Admissions implements point system

Students admitted Fall 1999 accepted under new terms

By Jessica Hagans
Mustang Daily

Prospective Cal Poly students may now have an edge on admission if they have a parent who didn’t finish high school or have a low family income.

The policy began this school year and was used for students admitted to Cal Poly for the 1999-2000 academic year.

According to Senior Admissions Officer Candice Bennett-Thompson, new students are scored on a 5 X 200-point system. About 5 percent of the total points can come from a parent who didn’t graduate from high school or a low family income.

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Business senior was ‘one of our family’

By F. Xavier Lanier II
Mustang Daily

Courtney Smith had one day before her 22nd birthday and one quarter until her college graduation. However, the business senior was found dead Friday morning in her bedroom.

“It’s a tragic loss of one of our family in the midst of losing Rachel (Newhouse) and Amanda (Crawford),” said Joey Gonzalez, vice president of student affairs.

Smith was expecting to graduate in December with a concentration in accounting, according to her web site.

“Words are inadequate in a situation like this,” said Tal Miller, the accounting area coordinator.

Two of her accounting professors were too distraught to speak about the death, but told Miller she was a “sweet, sweet young lady.”

Smith’s parents are now in San Luis Obispo.

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150 acres of vines coming to Poly

By Sara Henrikson
Mustang Daily

The California State University Trustees approved an agreement between Cal Poly and Edie Galli-Winor that allows the university to establish a 150-acre vineyard on campus.

The vineyard is planned to be located at Chino Creek Ranch, northeast of campus on Highway 1. It will be built in phases, with preparation for phase one to begin in August.

The connection between the Galli-family and Cal Poly started when Robert Galli’s son, Tom, was a Cal Poly student.

“We have enjoyed a long relationship with Cal Poly, cooperating on smaller programs,” said Robert J. Galli, winery co-president in a statement. “The vineyard project is a significant step for both organizations, a move to improve our capabilities in an important area of agricultural education. We hope this program helps produce a well-educated, experienced work force to help manage future growth of California agriculture.”

The vineyard will further an interdisciplinary program related to wine grape cultivation, sensory analysis and the economics and marketing of wine. It provides students with

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Resting up for dead week

More students check into Health Center during finals week

By Cindy Carcamo
Mustang Daily

With finals week around the corner, many Cal Poly students tend to sacrifice sleep that may later compromise their health.

Dr. Bart Cochran, head of medical services, said there is a 5% to 20 percent increase in the number of patients at the Health Center during finals week. Patients usually come in with illness and ill-like symptoms, such as headaches and stomach pain.

A sleep pamphlet from Education Training Research Associates, a non-profit publication company of health education material, said too little sleep may cause increased irritability. It can also decrease

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Her father lives in the Sacramen­
to area and works for California State University, Sacramento. Her mother lives in New York.

"You have to fight that stage of life, the loss of life is tragic," Gonzalez said. He asked her parents to "unbeliev­ably sad and numb."

Gonzalez said the San Luis Obispo Police Department notified him of the apparent suicide early Friday after­noon. The San Luis Obispo Country Sheriff's office had not released an official report Tuesday on the time and cause of death.

The Health Center sent two psychologists to Smyth's home to help people who knew her cope with the death.

NEWS

SMYTH: Service today

"Our goal is to help friends and family get through the period of initi­al emotional trauma," said Martin Bragg, director of Health and Psychological Services.

The psychological trauma team also helps arrange long-term services. In particular, the university has offered counseling for "Smyth's" boyfriend and her three roommates, and found rooms for the roommates in the residence halls.

Services will be held today at the Lady Family-Suchli Mortuary at 9 p.m.

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Students are first separated into freshmen or transfer student groups.

James Maraviglia, executive direc­tor of admissions, said he believes the system is objective.

"It's a much broader system than just using GPA and test scores," Maraviglia said. "I think it's a really good system."

Each college will then tell the admissions office how many spaces are available for each major. The students are then ranked by major based on that major's point system.

Sixty percent of the spaces avail­able are given to the students with the highest points. The students left are then re-ranked, including factors like having a parent who didn't gradu­ate from a high school or having a low family income.

Bennett-Thompson said other fac­tors exist for the remaining students, such as being a military veteran or graduating from a California commu­nity college.

