News

Campus Community Invited to Open Forums with President Armstrong

President Armstrong and other key campus leaders invite all to attend one of several Campus Community Conversations during spring quarter. The purpose of these open forums is to hear the campus’s views on vital issues facing Cal Poly. The Campus Community Conversations will be held:

- Staff: Wednesday, April 3, 8:30 to 10 a.m. in UC 220
- For students: Thursday, April 18, 1 to 2 p.m. (new time) in the PAC Pavilion
- For faculty: Friday, April 26, 11 a.m. to noon in the PAC Pavilion

Tour the Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach May 4

The Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach will open to the public from 9 a.m. to noon today, Saturday, May 4. Interactive displays on the pier for the spring open house event will include special touch-tasks full of fun marine creatures, microscopes for viewing ultra-small site structures, a “discovery SCUBA” experience and more. Cal Poly professors and students will be on hand to explain their ongoing research areas and local marine life, including protecting Morro Bay’s ecosystem, containing local fisheries, and mapping ocean currents on the Central Coast.

Find more information online, or call 805-774-6777.

Open Forums Set for Assistant Vice Provost for University Advancing Finalists

Three finalists for the position of Assistant Vice Provost for University Advancing are holding open forums on campus through April 11. Daniel Tenner, associate director of academic advising for the College of Arts & Sciences at the University of Colorado at Boulder, held a forum Thursday, April 2.

Charles E. Osias, dean of student services for counseling and enrollment at Atlantic Community College in Santa Maria, will hold a forum Thursday, April 11. Andrew Seth Meritt Miller, director of Academic Advising and Career Center, director of the Student Services Center, and interim director of the Testing Center at Sacramento State, will hold a forum Thursday, April 11.

Both upcoming forums will run from 11 a.m. to noon in Fisher Science (Building 35). Boxes 286 Staff, faculty and students are invited. Curriculum vitae for the finalists are available online.

Cal Poly’s 2013-2015 Catalog is Online

The 2013-15 catalog is available online. The catalog, effective summer 2013, is Cal Poly’s first published with a content management system.

The result is a robust online catalog with a new design, including:

- adoption of Cal Poly’s latest web template
- an underlying database improving content accuracy and enhancing usability (for example, a user can click on a course in a degree’s curriculum and view the course’s description)
- automatic formatting and sizing for mobile device viewing, and
- “Download PDF” capability enabling a user to view and/or print the entire catalog or specific sections.

Now that Cal Poly has a true online catalog, which contains the most up-to-date information as well as options for downloading and printing, a printed catalog is no longer published. Questions or comments may be directed to catalog@calpoly.edu.

Campus Administrative Policies Update Continues

Cal Poly is continuing a comprehensive review of its administrative policies that will result in a complete collection of “Campus Administrative Policies” (CAP) published online. The Web CAP will replace the Campus Administrative Manual (CAM). The CAP Ad Hoc Committee recently considered proposed Campus Administrative Policies that are now posted in draft form on the CAP website. Find more information online on CAP and the proposed draft policies.

Faculty and Staff

New Titles for Administrators

President Armstrong has implemented title changes for two members of his leadership team: Provost Kathleen Enz Finken’s new title will be chief financial officer and senior vice president of administration and finance. “Kathleen and Larry lead our two largest divisions, Armstrong said. “In lieu of additional compensation, I wanted to recognize and more accurately reflect the broad scope of their responsibilities.” The title changes were effective March 1. In addition, Eric Fischer, as part of the reorganization within his office, is changing the title of a recently announced position from vice provost for research and industry relations to vice president for research and economic development. The position will report to the provost and is part of Cal Poly’s efforts to bolster the tenure scholar model and further strengthen partnerships with industry.

Retirements

Susan Rains

Susan Rains is retiring after almost 24 years at Cal Poly - the last 20 of which have been at the University Police Department. She started her Cal Poly career in the Bayshore Researches Department and then transferred to UCPD in 1995 to become the police chief’s assistant. For the last nine years, she has served as a campus security and access services coordinator, helping many people throughout campus and in the community explore their commuting options via alternative transportation. She has been instrumental in helping reduce carbon emissions and promoting sustainable transportation solutions through the bicycle, Zipcar and carpool programs she administers. Feel free to stop by any time before April 20 to wish her well.

Garett McCain

Garett McCain, groundskeeper at Facility Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate sick leave and/or vacation leave to help McCain remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Lisa McCale at ext. 6-5212 or lmccale@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Catastrophic Leave

Annapolis

Annapolis, A红线, a nutritionist in Facility Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate sick leave and/or vacation leave to help Annapolis remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Brina Wosley at ext. 9-7435 or bwosley@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.