Project Status Report
Seventh in a Series

What: Integrating and restructuring the curriculum
Where: Business, liberal studies

Cal Poly Plan funding:
- Reducing and integrating MBA course requirements: $35,000
- Integrating core, undergraduate business courses: $35,000
- Helping revise the liberal studies curriculum: $4,800

Status:
- Effective fall quarter, required course units in the MBA program are being reduced from 52 to 40, and 36 of those units will be taught in three, 12-unit blocks. As part of their new way of looking at curricula, project directors are also exploring potential new dual-degree programs with agriculture, architecture and engineering.
- A working group of six professors is creating an alternative track for required undergraduate business courses to stress the integration of course content and promote systems thinking. The goal is a modular curriculum, in place for fall, that will help students in their progress toward degrees.
- The Cal Poly Plan is enabling liberal studies to continue developing interdisciplinary, team-taught, general-ed courses that are part of a larger project to create a new GE&B option. The restructuring is part of an effort to develop a five-year curriculum that graduates a greater number of scientifically literate elementary teachers.

Coordinators/Contacts:
- MBA integration: David Peach, ext. 7187
- Undergraduate business integration: Michael Stebbins, ext. 1416
- Liberal studies revision: Bob Cichowski, ext. 1328

Web links:
- Plan projects: http://www.calpoly.edu/~inststdy/cp_plan/projects.html

Conference on racism set during spring break

"Racism: The Hidden Disease" is the title of a workshop open to all faculty and staff members from 1 to 3 pm Wednesday, March 26, in Fisher Science 285.

The workshop, the second to be given at Cal Poly, is sponsored by the Staff Council and the Cultural Awareness Committee and presented by the Central Coast Institute for the Healing of Racism. It aims to develop a national network to educate people to:
- Recognize racism and oppression;
- Heal the disease and wounds of racism;
- Stop the cycle of racial conditioning in social, economic, and political institutions.

Attendance will be limited to 40 people. For more information or to reserve a spot, call Mary Lou Sneed at ext. 5112 or e-mail msneed@calpoly.edu.

Admissions to hold ‘Green & Gold Days’

The Admissions Office is sponsoring a new program designed to help newly admitted students and their families and supporters become more familiar with campus.

Called Green & Gold Days, the program is scheduled this year on Fridays and Mondays, March 24, 28 and 31, and April 4 – dates that coincide with Easter break for many high school students.

The same program will be offered on each of the four days and includes a workshop and tours of the campus and residence halls.

The workshop aims to provide students with the answers to questions they might have as they make decisions about where to attend college. The program will begin at noon in the Theatre.

Students and their families will also be able to take a campus tour, offered at 10 am and 2 pm every day during Green & Gold Days, and a special residence hall tour, to be given at 1 pm daily during the program’s four days.

The students will be invited to Open House on Friday and Saturday, April 18-19.

For more information on Green & Gold Days, call Walter Harris, Admissions, ext. 5107.

'Simply the Best'
Jercich to speak tonight on Thailand

Professor George Jercich of the Art and Design Department will present a slide show and discussion on Thailand at 8 tonight (March 14) at Barnes and Noble bookstore in San Luis Obispo.

Titled “A Visit to Thailand,” the presentation will showcase that country’s unique character. Monasteries, temples, palaces, and art reflect the influence of Theravada Buddhism, the predominant religion of the land.

Ancient ruins, daily produce markets, and exotic wildlife are also part of the country’s charm.

Cal Poly has a summer study abroad program with Silpakorn University in Thailand. This year’s program is scheduled from June 20 to Aug. 1.

Noted labor historian to speak April 16

A noted labor historian, author and professor of history will talk on “Forging an Alliance: Labor and the Academy” at 7:30 pm Wednesday, April 16, in the Business Building Rotunda.

Nelson Lichtenstein from the University of Virginia will discuss the history of relations between the academic left and labor, and set out an agenda for possible future relations between higher education and labor.

In order to strengthen the labor movement, Lichtenstein and others maintain, academics must teach the history of labor to demonstrate how the movement has exemplified many of the most important ideals of America.

A host of issues will be discussed by Lichtenstein, including:
- Is labor, as presently organized, a useful vehicle for effecting social change, especially for women and minorities?
- Was the old alliance between labor and the academic left undermined by anti-American sentiments expressed during the Vietnam War?
- Lichtenstein has appeared on C-Span and spoken on National Public Radio. His work has been discussed in The New York Times and published in the Los Angeles Times and The Chronicle of Higher Education.
- The free talk is sponsored by the History Department and College of Liberal Arts. It is the first in the History Department’s spring speaker series.