"You never get to make or break any­body to be a veteran or a community col­lege graduate," Bennett-Thompson said. "If they already have high grades, those things will help them."

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motivation, memory and concentra­tion, increasing the greater likely­hood of problems like stomach up­set or headaches.

Christie Cirovic, a peer health educationist, stresses the importance of sleep in order to keep healthy.

"Sleep is the chance for your body to recover from life," said Cirovic, a psychology senior.

Cirovic said lack of sleep might also cause immaturity to go down and therefore make people more suscepti­ble to illness.

She said people should get an esti­mated amount of seven to ten hours of sleep, but it depends on the individual.

"Only you pretty much know how much sleep your body needs," Cirovic said.

Comparing demands of school, work and extra-curricular activities, give students less time for sleep.

Dana Campbell, a political science junior, said school and dancing leave her little time for sleep. Although she knows she needs more sleep, she thinks it's worth the sacrifice and tries several methods to recover.

"I make up on sleep by taking short naps ... and I take one day from the weekend to sleep in," Campbell said.

Landscape architecture sophomore Missy Gribb said dead week is the hardest time for her to get enough sleep, and she ends up making up for it during class.

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"During dead week I am cruising to get projects done," Gribb said. "I later find myself falling asleep in class and coherent but do not do extra breaks between.

"During those breaks, you need to move around, shift your posture, and do extra breaks during."

Cirovic said students losing sleep because of studying should drink plenty of liquids and take short breaks in between.

He also said students should pay extra attention to their neck and back areas when studying, since those are the most affected.

Cirovic agrees some things can be done to keep healthy with little rest, but getting a good night's sleep is the best approach.

"There really is no substitute for sleep. It's a natural way to let your body heal and recover," Cirovic said. "You can try to do your best with sup­plements, but it will never be quite the same."

For more information on sleep and illness, students can contact the Health Center and ask to speak to a peer health educator.
Drug and psychotherapy combo effects depression, study shows

WASHINGTON (AP) - A combination of a special psychotherapy and an antidepressant was effective against long-standing depression, a condition generally considered difficult to treat, a researcher reported Tuesday.

"We were stunned" that 85 percent of patients who completed 12 weeks of treatment showed a good response or even remission, said Martin R. Keller of the Brown University School of Medicine.

The work shows "chronic depression disorders are treatable," he said. Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. makes Serzone, the antidepressant used in the work. Researchers are continuing the study to determine the long-term effects.

The study began with 681 people who had depression for at least two years. Half the participants had been ill for more than 20 years, and most had never had an adequate attempt at treatment, Keller said. Their average age was the early 40s.

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Cameras are invading our intersections

I drove through Bakersfield last weekend to meet some friends (a.k.a. accomplices in crime). This being my first time in Bakersfield, I was overwhelmed when I discovered the city council was so happy to see me; they took my picture. Well, not exactly.

I was driving at night through an intersection when, flash, instant mug shot. Apparently, the city of Bakersfield has so much trouble with bad drivers it is on the liberty of posting cameras at all intersections.

And even though it took my picture, I have been wrongly persecuted. I did nothing wrong. "I am innocent," I proclaimed shaking my fist. No, I was guilty in the eye of the camera. That black and white photo of me was proof enough for the Department of Motor Vehicles that my vehicle and I have violated some minor traffic statute of the law.

Across the state of California, I cursed Bakersfield and its "convenient" technology. What about my rights, I asked my friends, who turned on the radio up when they realized a rut session was about to begin.

So, the light was red and I was still in the intersection, but there are two sides to every story. Would I get to tell mine? The light wasn't even yellow when I entered the intersection. I was positive the light had been green. But did the camera care?

I began to question this new technology and its authorities; even human judgment can be so touchable. The camera cannot reason; it has no intuition; it is a machine made for intelligence.

In fact, I was an example of one.

So what is a cop to do? There was no police officer around. I could not bite my lip, nor my eyelashes and stare innocently at the camera to get out of this one; I was caught.

Okay, so the cameras are installed to allow police officers to spend their time on "more important cases." If this is true, and if the reports that show high priority crime cases on the decline I need evidence before I can stand behind big brother in the sky.

I have resolved myself to pay the better time and drive in traffic school with the other offenders. But this is not what truly bothers me. Could this new tangled "technology" be coming to San Luis Obispo County? And if so, how do we stop this invasion of our privacy and attack on our judgment?

