FALL CONFERENCE

MAKING EXCELLENCE INCLUSIVE

SEPTEMBER 15-19, 2008



GENERAL SESSION KEYNOTE SPEAKER



As we prepare for Cal Poly's upcoming WASC accreditation, the renewal of our strategic plan, and the development of a revised master plan for the campus we have an important opportunity to reflect upon the University's learn-by-doing approach to education and how it influences the campus environment for teaching and learning. That process of self-reflection must be informed by research and scholarship on how

students learn and by evidence about the effectiveness of our educational programs. It must also proceed from a fundamental assumption and a guiding principle:

- The assumption: Every student who is admitted to Cal Poly has a strong, demonstrated potential to learn and succeed academically.
- The principle: We hold ourselves accountable to do our very best to see that all students realize this potential.

With the increasingly global scope of life and work, the extraordinary diversity of California's population and the growing diversity of our own student body, it is important for us to revisit our commitment to create a learning environment that engages our students in ways that will prepare them for success. This means that students will need to learn with people of different backgrounds, to think globally, to understand the value of different perspectives and ideas and appreciate and embrace cultures beyond their own. As pointed out in a Business Higher Education Forum report INVESTING IN PEOPLE, there is clear evidence that students who are engaged and exposed to people with a range of backgrounds and ideas are better critical thinkers and also show greater social and interpersonal development than students with less exposure to diversity.

Increasingly, the Cal Poly student body will be more diverse ethnically, socially and culturally, providing us with an opportunity to further enrich our learning environment. Students from diverse

personal, social and cultural backgrounds enrich the University with their varied perspectives and life histories. All of our students in turn expect that Cal Poly's learning environment will help them create habits of the mind and develop critical thinking skills that will foster life long learning and hone their decision making capabilities in their work and their civic lives

As we examine our programs, our curricula and our approaches to teaching and learning, we must take care that we are doing all we can to realize the full potential of this rich and increasingly diverse student community. We must recognize that students from different backgrounds will have differing styles of communicating and learning. We should create a learning environment that accounts for cognitive flexibility, engages learning research, enhances learning by doing, fosters peer mentoring and cooperation and incorporates learning resources that take full advantage of communications, information and computing technology.

As we embark upon a new academic year, I look forward to your participation in the planning for our next decade and hearing your thoughts about how we ensure we are serving all students, and "making excellence inclusive."

Warren J. Baker
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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE



FRIDAY BEFORE CONFERENCE WEEK – 9/12/08

8:00-5:00 New Faculty Orientation

SUNDAY - 9/14/08

2:00-4:00 Fall Reception of Cal Poly's Women's Club (CPWC) at the Courtyard of the University House

MONDAY - 9/15/08

10:00-11:00 General Session

11:00-12:30 Reception & Open House at Poly Canyon Village

12:00-2:30 Deans/Heads/Chairs Meeting followed by

2:30-5:00 New Heads/Chairs Meeting

2:00-5:00 Deans meet with new lecturers and tenure-track faculty (check with College office)

3:00-5:00 WASC Open Forum

TUESDAY - 9/16/08

9:00-11:00 College Division Meetings – Faculty, Staff and Dept. Heads/Chairs

11:00-2:00 Academic Meetings – Faculty and Dept. Heads/Chairs

2:00-5:00 College of Education Dean and Faculty Meeting

1:30-3:00 Human Resources – New Faculty Benefits Orientation

2:00-3:30 Academic Records – Student Administrative

Services Update

3:30-4:30 Information Technology Services – Information Session

WEDNESDAY – 9/17/08 ACADEMIC DAY

8:30-10:00 Preface

10:30-4:00 "College Connections: Academic Success." Academic Expectations Session for New Students

3:00-5:00 ABET/Engineering Assessment

2:00-3:00 Presentation and Introduction to Blackboard

3:00-4:00 Blackboard Help Session

2:00-4:30 Orientation for Graduate Assistants, Teaching Associates

2:00-5:00 College of Education, Division of Teacher Education —

PACT Training (Includes all multiple subject faculty and single subject faculty)

5:00-7:00 Library Reception for New Faculty

THURSDAY - 9/18/08

All Day Reserved for Departmental Meetings/Retreats

FRIDAY - 9/19/08

All day Reserved for Deans/Heads/Chairs Meetings/Retreats

8:00-5:00 New Faculty Orientation (Repeat of Friday Before Fall Conference Week)

1:00-5:30 Academic Senate Retreat

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

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Open to faculty members, graduate student teaching associates and assistants, and instructionally related staff members.

