Cal Poly rates high in U.S. News again

Following up on the quality ratings it released two weeks ago, U.S. News & World Report rated Cal Poly a “best buy” and the “most efficient” among regional universities in the West.

The Oct. 11 edition includes Cal Poly among the 10 best values in its class, both for “sticker price” and “discount price.” Sticker price includes room, board and out-of-state tuition. The discount figure looks at the net cost the average out-of-state student pays after receiving financial aid.

For California residents, who don't have to pay out-of-state tuition, the university is an even better buy in either the sticker or discount category.

Cal Poly's No. 1 ranking for efficiency recognizes the university for achieving high quality with low expenditures.

U.S. News’s “regional” category includes schools with large professional programs. Research institutions offering doctorates, such as UC campuses, are included in a “national university” category.

Recreation Center ribbon cutting set

President Baker and ASI President Marquarn Piros will be on hand at a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the opening of the Recreation Center at 2:30 pm, Monday, Oct. 18, in the center's plaza.

Guided tours of the facility will be given after opening ceremonies and during the remainder of the week from 10 am to 2 pm.

Vacation rules not changing after all

Hold the phone. Cancel the order. The rules for dealing with excess vacation time are not changing. The CSU Office of General Counsel has now decided the new policy announced in the Sept. 23 edition of Cal Poly Report is not necessary.

As before, employees will still accrue vacation above their maximum during the year, and any excess accrual will be lost on Jan. 1.

Payroll Services will soon provide employees with monthly leave statements.

For more information on excess vacation accruals, call Human Resources at ext. 2236 or Payroll Services, ext. 2605.

AIDS memorial quilt to be on display

One hundred panels from the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt will be on display from Friday, Oct. 22, until Sunday, Oct. 24, in the Recreation Center.

Opening ceremonies will be held at 10 am on the 22nd. The next day, an unfolding ceremony will take place at 10 am, and closing ceremonies are set for 11 am on Sunday. The quilt can be viewed until 10 in the evening on Friday and Saturday and until noon on Sunday.

The quilt project, which has been nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize, began in 1985 as one person’s tribute to a friend who died of AIDS. The quilt now has more than 23,000 panels from 50 states and 29 countries, making it the world's largest community art project.

In further recognition of AIDS Awareness Month, the faculty and staff were sent red ribbons, which can be worn as a reminder that the quilt is on display.

Faculty and staff members are encouraged to wear the ribbons during Cal Poly's Red Ribbon Weeks, Oct. 11-24, also to show their support of those whose lives have been affected by the AIDS virus.

For more information, call Suzanne Fritz in Resident Student Development at ext. 6124.

Theatre and Dance cited for excellence

The Theatre and Dance Department received a citation of excellence from the Union International de la Marionette-USA (UNIMA-USA) for its 1992 puppet theater production 'The Stone Circle.'

The production, directed by faculty member Mike Malkin, designed by department head Al Schnupp, and co-written by the pair, was among 10 that received the country's highest honor for excellence in puppet theater.

The "Citations of Excellence in the Art of Puppetry" were created in 1974 by the late Jim Henson, founder of the Muppets and past president of UNIMA-USA, the North American chapter of the worldwide puppetry organization.

"The Stone Circle" was first staged at Cal Poly by students. The same students traveled to Atlanta, where they performed along with a group of professional puppeteers under the auspices of the Center for Puppetry Arts in Atlanta.
Alaskan storytellers to perform Oct. 22

"Fires on the Water," a unique performance and anthology by six costumed performers of the native-American Naa Kahidi Theater, will open the Cal Poly Arts Center-Stage Series at 8 pm, Friday, Oct. 22, in the Theatre.

The company will bring to life the oral legends of the Tlingits of Southeast Alaska — stories about sea monsters, killer whales and how the stars, moon, sun and daylight are brought into the world. Using replicated masks and robes to portray different characters, Naa Kahidi ("clan house") performs traditional dance and ritual to illustrate the stories. One of the tales is told in Tlingit; the rest are told in English with some Tlingit words.

Tickets to "Fires on the Water" are $19 and $11 for the public and $11 and $9 for students and senior citizens. For reservations call the 24-hour Anytime ArtsLine at ext. 1421. Tickets can be bought at the Theatre Ticket Office.

Statistics provides consulting service

During Fall Quarter the Statistics Department will provide a statistical consulting service to facilitate research design and data analysis in a variety of disciplines. Rick Rossi, as the main consultant, can help in the design and analysis of faculty and student research projects. In addition, Rossi will be available to lead seminars or tutorials on requested topics and offer advice on various computer packages. If there is some special area concerning statistical inference that is of interest to a group, feel free to contact Rossi to arrange lectures on that subject.

Rossi’s office is in Room 105 of the Faculty Offices East. He can be reached at ext. 1545 or ext. 2709.

