



# News

University News & Information

## Cal Poly Report - October 9, 2013

### News

#### Baker Center Dedication to be Held Friday, Nov. 1

The campus community is invited to attend the dedication ceremony for the Warren J. Baker Center for Science and Mathematics from 3 to 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1. A reception will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. The program will begin at 4 p.m., followed by self-guided tours. Refreshments will be provided. For more information about the Baker Center, visit the College of Science and Mathematics [website](#).



#### Campus Conversations Series

The campus community is invited to attend the upcoming events in the Campus Conversations Series.

- Administration and Finance: “Cal Poly’s Budget Today and Moving Forward” from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Oct. 10 or 11 in the Left Wing of Chumash Auditorium (UU, Room 204).
- University Advancement: “Campaign Priorities” from 10:30 a.m. to noon Oct. 22 in the Right Wing of Chumash Auditorium (UU, Room 207).
- Office of University Diversity & Inclusivity: “Diversity and Inclusion at Cal Poly: We All Have a Seat at the Table” from 10 to 11:00 a.m. Oct. 25 in Phillips Hall (Building 6, Room 124).

The full schedule of Campus Conversations can be [found here](#).

#### Dean of Students Office Establishes Care Team

The [Student Affairs Care Team](#) was formed to provide a coordinated response to situations or concerns affecting students, the campus or the surrounding community. Any member of the campus community, including students, faculty or staff, may contact the Care Team to request assistance and to discuss any concerns regarding a student or student’s behavior, academic progress, safety or well-being. Training and/or consultation is available for faculty and staff in responding to difficult or concerning situations involving students. For more information, visit the [Dean of Students Faculty and Staff Resources](#) page.

#### Fall Commencement Set for Saturday, Dec. 14

Cal Poly will honor the academic accomplishments of our 2013 fall graduates at the 73rd annual commencement ceremonies set for Saturday, Dec. 14, in the Recreation Center Gymnasium.

Degrees will be conferred by college according to the following schedule:

- College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences and the College of Science & Mathematics at 9 a.m.
- College of Architecture & Environmental Design and the College of Liberal Arts at 1 p.m.

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— College of Engineering and the Orfalea College of Business at 4 p.m. Student Affairs will host receptions in the University Union for participants and guests following each ceremony.

To be eligible to participate in the fall ceremonies, students must complete a [Graduation Evaluation Request Form](#). Students requesting a graduation date of fall quarter are automatically eligible to participate in the December ceremony. Students eligible for spring graduation who wish to participate in the December ceremony must submit a [Commencement Petition Request Form](#) to the Commencement Office (Building 1, Room 209). The form must be received by Oct. 31, in order for a student's name to appear in the commencement program provided at graduation. For more information, contact Ashli Kessinger at ext. 6-1580 or [akessing@calpoly.edu](mailto:akessing@calpoly.edu).

**The Great California Shake Out**



Cal Poly is participating in the Great California Shake Out earthquake drill and encourages all students, faculty and staff to “Drop, Cover and Hold On” at 10:17 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 17. To find out more, go to [emergency.calpoly.edu](http://emergency.calpoly.edu).

**Faculty & Staff**

**Nominations Sought for Distinguished Scholarship Award**

Nominations are being accepted for the Distinguished Scholarship Award. The award recognizes achievement in scholarship and creative activity among Cal Poly faculty. Nominations may be submitted by staff, faculty or alumni and are due by Nov. 1. For selection criteria and information on previous recipients, visit the the Academic Senate [website](#). To submit a nomination, fill out the [online form](#).

**LGBTQIA Faculty Staff Association Fall Quarter Meeting Set for Oct. 15**

The Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer/Questioning Intersex Ally (LGBTQIA) Faculty Staff Association will have its first meeting of the academic year from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15 in UU, Room 218. This meeting is for current members or those who wish to become members. The deadline for becoming an active 2013-14 member is Friday, Nov. 1. Visit the [website](#) to sign up for membership or to add your name to the confidential guest list. The guest list is an option for those who don't want to become a member at this time but would like to receive updates on news, events and activities. For more information, visit the [website](#), join the group on [Facebook](#), or email [lgbtfsa@calpoly.edu](mailto:lgbtfsa@calpoly.edu).

**Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology Expands Faculty Support Staff**

The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology has expanded staffing to help faculty meet the goals of enhancing inclusiveness and improving student writing. The department has added two new instructional specialists, each with extensive university teaching experience and faculty support skills. Matthew Luskey is available to work with faculty on writing-related matters, including writing assignment design and assessment, utilizing best practices to teach writing, and achieving department and collegewide writing goals. Robin Parent will work with faculty regarding diversity and inclusiveness through course design for traditional and online delivery, pedagogy implementation, and student- and self-assessments.

**Oct. 14 is Deadline for Extramural Funding Initiative (EFI) Requests**

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 2014 is 4:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14. For full application and submission instructions, visit the [Office of Research and Economic Development website](#) or call at ext. 6-1508.

### **Faculty and Staff Associations Fall Social Set for Oct. 24**

All faculty and staff are invited to join the Cal Poly Faculty Staff Associations for a Fall Social from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, in the Kennedy Library Atrium. New and current faculty and staff interested in becoming a member of the associations are encouraged to attend. Meet colleagues from across campus, learn about membership, programs and events for the associations and additional support groups, including the American Indian and Indigenous Faculty Staff, Asian Pacific-Islander Faculty Staff Association, Black Faculty Staff Association, Chicana Latino Faculty Staff Association, and the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer/Questioning Intersex Ally Faculty Staff Association. Sponsored by Career Services, Kennedy Library, and the office of University Diversity and Inclusivity. For more information, contact Catherine Trujillo at [ctrujill@calpoly.edu](mailto:ctrujill@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-6395.

## **Campus Announcements**

### **CSM Offices Have Moved**

With the opening of the Baker Center, many of the offices in the College of Science and Mathematics have moved. Their new locations will be as follows:

Advising Center: Building 53, Room 211

CESAME: Building 25, Room 129

Chemistry Department: Building 180, Room 206

Liberal Studies Department: Building 25, Room 125B

Physics Department: Building 180, Room 204

### **Free Self-Defense Class Offered Oct. 12 and Nov. 6**

A free self-defense class will be offered from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 12, and 8:15 to 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, in the Recreation Center Martial Arts Room. Participants will learn a variety of techniques for defending themselves, including assertive talking, posturing, and specific defense skills. The class is open to the Cal Poly community; however, participants must be at least 16 years old to participate. Registration is not required but is recommended since space is limited. Participants are encouraged to wear workout attire and bring water. The classes are sponsored by ASI and Safer. For more information, contact the Recreation Center front desk at ext. 6-1366.

### **Student-Grown Wine Grapes for Sale**

The Wine and Viticulture Department is offering excess student-grown tempranillo grapes for sale now from the Cal Poly Trestle Vineyard. The grapes were 25.5 brix on Oct. 7 and are being irrigated to hold that steady until Oct. 15. The grapes are for sale for \$2 per pound, to be picked by buyers. The department can provide picking shears and trays, but buyers must bring containers for transporting. Buyers must also fill out and sign a liability waiver before picking. Contact Craig Macmillan at 509-592-0178 or [cwmacil@calpoly.edu](mailto:cwmacil@calpoly.edu) for more details. Checks are accepted.

### **UPD's Fall Bike Auction Set for Oct. 16-17**

UPD's bike auction will be held Oct. 16 and 17. Bikes will be on display from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in front of the campus police station (Building 36). Faculty and staff members are encouraged to place a bid at the silent auction for abandoned bicycles that have been unclaimed over the past six months. Minimum opening bid is \$5. Winners will be notified to pick up their bikes Oct. 18. Proceeds of the auction will benefit the campus bike safety program.

### **CPR/AED Classes Offered Oct. 29 and Nov. 13**

Learn how to save a life by taking an American Red Cross CPR/AED (Automated External Defibrillator) course at the Recreation Center from 6 to 10 p.m. Oct. 29 and Nov. 13. Classes are open to the Cal Poly community, and participants will earn a two-year certification after completion of the course. The courses are appropriate if you need to be certified for a job, or want to be prepared for an emergency or improve safety for your family and community. The fee is \$60 per participant. The courses are offered by ASI. No prior medical knowledge is necessary. Register at the Recreation Center front desk or [online](#). For more information, call ext. 6-1366.

### Cal Poly Foundation Board Meeting to be Held Nov. 2

The Cal Poly Foundation board of directors will hold its board meeting, which is open to the public, at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at the University Union (Building 65), Room 220. For more information or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call the Cal Poly Foundation office at ext. 6-2710.

