1996 Career Symposium planned for Feb. 22

More than 90 company representatives from a wide variety of industries are planning to attend the 1996 Career Symposium on Thursday, Feb. 22, in Chumash Auditorium.

This year's event, coordinated by Career Services, Minorities Engineering, and Admissions, has attracted so many employers that tables will also be set up in the lobby in front of Chumash.

Industry representatives will be available to provide career information, answer questions, distribute literature and promotional materials, and initiate contacts for career, summer, and co-op employment opportunities.

Fields to be represented are agriculture, construction, food processing, pharmaceuticals, computers, engineering, insurance and finance, resorts, retail, bio-engineering, printing, and consulting. Representatives from state and federal agencies will also be attending.

Faculty members are invited to meet with representatives at a continental breakfast from 9 to 10 am, also in Chumash. Vice President for Student Affairs Juan Gonzalez will deliver welcoming remarks at 9:45 am, and “Career Events” grants will be awarded.

Career Events grants of up to $250 are given to student organizations to help them fund a career-related event. The grants are funded by fees from Career Symposium registration.

Faculty and staff members are also invited to stop by during the open forum portion of the symposium from 10 am to 3 pm.

The event will close with a workshop and panel discussion titled, “Consulting: Is It the Career for You?,” from 3 to 4:30 pm in Staff Dining Room A. Panel members – consultants from Andersen Consulting, Hewitt Associates, and Deloitte & Touche – will discuss the increasing interest in the consulting industry. Moderators will be Jane Johnson and Donna Davis of Cal Poly’s Career Services.

For more information, a list of industry participants, and copies of the 1996 Career Events Calendar, call Career Services at ext. 2502.

Deadlines set for faculty support grants

The deadline is Friday, March 1, for submitting proposals for State Faculty Support Grants (SFSG), which support research, scholarship, and creative activities that help faculty members maintain critical in their fields, with the intent of strengthening California socially, culturally, and economically.

Faculty members in unit 3 are eligible to compete for funding. Non-tenured faculty members and those in disciplines with few outside sources of support for research, scholarship and creative activity are particularly encouraged to apply.

The three types of support are:

- Mini-grants of up to $5,000, to be expended during the 1996-97 academic year.
- Assigned time for research, creative activity, or scholarship.
- A quarter leave at full pay to develop or complete an appropriate activity related to one’s academic discipline.

Funding will be contingent on next year’s budget.

Call the Research and Graduate Programs office at ext. 1508 for guidelines and application forms.

Assemblyman Bordonaro to talk on Feb. 23

State Assemblyman Tom Bordonaro will speak on California’s business climate at 3 pm Friday, Feb. 23, in Room 213 in the Business Building.

The talk will focus on the state Legislature’s efforts to improve the business climate.

Bordonaro, a Republican from Paso Robles, is a first-term legislator representing all of San Luis Obispo and portions of northern Santa Barbara counties. He is chairman of the Human Services Committee and was recently rated among the most effective legislators in the Assembly.

After his talk, Bordonaro will answer questions from the audience.

The presentation is sponsored by Cal Poly’s MBA Association and College of Business. For more information, call Joseph Somsel at 542-9341.

Vanoncini, 78

Leslie Vanoncini, a former faculty member in the College of Agriculture, died of cancer Wednesday, Jan. 24. Vanoncini, who returned to his hometown of Arcata in the ’70s, worked at Cal Poly from 1965 to 1976.

Costen, 80

Loretta Costen, who worked in the Purchasing office and the Engineering Technology Department, died Sunday, Jan. 28, in a San Luis Obispo convalescent hospital. She came to Cal Poly in 1953 and retired in 1976.

Whipple, 83

Omer Whipple, a chemistry professor from 1956 to 1976, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, in a Snohomish, Wash., nursing home.
Communication and HIV topic of Feb. 26 talk

Speech communication professor Lorraine Jackson will present "Communicating an HIV-Positive Diagnosis to Women" from 12:10 to 1 pm Monday, Feb. 26, in the Staff Dining Room.