Walk-in Consulting Hours:
Mondays ........ 11:30 am-noon, and 1-2 pm
Tuesdays ........ 2-2:30 pm
Wednesdays .......... 1-2 pm
Thursdays .......... noon-1 pm

Appointments may be scheduled by calling during walk-in consulting hours or during office hours for students.

Office Hour for Students
Mondays ........ 11-11:30 am
Tuesdays ........ 1-2 pm
Wednesdays ........ 11-11:30 am
Thursdays .......... 1-2:30 pm

Staff Council to meet Oct. 20

Staff members who did not attend a diversity presentation during Fall Conference week are especially encouraged to attend a special Staff Council meeting at noon, Wednesday, Oct. 20, in UU 220.

Other agenda items will include committee reports on safety, Fall Conference, the charter concept, staff evaluations, professional growth and achievement programs, and a logo contest update. Parking availability and safety will also be discussed.

Deadline approaching for fee waiver

Information and applications are available in Human Resources, Adm. 110, for eligible full- or permanent part-time employees who want to participate in the Fee Waiver Program.

Those who take courses under an approved program of career development, or have courses approved as job related, may be eligible to attend Cal Poly classes at greatly reduced fees. Important deadlines for Winter Quarter 1994 are:

Oct. 22 - Winter Class Schedule available. SSF forms sent to employees - Pay Fees.
Oct. 28 - Capture registration begins for staff.
Dec. 2 - Last day to pay fees to avoid $25 late fee.
Jan. 18, 1994 - Last day to submit Fee Waiver forms to Human Resources.

Who, What, Where, When

Steve Daugherty, Animal Science, passed the written general examination for membership in the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists and passed the examinations for certification in the areas of nutrition of beef cattle.

Cliff Stokes, Animal Science, has been nominated to serve on the
Appointments

- James G. Harris, a member of the Electronic and Electrical Engineering Department faculty since 1982, has been named the first director of the Computer Engineering Program.
- Harry Busselen, who most recently served as interim director of human resources, is the interim associate dean of the College of Business. He has been at Cal Poly since 1975.
- James L. Beug, a member of the Computer Science Department since 1973, has been appointed department chair.

New location for Women's Studies

The Women's Studies Program is now in the Faculty Office North Building, Room 25-H. The new phone extension is 1525.

Fall Quarter office hours are:
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:10 am to 1 pm
- Tuesday and Thursday: 10:10 am to 11 am and 1 to 5 pm

The office is staffed by program director Carolyn J. Stefancio, secretary Jeanne Oakes, and student assistant Monica Diaz.

Planning your future topic of seminar

The Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is planning to hold two-day seminars in San Luis Obispo Jan. 26-27 and April 6-7.

"PERS Planning Your Future Now," designed to help employees make the transition to retirement, will cover estate, financial and tax planning; lifestyles for a healthy retirement; Social Security benefits; PERS benefits and options; and the Savings Plus Program.

The seminar is intended for PERS members 45 years and older. Spouses who preregister may also attend.

The cost is $75 for each participant; spouses will be charged $37.50, but will not receive class materials. To register, send a Planning Your Future Now registration form to the PERS Los Angeles area office. Attendance will be limited, so early registration is recommended.

For a registration form, call Joyce Haratani in Human Resources at ext. 6562.

The waiting list for 1993 seminars is no longer valid; employees need to register in order to attend the 1994 seminars.

Dependent care open enrollment

The open enrollment period for the CSU Dependent Care Program for the 1994 tax year is October.

Program participants are able to pay for necessary dependent adult or child care expenses through pre-tax payroll deductions, exempt from federal and state income and Social Security taxes. A monthly administrative fee, currently $4, will also be deducted on an after-tax basis.

More information is being sent to all employees. For a detailed program brochure and enrollment forms, call Human Resources, ext. 6471. Because of IRS restrictions, the program may not be beneficial to everyone.

To participate in the 1994 tax year, registration forms must be submitted to Human Resources by Friday, Oct. 29.

Children's Center receives grant

The California Department of Education has renewed the Cal Poly ASI Children's Center's cost-reimbursement grant for free and reduced-cost meals for children.

Last year the center received $25,000 to compensate for food and supplies.

The Child Care Food Program, a part of the center's program since 1978, provides breakfast, lunch and snacks that have been prepared on site.

Last call for experts

Faculty and staff members interested in being listed in the Cal Poly Experts Directory have until Friday, Oct. 29, to submit information.

The main purpose of the directory is to give local reporters the names and phone numbers of Cal Poly people they can call for background information on topics in the news.

Local organizations also use the list to find possible speakers. However, no one listed is obligated to give a speech; the choice is up to the individual.

Anyone interested in being listed should call Betty Holland, Communications, ext. 1511, for the form. No action needs to be taken by those listed in the last edition (fall '92) unless there are changes.