### Photography Competition Announced to Celebrate Study Abroad

The International Center is hosting a photography competition to highlight the research, teaching and travel abroad experiences of Cal Poly faculty and staff. Submissions are due by Oct. 23. The photos will be on exhibit Oct. 28 through Nov. 8 on the first floor of the Library Community Gallery to coincide with International Education Week. The winning entries will be announced during the exhibit opening at 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 28. For more information on entry guidelines, [click here](#).

### Health and Counseling Services Offer Expanded Evening Hours

Health and Counseling Services (HCS) announced extended hours, staying open until 6:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday evenings. Students will be seen by appointment only during the extended hours. If the services are well utilized, HCS will explore additional offerings, including evening urgent care and weekend services. Located next to the Rec Center, the student health center is funded primarily by the Health Services Fee and Student Success Fee revenues. Medical and counseling visits are free of additional charge, and most other services are free or low cost. HCS also offers after hours nurse advice at their regular number, ext. 6 1211, and after hours crisis counseling at ext. 6 2511. For more information, email Alexandra Kohler at [akohler@calpoly.edu](mailto:akohler@calpoly.edu).

### Open Enrollment Ends Oct. 11

CalPERS' open enrollment will end at 5 p.m. Oct. 11. State employees can make open enrollment changes through the Cal Poly Portal - Personal Info tab. The My Benefits "Benefits Summary and Enrollment" option allows employees to view their current benefits and submit open enrollment elections. For details, see the [Open Enrollment](#) web page. **Note these important facts/changes:**

- Yearly enrollment in the "Flex Spending Health" or "Flex Spending Dependent Care" accounts (HCRA/DCRA) is **NOT** automatic. Remember to re-enroll if you wish to continue deductions into the next plan year.
- PERS Choice and PERS Care premiums have decreased; review changes on the [Open Enrollment webpage](#).
- Anthem Blue Cross is offering a new HMO plan for residents in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.
- An [e-signature authorization](#) form is required to finalize **ALL** enrollments (if you have not already submitted one.) Submit the signed form to HR.
- Submit all required supplemental documentation (marriage certificates, birth certificates, etc.) to HR.
- Open Enrollment elections are effective Jan. 1, 2014. **Do not use your new plan cards prior to that date.**

### Campus Asked for Input on Communications Technology

Last spring, Information Technology Services (ITS) launched a project to identify the next generation of communication and collaboration services to support the teaching, learning and business needs of the Cal Poly community. Three products (Google Apps for Education, Office 365, and Zimbra 8) are being evaluated. Evaluation sessions started over the summer and will continue through October. ITS is asking faculty and staff to provide input by participating in an upcoming session. To view a schedule or get more information about the products under consideration, [click here](#).

### Employment Equity Facilitator Workshops Set

Employment Equity Facilitator Workshops are scheduled from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Nov. 7, and 2 to 3:30 p.m. Dec. 10. All workshops will be in Fisher Science (Building 33), Room 290. Martha Cody, director of Employment Equity, will lead the workshops. She will be joined by Jen Myers from Academic Personnel and Karen Watton from Human Resources, who will provide

information and answer questions about the faculty and staff recruitment process. Sumi Seacat will be available to answer questions regarding institutionally sponsored H-1B visas for foreign faculty and staff. To RSVP, contact Seacat at [sseacat@calpoly.edu](mailto:sseacat@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7387.

**Statistics Department to Provide Consulting Service During Fall Quarter**

The Statistics Department provides a statistical consulting service to the university community to facilitate research design and data analysis in a wide variety of disciplines. The consulting service is intended to support projects and research of Cal Poly faculty and staff and provide assistance for students working on senior projects and graduate research. Andrew Schaffner is serving as the main consultant. He is available to advise on data collection, experimental design, and analysis of research projects. In addition, Schaffner is available to lead seminars or tutorials on requested topics and offer advice on various computer packages currently available at Cal Poly. If there is a special area of statistical inference that is of interest to a group in your department, feel free to contact Schaffner at 6-1545 or [aschaffn@calpoly.edu](mailto:aschaffn@calpoly.edu) to arrange possible lectures on that subject. Schaffner will maintain walk-in availability hours from 11:10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, 10:10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays and 10:10 a.m. to noon Fridays. Contact him to schedule appointments outside those hours. Faculty, staff and students interested in using the consulting service are encouraged to [access the Statistics Department web page information](#) for additional information including what to bring to a consulting session. Consulting will end Dec. 13.

