Cal Poly signs Talloires statement on environment

Cal Poly has joined more than 300 universities around the world in signing the Talloires Declaration, a pledge to make the campus a place where environmental protection and the use of sustainable resources are practiced, improved and taught.

President Baker made the announcement at the April 23 Convocation on Education for Sustainability, saying “Cal Poly has already begun much of the work detailed in the Talloires Declaration. The Cal Poly Master Plan, the Cal Poly Land project, and the Campus Sustainability Initiative bear witness to our dedication to creating an institutional culture of sustainability.”


Cuesta, Hancock to aid students this summer

Cal Poly will not print a summer class schedule, and the university will be working with local community colleges over the next few weeks to aid students in need of summer session classes.

The university announced in February that, because of state budget cuts, it will offer only a limited 2004 summer term. Printing a summer schedule was not cost-effective in light of the few courses offered, Vice Provost David Conn said.

The schedule is online only, at http://www.ess.calpoly.edu/_records/summer_schedule/index.htm.

Cuesta College and Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria have expanded their own summer course schedules, offering lower-division general education courses on their campuses as well as online courses that students will be able to transfer to Cal Poly for credit.

Cuesta and Hancock representatives will be in the UU Plaza from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday (April 29) as well as May 11 and May 20 to help students register for their summer sessions.

Hancock’s summer registration begins May 3, and summer session classes begin June 21. Students can apply and register through Hancock’s Web site at http://www.hancockcollege.edu/.

Cuesta College summer registration begins May 10, and classes begin at its San Luis Obispo and Paso Robles campuses June 14. Students can apply and register online through Cuesta’s Web site at http://www.cuesta.edu/.

Cal Poly’s summer 2004 enrollment period starts May 3. The university is offering three summer sessions: a 10-week session June 21-Aug. 27, a five-week session June 21-July 23, and a second five-week session, July 26-Aug. 27.

Students can find more summer session information and links to Cuesta and Allan Hancock colleges on the Academic Programs Office Summer 2004 update Web page at http://www.academics.calpoly.edu/academic_programs/summer.htm.

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**PolyComm information available at forums**

The coming PolyComm e-mail and calendaring system will be the subject of a series of information forums beginning Thursday (April 29) with a session on calendars from 9 to 10 a.m. and repeated 1-2 p.m. in UU 220.

The phased campuswide transition from OpenMail to Oracle Collaboration Suite (OCS) is scheduled for fall.

Other forums are scheduled for 9-10 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. May 13 (Web e-mail) and June 3 (Microsoft Outlook and Connector access to calendar and e-mail).

On May 4 an information table will be set up from 11 a.m. to noon in the UU Plaza. On May 20 Oracle Corp. representatives will be in the plaza 11 a.m.-noon for “Big Bang Day,” a major promotion of PolyComm and OCS.

**Compete information** at the new system is at http://polycomm.calpoly.edu. Questions can be phoned to the ITS Service Desk at ext. 7000 or e-mailed to polycomm@calpoly.edu.

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**DATELINE**

More information about these and other Cal Poly events is accessible from the Cal Poly News Web site (www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu).

**Athletics:** www.calpolymustangs.com ($ – Admission charged)

**Exhibits**

- **UU Gallery:** Anti-war art of student Sabiha Basrai through May 4; “A Life Through Tarot,” painting by student Rachelle Kam, May 10-31, reception 7-9pm May 13
- **University Art Gallery** (Dexter): “Pro Bono” student art show, through May 1

**Wednesday, April 28**

- **Music:** Tom Mitchler, BackStage Pizza, 11am
- **Music:** Just Jinger, UU Gallery, 6pm

**Thursday, April 29**

- **Construction Sciences Forum:** Through Saturday, CAED Gallery
- **Hearst Lecture:** Ed Mazria, “Architects Pollute,” Business Rotunda, 7pm
- **Comedy:** ASI Comedy Showcase 2004, Chumash, 7:30pm
- **Music:** Orchestra Baobab, Harman Hall, 8pm ($)