Soon there will be cameras in banks, cameras in restaurants, cameras at gas stations. Oh wait, there already are.

Kathryn Dugas is an English senior.

Letters to the Editor

War needed to stop 'maniac'

Editor:
I am writing in response to "Hungarian questions Kosovo media coverage," May 17. Tamas Simon says he supports Milosevic and not Clinton. I find it difficult to support a war criminal/governmental numbskull. If Milosevic would allow media into Kosovo for the world to see the death and destruction caused by Serbian military, maybe Simon would understand why we are there.

Simon says, "What would the United States do if California tries to secede from the union." California has a generous amount of self-government already, unlike the severely oppressed Albanians in Kosovo.

Simon calls the Kosovo Liberation Army a terrorist organization. This is supported by Serbian TV, who is playing its people and doing damage control for Milosevic.

Robert Cakirin is an environmental engineering freshman.

Don't judge people by the actions of just one man

Editor:
After reading "Hungarian questions Kosovo media coverage," May 17, I see that Tamas Simon is blaming all the "liberals" for the war. Believe it or not, you cannot judge the whole of Kosovo by the actions of one man, Clinton. I personally oppose the fighting, and if you have paid attention to what's been going on in Congress, you would also know that many people in the Senate, both liberals and conservatives, have been either for or against Clinton in regards of the fighting (it cannot be called a war, being that it has not been declared by our government).

Do you hear people blaming all the Serbs for the ethnic cleansing? I, like many other people, do not blame all Serbians, but those in power who can stop what's going on are getting blamed, like Milosevic, being that he is the leader of Kosovo. To me, both leaders are at fault for what's going on there. But when you write things like, "I have seen and experienced things like this were cut off and maimed from their lives."

As for your commentary on the media in general, if the media was so "liberal" as you say, they would actually be giving people more information than they have been receiving and they would not force feed you a ready-made opinion of what's going on. True liberal media, also known as alternative media, tells you everything that the government doesn't want you to hear. I encourage you to find some other sites on just such information if you really want to hear both sides.

So next time you are watching the news coverage of the bombing and destruction, remember no one's holding a gun to your head and forcing you to watch it, so turn off your TV and find out what's really going on through other forms of media. After all, this is America, and you can make your own choices.

Patty Bennett is a psychology senior.

Letters to the Editor

Comments to the Editor:

Homosexuality is not a mental illness

Editor:
I was appalled by the letter "Reader describes what she thinks Jesus would have done," May 14. How could an intelligent person, a college student, equate homosexual- ity with "lying, cheating and stealing"?

It is more understandable that a catch-phrase, who knows nothing about psychology, might think it is a mental illness. One only has to look in the DSM IV to see that psychology, who treat mental illnesses, do not consider homosexuality to be one.

However, I cannot understand an educated person in this day and age, believing homosexual love is the beginning of moral decay. It is precisely this kind of bigotry that leads to gay bashing and murders, such as the one in Wyoming. It is enough to make me give up, my obvious belief, that our society is getting better, kinder, more tolerant. We still have a very long way to go.

I am very thankful that none of my children were born gay. I would fear for their lives.

Patty Bennett is a psychology senior.
Editor:

Cal Poly’s priorities rank in the following order:

■ Agriculture
■ Engineering
■ Business and Architecture
■ Other Majors
■ Athletics

Or at least that’s the way it should be. For some reason, different people and organizations on campus feel athletics should take a bigger role at our school. That is a destructive and pointless idea. I care a lot about the value of my Cal Poly education, and everyone knows that athletics contributes very little to that value. It is improper to put any kind of priority on athletics, or to sacrifice any significant money or assets to this least valuable of pursuits.

Some people, such as sports editor Joe Nolan (“Baseball coach chums seniors for something more dear — his job,” May 18), would disagree with me. He is upset that a year before ground-breaking was too short a time to weigh student opinions. ASI didn’t want students to interfere with what its decision. The path was chosen with a much greater emphasis on athletics, whether we like it or not.

President Warren Baker even gave his approval when the bid for the complex came in $1.4 million over the max budget. He just made up the difference using the discretionary fund. A few quarters before this, I was in my dynamics class, probably the most important single class I will ever take, when my professor said, “Homework is the most important thing in this class, but I can’t collect it because I don’t have enough money for graders.” This is not the only example of financial need in my classes; it shows how the quality of my education is side-lined due to money constraints, while the money saved is contributed to the already huge budget of the Sports Complex.

