

## Cal Poly Report - Jan. 12, 2011

### News

#### **Cal Poly Retains Top 50 Ranking on Kiplinger List**

Washington, D.C.-based business publication Kiplinger's Personal Finance again named Cal Poly as one of its "100 Best Values in Public Colleges 2010-11" in its February magazine. Cal Poly retains its spot at No. 50 on the list of 100 public universities from around the U.S. for in-state students and moves up 14 spots to No. 33 for out-of-state students.

[Read more about Cal Poly's Top 50 ranking](#)



#### **Cal Poly to Provide Tax Preparation for Underserved Communities**

Cal Poly's Orfalea College of Business will again sponsor a program in San Luis Obispo providing tax return preparation assistance at no charge for individuals and families with incomes less than \$49,000 year. This year's program will begin Saturday, Jan. 29. The effort is part of the annual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program sanctioned and coordinated by the IRS.

[Details on VITA](#)

### Faculty and Staff

#### **Zachmeyer Named Interim Director of Contracts, Procurement and Risk Management**

Dru Zachmeyer has been named interim director of the Contracts, Procurement and Risk Management department. He will assume the duties of chief procurement and contracting officer for the university, as well as oversight of university risk management. Zachmeyer is a Cal Poly alumnus and received his juris doctor degree at the UCLA School of Law. He is a member of the State Bar of California and a licensed California real estate broker. Before joining Cal Poly as contracts manager, he held positions with McCormick Barstow LLP and CB Richard Ellis.

#### **Phil Webb Named Interim Athletics Director**

Philip Webb will serve as interim director of Intercollegiate Athletics from Jan. 1 to March 31, or until a permanent director is appointed - whichever comes first. Recruitment for a new athletic director has been underway since Alison Cone retired at the end of December.

#### **Catastrophic Leave Drive for Tad Walters**

A family catastrophic leave drive has been authorized for Tad Walters. Walters, a lecturer in the English Department, has qualified for family catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation leave to help Walters remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Susan Bratcher, ext. 6-5850 or by email [sbratche@calpoly.edu](mailto:sbratche@calpoly.edu) to request a donation form.

#### **The Community Center Wants to Advertise Your Community Service Courses**

Do you offer a class that includes community service as part of your course credit - not just extra credit? The Community Center wants to know about it. We are updating our database and website. By letting us know about your course(s), you could be eligible for and/or

included in awards and recognition such as the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the Cal Poly President's Service Awards, IRA funding and student assistant support. E-mail your course information to Joy Harkins at [jharkins@calpoly.edu](mailto:jharkins@calpoly.edu).

## **Deadline for State Faculty Support Grant Proposals is Jan. 21**

The State Faculty Support Grant program supports research, scholarship and creative activities that help faculty remain current in their disciplines and contribute new knowledge, with the intent of strengthening California socially, culturally and economically. The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants and assigned time for the 2011-12 year is Jan. 21. For guidelines and an application form, visit the [Research and Graduate Programs website](#) or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

## **Outstanding Staff Award Nominations Due Jan. 21**

Nominations are being accepted through Jan. 21 for Cal Poly's Outstanding Staff Award. Visit the [Outstanding Staff Web page](#) for more information, including: nomination form; eligibility requirements; and nomination criteria. For more information, contact Ben Johnson, Outstanding Staff Committee chairman, at [bjohnso@calpoly.edu](mailto:bjohnso@calpoly.edu).

## **Campus Announcements**

### **HR Reminder on Employee Separation**

This is a reminder that departments must notify Human Resources or Academic Personnel immediately when an employee plans to separate from Cal Poly in order for the university to meet legal requirements for settlement pay (Labor Code Sections 201 and 202).

All employees must complete a Form PR 300, Employee Separation Form. Additionally, for employees who are resigning, staff and management must complete the Form HR 191, Employee Notice of Resignation, and academic employees must submit a letter of resignation to the appropriate dean with copies to their department head/chair and Academic Personnel. Separation forms are available on the Human Resources website at <http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/forms.asp?form=20#separation>. Questions regarding employee separation may be directed to Human Resources at ext. 6-5440 or Academic Personnel at ext. 6-2844.

### **Institutional Planning & Analysis Publishes Fall 2010 Polyview**

Cal Poly's Office of Institutional Planning & Analysis has published the Fall 2010 issue of the PolyView. This publication includes various characteristics of students enrolled at Cal Poly. To view the current issue or any of the previous issues of PolyView, visit the [IP&A web site](#) or call the IP&A office at ext. 6-2204.

