#### University of California at Santa Barbara

Pioneering research is a critical component of the highest quality education. UCSB’s faculty includes six Nobel Prize winners and scores of elected members of national and international academies and societies as well as dozens of winners of Guggenheim and Fulbright Fellowships. The campus is one of only 62 research-intensive institutions elected to membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities.

#### The UCSB Department of Geography

As of 2000, University of California Santa Barbara’s Department of Geography had 23 faculty, 23 staff, nearly 200 undergraduates and 100 graduate students. At the last ranking (in 1995), the National Research Council rated the department Number 4 in the nation. Between 1990 and 2000, Geography department had received more extra mural research funds than any other geography department on campus and more faculty awards than any other department nationwide.

Fresh vision is essential for continued success. UCSB’s Geography Department has chosen to further its computational and modeling emphasis by focusing on cutting-edge developments in geographic information science and interdisciplinary approaches to spatial-temporal dynamics. This focus, along with commitment to community, will hopefully continue to foster a dynamic and fertile Department where people create new knowledge about planet earth and its inhabitants.