
News

Students Return, Fall Quarter 2012 Begins

New freshmen and transfer students arriving on campus last week were greeted by a special pair of helping hands: Cal Poly President Jeffrey D. Armstrong spent the morning of Sept. 12 helping new students move into the university’s residence halls. The newest Mustangs then spent five days taking part in Week of Welcome, Cal Poly’s annual new-student orientation event, in advance of the Fall 2012 quarter beginning Tuesday, Sept. 18. For more on WOW, visit the Student Life and Leadership website. For the 2012-13 Academic Calendar, visit the Office of the Registrar’s website.

Cal Poly Named Tops In the West for 20th Year by US News

For the 20th straight year, Cal Poly has been rated the best public-master’s university in the West in U.S. News & World Report’s 2013 America’s Best Colleges guidebook. Cal Poly ranked sixth in the magazine’s overall list of the West’s best universities, including both public and private institutions that provide “a full range of undergraduate and master’s-level programs but few, if any, doctoral programs.” U.S. News ranks colleges that grant doctoral degrees, such as those in the University of California system, in a separate category. “Being named Best in the West for 20 straight years is a terrific acknowledgment of Cal Poly’s sustained excellence over a long period of time,” said Cal Poly President Jeffrey D. Armstrong. “The credit belongs to our faculty and staff for their unwavering dedication and commitment to our students’ success, and it underscores the power of our Learn by Doing philosophy.”

Benefits Enrollment Open Through Oct. 5

The Benefits Open Enrollment period for Cal Poly state employees begins today and goes through Oct. 5. Benefits-eligible employees have this annual chance to review their benefit plans and make changes for the 2013 plan year. Changes for 2013 include higher PERS Choice premiums and a lower annual Health Care Reimbursement Account (HCRA) maximum contribution (previously $5,000, now $2,500).

The Human Resources Benefits website is full of information to assist you, including:

- Open Enrollment Period Events Flyer—health and other benefit plan representatives coming to campus!

- eBenefits Step-By-Step Guide for making changes online through the Cal Poly Portal

- The required “Benefits Self-Service Electronic Signature Authorization form”

- 2013 Health Plan Premium rates and Comparison Chart

- CalPERS Video “Presenting the 2013 CalPERS Health Plans”

- Details about all benefit plans, including Health and Dependent Care Reimbursement Accounts (must enroll annually) and Voluntary Benefit Plans (MedLaw Legal Plan available only during Open Enrollment)

Online Open Enrollment elections must be completed no later than 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5. Changes will be effective January 1, 2013. Questions can be directed to Human
Faculty and Staff

Black Faculty Association to Meet

The first meeting of the Cal Poly Black Faculty Staff Association will take place from 12:10 to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21 in UU 216. Lunch will be provided. All new and returning faculty and staff are welcome to attend. Contact Camille O'Bryan or Preston Allen with any questions.

Retirements

Pat Broering

After a 24-year career with Cal Poly and the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, Pat Broering is retiring. A reception will be held in her honor from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25 in the Dean's Conference Room - Building 11, Room 210. Come and wish her the best of luck with the next adventures in her life.

Sheryl O'Neill

A reception to celebrate Sheryl O'Neill's retirement from Cal Poly will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sept. 28 in Fisher Science, Room 285. O'Neill joined the Mathematics Department as a part-time lecturer in fall 1992 and became the ELMMAPE Coordinator in fall 1994. In addition to teaching, she directed the Developmental Mathematics program, helped implement one of the first mediated learning curriculums with Academic Systems in the mid-1990s (a model still in use for many developmental programs across the state), advised many students, and provided advising support to faculty and staff. O'Neill also worked with Math Education: served as single subject credential coordinator in Math; supervised student teachers; taught the student teacher seminar course; and coordinated course articulations; departmental academic advising, and academic scheduling. The campus community is invited to join the Math Department in celebrating O'Neill's service to Cal Poly and expressing our gratitude and best wishes.

