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CAL MARITIME TO OFFER FIRST MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM THIS FALL

(Vallejo, CA – January 24, 2011)...The California Maritime Academy announced today that it will launch its first Masters Degree program this fall – a Master of Science in Transportation and Engineering Management. Cal Maritime Provost Dr. Gerald Jakubowski said the new program is designed to serve mid-career professionals interested in gaining greater leadership and managerial skills. Applications for the program will be accepted beginning March 1, 2011 and first-year admittance will be limited to the first 22 qualified applicants.

“Our new Masters program will provide advanced instruction in business and management fundamentals, coupled with specialized preparation for career advancement in the participant’s chosen specialization — Engineering, Transportation or Humanitarian/Crisis Management,” said Dr. Jakubowski. “This new endeavor was developed jointly by the University’s Departments of Engineering Technology and Marine Transportation and the ABS School of Maritime Policy and Management and was developed with detailed input from well over two-dozen businesses, agencies and professional organizations. We believe it will be particularly attractive to individuals wanting to make a career transition from positions at sea to those ashore.”

Jakubowski said the 10-course degree program (30 credit hours) will be offered completely online with accepted students proceeding through the learning process as a cohort. “Our research indicates that giving students 24/7 online instructional access is a big attraction for those juggling careers and families with a desire to advance educationally and professionally.”

All students take five core courses in basic management and then each will take four courses focusing on their chosen degree track of Transportation, Engineering Management or Humanitarian Disaster Management. Finally, each student will complete a Capstone course designed to help them demonstrate their learning through an extensive project in their work setting. To learn more about the program, including costs and admission requirements, visit www.csum.edu/grad.

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