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DATELINE

More information about these and other Cal Poly events is accessible from the Cal Poly News Web site (www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu).
(\$) – Admission charged

Exhibits:

UU Gallery: Student landscape painting, drawing, photography, through Nov. 27.

Wednesday, November 19

Music: Joe Duncan, Backstage Pizza, 11am and 6 pm.

Speaker: Cristina Verán on hip-hop worldwide, Sierra Madre lounge, 7 pm.

Student recital: Piano, Davidson 218, 7:30 pm.

Thursday, November 20

Student recital: Instrumental, Davidson 218, 11 am.

Music: Cadillac Angels, BackStage Pizza, noon.

Wrestling: Green & Gold, Mott Gym, 7 pm.

Student recital: Vocal, Davidson 218, 7:30 pm.

Play: Theatre & Dance Department's "Phedre," Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

Friday, November 21

Philosophy speaker: David Burrell, "Three Messengers of One God," UU 220, 4 pm.

Speaker: "Engineering Sustainability Into Design," Fisher 286, 4 pm.

Women's basketball: Sac State, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

Play: Theatre & Dance Department's "Phedre," Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

Saturday, November 22

Football: Humboldt, Mustang Stadium, 1 pm. (\$)

Music: Cal Poly Symphony, Harman Hall, 8 pm. (\$)

Play: Theatre & Dance Department's "Phedre," Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

Sunday, November 23

Minor recital: Brandon Mosst, flute, Davidson 218, 1 pm.

Women's basketball: Portland State, Mott Gym, 2 pm. (\$) □

Report deadline Monday

Because of the Thanksgiving holidays, the deadline for the Dec. 3 *Cal Poly Report* is Monday (Nov. 24) at 10 a.m. E-mail articles to polynews@calpoly.edu with the subject line "For Cal Poly Report." For more information, call ext. 1511. □

Academic Personnel lists alternatives to layoffs

As the university faces budget reductions, Academic Personnel reminds faculty members they may participate in the following voluntary programs to minimize layoffs:

- Leave of absence without pay (MOU Article 22).
- Voluntary reduced time base (partial leave without pay).
- Temporary reassignment, full or partial, within the university.
- Visiting appointment on another campus.
- Extension appointment to augment reduction in time base.
- Voluntary retirement.
- Early entry into the Pre-Retirement Reduction in Time Base (PRTB) Program (eligible if age 55-64); may enter winter or spring 2004.
- Emergency difference-in-pay leave (if supported by department and college dean).
- Emergency sabbatical leave (if supported by department and college dean and results in cost savings, i.e., leaves for two or three quarters, or to avoid layoff).

Faculty members interested in pursuing such options should discuss them with their department head or chair and their dean. Additional information on eligibility and application procedures is available from the Academic Personnel office, ext. 2844.

Members of the administration will be meeting with representatives of the local chapter of the California Faculty Association in an attempt to determine alternatives to layoff. □

Detweiler to be interim provost as of Jan. 1

Bob Detweiler will begin serving Jan. 1 as interim provost and vice president for academic affairs, succeeding Provost Paul Zingg, who was recently appointed president of CSU Chico.

Detweiler teaches part time in the History Department and serves as a special assistant to President Baker. He served as interim vice president for student affairs from 2000 to 2002. He has worked for The California State University for more than 35 years, as a professor and dean at San Diego State, vice president at San Bernardino and, from 1989 to 1998, president of Dominguez Hills.

More about this story and other university news is on the Cal Poly News Web site, www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu. □

Nominations sought for new faculty award

Nominations are being sought for the new Distinguished Research, Creative Activity and Professional Development Award, created in June by the Academic Senate and approved by President Baker to recognize faculty members who have contributed to Cal Poly through distinguished accomplishments in research and in other creative activities.

"The new award recognizes that faculty scholarship in discovery, integration and application is essential to faculty success in their particular disciplines, and that continued professional growth and achievement contribute significantly to teaching excellence," said Civil and Environmental Engineering Professor Ed Sullivan.

Nominations may be submitted by faculty members, students and alumni. Two faculty members will be selected each academic year to receive a \$1,500 cash prize and certificate of recognition.

The nomination form, procedure and details of the award criteria are on the Academic Senate Web site at www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/research_award.html. □

Research funds available for tech-park projects

About \$800,000 in research funding has become available for planning and projects related to the proposed university-affiliated technology park.

The funding is from the Office of Naval Research to support the applied research and advanced development park being developed by the California Central Coast Research Partnership. It will be used to seed 2003-2004 faculty research projects in areas the technology park is focusing on, especially those that will build long-term industry partnerships.

All faculty members are eligible to apply, and any relevant research is potentially fundable. Areas of emphasis include projects that rely on high bandwidth capacity and develop new applications for Internet 2 connectivity, as well as projects that address problems of significance to the Marine Corps and the Office of Naval Research (see www.onr.navy.mil/default.asp). Research that can attract industry funding is especially encouraged.

