) -0.5

## ECONOMIC EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

### **Research Reports and Publications:**

"Lost in Translation? Teacher Training and Outcomes in High School Economics Classes" with Rob Valletta and Jody Hoff. Contemporary Economic Policy: October 2014: Vol. 32, No.4.

"Needs Assessment of NGOs and Other Organizations Involved in Financial Literary Training in Ukraine" with John Brock. August 2014. Report to USAID Ukraine and Financial Markets International.

"A Note on Teaching About Fair Trade" with John R. Brock. The American Economist Vol. LX No. 1, Spring 2015.

"Five Fundamental Misunderstandings Students Have about Money and the Fed and What to Do about It" with Kristen McDaniel. Social Education Vol. 79 No. 2, March-April 2015.

"Assessment of the High School Financial Literacy Course in Ukraine: 2014 – 2015." Report to USAID Ukraine and Financial Markets International, June 2015. Available at <u>http://www.finrep.kiev.ua/download/finlit\_workshop\_19jun2015\_lopus\_en.pdf</u>

#### Other Research Activities:

Invited participant on research panel "What the Research will Allow Us to Say about Program Effectiveness" Council for Economic Education annual conference, Dallas, TX October 2014.

Book review editor for The American Economist, an academic economics journal sponsored by Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international economics honorary society.

Co-editor for The International Handbook on Financial Literacy (forthcoming: Springer, 2016.)

Presented "Assessment of the High School Financial Literacy Course in Ukraine: 2014-2015" at USAID sponsored All-Ukrainian Seminar: Implementation of Financial Literacy in Curricula of Educational Institutions of Ukraine, June 19, 2015: Kyiv, Ukraine.

Presented "Effects of Math Intervention on Learning Principles of Economics" with Julie Glass at Western Economic Association International annual meetings, Honolulu, HI, June 29, 2015. Also chaired the session Economic Education and Teaching II.

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