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## Cal Poly Earns Top National Rankings in Two Programs for Architecture and Design

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Two programs in Cal Poly’s College of Architecture and Environmental Design placed in the 2010 DesignIntelligence survey, which ranks public and private degree programs nationally.

Cal Poly’s Architecture Department ranked third among undergraduate programs. The architecture program has made the nation’s Top 20 list since 2003 with a ranking of sixth or better.

The Landscape Architecture Department ranked 14th in the list of the nation’s Top 20 undergraduate programs. Landscape architecture has made the list since 2005, ranking as high as fifth in 2007.

The survey also rates the best institutions at preparing students for specific skills. For the third year in a row, Cal Poly’s architecture program earned the nation’s top honor in the Construction Methods and Materials category. This ranking is based on a range of skills such as design, analysis and planning, and research and theory. Responses cited Cal Poly’s “integrated curriculum, preparation of graduates ready for work and sustainability.”

The 11th annual survey queried leading practitioners from a cross-section of industries and regions about the programs they considered to be best overall, and their satisfaction with new graduates. The DesignIntelligence rankings have become a tool for students choosing academic programs that will launch their design careers. The rankings are the only attempt to rank accredited Bachelor of Architecture and Master of Architecture programs in the United States.

“The Architecture Department remains ambitious about educating creative leaders who are successful in an integrative and interdisciplinary environment,” said Henri T. de Hahn, head of Cal Poly’s Architecture Department. “We are pleased that the DesignIntelligence rankings confirm that through the success of our alumni.”

For more information about programs in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design go to [www.caed.calpoly.edu](http://www.caed.calpoly.edu).

DesignIntelligence is a bi-monthly journal published by the Design Futures Council, a Washington, D.C., think tank that examines architecture, engineering and building technology.

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