Cal Poly Announces Plan for New Residence Hall

Cal Poly is issuing a news release to the media today announcing plans to build new residence hall facilities near the university’s entrance on Grand Avenue, with completion slated for the 2018-19 academic year. This project, expected to add about 1,400 beds to the existing 6,900 beds, will be built on what is now the surface parking lot across Grand Avenue from existing student housing. The new facility will house first-year students. The project also will include a new welcome center at what is one of the university’s main entrances. Read more on the plan here.

Cal Poly Ranks High in Two Surveys on Tuition Return on Investment

For the second consecutive year, Cal Poly ranked in the nation’s top 20 public universities for college tuition return on investment, according to PayScale. In the study of more than 1,000 universities and colleges, Cal Poly’s ranked No. 37 overall, up from No. 62 in 2012. For more on the PayScale report.

Cal Poly also ranked No. 7 on the list of affordable colleges with the highest return on investment, from the website Affordable Colleges Online. Cal Poly was the highest ranking West Coast university on the list. Read more here.

Wehner, Thulin taking on new roles

Dave Wehner, dean of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (CAFES) since 2002, will become Cal Poly’s interim vice president for strategic initiatives. Andy Thulin, currently head of Cal Poly’s Animal Sciences Department, will serve as interim CAFES dean, according to an announcement this week by President Armstrong and Provost Enz Finken. The appointments are effective July 1. A national search for a permanent successor as CAFES dean will be held near the end of these interim appointments, which are expected to last for approximately 12 to 18 months. In a note to CAFES faculty, the president and provost wrote that Cal Poly has a number of significant opportunities to partner with donors and others in the private sector, and these opportunities require extensive focus in the near term. Wehner, in his role, will be tasked with determining which opportunities fit Cal Poly’s mission and are feasible. Read more on the new administrative assignments.

Campus Announcements

Cal Poly Launches Master’s Program in Dairy Products Technology

Cal Poly has announced the opening of an innovative, industry-focused master’s degree program in Dairy Products Technology. The one-year program will provide students with the skills and credentials needed to become leaders in the fast-growing dairy manufacturing sector. Graduates will find employment opportunities with large cheese and yogurt producers, fluid milk operations, and whey processors. For more information, go to the Cal Poly News website.

Student Affairs Announces Reorganization

The Student Affairs division has announced a reorganization of responsibilities. Effective June 1, the following departments will report to the Dean of Students Office led by Dean DeCosta: Student Rights and Responsibilities; Cross-Cultural Centers, including the Gender Equity Center, Pride Center and Multicultural Center; Off-Campus Student Life; and the assistant dean for Student Assistance. The latter two areas are new functions that will be developed and implemented later this calendar year.

The following departments will become part of Student Academic Services, which will report to Preston Allen in his new role as senior associate vice president for Student Affairs and executive director of University Housing. Student Academic Services will now oversee the orientation programs SOAR and Week of Welcome, Open House for newly admitted students, and the Disability Resource Center and Testing Services. In addition to these areas, Allen will oversee new employee orientation, Student Affairs alumni relations, professional development efforts for staff and University Housing operations. Keith Humphrey, vice president for student affairs, said the changes were informed by recommendations from the Student Affairs staff and all other areas of campus.

Final Candidate for ASI Executive Director to Visit Campus May 15

The campus community is invited to attend an Open Forum for the last of three candidates for the position of ASI executive director. The candidates are: Lillian Howard, M.A., head of school, Kellam High School, Palo Alto; Z. Paul Reynolds, M.S.Ed., consultant/guest relations manager, Carmelo Ruta Inc., former associate director, Bone Student Center & Braden Auditorium at Illinois State University; and Nancy Maloney, M.A., interim executive director, ASI. Cal Poly. Howard visited campus April 22; Reynolds visited campus May 6. The remaining Open Forum will be held:
— 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, UU, Room 204
Candidate resumes will be available at the forums.
An event to foster inclusivity on campus will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, May 16. The event location has been changed to Engineering West (Building 21), Room 133. Titled “Women, People of Color, and First Generation Students in Science, Engineering, and Math: Exploring Equity and Inclusivity at Cal Poly,” the event will feature a talk by Lee Jan Comell from the Center for Urban Education at the University of Southern California, followed by a panel of students who will discuss strategies and resources to overcome barriers to academic and career success in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) fields. Light refreshments will be provided. The event is organized by the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Program, the Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education, and Student Academic Services, and is open to the campus community.