Catastrophic Leave

Brandi Marin-Morris

Brandi Marin-Morris, dispatcher with University Police, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate sick leave or vacation leave to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Kelly Kapner at 6-6652 or kkapner@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Campus Announcements

Office Max Auto Substitution Program Begins

In an effort to cut costs across the California State University, the Chancellor's Office has initiated mandatory participation in a new OfficeMax auto-substitution program. As of Sept. 10, Cal Poly has implemented automatic substitution for about 1,700 products with lower-cost equivalents that have the same fit, form and function as higher-cost items. In conjunction with campus procurement officials, the Chancellor's Office will monitor the quality of the substituted items and provide process improvements as necessary. Questions or comments can be directed at Contracts, Procurement & Risk Management at ext. 6-2234 or purchasing@calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly Preschool Learning Lab to Open Full-Time

The Cal Poly Preschool Learning Lab is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Spaces are available for potty-trained children ages 3-5. Priority will be given to Cal Poly faculty and staff. For more information, contact Director Patty Clarkson at ext. 6-2220 or preschoollabadmin@calpoly.edu, or visit the preschool's web page.

Stop by the new University Store – Presenting New Historical Displays and El Corral Alumni Shop

Visit the newly updated University Store (formerly known as El Corral Bookstore) for exciting new products and historic features. Cal Poly historical images from the early 20th century are featured in the windows at the south end of University Store, facing the University Union Plaza. Inside the University Store is a newly dedicated area called the “El Corral Alumni Shop,” which pays tribute to the bookstore’s historical past. Images and historical facts about the store’s progression on campus from the past century are on display at the El Corral Alumni Shop. A special “thank you” goes out to
Community Center Adopts New Name
Cal Poly’s Community Center adopted a new name Sept. 18, becoming the Center for Community Engagement. The new name aligns the center with the CSU’s strategic plan to serve the economic, public policy and social needs of the state. The CSU Chancellor’s Office defines “community engagement” as “the collaboration between higher education and their larger communities for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.” The Center for Community Engagement at Cal Poly connects students with meaningful volunteer opportunities that complement their educational experience, strengthen their understanding of diversity and social responsibility, and develop skills to become ethical and knowledgeable leaders who contribute to a global society. The center cultivates reciprocal service and learning partnerships between the university and community partners, and it serves community-based organizations and governmental agencies seeking university support to address unmet community needs. For more information, contact Joy Harkins at jharkins@calpoly.edu or 805-756-6749.

Cal Poly Pride Center to Host LGBTQIA Organizations Social on Sept. 19
Cal Poly’s Pride Center invites faculty, staff, and students to their quarterly social from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 19 in UU220. The LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer-Questioning, Intersex, Ally) Organizations Social is designed to allow incoming and continuing students to familiarize themselves with both on and off campus resources that provide services, social outlets, and other support to the LGBTQIA student community. Sponsored by Cal Poly’s Pride Center, the social will also include Jamba Juice as refreshments for the first 100 guests. The Pride Center supports the mission of Student Life & Leadership by focusing on the unique academic, cultural, and social needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning (LGBTQ) students to promote personal growth and education. The group advocates for social justice, empower and retain our LGBTQ and ally students, and create opportunities for all students to be more culturally competent. Through a safe space, services, and programming the Pride Center contributes to the university’s commitment to diversity and a more inclusive and welcoming campus. For more information, contact Patrick Fina at 805-756-6256 or calpoly.ally@gmail.com, or visit the Pride Center website at http://pride.calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly Multicultural Center to Host First Social of the Year
Cal Poly’s Multicultural Center will host its first social from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20 in UU220. Both new and transfer students will have the opportunity to meet faculty and staff and learn about the diverse range of programs Cal Poly has to offer. Cal Poly faculty and staff will also speak about their programs and what they can offer students of color, underrepresented students, and first-generation students to help enrich their academic year. The Multicultural Center cultivates a campus wide community that represents and celebrates the diversity of Cal Poly’s student body. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Jessica Hernandez at 805-756-6249 or jherenz@calpoly.edu, or visit the Multicultural Center Web site at http://multicultural.calpoly.edu.

