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Former Assemblywoman Hannah-Beth Jackson Teaches at UC Santa Barbara as Part of New Program

Former California Assemblywoman Hannah-Beth Jackson will be co-teaching two classes at UC Santa Barbara as part of a new program called Public Policymaker-in-Residence.

Jackson is teaching "Contemporary Women's Movements" with sociologist Beth Schneider during the fall quarter, and will teach "Leadership in California Politics and Policy-Making" with political scientist John Woolley in the winter quarter.

Established earlier this year by Melvin Oliver, dean of social sciences at UCSB, the program seeks to "expose our students to thoughtful participants in the public-policy process in order to gain insight from their first-hand expertise," Oliver says.

In addition, the program will include public lectures, conferences and other activities built around the presence of the Public Policymaker-in-Residence.

Jackson was elected to the California State Assembly in 1998, and was reelected in 2000 and 2002. After receiving a law degree from Boston University, Jackson worked as a deputy district attorney for Santa Barbara County.

She later established a family law practice in Ventura and Santa Barbara, where she earned a reputation as an advocate for justice for women, children, and victims of

crime.

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