Faculty and staff are invited to attend an interdisciplinary colloquium from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, May 20, at the Advanced Technologies Laboratories. President Jeffrey D. Armstrong and Provost Kathleen Enz Finken, in association with the Academic Senate Distinhuished Scholarship Awards Committee, will host the colloquium to honor the recipients of the 2013 Distinguished Scholarship Award. A reception will immediately follow the presentations. Seating is limited; faculty and staff are invited to attend an open forum on the Fee Waiver Program. The Fee Waiver Program allows eligible faculty, staff and LSAMP employees and/or their dependents to attend classes at CSU campuses at greatly reduced rates. The open forum will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. May 23 in UU 220. Topics will include eligibility, procedures, deadlines and summer quarter information. Time will be reserved at the end of the presentation for questions and answers. For more information, contact Karen Watson at kwatton@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2859.

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Presentation on Estate Planning Issues for Same-Sex Couples May 22

Estate planning attorney Marisa Nelson (B.S., Modern Languages and Literatures, 2007) will speak from noon to 1 p.m. May 22 in (Building 65), Room 219 about same-sex couples' legal rights with respect to estate planning, complicated by ongoing changes in state and federal laws. Nelson will provide an overview of the changing landscape including Proposition 8, the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), marriage, and registered domestic partnerships, and steps people can take to protect themselves and their families. This presentation is made possible as part through support from the Cal Poly LGBTQA Faculty Staff Association.

No Place for Hate Event to be Held May 22 on Campus

Cal Poly is co-sponsoring the Anti-Defamation League’s “No Place for Hate” reception from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, in the Chumash Auditorium. Community activist Ryan Page and participating schools will be honored. The event will begin at 5 p.m. with an art showing and refreshments. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. Additional co-sponsors include the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education and the YMCA. RSVP to Anais Borg-Marks at aborg-marks@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-5460.

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Colloquium to Honor Bernard Duffy and Lanny Griffin May 24

The board of directors of the Cal Poly Corporation will hold its regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. Friday, May 24, in Corporate Administration (Building 15), Room 124. This is a public meeting. For further information or to obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, contact Donna Murphy, executive director, at ext. 6-1331.

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Farewell Reception Set for Orfalea College Dean May 29

Cal Poly will host a farewell reception for Orfalea College of Business Dean Dave Clancy from 1 to 4 p.m. May 29, in the main lobby of the Performing Arts Center. Join us as we congratulate Dean Christy on his appointment as provost and senior vice president for academic affairs at Baruch College in New York City, and thank him for nine years of dedicated service to Cal Poly. Attendees will have an opportunity to write a personal note during the event. The event is open to the campus community; light refreshments will be served.

Virtual Interviewing Available for Class Assignments

Career Services now offers students access to 24/7 virtual interview preparation and practice through the addition of an exclusive online resource, Big Interview. Using the program, students can participate in mock interviews from their own computer and record their responses using the computer’s audio and/or webcam. It provides information and tutorials to help students prepare for the interview process, and allows users to email their recorded responses to others in order to receive ratings and comments. For more information on how Big Interview can be incorporated into curriculun, contact Anne Hammond at akhammond@calpoly.edu. Students, faculty and staff can access Big Interview through the link on Career Services’ website or via MustangJOBS. Log in using your @calpoly.edu email address.
Faculty Workshops Offered Over Summer to Enhance Effective Use of Technology

This summer, the Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology is offering a select cohort of Cal Poly faculty an opportunity to convert a key module of an existing course into a "flipped" model of instruction through effective use of technology. The goal is to improve student learning in modules that deliver key concepts but low student success rates. Examples include moving typical in-class activities online, such as lectures and discussions, dedicating class time for students and faculty to focus on hands-on Learn by Doing activities. Successful candidates will receive a $1,200 stipend upon successful completion of the workshops. Funding is available for up to 17 faculty members.