### **Cal Poly Corporation Goes Online with Job Applications**

Cal Poly Corporation now accepts online employment applications at <https://www.calpolycorporationjobs.org> for regular-benefited staff recruitments. Paper applications are no longer accepted. The new process allows applicants to establish a password-protected, individual file to maintain or update their online employment application and search and apply for positions from any location at any time. Hiring managers and screening committee members can view applications and resumes immediately. Human Resources remains the first point-of-contact for any regular-benefited staff recruitment. Contact Angela Borin at ext. 6-6446 or [aborin@calpoly.edu](mailto:aborin@calpoly.edu) to initiate a Cal Poly Corporation recruitment.

### **Statistical Consulting Service Available to Campus Through March 11**

The Statistics Department will provide statistical consulting services to the campus community through March 11. The intent is to provide support to faculty, staff and students on projects and research. Consulting is currently underway.

Karen McGaughey and John Walker serve as the main consultants. They are available to advise on data collection, experimental design, and analysis of research projects. They are also available to lead seminars or tutorials on requested topics and offer advice on

various computer packages currently available at Cal Poly. Lectures may also be available to groups with special areas of statistical inference. For more information, scheduling or to make an appointment, visit the [Consulting Services web site](#).

## **Bella Montana, a Faculty and Staff Housing Community**

Visit the Bella Montana Homes [web site](#) for available homes for sale.

## **New Express Window at BackStage, and Save 10 Percent with Campus Express**

Need a quick meal? Use the new express window at BackStage Pizza to pick up a slice or two of your favorite pizza. Use Campus Express and receive an additional 10 percent off your entire meal during January. For more information visit the [Back Stage Pizza web site](#).

## **Get your Green on and Save 10 Percent**

Wear your Cal Poly green shirt or sweatshirt on Thursdays and receive 10 percent off prepared-food purchases at Campus Market, the Avenue and Curbside Grill. To qualify, wear a green shirt with a Cal Poly affiliated logo. Offer excludes clothing, school supplies and groceries.

## **Graphic Arts Workshops for Everyone in January and March**

Register now for four information-packed graphic communication workshops: Beyond Snapshots - Taking Photography to the Next Level (NEW); Photoshop - Basic Production for Web and Print; InDesign CS5 Jumpstart; and Deconstructing Web Pages. Cal Poly employee and multi-workshop discounts available. For more information, visit [GrCI's web site](#) or send e-mail to [lsing@calpoly.edu](mailto:lsing@calpoly.edu).

## **Moodle Learning Management System Pilot: Open Forum Set for January 21**

Cal Poly is piloting the Moodle learning management system as a possible replacement for Blackboard. Information Technology Services will hold an open forum Friday, Jan. 21 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Business Building, Room 213 to share information about CSU Moodle initiatives and resources. Presentations will include a short demonstration and a review of the goals and findings of the fall quarter Moodle Pilot. For questions, contact Luanne Fose at ext. 6-7360.

## **Hands-on Excel Training Set for Jan. 21**

Have you recently upgraded from Excel 2003 to Excel 2007 or 2010? Adjusting to the new ribbon interface may be proving difficult, especially if you have been a 2003 power user. Continuing Education is hosting an Excel training workshop Friday, Jan. 21 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Business Building. The workshop is \$200 and will be taught by Professor Kenneth Griggs. This is not a Microsoft Office beginner course. Attendees should have some experience with Excel to get the most out of this course. Topics include: Introduction to the new ribbon interface; practice with absolute, relative, and mixed cell referencing; practice with formulas, functions and tools including arithmetic, statistical, financial, logical, and lookup and reference functions as well as goal seek and pivot table tools; creating and formatting charts; and practice with basic financial and accounting applications. Enroll on the [Continuing Ed. web site](#). Space is limited..

## **Three Employment Equity Facilitator Training Workshops Available**

The Office of Employment Equity will offer EEF Training from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25 and Thursday, Feb. 10 from 11a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Friday, March 4 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in Fisher Science, Room 290. Martha Cody, director of Employment Equity, will lead the training. Carolyn Johnson from Academic Personnel and Rhiannon Ricketts from Human Resources will be available to answer questions about faculty and staff recruitment. To enroll in the training, contact Sumi Seacat at ext. 6-7387 or [sseacat@calpoly.edu](mailto:sseacat@calpoly.edu).