These programs, these organizations, these people sacrifice so much in the name of athletics. The move to Division I sports and the construction of the Sports Complex were two of the worst mistakes in Cal Poly’s recent history. All Division I and the Sports Complex have done is leave athletics asking for more, while the rest of us have yet to see any return from our present investments.

Is it possible to have a modest college sports program that doesn’t clash with academic interests? The little-known Cal Poly ultimate, lacrosse and triathlon clubs do consistently well in competition, with very little financial support from the university. We ignore the non-funded Cal Poly Wheelmen that go to nationals almost every year. This team gets no support from the athletics department, yet they are always so successful. We should take pride in the things we excel in, rather than spending more and more money to crush Cal Poly into the football/baseball/basketball mold.

It is possible to have successful athletics programs without spending huge sums of money. Football, basketball, baseball, and spectator sports, and they should be allowed to continue at Cal Poly for that reason. The teams give the school a lot of identity, but they aren’t worth the commitment that everyone claims is demanded by Division I status.

I don’t want our school to turn into UC Everywhere — “Come, be like all the others.” If Cal Poly was to lose every football game until the day I die, it would be better than to let athletics take away from the important things at Cal Poly: agriculture, engineering, business and architecture. These are the things that Cal Poly is known for. If athletics can grow without touching these things, fine, but otherwise, the aspiring athletes and fans should go somewhere else. It’s not a worthwhile trade to allow a fine technical school to decay just so some people can shout “Go Mustangs.”

Matt Couchot is a mechanical engineering senior.

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Cal Poly makes athletics too high of a priority

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Fraternity shoot-off set to break Greek Week scores

By Carla Flores  
Mustang Daily

Close scores have left the Greek Week fraternity championship undecided. Alpha Omicron Pi won first place in the sorority competition, while the fraternity champions will be decided on Thursday in a shoot-off at the San Luis Obispo Shooting Range.

After the week's points were totaled, Pi Kappa Alpha was in first, only seven points ahead of Lambda Chi Alpha. The two teams tied for first in the trap shoot competition last Monday. They will have a shoot-off on Thursday to break the trap-shoot tie, gain 10 points and determine who will become the fraternity champions.

Lambda Chi Alpha is looking to regain the Greek Week championship. They won seven championships in a row before losing to Kappa Chi last year.

"I'm pretty confident in our trapshooters' ability," said Adrian The, Lambda Chi Alpha's Greek Week chairman.

According to Wes Douwes, president of Pi Kappa Alpha, holding the lead puts a lot of pressure on the team, but he is confident it will be successful.

Sorority competition was also very fierce. This year, Alpha Omicron Pi was able to regain the sorority championship it lost to Sigma Kappa last year. Megan Skelly, Alpha Omicron Pi Greek Week chairman, described her team's win as "a big group effort."

"Our house really came together for Greek Week. The overwhelming support and participation is what carried our team to wins," Skelly said.

Close competition played a big role in each event during Greek Week. Next year the Greek Week Committee hopes to strive for a more relaxed atmosphere.

"Competition is not the main purpose of Greek Week. It's a week that is supposed to give people in different houses the chance to interact and get to know each other in a social envi-

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YESTERDAY'S ANSWER: The Kansas City Chiefs and the Miami Dolphins played in the longest NFL game in 1971.

**TODAY'S QUESTION:**

Name the last NBA team, other than the Bulls or the Rockets, to win a championship.

Please submit answers to sports@mustangdaily, calpoly.edu. Please include your name. The first correct answer received via e-mail will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

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**BRIEFS**

**Boxing**

L O S A N G E L E S (AP) Boxing promoters and managers see the sport's sanctioning bodies sometimes off the rankings that lead to more lucrative bouts, the Los Angeles Times reported Tuesday.

Promoters also have paid for the annual conventions of the three major sanctioning bodies, the World Boxing Association, the World Boxing Council and the International Boxing Federation, the newspaper reported.

The three organizations, while acknowledging that promoters do fund their conventions, denied any impropriety.

In the $500-word story, the Times reported that it uncovered allegations of widespread abuse in the sport.