Guidelines and forms have been sent to colleges and departments and can be downloaded from the Research and Graduate Programs Web site, www.calpoly.edu/~rgp, or obtained from the office (Math and Science 154, ext. 1508). The application deadline is 5 p.m. Dec. 19.

More information on the technology park is available from Research and Graduate Programs and on its Web site. □

Cultures expert, journalist Verán to speak tonight

International journalist, historian and educator Cristina Verán, who has documented global cultural phenomena and sociopolitical movements extensively, will speak at 7 p.m. today in the lounge of the Sierra Madre residence halls on "(Ab)Original Flavor: Indigenous Hip-Hop Across the Globe."

As a United Nations correspondent and specialist in the coverage of issues and initiatives important to the world's indigenous peoples, she appears on air as a featured panelist and interviewer for "World Chronicle," the UN's news-roundtable television program. She also lectures frequently and develops specialized curricula and workshops on media-making and cross-cultural communication for programs serving urban, immigrant and indigenous youth. □

'Preface' seeks suggestions for next year's book

The campuswide Preface shared reading program is seeking recommendations for the book selection for Preface 2004.

Preface participants read the same book over the summer and discuss it at the beginning of fall quarter. Launched in 2002, the program aims to enrich campus academic life and provide – for new students in particular – a common intellectual experience.

The book selection should be relevant to multiple disciplines, deal with issues of social relevance and intellectual depth, and generate issues of personal relevance. The book should be readable, accessible, generally between 200 and 400 pages, and by a living author.

Suggestions should be sent to Patricia Ponce at pponce@calpoly.edu by Dec. 5. □

Grad to speak Friday on sustainable engineering

David Taggart, former chief technical officer of Hypercar Inc. and a Cal Poly alumnus, will speak at 4 p.m. Friday (Nov. 21) in Room 286 of Fisher Science Hall on how environmental concepts such as sustainability can be put into the engineering design process.

Hypercar designs automobiles to be built with less material and energy, to have improved emissions and extended life, and to be dismantled after their usable life. □

Hallock named chair

Professor Brent Hallock has been named chair of the Earth and Soil Sciences Department for a three-year term beginning Jan. 1. Hallock joined the faculty in 1979. □

Gift drive to benefit local children in need

A holiday gift drive, now under way and continuing through Dec. 3, is gathering gifts for underprivileged children from homeless shelters, foster-care facilities and local Housing Authority units.

The names of the children and the gifts they hope for are on tags hung from trees in the UU Plaza. Donors can choose a tag and take the gift to the Student Community Services Office, UU 217. Gifts without tags are welcome also, and gifts don't need to be wrapped. For details, call ext. 5834. □

Position Vacancies

STATE The official listing of staff vacancies is posted on Cal Poly's online employment system, www.calpolyjobs.org. To apply, go to that site and complete the online application. Applicants needing computer/Internet access and/or assistance may contact Human Resources at ext. 2236 for information on available resources.

#100216-Facilities Worker I, Administration & Finance, Facility Services, \$3,242-\$3,941/month. Closing date: Friday (Nov. 21).

#100217-Administrative Support Assistant II,* Administrative & Finance, Budget & Analytic Business Services, temporary half-time position through 12/31/04, \$1,136.50-\$1,704.50/month. Closing date: Monday (Nov. 24).

FACULTY See www.calpolyjobs.org.

#100209 & #100210: Assistant/Associate Professor positions, tenure track, full time, Computer Science Department and Computer Engineering Program, College of Engineering (ext. 7183). Review begins Jan. 1; applications received after that date may be considered.

#100212: Assistant/Associate Professor of Nutrition, tenure track, full time, Food Science & Nutrition Department, College of Agriculture (ext. 2377). Review begins Mar. 1; applications received after that date may be considered.

#100222: Department Head, tenure track, full time, 12 month, Landscape Architecture, College of Architecture & Environmental Design (ext. 2813). Closing date: Feb. 1.

FOUNDATION (Foundation Adm. Building, job line at ext. 7107.) All Foundation applications must be received (not just postmarked) by 5 p.m. of the closing date. (No faxes.)

Conference Coordinator, Conference Services, \$13.11-\$19.67/hour. Open until filled; review begins Dec. 1.

Assistant Supervisor, Campus Dining, Avenue, \$9.79-\$14.19/hour. Open until filled; review begins Dec. 1.

Program/Budget Analyst, California Institute for the Study of Specialty Crops, \$33,165-\$48,119/year. Closing date: Dec. 5. □

Some spaces available at Children's Center

Spaces are available at the Orfaela Family and ASI Children's Center for children 3 1/2 to 5 years old whose birthdays are April 2000 and later. Call ext. 1267 for more information. □

Foundation investments can be seen on Web

The Cal Poly Foundation Investment Report as of Sept. 30 is to be available on the Web at www.cpfoundation.org/endorsement/reports/Sep2003.pdf. For more information on the report, contact Ron Weaver at ext. 5031. □