**Campus Administrative Policies Update**

Cal Poly is continuing a comprehensive review of Campus Administrative Policies (CAP), replacing the Campus Administrative Manual (CAM). To find more information on CAP and proposed draft policies go to the [CAP Web page](#).

**University Store Presenting New Historical Displays**

Visit the University Store to view historic graphics of the university, featuring images and historical information from the 1940s and '50s. These new Cal Poly historic images are on display in the windows at the south end of the University Store, facing the University Union Plaza. A special "thank you" goes out to University Archives and the Kennedy Library staff for providing the archival photography.

**Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community**

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

**Events**

**Lecture on Engineering with DNA Oct. 18**

William L. Hughes will present "Engineering with DNA" from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18 in Engineering IV (Building 192), Room 106 as part of the Graduate Symposium. Formerly a Cal Poly faculty member, Hughes is associate professor of materials science and engineering at Boise State University and an affiliate faculty and research council member at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise, Idaho. As part of the university's interdisciplinary Nanoscale Materials and Device Research Group, his team engineers biomolecular tools made from DNA. He will talk about DNA as an engineered material for the medical and semiconductor industries. The Graduate Symposium is a series of speakers invited to discuss the role master's degrees play in research and professional opportunities, with an emphasis on how the integration of technology and business has impacted their careers.

**Forum with Tibetan Monks Oct. 10**

The Religious Studies program is hosting "A Conversation with Tibetan Monks" from 11:10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Oct. 10, in the Alan A. Erhart Agriculture Building (Building 10), Room 223. The monks are from Deprung Gomang monastery in Tibet and are traveling the world demonstrating the practice of creating and deconstructing intricate sand mandalas, leading meditations, and speaking about Buddhism. In this forum, they will share their perspectives on



Buddhism in the contemporary world. For more information, contact Stephen Lloyd-Moffett at ext. 6-2475 or [slloydmo@calpoly.edu](mailto:slloydmo@calpoly.edu).

**Open Studios Art Tour Catalog Available at the University Art Gallery**

The Open Studio Art Tour celebrates local artists countywide. This year, the dates are the weekends of Oct. 12-13 and 19-20. The tour features many people from the Cal Poly community, including Janice Stone from the Kennedy Library; Leigh Ramirez, Facilities; emeritus professors George Jercich, Crissa Hewitt, and Henry Wessels; and adjunct professors Teri Brown and Adrienne Allebe. The University Art Gallery is in the Dexter Building, Room 34, open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**University of Michigan Professor to Discuss "What Is Sex For?" on Oct. 14**

University of Michigan Professor David Halperin will present "What is Sex For?" at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14 in Chumash Auditorium in the UU. Halperin will explore the logic, or illogic, behind the common assumption that sex is for love. The event is supported by The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County Growing Together Fund and Cal Poly. For more information, contact Brian Kennelly at ext. 6-2889 or [bkennell@calpoly.edu](mailto:bkennell@calpoly.edu), or visit the [Cal Poly news site](#).

**Data Studio Presents Data Curation Specialist Oct. 17 & 18**



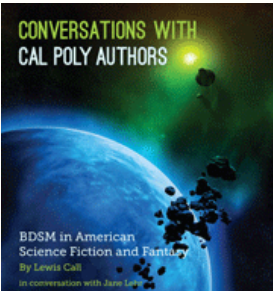
The Data Studio will feature Carly Strasser, scientist and California Digital Library's Data Curation Specialist on Oct. 17 and 18 in Kennedy Library, Room 111C. Strasser will deliver four presentations on topics including data management tools and plans, and the future of open scholarly research and communication. The talks are offered in partnership with Open Week 2013, a series of events from Oct. 17 to 24 as part of the global Open Access Week movement. For times and locations, go to [Kennedy Library Out Loud](#). To learn more about the Data Studio, go to the [Data Services](#) website. For questions, contact Jeanine Scaramozzino at ext. 6-5677 or [jscaramo@calpoly.edu](mailto:jscaramo@calpoly.edu).

**Kennedy Library Sponsors 'Open Week 2013' Oct. 17-24**

Wondering what open access means to you and your teaching and research? Kennedy Library presents Open Week 2013, a series of events Oct. 17 to 24, designed for Cal Poly as part of the global Open Access Week movement. The events allow participants to explore the issues, ask questions and learn together. Topics include data management, copyright and student authorship, how to access open datasets in different disciplines, and more. For a schedule of speakers, [click here](#). For more information, contact Marisa Ramirez at ext. 6-7040 or [mramir14@calpoly.edu](mailto:mramir14@calpoly.edu).