## **Foundation Board Meeting is Feb. 8**

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its board meeting, which is open to the public, beginning at noon Tuesday, Feb. 8, at the Hyatt Regency Sacramento. For more information about the meeting, or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call the Cal Poly Foundation office at ext. 6-1445.

## **Nominations Sought for Student Employee Award**

Faculty and staff members may nominate students for the university's 2010-11 Outstanding Student Employee of the Year (OSEY) award. Nominees must have completed at least six months part-time student employment during the academic year, June 21, 2010 to June 12, 2011. Eligible candidates include State, ASI and CP Corporation student employees. Nominees can be Federal Work-Study and non-Federal Work-Study students.

Cal Poly's 2010/11 Outstanding Student Employee will be announced in April. The winner is entered into the state competition and may go on to the regional and national competitions. The national winner is announced National Student Employment Week during the second week of April. To print the 2010-11 OSEY nomination form, visit <http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/payroll/forms.asp?form=20>. Forms are due to the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs or [vpas@calpoly.edu](mailto:vpas@calpoly.edu) by Wednesday, Feb. 9.

## **Student Financial Aid and Scholarship Deadline is March 2**

The Financial Aid Office asks faculty and staff to inform students that the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline is March 2. To apply for federal aid, state aid and Cal Poly scholarships, students must complete the FAFSA every year. Questions should be directed to ext. 6-2927.

## **2010-11 Federal Work-Study Program Update**

Due to increased use of the Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program, there are a limited number of students with FWS funds. We regret that no new FWS awards will be made this academic year, and there are no current plans to increase existing Federal Work-Study awards. Should utilization level out, the decision will be reconsidered at a later date. FWS was awarded to applicants with a high need who filed a FAFSA application before the March 2 deadline. Be sure to encourage students to complete the 2011-12 FAFSA at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) starting Jan. 1. Since we were unable to grant additional requests for Federal Work-Study in 2010-11, students currently on the FWS waiting list will be given priority for FWS in 2011-12, providing they meet the need requirements and file their FAFSA before the March 2 deadline.

## **Service Awards Luncheon is March 9**

State, Corporation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2010 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9 in Chumash Auditorium. Master of Ceremonies will be Phil Bailey.

The menu for the luncheon is a Flavors of Mexico buffet. Entrée selections include tequila chicken fajitas or vegetarian fajitas with flour and corn tortillas, sautéed bell peppers & onions, cheddar cheese, sour cream, pico de gallo, guacamole and salsa. Side dishes include charro beans, Spanish rice, mixed green salad, churros with Mexican chocolate dipping sauce for dessert, coffee, iced tea and water. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold Feb. 1 – 26. IMPORTANT NOTE: Tickets will be taken at the door to ensure seating for all ticket holders. Watch for more information in an upcoming issue of the Cal Poly Report, including where you can purchase tickets.

## **Events**

### **U Art Gallery Exhibits Photos of Santi Visalli Jan. 7– Feb. 19**

Cal Poly's University Art Gallery will exhibit works by acclaimed photojournalist Santi Visalli Jan. 7 – Feb. 19. Visalli has traveled the globe as a news photographer and photojournalist for some of the world's leading magazines, newspapers and book publishers for

more than 40 years.

[Details at www.artgallery.calpoly.edu](http://www.artgallery.calpoly.edu)



### **The MET Live in HD: Puccini's La Fanciulla del West Jan. 8**

Come see Puccini's La Fanciulla Jan. 8 at 10 a.m. in Cal Poly's Performing Arts Center. Puccini's wild-west opera had its world premiere in 1910 at the Met. Now, on the occasion of its centennial, all-American diva Deborah Voigt sings the title role of the "girl of the golden west," starring opposite Marcello Giordani. Nicola Luisotti conducts. Nicola Luisotti; Deborah Voigt, Marcello Giordani, Juha Uusitalo.

[For more information on La Fanciulla](#)

### **Pilipino Cultural Exchange Club Sponsoring Hula Classes Jan. 11- March 8**

The Cal Poly Pilipino Cultural Exchange Club is sponsoring hula classes Jan. 11 through March 8.

Beginning hula classes will be held Tuesday evenings from 6:10 – 7:10 p.m. in the Architecture Building (Bldg. 5), Room 225. Dance experience is not required. Classes are open to the public and to both men and women. Participants can register at the class and should wear comfortable clothing.