Kennedy Library Displaying Sullenberger’s Tournament of Roses Memorabilia
A personal collection of Tournament of Roses memorabilia belonging to Lorrie and Chesley “Sully” Sullenberger can be seen on display in the Special Collections reading room on the Kennedy Library’s fourth floor. The collection, including signed team helmets from the University of Oregon and Ohio State, recalls the Sullenbergers’ participation as Grand Marshals in the January 2010 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena. Accompanying the display are historic photographs and concept renderings that document the history of Cal Poly’s joint efforts with sister campus Cal Poly Pomona, to launch a rose float each New Year’s Day since 1949. Chesley Sullenberger successfully landed US Airways Flight 1549 in the Hudson River on Jan. 15, 2009. All 155 passengers and crew survived. Since then, Sullenberger has authored two best-selling books, “Highest Duty: My Search for What Really Matters” (2009), and “Making a Difference: Stories of Vision and Courage From America’s Leaders” (2012). The Sullenbergers’ collection has toured throughout California and will be on display...
in Kennedy Library Room 409 through Oct. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Animal Science Reunion Set for Oct. 6**

The Animal Science Department has set Saturday, Oct. 6, as the day to celebrate its first on-campus reunion in nearly 10 years. Animal Science Department alumni, past and current faculty, staff, and friends of the university are invited to campus to honor retiring faculty and valued emeriti, meet the new faces in the department, and celebrate the successful completion of new state-of-the-art learning facilities. Festivities will include student-led facility tours, a social and dinner, retiree presentations, entertainment and a silent auction.

Sunday, Oct. 7, will feature the annual Cal Poly Bull Test Sale Lunch and Auction, beginning at 11 a.m. To purchase tickets and get more information, visit the Animal Science Department online or contact Wendy Hall at whall@calpoly.edu.

**Deadline for Extramural Funding Initiative (EFI) Proposals is Oct. 15**

The Extramural Funding Initiative provides support to assist faculty in submitting competitive proposals for extramural funding. The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants, assigned time, and additional compensation for 2013 is 4:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15. For full application and submission instructions, visit the Research and Graduate Programs website or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

**Have Lunch for as Low as $5.25 with Fast Pass**

All you can 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.

**Events**

**Swanton Pacific Railroad to Host Cal Poly Day on Sept. 23**

Cal Poly’s railroad is back on track and ready for all to come aboard. The next public event will be Cal Poly Day, Sunday, Sept. 23. See what a crown jewel Cal Poly has in Santa Cruz County, and enjoy a fun filled day of train rides, displays by the ranch and railroad, a Santa Maria-style BBQ, a logging team demonstration, and information about improvements and on-going projects for the ranch and railroad. The event will begin around 10 a.m. and last until 4 p.m. Cost is $30 for adults and $15 for children 8 and younger. Parking is free. Attendance is limited to the first 500. The event will be held rain or shine. An invite and additional information can be obtained online (click on “Events Calendar”). The Swanton Pacific Railroad is located on the Swanton Pacific Ranch property, about three miles north of the town of Davenport on highway 1, near Santa Cruz.

**TEDxSanLuisObispo Set for Sept. 28**

TEDxSanLuisObispo, a regionally hosted version of the popular TED conference, will take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28 at the Cal Poly Performing Arts Center. TED (Technology Entertainment Design) is a nonprofit devoted to offering free knowledge and inspiration from the world’s most inspired thinkers through talks and performances. The Sept. 28 event will bring together leading thinkers and innovators from around California to discuss the theme “The Power of Community.” Speakers include Google+ community manager Gopi Kallayil Delta; Delta Airlines senior vice president and Cal Poly alumnus Joanne Smith; REC Solar Vice President Matthew Woods; and Rosetta Chief Consumer Technology & Entertainment Officer Tom Adamski. Discounted tickets are available to Cal Poly alumni, students, faculty and staff and can be purchased through the Performing Arts Center box office. To learn more about TEDxSanLuisObispo and to purchase tickets, visit www.tedxsanluisobispo.com.

**University Art Gallery to Exhibit Ana Serrano’s Work Sept. 28-Nov. 2**

The University Art Gallery will exhibit art by Mexican-American artist Ana Serrano from Sept. 28 to Nov. 2 – including an opening night talk by the artist. Serrano will deliver a lecture from 5 to 6 p.m. in Room E-27 in the Science Building (No. 5). An
opening reception for the exhibit, titled “Pretty Monumental,” will begin at 6 p.m. in the University Art Gallery, in the Danner Building. Serrano is a first-generation Mexican-American born in Los Angeles in 1983. Inspired by both of the cultural contexts in her life, she creates work utilizing a variety of mediums including drawing, collage, sculpture and motion. Her work bears reference to those in low socioeconomic positions, with particular interest in the customs and beliefs and the architecture, fashion and informal economies present within this segment of society. Currently, her work is exploring the socio-cultural aspects of drug trafficking and the branding and acceptance of the drug lord lifestyle. She is a recent graduate of Art Center College of Design and resides in Los Angeles. The public is invited to the free talk and exhibit. The gallery is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call ext. 6-6038 or visit http://www.artgallery.calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly Music Department Announces 2012-13 Events

Cal Poly Music Department's new event season gets under way with a faculty recital in September.