**Cal Poly Author to Discuss Book 'BDSM in American Science Fiction and Fantasy' Oct. 18**



Lewis Call, associate professor of history, will discuss his new book, "[BDSM in American Science Fiction and Fantasy](#)," from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18, in Kennedy Library, Room 111H. Jane Lehr, associate professor in ethnic studies and women's and gender studies, will join him in conversation. Conversations with Cal Poly Authors is an ongoing series of informal talks, inspired by recent Cal Poly authors' work and hosted by the Kennedy Library. The event is free, open to the public and light refreshments are served. Podcasts

of conversations are available on [Soundcloud](#). For more information, go to [Kennedy Library Out Loud](#).

**Cal Poly Science Cafe Presents Urban Prototyping: Pilots to Projects Oct. 24**

The Kennedy Library will host the Gray Area Foundation for the Arts (GAFFTA) in an event to highlight how creatively applied digital art and technology can transform society. The event will be from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, in the second floor café lounge. The event will feature Josette Melchor, founder and executive director of GAFFTA, and George Zisiadis, an artist who installed the interactive "Pulse of the City" in Boston, an installation that allows pedestrians to place their hands on sensors that detect heart beats and translates them into distinctive musical compositions. The event is part of Open Week 2013 at Kennedy Library, a series of events designed to explore the Open Access movement. For more info, go to [Kennedy Library Out Loud](#), contact Karen Lauritsen at ext. 6-7549 or [klaurits@calpoly.edu](mailto:klaurits@calpoly.edu). (Photo courtesy GAFFTA)

**Cal Poly Parent and Family Weekend Ensemble Showcase Oct. 25**

The Cal Poly Music Department's event season gets underway at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, in the Performing Arts Center. Coinciding with Cal Poly Parent and Family Weekend, the performance features an ensemble showcase that includes the Cal Poly Arab Music Ensemble, Cal Poly Choirs (PolyPhonics and The University Singers), Cal Poly Symphony, University Jazz Band I, and the Cal Poly Wind Ensemble. The event will be emceed by Music Department Chair W. Terrence Spiller. Tickets are \$12 and \$14 for general admission; \$9 and \$12 for senior citizens and students. For the season schedule, go to the [Music Department event calendar](#). Pricing includes all Performing Arts Center fees, and event parking is sponsored by the PAC. Tickets are sold at the Performing Arts Ticket office between noon and 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. To order by phone, call SLO-4TIX (756-4849). For more information, email [music@calpoly.edu](mailto:music@calpoly.edu) or call ext. 6-2406.

**Athletics**

For an overview of last week's action, upcoming competition, up-to-date sports information, photos and videos, visit [www.gopoly.com](http://www.gopoly.com).

**Job Vacancies**

**State Employment Opportunities**

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

**#103017 - Administrative Support Coordinator II**, College of Science and Mathematics - Kinesiology Department, \$3,074-\$4,615 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 15.

**#103018 - Administrative Support Coordinator II**, College of Liberal Arts - Advancement Department, \$3,074-\$4,615 per month. Anticipated hiring range \$3,074-\$3,382 per month. Closes Oct. 17.

**#103022 - Webmaster/CRM Specialist (Information Technology Consultant - Career)**, University Advancement - Marketing and Communications, \$4,314-\$8,831 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 15.

**#103023 - Administrative Analyst (Administrative Analyst/Specialist - Exempt I)**, Student Affairs - Student Academic Services, \$3,845-\$5,770 per month. Anticipated hiring range \$3,845-\$4,037 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 18.

**#103032 - VPSA Office Analyst (Administrative Analyst Specialist Exempt I)**, Vice President of Student Affairs Office, \$3,845-\$5,770 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 18.

**#103033 - Academic Advisor, Mustang Success Center (Student Services Professional II)**, Academic Affairs, \$3,519-\$5,002 per month. Anticipated hiring range \$3,519-\$3,871 per month. Up to 4 positions available.

Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 31.

**#103034 - Administrative Support Coordinator II**, College of Architecture and Environmental Design - Architectural Engineering, \$3,074-\$4,615 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Oct. 16.

**Faculty Employment Opportunities**

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment website at [www.calpolyjobs.org](http://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.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

**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 its [website](http://www.calpolycorporationjobs.org). For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

All positions have excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. Apply online at [www.calpolycorporationjobs.org](http://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 [www.asi.calpoly.edu](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. 6-5800.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