For details regarding topic coverage and presenters visit: http://ctl.calpoly.edu/workandevent/workandevent.html

(Session will be repeated on September 19; pre-registration is encouraged by September 9)

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Kennedy Library (35), Third Floor
Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided
Contact and registration: The Center for Teaching and Learning
(ctl@calpoly.edu), ext. 6-7002

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fall Reception of Cal Poly Women's Club (CPWC) at the University House Patio

Mrs. Carly Baker will host this reception for all new women faculty/staff, faculty/staff wives and returning members. Please join CPWC to kick off a new year of enrichment, friendship and services to the University.

Contact: Alice Loh (aloh@calpoly.edu)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. General Session

Harman Hall, Christopher Cohan Center

Welcome

George G. Gowgani, on behalf of the CSU Board of Trustees

Opening Remarks

Warren J. Baker, President

Presentations

Warren J. Baker, President

William W. Durgin, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Distinguished Teaching; Distinguished Scholarship; Outstanding
Faculty Advisor; Faculty Philanthropic Leadership; Outstanding
Staff Awards

Fall Greetings

Academic Senate, Cal Poly Labor Council and ASI

Please Note: Anyone needing sign language for any session should call ext.6-1395 to make arrangements.

^{*}Spouses/partners of new employees are invited.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, September 15 cont...

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Reception & Open House Poly Canyon Village

Refreshments Provided

Noon - 5:00 p.m.

Deans and Heads/Chairs Meeting

Lunch Available at 12:00 p.m. and meeting to begin at 12:45 p.m. Initially this meeting (noon to 2:30 p.m.) with the Provost and other administrators will be for all deans and department heads/chairs and will transition into a meeting for new department heads/chairs (2:30 to 5:00 p.m.). The agenda will include WASC Accreditation, Cal Poly's Strategic Plan, Accessibility, and Inclusive Excellence.

Pavilion Room, Christopher Cohan Center Contact: Joe Grimes. ext. 6-7002

2:00-5:00 p.m.

Some deans meet with new lecturers and tenure-track faculty. Check with the office of your dean.

3:00-5:00 p.m.

WASC Accreditation: Beginning the Self-Study

All active participants in the WASC process, as well as all interested members of the campus community, are invited to an organizational meeting to mark the beginning of Cal Poly's self-study. The chairs of the four thematic working groups — Our Polytechnic Identity, The Integrated Educational Experience, Learn-by-Doing, and The Teacher-Scholar Model — will present the current versions of their research plans, while the accreditation directors will communicate their understanding of the first phase in the process, the Capacity and Preparatory Review.

University Union (65), Room 220

Contact: Bruno Giberti (bgiberti@calpoly.edu)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

College & Division Meetings - Faculty, Staff & Department Heads/Chairs

Agriculture , Food	
& Env. Science	Agricultural Engineering (08), Room 123
Architecture & Env. De	esignA&ED (05), <mark>Room 105 (Gallery)</mark>
Business (9:00 a.m	3:00 p.m.)Business (03), Room 114
Engineering	Advanced Technology Lab (07)
Liberal ArtsCh	nristopher Cohan Center (06), Philips Hall (124)
Science & Mathemati	csFisher Science (33), Room 286

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Academic Meetings - Faculty & Department Heads/Chairs (See meeting locations on pages 14 and 15)

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

New Faculty Benefits Enrollment Orientation — Sponsored by Human Resources

Benefits staff will assist with enrollment in health, dental, vision and other benefits, and be available to answer questions.

University Union (65), Room 220 Contact: Benefits Office, ext. 6-5436

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Student Administrative Services Update

Join the Administrative Support Staff for the latest information on: missed fee payments and course removals, articulation, transfer credit processing, automated degree audits, scheduling, registration and grading, records verifications and retention, and more.

Fisher Science (33), Room 286

Contact: Patty Warnick-Wait, ext. 6-2723

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

College of Education — Dean and Faculty Meeting Cotchett Education (02), Room 214

Contact: Bonnie Konopak, ext. 6-2126

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

PREFACE: The Cal Poly Shared Reading Program Sponsored by Academic Programs

Discussion sessions for all new students

(Meeting locations assigned)

Contact: Patricia Ponce, ext. 6-1380

10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

"College Connections: Academic Success" – Academic Expectations Session for New Students College meetings, Departmental Meetings, and Departmental Lunches with New Students

Agriculture	Mott Gym (42)
Architecture & Env. Design	Dexter Lawn
Business	Recreation Center (43), Main Gym
EngineeringCh	ristopher Cohan Center (06), Harman Hall
Liberal ArtsU	niversity Union (65), Chumash Auditorium
Science & Mathematics	Spanos Theater (44)

Contact: Andrene Kaiwi-Lenting, ext. 6-2014

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Presentation and Introduction to Blackboard

What are Blackboard's capabilities? How can Blackboard help you achieve your teaching and learning objectives? This workshop will provide an introductory overview of Blackboard's features to help you get started in using it as a supplementary tool for your courses. We will also demonstrate some time-saving tips to assist you in the management of your Blackboard courses.