Defensive driver schedule changes

The schedule for Fall Quarter's defensive driver classes has been revised, and the rooms have all been changed. The following classes will be offered:
- Friday, Oct. 15, 8 to 10 am, Erhart Ag, Room 221.
- Wednesday, Nov. 17, 8 to 10 am, Math & Home Ec, Room 221.
- Friday, Nov. 19, 8 to 10 am, Erhart Ag, Room 221.

To reserve space in a class, send a completed Defensive Driver registration form to Transportation Services. For more information or a blank form, call ext. 2451.

Alumni Office ready to help plan events

Departments planning alumni-related events are reminded that they should be coordinated through the Alumni Relations office. The office staff is ready to help plan and implement campus activities involving alumni.

For more information, contact Steve Shockley, director of Alumni Relations, at ext. 2586.
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14
- Lunch-Speaker: Linda Clarke (California Men's Colony) will discuss "Women in Corrections." Vista Grande, noon, $.
- Fair and Fun Run: Women's Resource Fair and 5K Fun Run/Walk sponsored by the Center for Women and Ethnic Issues. Rec Center Plaza, 4 pm.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15
- Open House: Community Counseling Service Clinic, Room 126, Education Building, 3 pm.
- Speaker-Banquet: Kevin Starr (USC) will discuss "Libraries, Special Collections and History: You Can't Have One Without the Others" at the annual Library Associates Banquet. Madonna Inn, cocktails, 6 pm; dinner, 7, $.
- Men's Soccer: Cal State Bakersfield, Mustang Stadium, 7 pm. ($)
- Volleyball: CSU Long Beach, Mott Gym, 7:30 pm. ($)
- Music: "Kidrock" by Rory and The Rocket Band, Cal Poly Arts' Family Arts Series. Theatre, 7 pm. ($)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16
- Reception: Western and wildlife art exhibit. UU Galerie, 4 pm.
- Women's Soccer: USC, Mustang Stadium, 7 pm. ($)
- Volleyball: University of Montana, Mott Gym, 7:20 pm. ($)
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24
- Men's Soccer: Cal State LA, Mustang Stadium, 7 pm. ($)

Faculty vacancy

The university is seeking candidates for positions on the faculty. Those interested in learning more about the positions are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head. Salaries for faculty are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated. This university is subject to all laws governing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity including but not limited to Executive Order 11246 and Title IX of the Education Amendments Act and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Cal Poly hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All eligible and interested persons are encouraged to apply.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 28
- Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Chemistry, starting September 1994. The successful applicant will teach general chemistry or other service courses and specialty courses. Acute needs in biochemistry, Ph.D. required.

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Board for the Animal Agriculture Research Center, Department of Animal Science, UC Davis.

Max T. Wills, Chemistry, presented a paper, "A New Analytical Method for Determination of Volatile Organic Compounds in Coatings and Inks," at Western Coatings Society meetings held in Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, and Vancouver, B.C.

Robert Reynolds, Art and Design, has received a Bronze Award from the 1993 Art in California magazine's Discovery Awards competition in the category of Traditional Works On Paper. Seven hundred entries were judged by curators from the Oakland, San Diego and the Los Angeles County museums.

An article co-authored by Walter E. Rice, College of Business and Economics Department, "Tramways of Lisbon and Porto," was published in Locomotive & Railway Preservation Issue 43.


Douglas Williams, Ag Engineering, presented a paper co-authored by Timothy Bolander, graduate student in International Ag Development, "Potential Contribution of Biogas Technology on the Firewood Demand of a Peasant Family in West Africa," at the summer meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, in Spokane.

Williams also presented a poster session, co-authored by Joe Montecalvo, Food Science and Nutrition, "Application of Ozonation for the Treatment of Food Processing Washwater," at the annual meeting of the Institute for Food Technology, in Chicago.

Roger Osbaldeston, Landscape Architecture, was the narrator in Aaron Copland's "A Lincoln Portrait," performed by the San Luis Obispo County Symphony at their summer pops concert in Avila Beach.

Mike Malkin, Theatre and Dance, co-wrote and was named chief administrator for an $812,000 National Endowment for the Arts grant. Under terms of the grant, Malkin will serve as curator of the exhibit "Puppets: The Power of Wonder," to open July 1995, and will serve as author-editor of the exhibit catalog. Malkin was a resident playwright at the Square One Theatre in Stratford, Conn., where he assisted with production of his play, "Tides," and spoke to numerous educational, community, service and professional groups.

Gary Field, Graphic Communication, completed a three-week evaluation of the Advanced Certificate program at the Melbourne College of Printing and Graphic Arts in Australia. Field also gave the seminars "Legal and Ethical Aspects of Digital Image Manipulation" and "Printed Image Quality and Its Measurement" to members of the Australian printing industry. He was awarded the industry's Collie Trust Memorial Scholarship.