Mezzo-soprano Jacalyn Kreitzer will be joined by Gabrielle Castriotta, oboe; Paul Severtson, viola; and Susan Azaret Davies, piano in a recital titled “Celebrated Classics” at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, in the Spanos Theatre. On the program will be works by Giovanni Paisiello, Christoph Willibald Gluck, Camille Saint-Saëns, Antonio Caldara, Joseph Canteloube, John Corigliano, and Johannes Brahms.

At least a dozen more events – including several free ones – will follow in the fall. They include:

• Oct. 12 - Parents' Weekend Ensemble Showcase, featuring six of the department's ensembles – the Arab Music Ensemble, PolyPhonics, Symphony, University Jazz Band I, University Singers, Wind Ensemble
• Oct. 26 - Faculty Chamber Ensemble Recital
• Nov. 17 - Bandfest 2012: "Year of the Dragon"
• Nov. 18 - Symphony Fall Concert: "Music and Image"
• Nov. 30 - Fall Jazz Concert
• Dec. 1 - Choirs' "A Christmas Celebration"

For more information and a complete list of events for the 2012-13 season, go to the online calendar at http://music.calpoly.edu/calendar, email music@calpoly.edu, or call ext. 6-2406. Printed versions of the event brochure are available upon request.

Author Stephen Chbosky to Talk Oct. 5 on Campus

Kennedy Library will present a conversation with Stephen Chbosky – author, screenwriter and director of “Perks of Being a Wallflower” – at Chumash Auditorium from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, as part of the library’s celebration of Banned Books Week. Chbosky will be introduced by ASI President Katie Morrow. The event is co-sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts, English Department, Pride Center and Multi-Cultural Center. It is free and open to the public. Chbosky is also featured in a podcast series, “I'm with the Banned,” created as part of Kennedy Library's Banned Books Week celebration. The series explores the American Library Association's Top 100 Banned/Challenged Books 2000-2009 and their themes. The podcasts will be available on Kennedy Library Out Loud starting Sept. 18. In addition, student assistants at Kennedy Library have created popular online interactive and print infographics that have been shared nationally. The Kennedy Library is one of eight national recipients of the 2012 Freedom to Read Foundation's Judith F. Krug Fund Grant, which supports the 30th anniversary of Banned Books Week. From Sept. 30 through Oct. 6, Banned Books Week celebrates the freedom to access information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship.

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.

***THIS INTERNAL RECRUITMENT IS OPEN TO CAL POLY EMPLOYEES ONLY (State, Corporation, and ASI)***


**#102652 - Connections for Academic Success Coordinator/Advisor, Student Services Professional III, Student Affairs - Connections for Academic Success, $3,834.00-$5,462.00 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 2, 2012.**

**#102665 - Academic Services Assistant, Administrative Support Assistant, Athletics - Academic Advising, $12.05-$15.08 per hour. Open until filled. Review begins: Sept. 25, 2012.**

**#102661 - Administrative Support Coordinator I - 12 month, Student Affairs - Health Services, $2,808-$4,212 per month (anticipated hiring range: $2,808-$3,089). Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 1, 2012.**

**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.

**Internal Academic Administrative Employment Opportunities**

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment website at www.calpolyjobs.org to complete an application and apply for the following internal searches. Please note that these internal opportunities are open only to currently employed tenured full professors at Cal Poly. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application.

**#102658 - Associate Vice Provost for Industry Partnerships and Sponsored Research (Administrator III), Academic Affairs. Review begins Oct. 2, 2012.**

**#102659 - Director of Graduate Education (Instructional Faculty 12-month), Academic Affairs, Review begins Oct. 2, 2012.**

**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 our website. For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

All positions have excellent benefits provided, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement program, 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 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 212 or call ext. 6-3800.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.