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Cal Poly faculty, staff, and friends,

As we head towards summer, we thank you for a wonderful year and look forward to seeing you again in the fall.

We welcome your questions and feedback at any time: reply to lib-exec@calpoly.edu to reach our team!

Anna Gold
Dean of Library Services
Kennedy Library

Supporting publishing and scholarly communications

The City and Regional Planning department has re-launched *Focus* as an open access and peer-reviewed journal. Focus joins Symposium and Between the Species as the third open access, peer-reviewed journal hosted by Kennedy Library's publishing platform [DigitalCommons@CalPoly](https://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu).

In addition, we have begun assigning Digital Object Identifiers (DOI) to unique material in DigitalCommons@CalPoly, starting with Cal Poly's award-winning student history journal, *The Forum*. DOIs are unique alphanumeric strings designed to identify digital content and provide a persistent link to its location online. They are essential to citation and maintaining the scholarly record in a digital world.

For more information, contact Michele Wyngard, Digital Repository Coordinator, mwyngard@calpoly.edu.

How to help keep textbook prices lower

Kennedy Library and the University Store are partnering to help students get their textbooks at the most affordable price. One method is by comparing and matching library e-books to adopted textbooks ordered through the University Store. For identified matches, the library can offer students and faculty the option to use the e-books in our collection. Another way faculty can help is to make textbook requests as early as possible. This way Cal Poly students can have access to textbooks on a schedule comparable to students on the semester system.

[Make your textbook requests.](#)

Expanding Cal Poly's eBook collection

Kennedy Library purchased nearly 30,000 eBooks from various publishers this year. This content covers a range of disciplines including psychology, history, media and cultural studies, religion and philosophy, theatre and performance, business, finance and economics. All content features perpetual access, multiple simultaneous users and permissive or no digital rights management. This means that downloading, printing and inter-library lending of eBook chapters are largely unrestricted.

More details: lib.calpoly.edu/outloud/2015/05/30000ebooks

Inaugural Learn by Doing Scholars Selected

The two faculty selected as the inaugural Learn by Doing Scholars will be announced at the More than a Motto Conference on May 15. The Learn by Doing Scholar Award was established this year to acknowledge and inspire formal scholarship and research into Cal Poly's signature pedagogy. Applications were received from faculty at every college; awards will be given for fully-realized as well as emerging scholarship. The More than a Motto Conference is open to everyone.

Registration is requested: morethanamotto.calpoly.edu

Conversations with Cal Poly Authors features Clare Olsen, May 29

Join us to discuss [Collaborations in Architecture and Engineering](#), a book by Clare Olsen and Sinead Mac Namara, at 10 a.m. Friday, May 29, in Room 111H at Kennedy Library. Clare Olsen is an assistant professor of architecture. Her areas of expertise include beginning design, digital media and fabrication, interdisciplinary design and shell structures. Her co-author, Sinead Mac Namara, teaches structural engineering courses for Syracuse University's School of Architecture, and mechanics courses for the College of Engineering.

More info: bit.ly/cpa_olsen

Feedback? Questions? We look forward to hearing from you.
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