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Two Cal Poly Faculty Members to Receive the University's Annual Distinguished Scholarship Award

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly has named an associate professor of anthropology and a professor of economics to receive the university's Distinguished Scholarship Award for 2007-08, the fifth year for the award program.

Anthropology Associate Professor Terry L. Jones and Economics Professor Michael L. Marlow were recognized outstanding accomplishments in research endeavors and their contributions to the advancement of the study of motives and consequences of human behavior.

They will be honored at spring commencement ceremonies, June 14 and June 15 respectively, and will be recognized during the university's Fall Conference General Session on September 15.

Jones was chosen for the breadth and quality of his anthropological scholarship on California's prehistory. He has written numerous articles for academic journals and has recently edited two books on California prehistory. Jones has helped redefine the roles of human activities in prehistoric California through his research on contacts between Polynesia and southern California, and the relationship between prehistoric hunting and animal extinctions.

Integrating research with teaching and mentoring, Jones has also co-authored recent articles with some of his former students, and raising the public profile of anthropology and the social sciences at Cal Poly.

Jones has been teaching at Cal Poly since 1998. He has served as department chair of the Social Sciences Department since 2007. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology, Environmental Studies in 1978 from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and a Master of Arts degree in Cultural Resources Management from Sonoma State University in 1982. In addition, Jones received a Masters of Arts degree in Anthropology in 1989 and his Ph.D. in Anthropology in 1995 from the University of California, Davis.

Marlow was honored for his distinguished record of publications in economics and public policy. His research on public education, health economics and other controversial topics combines theory and application to better understand the roles and efficacy of government policies.

Marlow has published more than 35 refereed articles in addition to a public finance textbook and numerous articles. Highly regarded both in and outside the field of economics, Marlow serves as a referee for health-related journals, including the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Marlow has been teaching at Cal Poly since 1988. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from The George Washington University in 1975, and his Ph.D. in Economics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1978.

This is the fifth year that the university is honoring faculty with the Distinguished Scholarship Award. It was established to recognize achievements in research, creative work and other professional development activities. It

is intended to support research and other creative endeavors and to encourage faculty member's professional growth.

Jones and Marlow were selected from eighty-three nominations and seven finalists.

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