Kennedy Library (35), Room 510B Contact: Tonia Malone, ext. 6-6336

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Blackboard Help Session

Do you need some assistance in using Blackboard? Come to this open forum to ask your questions to the Blackboard support staff and get the answers!

Wednesday, September 17 cont...

Kennedy Library (35), Room 510B Contact: Luanne Fose, ext. 6-7360

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

ABET/Engineering Assessment

Review preparations for the Fall ABET visit, on October 26-28, 2008.

For Department Chairs, ABET Program Leaders, and faculty.

Advanced Technology Lab (07), Room 02 Contact: Fred DePiero, ext. 6-2917

2:10 - 4:30 p.m.

Orientation for Graduate Assistants, Teaching Associates
Especially for graduate student teaching associates and assistants.
This may also be of interest to new faculty who did/will not attend the CTL session covering similar topics. Topics include:

- · Introduction and Welcome
- Disability Resource Center: ten things to know about students with disabilities
- The first day of class: what you'll need, handling administrative chores, making a good impression
- · Classroom and office etiquette
- Risk management: fire safety, hazardous materials, emergency management
- Information Technology Services: Blackboard and other teaching support — Library resources and services for students and faculty

Faculty members should attend only if they do not have departmental commitments to work with students during this time.

Sponsored by Research and Graduate Programs

Business (03), Room 204 Contact: Susan Rock, ext. 6-1508

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 17 cont...

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

College of Education, Division of Teacher Education — PACT Training (Includes all multiple subject faculty)

Cotchett Education (02), Room 214
Contact: Peggy Browneller, ext. 6-5090

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Library Reception for New Faculty Members
Refreshments

Kennedy Library (35), Julian's Café in Learning Commons Contact: Lynda Alamo, ext.6-5785

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18-19

Reserved for departmental and college retreats

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Academic Senate Retreat

Inclusive Excellence: Building Equity in Education — A Guiding Vision for the Higher Education Community. A discussion led by Dr. Alma Clayton-Pederson, VP for Education and Institutional Renewal and leader of this initiative as developed by The Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U)

Refreshments will be provided.

University Union (65), Room 220

Contact: Academic Senate Office (mcamuso@calpoly.edu), e xt. 6-1258



ACADEMIC MEETING LOCATIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16	Finance
*Check with department for time	(To be held during business area meeting on 09/18/08)
	Food Science & NutritionFP (24) 103A
Accounting	Graphic Communication
(To be held during business area meeting on 9/18/08)	(Meeting held during departmental retreat)
Aerospace Engineering	History Agr (10) 241
(To be held during departmental retreat)	Horticulture and Crop ScienceAg Sci (11) 112
Agricultural Education & CommunicationAg (10) 100	Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering Eng IV (192) 221
Agribusiness (10) 206	Industrial Technology
Animal Science Ag (10) 105	(To be held during business area meeting on 09/18/08)
Architectural Engineering	Journalism
(To be held during departmental retreat)	(Meeting held during departmental retreat)
ArchitectureA&ED (05) 105	KinesiologyKINE (43A) 150
and during departmental retreat	Landscape Architecture
Art & Design	(To be held during departmental retreat)
Biological SciencesFisher (33) 285	Liberal Studies
Biomedical & General Engineering Eng IV (192) 330	(no meeting)
BioResource & Ag EngineeringAg Engr (08) 121	Management
Chemistry & BiochemistrySci (53) 202	(To be held during business area meeting on 09/18/08)
City & Regional Planning	Marketing
(To be held during departmental retreat)	(To be held during business area meeting on 09/18/08)
Civil & Environmental Engineering	Materials EngineeringEng (41) 217
(Meeting held during departmental retreat)	MathematicsSci North (53) 215
Communication Studies Engl (22) 212	Mechanical EngineeringEng. (13) 124E
Computer Engineering	Military ScienceDexter (34) 117
(Sept. 18 from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. during CPE faculty retreat at Pismo	Modern Languages & LiteraturesAg (10) 128
Lighthouse Suites)	MusicMusic (45) 126
Computer Science	Natural Resources ManagementAg (11) 210
Construction Management	PhilosophyEngl (47) 37
(To be held during departmental retreat)	PhysicsSci (52) E26
Dairy Science	Political Science
Earth and Soil Science	(Meeting held during departmental retreat)
Economics	Psychology & Child DevelopmentFON (47) 24E
(To be held during business area meeting on 09/18/08)	Social SciencesSci North (53) 201
Electrical Engineering Engr (20A) 206	StatisticsFisher (33) 285
English Engl (10) 124	Theatre & DanceMusic (45) 212
Ethnic Studies	Women's Studies FON (47) 24E