**Tuesday, May 4**

- **Music:** Darrell Voss, BackStage Pizza, 11am

**Friday, May 7**

- **Entrepreneurial Leadership Awards:** Fairways at Dairy Creek, 5pm
- **Hearst Lecture:** Phil Hawes, Business Rotunda, 2pm
- **Play:** “The Little Engine that Could,” Harman Hall, 7pm ($)

**Saturday, May 8**

- **Student recital:** Ryan Putt, trombone, Davidson 218, 2pm

**Tuesday, May 11**

- **Music:** David Harris, BackStage Pizza, 11am

**Wednesday, May 12**

- **Music:** Guy Budd, BackStage Pizza, 11am
- **Music:** Blake Shelton, Rec Center, 7:30pm ($)
Nominations sought for Diversity Award

Nominations are due by May 21 for the annual President’s Diversity Award, instituted in 1997-98 to recognize campus units that have exhibited commitment to the value of diversity.

Any faculty member, staff member, student or campus unit may nominate a campus unit for the Diversity Award. The award carries with it a $1,000 augmentation to the winning unit’s budget for one year.

To be considered for the award, a campus unit must have exhibited commitment to the value of cultural diversity in one or more of the following ways: recruitment or retention efforts, improvement of student or employee understanding of the value of a culturally diverse climate, university or community service in support of diversity or multiculturalism, scholarly contributions in the area of multiculturalism or diversity, or advocacy of diversity. The activities must support and be consistent with the mission of Cal Poly as an institution of higher education.

Two winners shared the award in 2003: Connections for Academic Success and the Minority International Research Access Program.

To make a nomination, submit the form found at http://www.academics.calpoly.edu/diversity/ to Harry Hellenbrand, c/o Diversity Award Selection Committee, College of Liberal Arts. For more information, call Liberal Arts at ext. 2706.

Construction forum looks at ‘green’ concepts

With a theme of “Intervene, Think Green,” Cal Poly’s 6th Annual Construction Sciences Forum Thursday-Saturday (April 29-May 1) will focus on the concepts of sustainable building.

Most of the forum’s events will be held in the Architecture and Environmental Design Gallery. The forum begins at 7 p.m. Thursday in Business 213 with a keynote address titled “Architects Pollute” by Ed Mazria of Santa Fe, N.M.

Friday’s schedule includes a product show, presentations on sustainable concepts, a barbecue and roundtable discussion. Saturday features a student sandcastle-design competition and closing speaker Ken Radtkey of Blackbird Architects in Santa Barbara.

More information is available from Ed Rojas at (714) 319-8183 or ed@calpolycsi.com and Sam Harper at (805) 440-2514 or sharper@calpoly.edu and is on the Web at www.calpolycsi.com.

Women’s Studies seeks scholarship nominations

The Women’s Studies Program invites nominations for two scholarships to students who will be attending Cal Poly this fall and have demonstrated a commitment to women’s equality issues through serving as a leader in organizations that have the primary purpose of promoting women’s rights politically, economically and socially:

- The Vicki & Darell Farrer Scholarship, $675, to an engineering, chemistry, physics or statistics major with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- The Dr. Shirley H. Walker Scholarship, $450, for a student with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Nominations should indicate the student’s major and be submitted by May 7 in a letter or e-mail message to the Women’s Studies Program at Womst@polymail.calpoly.edu or anash@calpoly.edu. For questions, contact Andrea Nash at ext. 1525 or anash@calpoly.edu.

Poems due May 7

Student entries in Cal Poly’s 2004 Academy of American Poets contest are due to the English Department, in Faculty Offices North, by May 7. All students registered spring quarter are eligible. First prize is $100. For more information, contact Kevin Clark at ext. 2506 or kclark@calpoly.edu.

Position Vacancies

FACULTY Candidates are asked to visit the employment Web site at www.calpolyjobs.org to apply for any of the positions shown below. Submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated.

#100312: Part-time Lecturer Pool, Computer Science Department (ext. 7183). Closes June 1.

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Operations Technician, $16/hour, 3/4 time, temporary (not to exceed 1500 paid hours in a fiscal year). Closes May 7.

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University Police join in “Tip-a-Cop” dinner

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