Proposals are due via email to clt@calpoly.edu by 4 p.m. Friday, May 17. Decisions will be made by the end of May. For more information and a proposal form, please visit the CLT website.

Registration Open for Poly Trekkers Summer Program

Registration for the Poly Trekkers Summer Program is now underway at the ASI Children's Center. This program is for school-aged children who have completed kindergarten through fourth grade (approximately age 5 to 10 years old) and runs June 24 through Aug. 16. Extended care is available August 19 through 21. The children participate in art, crafts and recreational games. The program is offered Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Many scheduling options are available, including individual one-week sessions and the full eight-week program. A limited number of spaces are also available for two-and three-day-per-week options during the full eight-week program. Poly Trekkers features qualified staff and an excellent staffing ratio. All food and field trips are included in the program fees. For more information, call the ASI Children's Center at ext. 6-1267.

ITS Offers Virtual Private Network Service for Faculty and Staff

ITS now offers a VPN (Virtual Private Network) service for faculty and staff, providing a secure method to access Cal Poly computing resources from off campus. Through a Web browser, users download a small Java application that allows them to establish a connection to the Cal Poly VPN service. Once the VPN connection is established, users can access Cal Poly resources such as how they would from on campus. Step-by-step instructions are available on the ITS Network Administration website.

Apple-Authorized Service Providers Available at the University Store

Having issues with your computer? The University Store has a trained staff of Apple-certified Mac technicians who can diagnose and get your computer up and running in no time. They work exclusively on in- and out-of-warranty Apple computers and associated hardware and upgrades. Stop by the University Store's Tech Center during regular service hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or schedule an appointment. Call the Tech Center Hotline at ext. 6-5311.

Tired of Your Same Sack Lunch? Grab Lunch at 19 Metro for as Low as $5.25

All-you-care-to-eat lunch at 19 Metro station for just $5.25, only with Fast Pass. Get yours today on the Campus Dining website.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit the Bella Montana Homes website for available homes for sale.

Faculty and Staff

Director of Dairy Products Technology Center Recognized by American Dairy Products Institute

Phil Tong, director of the Dairy Products Technology Center, was recently recognized by the American Dairy Products Institute (ADPI). The award was established to recognize those who have made a significant difference to the processed dairy products industry. Tong was recognized for the depth and breadth of career accomplishments that span private industry research to academia, and publishing to television. For more on the ADPI award.

Cal Poly Professor Partners with S.F. Giants to Evaluate Program for Juniors

Brian Greenwood, an associate professor in Cal Poly's Recreation, Parks & Tourism Administration (RPITA) Department, was recently approved to continue his third year of a research partnership with the San Francisco Giants Community Fund to evaluate its flagship program, the Junior Giants. The Junior Giants is a free baseball program providing opportunities for children in underserved communities to stay active in the summer in an environment that promotes healthy choices, character development, and violence prevention. Read more here.

LGBTQIA Faculty Staff Association Receives Grant to Host Talks Oct. 14-15

Cal Poly's LGBTQIA Faculty Staff Association received a $1,000 grant from the San Luis Community Foundation. The grant will help support a series of roundtable discussions based on the book "How to Be Gay" by David Halperin and the topic "gay counter-acclimation" during the author's visit to campus Oct. 14-15. For more information and a schedule of events, go to the CLA website, or contact Brian Kennelly at bkennelly@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2889.
Catastrophic Leave
Robert Palmer

Robert Palmer, physician-psychiatrist in Health Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate sick leave and/or vacation leave to help him remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Alexandra Rickler at ext. 6-2122 or arickler@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Retirement
Kathy Constantinou

After 16 years of service to Cal Poly, Kathy Constantinou is retiring. She came to Cal Poly in April 1997, serving in several positions in Human Resources before settling in as a benefits manager. She has helped numerous faculty and staff members with their benefits over the years and will be sorely missed by many, especially her family in Human Resources. Anyone wishing to extend their congratulations and best wishes is encouraged to stop by Administration (Building 01), Room 129A between 2 and 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 15.

