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## *Cal Poly Appoints New Journalism Department Chair*

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Mary Glick, a seasoned journalist with industry, association and teaching experience, has been appointed associate professor and chair of Cal Poly's Journalism Department.

Glick is former associate director of the American Press Institute (API) in Reston, Va., and is a former associate professor of journalism at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Oswego, where she was also founder and director of the Center for Community Journalism. Prior to her SUNY appointment, Glick taught journalism at California State University Long Beach. Her professional experience also includes being the lifestyle editor for Copley Los Angeles Newspapers, features editor for the Star-News in Pasadena, Calif., copy editor for The Daily Report in Ontario, Calif., and city hall and education reporter, business editor, and lifestyles editor for the Daily Star Progress in LaHabra, Calif.

Doug Epperson, dean of Cal Poly's College of Liberal Arts, said the Journalism Department, college and university are fortunate to have hired a chair with extensive industry and academic experience.

"We expect Mary will provide strong and innovative leadership for the department," Epperson said.

Harvey Levenson, head of Cal Poly's Graphic Communication Department who also has been serving as interim chair of the Journalism Department, said Glick is considered an entrepreneurial journalist and educator with substantial experience in providing innovative direction for higher education and industry.

Glick's accomplishments include designing and leading SUNY's first interdisciplinary, multimedia bachelor's degree program in journalism; creating and leading API's knowledge programs for editors focused on organizational culture change, innovation and digital storytelling; and founding the Center for Community Journalism to foster thought leadership in local news.

"Mary Glick's appointment culminates a two-year search for the right person to lead the department into a new era of journalism education preparing highly qualified students for the jobs of today and of the future," Levenson said "The department presently has a solid and highly qualified faculty and staff with journalism industry and teaching experience. It now has a leader to blend its assets into a dynamic unit for educating future journalists and to offer professional services to the profession."

Glick received a bachelor's in English Education from SUNY at Oswego and a master's in Communications from California State University Fullerton. She also holds credentials in executive development, foundation and advanced organizational change, and e-learning. Glick is the recipient of the "Outstanding Journalism Education Award" given by the California Newspaper Publishers Association (CNPA).

### About Cal Poly's Journalism Department

The Journalism Department is one of 16 programs in Cal Poly's College of Liberal Arts. The department offers a professional program leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism with emphases in broadcasting, multimedia, news-editorial and public relations. Journalism majors serve as staff members of departmental communications media, including the Mustang Daily student newspaper; CCPR, the student-run public relations firm; KCPR, the FM-stereo radio station; or the news and programming operations of CPTV, Cal Poly's TV station. The department also sponsors student chapters of the Society of Professional Journalists, Radio-Television News Directors Association, and the Public Relations Student Society of America. Graduates have reached positions of responsibility and authority nationally in corporations and media outlets, including major publications, networks and affiliates. Founded in the 1920s, the department has thousands of alumni, with many holding high positions in print, broadcast, and public relations journalism for state and national organizations.

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