For more information, call history professor George Cotkin at ext. 2763.

Songs, dances of Poland to be featured in show

Mazowsze, the state folk song and dance ensemble of Poland, will perform at 8 pm Tuesday, March 18, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center.

Known as one of the world’s great folk dance companies, Mazowsze features almost 100 dancers, singers, and musicians, performing the songs and dances of 38 different regions of Poland.

Founded by composer-arranger Tadeusz Sygietynski in 1948, the troupe’s songs are mainly based on his compositions and arrangements of popular music.

Tickets cost $17 to $28 and can be bought at the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office from 10 am to 6 pm weekdays and from 10 am to 4 pm Saturdays. To order by phone, dial ARTS (ext. 2787).

Winners announced

Four employees won door prizes at the winter quarter health and wellness fair focusing on parenting issues, sponsored by the Employee Assistance Program.

Marilyn York of Global Affairs; Liz Sprouse, Admissions; Rita Zamora, State Accounting; and Ken Barclay, Student Life and Activities, won games from Games People Play and gift certificates from Kona’s, Greek Pita, and Tortilla Flats.

Sesame Street star to sing, join KidSalute

Sesame Street’s Bob McGrath will lead a cast of local kids in a musical revue of Hollywood and Broadway hits on Saturday, March 22.

The Cal Poly Arts Family Event concert will begin at 11 am in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center.

After the concert, McGrath will be on hand from noon to 3 pm at KidSalute, an annual fund raiser featuring games, booths, performances, refreshments, and a silent auction, all geared for children and families.

The theme for this year’s KidSalute is Kidstreet/SLO!

McGrath, one of the original hosts on the award winning children’s series, travels around the country performing for young audiences, working with small bands as well as symphony orchestras.

The event, sponsored by Cal Poly Arts and the Youth Outreach for the Performing Arts Center (YOPAC), supports the Cal Poly Arts Family Event Series and YOPAC’s programs for local school children.

Admission is free to KidSalute. Prices start at $7 for McGrath’s concert. To order, stop by or call the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office at ext. 2787 from 10 am to 6 pm weekdays and from 10 am to 4 pm Saturdays.

CPR schedule

The Cal Poly Report is published by the Communications Office every Friday when school is in session (every other Friday during summer).

The last issue of winter quarter will appear next week, March 21. The deadline to submit information for that edition is 1 pm today (March 14). No issue will be published during quarter break, Friday, March 28.

The first spring quarter edition will be published April 4. Please submit items for that issue by Friday, March 28.

For information, call ext. 1511, or e-mail articles, suggestions, and questions to polynews. View the latest Report online: http://www.calpoly.edu/whats.new.html#pubs
Utilidor update

Quarter Break

Work is scheduled to begin in the parking lot next to the Administration Building during quarter break (March 24-28). A "small" trench - not the big vault - will temporarily take out the loading-unloading spaces and the disabled spaces just inside the lot on the south side. The disabled spaces will be relocated to a yet-to-be-determined location.

The current driveway entrance will be closed. Vehicles will be able to enter and exit from the current driveway exit.

The lot should be restored by Monday, March 31.

Open House

Every effort is being made to restore the Dexter Lawn area in time for Open House, Friday and Saturday, April 18-19.

“Lids” are being installed on the vault along University Drive, and plans are under way to replace the damaged lawn with sod.

Gianolini, 89

Lena Gianolini, a retired senior accountant clerk in Accounting, died at her home Dec. 22.

The lifelong San Luis Obispo resident came to Cal Poly in 1949 and retired in 1972.

Smith, 84


He was listed among the “Who’s Who” in American education and served on the State Board of Food and Agriculture.

Gallery Exhibits

UU Galerie: “Essence of Life,” stone sculptures by Botso Korisheli of figures from Greek mythology. Through today (March 14). Hours: Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am to 5 pm; Thursday, 10 am to 8 pm; Friday, 10 am to 4 pm; Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 pm.

University Art Gallery (Dexter Bldg): Watercolors featuring various techniques and styles. Through Sunday, March 16. Hours: Every day 11 am to 4 pm, plus Wednesdays 7-9 pm.

