

THE RONALD W. TOBIN STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

This \$1000 travel-study fellowship honors Professor Ronald W. Tobin, who served for forty-one years as a full professor of French at UC Santa Barbara and earned many of his profession's highest honors, including nomination to the French Order of the Palmes Académiques, where he attained the rank of *Commandeur*.

The award is designed to provide financial support for UCSB undergraduates seeking to enroll in a year-long study-abroad program in France. Applicants must be declared French majors taking upper-division courses in order to receive the award. (They are not, however, required to be French majors at the time they apply.)

The applicant will submit a 1-page Statement of Purpose together with an unofficial transcript and one letter of recommendation from a TA or faculty member. In the Statement of Purpose the student should explain what s/he expects to gain from a year in France. Awards will be determined based on a combination of academic achievement and financial need. (A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required to apply.) The selection committee will be composed of members of the French faculty.

Successful applicants must agree to submit a 10-15 page, double-spaced memoir about the year's experience, written in French, to the Chair of the Department of French and Italian within three months of their return from France.

The scholarship funds may be used for academic fees, travel costs, and other study-abroad related costs. (Other forms of financial aid are available through the EAP program.)

The deadline for applying for the Tobin fellowship is in February. Applications, as well as any questions about the award, should be sent to the Chair of the Department of French and Italian at chair@frit.ucsb.edu. The winner will be notified in April and will be formally recognized at the annual campus Pi Delta Phi ceremony in May.