Allied payments are being investigated by a federal grand jury in Newark, N.J. The Times reported that witnesses have testified that some payments to the sanctioning bodies were made in cash, but that others were less obvious, such as those contained in envelopes of standard fees.

"It's just common knowledge that if you want to get something done, you have to grease their palms," said Ron Weathers, a manager in Texas who was subpoenaed by the grand jury in New Jersey. "Either $500 of $5000, depending on where you want the game rated."

Weathers said he made numerous cash payments.

Joe Hipp, a struggling heavyweight, Weathers managed, rose through the rankings and was given a title fight against WBA champion Bruce Seldon in 1995.

Seldon won on a TKO in the 15th round.

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**S T R I K E**

**TIGHT PACK:** The Cal Poly Wheelmen traveled to South Carolina and placed second in the road bike nationals.

By Jessica Hagens

**WHEELENmen place second**

The Cal Poly Wheelmen cycling team left the road bike nationals in Greenville, S.C. May 16 thinking they won first place overall in a combination of three events held throughout the year.

"We just found out yesterday that Colorado actually won by two points," said Pam Wise, president of the Cal Poly Wheelmen team.

The road bike nationals are the third part of a series of races the Mustangs compete in. Cal Poly placed first in the nation in the fall quarter when they competed at the mountain bike nationals in Reno, Nev. They also competed in track nationals in August, 1998, in Indianapolis, Ind.

While at the national events, the Wheelmen competed in three different races criteria (a one-half mile loop around a track), road race and team time trials.

Team time trials consist of four racers, and both men and women's teams from Cal Poly competed.

The Mustangs sent nine members of their team to Greenville. They also sent two people to help put the hikes together when the bikes come off the airplane and for help during the races.

While in Greenville, Lisa Fernandes, Lisa D'Hans, Lisa Alekce and Jannica Nabi took fourth place in the women's team time trials. Brian Chapman, who competed in the men's team time trials, said the men's team took eighth place.

Chapman also took eighth place in the criterium and 15th place in the road race competition.

Both Watt and Chapman said it's not a huge letdown to find out they didn't win first place overall.

"Colorado has always been a strong team," Watt said. "We were hoping to beat them and they just got by us by a few points."

Chapman said Cal Poly had good luck this year.

"It was the first time in a couple of years that we've done well as a team," Chapman said.

Fernandes finished well in individual events. She placed second in the criterium and third in the road race. She also finished third in the team pursuit.

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**BOSTON (AP) — Joe Torre returned as manager of the New York Yankees on Tuesday, taking over the team from Davey Johnson, who was let go earlier in the week.**

"I've been ready to do this all week," Torre said. "The players wanted me back." He added, "I think it's all the way back. I don't anticipate missing any time."

Braves coach Don Zimmer, who had managed the Yankees since Lou Piniella underwent surgery in St. Louis on March 16, returned to his more familiar role of hitting coach at the Yankees' spring training camp in Panama.

Torre, 58, said he made his decision Monday night, then took a flight with Yankees ownerGeorge Steinbrenner to Boston on Tuesday. He's healthy and he's back and he's well," Steinbrenner said. "It's a special day."

At 21-45, the Yankees held a one- half game lead over the Red Sox in the AL East. Going into Tuesday night's game, the only matchup between David Cone and Pedro Martinez, Boston is coming off a 3-6 homestand, its most shaky stretch in a long spell.

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**EXCITING GAMES OFFER THE NBA A CHANCE FOR JAN FORGIVENESS**

If the NBA playoffs continue to be exciting as they were on Sunday, it might help fans forget the disastrous regular season.

The Heat's nail-biting overtime loss to the Jazz, and the Heat's meltdown in Miami were only the two best games of the weekend.

Not only did the games provide plenty of play-by-play drama, but they showed why the clutch players were for each team.

Everyone wanted Sacramento to beat the Jazz, but in the end the Jazz stepped up and created a better effort by the Kings, with some better late-game decision making they could have won the series.

Allan Houston's last-second cluth jump shot to send Game Five brought the Rockets to within one of the Kings in the Western Conference Finals.

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The Heat, who won the first round in seven games, have never won the conference finals.

In Game Five, with the series tied 2-2, the Heat played the most exciting game of the series.

It didn't make any sense to see a playoff game designed as a last chance while a series that could have been a last chance for the Kings was a great effort by the Kings, with some better late-game decision making.

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