Dateline

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

Last day of winter quarter classes.
State Cashier's office to sell CCAT bus passes

Beginning Monday, March 17, Central Coast Area Transit (CCAT) bus passes will be sold at the State Cashier's office (Adm. 131-E) from 8 am to 4:30 pm weekdays.

The passes will also be sold at Public Safety Services from 7 to 8 am Monday-Friday; 4 to 10 pm Monday through Thursday, and 4 to 6 pm Friday and during summer quarter.

CCAT passes have been on sale at the Rec Sports Ticket Office, but sales at that office will be discontinued on March 17.

CCAT is the regional-county bus line, not the San Luis Obispo city bus. CCAT buses cover all North County, Santa Maria and the Five Cities area of South County, and the coastal regions of Morro Bay and Los Osos.

CCAT passes cost $7.50 for $36 worth or rides. The passes, subsidized by revenue from university parking citations, are available to students and faculty and staff members with a current Cal Poly I.D. card. The cards must be presented when the passes are bought and again when boarding the bus.

For more information, call Com­muter Services at ext. 6680 or 541­BUSS (2877).

Position vacancies

Vacancy information and applications for the following positions are available from the appropriate Human Resources office. Vacancy information can also be accessed from the Cal Poly home page on the World Wide Web (address: http://www.calpoly.edu; click on “General Information”). AA/EEO

STATE (Adm. 110, ext. 2236 or job line at 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm on the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date. (No faxes.)

CLOSING DATE: March 28, #77094: Clerical Assistant IV, Academic Senate (Unit 7)*, $1399.38-$1665/mo., 25 hours a week, temporary to 6/30/98 with annual renewal, includes benefits. Please provide three written letters of recommendation with your application materials.

#77097: Clerical Assistant II, Extended Education (Unit 7)*, $1308-$2132/mo., temporary to 2/28/98 with reappointment contingent upon funding; work hours may include evenings and weekends. Must have a valid CA driver’s license, auto liability insurance, and access to a four passenger vehicle.

#75098: Custodian Pool, Housing and Residential Life (Unit 5)*, $10.10-$11.92/hr., temporary, intermittent, on­call, from June 9, 1997 to Sept. 30, 1997; work hours approximately 7:30 am to 4 pm; up to 20 positions. Prior to appointment, selected candidates must successfully pass a background check including fingerprinting.

*Note: For positions marked with an asterisk, qualified on-campus applicants currently in Bargaining Units 2, 5, 7, and 9 will be given first consideration.

FACULTY (Adm. 312, ext. 2844)

Candidates interested in positions on the faculty are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head or chair. Ranks and salaries for faculty positions are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable) unless otherwise stated.

CLOSING DATE: May 23

#73068: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Social Sciences Dept., ext. 2260. Possibility of part-time positions available during 1997-98 AY, including summer, to teach anthropology, geography, and sociology. Ph.D. preferred; M.A. required. Apply to Harold Kerbo, Chair, Social Sciences Dept.

#73070: Full-Time Lecturer, Foreign Languages and Literatures Dept., ext. 1205, For 1997-98 AY starting September 1997, teaching lower-division undergraduate Spanish language courses; providing effective leadership in modern language curriculum development, placement examinations, and outcomes assessment. Required: Ph.D. in Spanish language or applied linguistics, native-level language ability, quality teaching experience, scholarship, testing, placement, assessment, and special knowledge of and dedication to multimedia and communication networking in modern languages.

CLOSING DATE: April 18


CLOSING DATE: April 15

#73080: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Psychology and Human Development, ext. 2033. Possible part-time positions available during 1997-98 AY teaching graduate counseling courses and undergraduate psychology and human development courses. Master's degree required; Ph.D. preferred. Apply to Diane Michelfelder, interim head, Speech Communication.

CLOSING DATE: May 23


CLOSING DATE: March 29

#73092: Lecturer Pool (part-time), English Dept., ext. 2596. Possible part-time positions available during 1997-98 AY, Master's degree in English and successful college teaching required to teach composition, technical writing, and critical thinking. Ph.D. normally required to teach literature. Apply to Linda Halisky, Chair, English Dept.

CLOSING DATE: March 31

#7M096: Head Football Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics ext. 2923) Full­time, 12-month appointment at Administrator III level with salary of $70,000 to $80,000 depending upon qualifications and experience, available immediately. Bachelor's degree and minimum five years coaching experience required. Collegiate coaching at the NCAA Division I level preferred. Additional qualifications available upon request by calling 805/756-2923. Apply to John McCutcheon, director of athletics.