Student-run Printing Company Receives Sustainability Re-certification

Cal Poly’s student-run printing, publishing and imaging company, University Graphic Systems (UGS), received Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) sustainability re-certification. UGS has held this certification for five years and is the only student enterprise in the United States to maintain this certification for five years. UGS employs 14 students (including a sustainability manager) and is recognized as a leader in sustainable printing and imaging.

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Belinda Campos, UC Irvine assistant professor, will present “Attuned to the Positive: The Role of Emotion and Culture in Shaping Relationships” from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 16, in Room 286 in Fisher Science Hall (Building 33). Campos’ research is in the area of culture and health. Currently, she is investigating the cultural shaping of social support, stress and maternal health outcomes. Read more on the event here or contact Julie Rodgers at jsr0925@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2914.

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Amy Offer, assistant professor at the University of Pennsylvania, will present "Remaking Housing Policy in the Americas, 1950-1980," from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, in Science (Building 52), Room E-27. During the Cold War, poverty in capitalist countries became a discrediting embarrassment for government officials, a prestigious topic of expertise for social scientists, and a cause for protest by social movements, resulting in the rise of "aided self-help housing," a privatized form of public housing policy. This event is sponsored by the History Department, Political Science Department, City and Regional Planning Department, and the College of Liberal Arts Lottery Speaker Fund.

Prevention Training Focuses on Working with Student Veterans May 17

Suicide prevention training will be offered from 2 to 4:30 p.m., Friday, May 17, in Computer Science (Building 14), Room 247. Suicide is the second leading cause of death on college campuses, and student veterans are reported to think about, plan or attempt suicide at significantly higher rates than the average student. This training will help participants recognize warning signs and learn simple steps that may save a life. This training normally costs $20-$30 but is available at no cost temporarily, funded through Cal MIBSA and Proposition 63 funds distributed through the CSU Chancellor’s Office to Cal Poly via Martin Bragg, director of health and counseling services. Enrollment is limited. RSVP by May 12 to Kathy Blais at kblais@calpoly.edu or Cal Poly Counseling Services at ext. 6-2911. To arrange a training for your department, contact Chris Marrero-Howseman at 6-2111 or cmarrero@calpoly.edu.

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**Cal Poly to Host Panel of First-Generation Students on May 31**

Cal Poly faculty and staff are invited to attend a panel discussion featuring first-generation students. The event is designed to help faculty and students learn about the unique challenges and assets of first-generation students. 

**Nurturing Transmedia Spaces**

On May 29, the Center for Teaching, Learning, & Assessment will present a panel discussion titled "Nurturing Transmedia Spaces," featuring Alexandra Juhasz, professor of media studies at Hunter College. The panel will explore how transmedia storytelling can be used to engage and educate students. 

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**Cal Poly Symphony to Perform 'Music and Word' June 1**

The College of Engineering to Present All-College Project Expo May 30

The College of Engineering Student Project Expo will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 30, on campus. The event features more than 200 individual and team projects from seniors, graduate students and staff. The project displays range from student-led present innovations to successful projects in a variety of fields.

**Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble to Perform 'Mission Milestones' May 24**

The Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble, under the direction of music Professor Thomas Davies, will present "Mission Milestones" at 8 p.m., Friday, May 24, in a Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa. The program will celebrate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Father Junipero Serra, in recognition of the music from original manuscripts. For more information, contact Jeff Van Kleeck at jvankec@calpoly.edu or call 805-756-1771.