Jackson will report on the results of a study of 32 incarcerated females who had been diagnosed with HIV and discuss her recommendations about how to communicate the diagnosis in a manner that best enables a patient to adjust.

Jackson and psychology and human development professor Michael Selby conducted the research.

The incidence of AIDS is increasing faster in women than in men and is now the fourth leading cause of death among women 25-44. By examining the data in the questionnaires completed by the inmates, Jackson and Selby explored:

- The communication variables associated with positive vs. negative experiences during the consultation in which the patient learned she was HIV-positive.
- Whether there is a correlation between how women are told and their mental adjustment to HIV.
- Whether female patients report differences in satisfaction with the way the consultation was handled, depending on whether a male or female professional told them of their diagnosis.

The talk is the final presentation in the winter quarter Women's Studies Lunch-Time Seminar series.

For more information, call the Women's Studies Program office at ext. 1525.

Modern dance company set to perform Feb. 28

The Nikolais and Murray Louis Dance company will turn modern dance into a multimedia experience as part of Cal Poly Arts' Great Performances series at 8 pm Wednesday, Feb. 28, in the Theatre.

The dance concert, featuring the works of company founders Alwin Nikolais (now deceased) and Murray Louis, showcases movement amid dramatic lighting, props, slide projections, and sound effects.

The company of 10 skilled dancers is acclaimed for its virtuosity. For its Cal Poly performance, the troupe will open with "Crucible," a 1985 piece that premiered at the American Dance Festival. The New York Times called it a "work of genius, based simply upon Nikolais' mastery as a puppeteer."

The ensemble will also perform "Tensile Involvement," another piece praised by The New York Times.

The dancers will also present "Four Brubeck Pieces," an all-out celebration of the joy of movement set to the music of jazz great Dave Brubeck.

Tickets are $20 for the public and $24 for students and senior citizens for premium seating and $16 for the public and $14 for students and senior citizens for preferred seating.

For reservations call the 24-hour Anytime Artline at ext. 1421. Tickets can be bought at the Theatre Ticket Office between 10 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday.

Assessment methods topic of FIDO talk

George Stanton of the Assessment and Testing Center will present "Determining Projects for Achievement Assessment" from noon to 1 pm Tuesday, Feb. 27, in Staff Dining Room B.

The program, offered as part of the Faculty Instructional Development Opportunity Brown-Bag Lunch Series, will look at:

- Methods used to assess what students have learned.
- Test validity.
- Pros and cons of alternative assessment methods.

For more information, call the Faculty Instructional Development office at ext. 5935.

CSULink connects five library holdings

Five CSU libraries are collaborating on a pilot project to offer library users access to the combined catalogs of library materials.

The project, known as CSULink, involves the libraries at Pomona, San Diego, San Jose, Hayward and San Luis Obispo.

Similar in function to Melvyl, which links the catalogs of all the UC campuses, CSULink represents all records and holdings of the five CSU libraries. Information found on CSULink shows items owned, including circulation status (updated in real time), summary holdings for serials and periodicals, and materials on order.

CSULink includes approximately 4 million items. More than 213,000 records are unique to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

Users can access CSULink through Polycat terminals in the Kennedy Library or over the Internet at http://www.lib.calpoly.edu. Simply follow the instructions at the bottom of the screen.

For more information, call Ilene Rockman at ext. 5787.
Former Cal Poly prof named acting president

J. Handel Evans, a former Cal Poly architecture professor and former president of San Jose State, has been named as the acting president of the yet-to-be-built Ventura County CSU campus.

Seed grants available; proposals sought

New Global Affairs Seed Grants are being provided to assist faculty members with projects that will help internationalize Cal Poly, as called for by the newly revised university Strategic Plan.

The campus has been allotted $15,000 for the grants. The review committee does not anticipate granting an award greater than $3,000 to any one individual or project. The funds for the awards are to be expended before June 30.

Applicants should submit five copies of a brief proposal – no more than two pages – to the Global Affairs office by Friday, March 15. Applicants should also provide written notification of their substantial to their department head or chair and dean.

The proposal should include objectives; significance; plan of work, including participants and timetable; related efforts or support in the area; and a budget.

A report will be required when the project is completed.

Applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Global Affairs Council, and recipients should be notified before Monday, April 1.

Award funds may be used for travel, clerical support, release time, summer stipends, equipment, supplies, and consultant stipends.

The following guidelines will be used in prioritizing the value of the proposals:

1. Proposals must directly benefit Cal Poly students, faculty members and the university community.
2. Proposals involving countries in the Pacific Rim (any country that borders the Pacific Ocean) and the Americas will be given priority over proposals involving other areas or countries.
3. Proposals should be of relatively low risk, i.e., they should have a high likelihood of succeeding.
4. Proposals should be new or almost-new initiatives. Well-established and successful programs will not be given priority.
5. Proposals should show some initiative in securing funds from other sources, including – but not limited to – college and departmental funding.

For more information, call the Global Affairs office at ext. 1477 or Irel Urreiztieta, director of global affairs, at ext. 5969.

Award-winning author to be keynote speaker

Award-winning author and former professional basketball player Mariah Burton Nelson will give the keynote speech for Women’s Week at 7:30 pm Tuesday, Feb. 20, in Chumash Auditorium.

Women’s Week runs through Friday, Feb. 23.

Nelson, known for her expertise in sports and feminism, will talk on “The Stronger Women Get, the More Men Love Football,” the title of her most recent book.

She will address the widespread discrimination against and negative attitudes toward women’s athletics.

She will focus on the connections between sexism and sports and the effects this combination has on men and women.

Nelson’s message extends beyond the world of sports by encouraging everyone to become “winners” – strong, courageous, self-disciplined and outspoken about injustice in all of its forms.

Nelson is a former columnist for The Washington Post and editor of Women’s Sports and Fitness magazine.

The event is free and sponsored by the ASI’s Speakers Forum.

Progress on the Cal Poly Plan

This is an update on the Cal Poly Plan prepared by the Academic Affairs Committee.

After reviewing new information regarding financial aid, the Cal Poly Plan Steering Plan Committee has recommended a supplemental student fee of $45 per quarter—$135 annually—rather than the $40 quarterly fee that the panel had earlier proposed.

This $5 increase per student will be earmarked exclusively for financial assistance.

These funds along with state and federal grants and a larger number of private scholarships raised by the University Advancement office, will mitigate the impact of higher costs on students needing financial help.

In its Feb. 9 meeting, the committee also proposed that a portion of other Cal Poly Plan revenues be used to hire student assistants, providing improved employment opportunities for students.

The committee recommended that the $45 quarterly fee be charged all students, regardless of unit load, during the 1996-97 academic year.

In other business, the committee considered the outline for a preliminary Cal Poly Plan report that will be available for campus review in a few weeks.

The report will list Cal Poly Plan purposes and goals, summarize the steering committee’s recommendations for the 1996-97 academic year, and show the data and principles used to assess various options.

The report will also outline a comprehensive, integrated, multi-year plan and future funding strategy to address university objectives of reversing and enhancing educational quality.

The committee has recommended that approximately half of the $1.8 million derived from additional student fees next year be invested in instructional technology and equipment and that half go to enhance instruction and advising programs.

Campus units will be asked in the near future to submit proposals for making improvements in these areas.
Dateline
Admission charged — $5
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16
Speaker: Robert Seyer (L.A. Times) will talk about the film "Nixon" as part of The Lyceum speaker series. Business 213, 7 pm.
Panel: Black faculty and staff members will talk about aspects of their lives, education and careers as part of Black History Month. Chumash, 7 pm.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17
Exhibit-Reception: Sculptor Mirko Slikkows will exhibit his work through Sunday, March 10. Reception 5 to 7 pm, UU Gallerie. Special live performance in UU Plaza at 6:30 pm.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18
Dance: Cal Poly's Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson. Odd Fellows Hall, SLO, 5-30 pm. ($)
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Play: "Hecuba," Theatre and Dance Department's winter quarter production. Through Saturday, Feb. 24. Theatre, 8 pm. ($)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22
Play: "Hecuba," Theatre and Dance Department's winter quarter production. Through Saturday, Feb. 24. Theatre, 8 pm. ($)
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23
Play: "Hecuba," Theatre and Dance Department's winter quarter production. Through Saturday, Feb. 24. Theatre, 8 pm. ($)
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24
Music: David "Dewg" Cristman will play the mandolin. Chumash, 8 pm. ($)
Play: "Hecuba," Theatre and Dance Department's winter quarter production. Theatre. 8 pm. ($)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25
Dance: Cal Poly's Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson. Odd Fellows Hall, SLO, 5:30 pm. ($)
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Speaker: Lorraine Jackson (Speech Communication) will discuss "Communicating an HIV-Positive Diagnosis to Women." Staff Dining Room, 12-10 pm.
Speaker: Former Black Panther member Erica Huggins will talk as part of Black History Month. Chumash, 7 pm.