[More about the hula class](#)

### **Opera SLO's Evening in Seville Jan. 14**

Join Opera San Luis Obispo for an evening in Seville, a magical Spanish city famous for its beauty and romance, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Enjoy delicious tapas and Vina Robles wines while experiencing the intoxicating rhythms of Flamenco guitar and dancing and much more. Proceeds benefit OperaSLO's Young Artist and Educational Outreach Programs.

[Details on SLO's Evening in Seville](#)



### **'Whose Line?' Stars Come to Cohan Center Jan. 15**

Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood, two of the stars of TV's "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" team up for an evening of extraordinary improvisational comedy Saturday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. in the Cohan Center. Based on audience suggestions, the show becomes truly interactive as the duo use their quick wit and timing to create hilarious, original scenes – often with audience members coming right on the stage to join in the fun.

Details on the comedians at [www.calpolyarts.org](http://www.calpolyarts.org)

### **Graphic Communication Institute Offers Winter Workshop on Photography Jan. 15-22**

As part of the Cal Poly Graphic Communication Institute's winter workshops, a workshop on photography will be taught by GrC Professor Ken Rothmuller. The program, "Beyond Snapshots" will run Jan. 15 and 22, from 9 a.m. to noon both Saturdays. You don't have to be an artist to take several simple steps to radically improve your photos. Using a wide range of examples, this class will show you the process for making improvements to your own photos.

[More information on the GrCI workshop](#)

### **Graphic Communication Institute Offers Winter Workshop on Photoshop Jan. 15-22**

As part of the Cal Poly Graphic Communication Institute's winter workshops, a workshop on Photoshop will be taught by GrC Professor Brian Lawler. The program, "Photoshop: Basic Production for Web and Print" will run Jan. 15 and 22, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on both Saturdays. This short course will give you the skills to prepare images for print and electronic delivery. You'll work with Photoshop CS5 on 24-inch iMac workstations in the Cal Poly's Graphic Communication Department labs and learn the essential

techniques that will help you deliver excellent images for every purpose.

[More information on the GrCI workshop](#)

## CSULA Professor to Speak Jan. 20

Benjamin Bateman speaks on "Reinventing Queerness: E.M. Forster, Connection and the Queer Invitation" Thursday, Jan. 20 from 11 a.m. to noon in Erhart Ag, Room 221. Bateman is assistant professor of English and affiliated faculty in Liberal Studies at CSU Los Angeles. This talk is funded by the College of Liberal Arts Lottery Speaker Fund and is co-sponsored by the Women's and Gender Studies and English Departments and the College of Liberal Arts. For more information, contact the Women's and Gender Studies Department at ext. 6-1525 or [wgs@calpoly.edu](mailto:wgs@calpoly.edu)

## Job Vacancies

### State Employment Opportunities

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at <http://calpolyjobs.org>. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

**#102221 – Operating Systems Analyst**, Career, ITS - Central Systems Administration, \$4,314 - \$8,831 per month, hiring range: \$4,314 - \$7,224 per month. Closes: Feb. 6, 2011.

### Executive Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to view detailed information about the following vacancies and to complete the management application to apply for the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application. For assistance, call Academic Personnel at ext. 6-6570.

**#102203 – Dean, College of Engineering**, Administrator IV, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 12, 2011.

**#102191 – Director of Intercollegiate Athletics**, Administrator III, Intercollegiate Athletics, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Dec. 3, 2010.

**#102181 – Vice President for University Advancement**, Administrator IV, University Advancement, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Nov. 22, 2010.

### Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://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.

**#102210 - Tenure Track Journalism**, Journalism Department, College of Liberal Arts ext. 6-6145. Job closes: Feb. 7, 2011.

**#102217 - Full-Time Lecturer Kinesiology**, Kinesiology Department, College of Science and Mathematics ext. 6-2545. Review begins: Feb. 7, 2011.

### 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. For an application, visit Human Resources in the Corporation Administration Building, check the web site at <http://www.calpolycorporation.org> or call ext. 6-1121.

**Custodial Assistant** - Campus Dining, \$9.30 - \$11.41 per hour. High school degree or equivalent and one year custodial experience required. Must have a valid California driver's license, ability to lift/carry 50 pounds and be able to work weekends, holidays and various shifts.

## ASI Employment Opportunities

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

**Teacher** \$12.28 per hour. Open until filled. Review begins Jan. 21, 2011.

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