**Jazz Trumpeter Mike Vax to Be Featured with Cal Poly Big Bands May 51**

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The Cal Poly Symphony Department student production ensemble RSVP will stage "Music and Word," featuring works by Arien Chang Casten and Leysis Quesada Vera, will run Thursday, May 9, through Saturday, May 11, in the Great Hall of the Performing Arts Center. The program will explore the intersection of the art of storytelling with music. For more information, go to the Music Department website.

**Photography Exhibit of Cuban Photographers Open Through June 1**

The Cal Poly University Art Gallery's next exhibit, "Cuban Photographers," featuring works by Ana Chag Costa and Leyva Quinales, will run Thursday, May 9, through Saturday, May 11, in the Great Hall of the Performing Arts Center. The exhibit is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The gallery is located in Rooms 171-173 in the Artesia Building. For more information, go to www.artgallery.calpoly.edu or contact Jeff Van Kleeck at jvankec@calpoly.edu.

**Cal Poly's 'Take It SLO' To Perform Twice June 2**

Take It SLO, Cal Poly's a cappella ensemble, will present its spring concert at 2 and 4 p.m. Sunday, June 2, in Rooms 201 of the Thunder Music Center on campus. The 10-member student ensemble will sing popular songs arranged by the students, including selections from the group's latest CD, which will be available for sale at the concerts. For more information, go to the Music Department website.

**Cal Poly Student Ensemble to Stage 'Transmedia' Concert June 4 and 6**

The Cal Poly Music Department student production ensemble RSVP will stage production of "ESPV XVI: Jonath," at 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, June 4 and 6, in the Performing Arts Center Auditorium. This marks the 18th season of this diverse transmedia series celebrating electronic diversity and compositional risk. Transmedia refers to storytelling in the digital age, weaving together separate plot threads by way of traditional and new media outlets. For more information, go to the Music Department website.

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The Cal Poly Arab Music Ensemble and guest artists will perform a diverse program of music and dance from the Eastern Mediterranean and larger region at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 8, in the Spanos Theatre on campus. The concert will feature some of the most celebrated musical and poetic repertoires from the Middle Ages to the present. Renowned composers and performers include Farid Al-Atrash of Syria and Egypt, Umayma Khalil, Marcel Khalife, Fairuz, the Rahbani Brothers of Lebanon, and Nashmi Al-Ghazali of Iraq.

Athletics
For an overview of last week's action and upcoming competition, go to the Events & Athletics page. For up-to-date sports information, photos and videos, visit www.gopolly.com.

Job Vacancies
State Employment Opportunities
The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at www.calpolyjobs.org. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

#102885 - Psychiatrist, Physician, Student Affairs - Health & Counseling Services. One full-time or two half-time positions are available. Salary Range(s): Full-time: $6,721-$9,396 per month, plus any negotiated salary increase. Part-time: $4,265-$7,196 per month, plus any negotiated salary increase. Anticipated hiring range(s): Full-time: $6,731-$11,500 per month. Part-time: $4,365-$5,750 per month. 10/12 pay plan. Open until filled. Review begins May 21.


The following internal recruitments (*** are open only to Cal Poly employees (State, Corporation and ASI)


Faculty Employment Opportunities
Candidates are asked to visit the online employment website at www.calpolyjobs.org to complete an application and 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.

#102882, Assistant/Associate Professor of Veterinary Science, Animal Science Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-1241. Review Begins June 7.

PART-TIME LECTURER POOLS – Pools are open in all departments for 2013-14 academic year. Visit calpolyjobs.org to search department of interest.

Corporation Employment Opportunities
Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. To view job postings and/or apply for any regular-benefited position at Cal Poly Corporation, visit its website. For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

All positions have excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. Apply online at www.calpolycorporationjobs.org. CPC Human Resources, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407 AA/EEO.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

ASI Employment Opportunities
Candidates are asked to visit www.asi.calpoly.edu to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

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