Position vacancies

More information and applications for the following staff positions are available from the appropriate human resources office. Faxed applications and resumes will not be accepted in lieu of official application.

STATE (Adm. 118, ext. 2236 or job line at ext. 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm of the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date.

DEAN OF LIBRARY SERVICES

The Position: The university seeks an experienced, visionary and dynamic leader with excellent interpersonal skills and the commitment to serving the information needs of students and faculty. The dean has responsibility for the development, implementation, and direction of all aspects of library services in order to meet the scholarly and intellectual needs of the university community and its service area. The dean provides leadership and works closely with the vice provost for information technology in the development, implementation, and management of electronic databases and information technologies. The dean also has administrative responsibilities and provides leadership for campuswide audiovisual services. The dean is active in the development of university-wide policy as a member of the Academic Deans' Council and the systemwide Council of Library Directors. The dean is the chief administrative officer of the library with a professional staff of 17 librarians with faculty status, 41 support staff and a budget of $4.9 million. The dean reports directly to the provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Qualifications:

An ALA accredited MLS degree; an earned doctorate preferred; progressively responsible professional and administrative experience in an academic library, including strategic planning, budgeting, staffing, public relations and facilities management; demonstrated leadership and management in integrating and advancing innovative programs in response to a changing technological and information environment; an understanding of the instructional and scholarly needs of students and faculty; knowledge of the needs of a diverse student population and demonstrated commitment to affirmative action in staffing operations; strong interpersonal and communication skills; record of leadership in a collaborative and collegial environment; experience in developing external sources of support for the library; a record of professional participation and scholarly contributions; ability to serve effectively as an advocate and spokesperson for the library's educational mission.

Compensation: Salary is commensurate with the background and experience of the individual selected. Cal Poly offers excellent fringe benefits. All rights associated with this appointment are governed by the Management Personnel Plan adopted by the CSU board of trustees. Applications and Nominations: Each application should include a current resume; the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least three professional references and 1 statement, not to exceed more than two pages, of the applicant's views on the academic administration of a university library.

The position is open until filled; however, applications and nominations are encouraged to be provided by March 25, 1996. The preferred starting date for the position is July 1, 1996, or earlier if mutually acceptable. Applications, nominations and inquiries should refer to recruitment code 6M064 and be addressed to: Paul T. Adalian, Chair, Consultative Committee, c/o Faculty Affairs Office, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407, phone 805-756-2844 or fax 805-756-5185. For more information, see http://www.lib.calpoly.edu.

CLOSING DATE: March 1

Library Volunteers: The Kennedy Library is seeking volunteers. Requirements: and interest in learning about the library and ability to work a minimum of four hours per week. Duties could include servicing a public or technical area, typing, computer work, assisting with book sales, government documents projects, and K-12 textbook work. Special, short-term projects available for March - April. Please call Library Administration for an appointment (805-756-2345).

FOUNDAION (Foundation Adm. Building, job line at ext. 3707). All foundation applications must be received (not just postmarked) by 5 pm of the closing date. (No faxes)

CLOSING DATE: Open until filled (review of applications to begin March 15)

Bookstore Director, $4652-$6061/ month.

CLOSING DATE: Feb. 23


Computer Service Center Coordinator, II Corral Bookstore, $1980-$2575/ month.

More information, see http://www.lib.calpoly.edu.