



Cal Poly Report - December 4, 2013

News

Engineering Announces Online Graduate Certificate for Engineering Professionals

Cal Poly's College of Engineering announced the establishment of the Systems Integration Engineering (SIE) program, a new online graduate program intended for working engineers aspiring to take on additional technical responsibility and leadership. The program begins with a two-day, on-site orientation at Cal Poly. The main curriculum consists of three, 10-week graduate-level courses delivered online during Cal Poly's fall, winter and spring academic quarters. Course content will be accessible online any time through Cal Poly's learning management system, PolyLearn, while synchronous class meetings will be held live using the university's online collaboration platform. Class meetings will be recorded and archived for viewing by all enrolled students. For more information, go to the [Cal Poly News](#) website or [sie.calpoly.edu](#).

Changes Coming to Cal Poly Commencement Beginning June 2014

Cal Poly is incorporating some changes to its commencement programs, starting with its spring 2014 commencement slated for Saturday and Sunday, June 14-15, in Spanos Stadium. The theme for the 73rd annual commencement ceremonies is Mustangs Forever. Ceremonies will be held earlier in the day — starting at 9 a.m. — to “beat the heat.” Graduates will gather in cap and gown for a high-energy processional — dubbed “My Cal Poly” — featuring a student-produced photographic retrospective with entertainment by Cal Poly musicians. The program will feature brief remarks, motivational speeches, the “Cal Poly Proud” pinning of new alumni, conferral of degrees, and a spirited closing. Separate college ceremonies are planned immediately after the universitywide ceremonies. For more information, visit [www.commencement.calpoly.edu](#).

Cal Poly Proud Merchandise: Gifts that Give Back

Looking for the perfect holiday gift that highlights your Cal Poly pride? We're excited to announce [calpolyproud.com](#), your source for limited edition gifts and apparel. Each purchase supports Learn by Doing! Learn more or [shop now](#).



Hours Extended for Holiday Reception Hosted by President on Dec. 9

President Jeffrey D. Armstrong and Mrs. Sharon Armstrong invite the campus community to join them for a holiday reception from **3 to 6 p.m. (time extended)** Monday, Dec. 9, in the Rossi Grand Lobby of the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. All faculty, staff and spouses/partners are welcome. Guests are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County. Regrettably, due to space limitations, children cannot be accommodated. If you have questions, contact the Office of the President at ext. 6-6000 or



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Come Celebrate! Fall Commencement to be Held Dec. 14



Cal Poly is proud to honor the academic accomplishments of our graduates at the 73rd fall commencement ceremonies. The ceremonies will be held at the Rec Center at 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. For a schedule of ceremonies by college, see the [Commencement website](#). For more information, contact the Commencement Office at ext. 6-1580.

Campus Conversations Series Continues Dec. 5

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

— Academic Affairs: "Updates and Q-and-A" from 3 to 4 p.m. Dec. 5 in UU 220.

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

Faculty & Staff

Workshops to be Offered in Hybrid and Online Teaching and Learning

Beginning in January, 2014, the Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology (CTLT) will offer a series of online workshops covering topics related to hybrid and online teaching and learning. The workshops meet online for a two-week period, during which faculty will explore relevant topics; interact in an engaging, collaborative environment; and grow in knowledge and skills in the online course environment. For more information, see the [CTLT website](#).

Teachers Asked to Take Survey on Inclusive Practices

The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology (CTLT) is asking faculty, instructors and staff who teach to complete an important (and short – six questions) survey on inclusive practices. The CTLT is interested in how diversity and inclusivity curriculum is currently included in courses. Responses will help CTLT determine how the office can provide more support for integrating meaningful diversity and inclusivity learning opportunities in courses through workshops, consultations and online resources. To take the survey, [click here](#).

Call for Submissions for Online Learning and Teaching

Faculty who have taught a fully online or hybrid/blended course (between 30 and 70 percent online) are eligible for the [2014 CSU Quality Online Learning and Teaching recognition program \(QOLT\)](#). The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology (CTLT) will support instructors interested in preparing submissions. The QOLT program evaluation was introduced by the CTLT in its eLearning Initiative and Flipped Course Design workshops, so faculty who have participated in those workshops are already well prepared to begin the process. Submissions are due by Jan. 21. For more information, visit the [CTLT website](#) or email Catherine Hillman at cehillma@calpoly.edu.

Course Design Workshop Offered Dec. 18 and 19

The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology (CTLT) is hosting a two-day workshop, Camp Course Design, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 18–19. The workshop will support instructors and staff in the course proposal process and will include drafting and review sessions on course learning objectives, aligning objectives with assessments and extended course activities, and syllabus design. Instructors and staff who are interested in proposing new courses or redesigning a current course are welcome to participate. Lunch and resources will be provided. Faculty will also qualify for a \$100-per-day stipend upon completion of the workshop. For more information, visit the [CTLT website](#).

Nominations Sought for Student Employee Award

Faculty and staff members can show their appreciation for student employees

by nominating them for the university's 2013-14 Outstanding Student Employee of the Year (OSEY) award. Nominees must have completed at least six months of part-time student employment during the academic year June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2014. Eligible candidates include state, ASI and Corporation student employees. Nominees can be Federal Work-Study and non-Federal Work-Study students. Cal Poly's 2013-14 Outstanding Student Employee will be announced in April. The winner will be entered into the state competition and may go on to the regional and national competitions. The national winner is announced during National Student Employment Week, the second week of April. To find the form, go to the [Administration & Finance website](#) and scroll down to Student Assistant Forms. Submissions are due to Barbara Rollins in Financial Aid by Friday, Feb. 7.

Applications Available for Cal Poly-Led Program to Australia

The Cal Poly International Center invites faculty from all colleges to apply to teach in the Cal Poly in Australia Study Abroad Program for winter quarter 2015. The program will be at the University of Adelaide in South Australia. While the program focus has been on wine and viticulture and marketing, the International Center encourages faculty who can offer general education or specialty courses to apply. The Cal Poly International Center seeks faculty with a record of teaching excellence and a desire to promote international education. Applications are due by Jan. 6. For information regarding qualifications, deadlines and an application, go to [Faculty Opportunities](#) on the International Center's website.

Applications Accepted for 2014-15 Community/Resident Advisor Positions

University Housing is accepting student applications for resident and community advisor (RA and CA) positions for the 2014-15 academic year. Faculty and staff are asked to direct potential candidates to the [University Housing website](#) and provide referrals upon request. The RA/CA position is a team-oriented position in which students work together to put on events, build relationships, and create a positive learning experience for the students in their community. Past RA/CAs have used the skills acquired in the position in other leadership positions and their careers. Applications are due Dec. 9.

Nominations Sought for Outstanding Staff Award

The deadline to submit a nomination form for the 2013-14 Outstanding Staff Award is Tuesday, Jan. 21. To be eligible, nominees must be full-time or part-time employees of the university, corporation or ASI, in at least their third year of employment as of Dec. 31, 2013, and not represented by bargaining unit 3 (faculty). Former recipients of the award are also ineligible. The Outstanding Staff nomination form can be found on the [Administration & Finance website](#).

Online Training Library Now Available for Faculty and Staff

Information Services is providing state employees access to the tutorial resources at lynda.com. The training modules are created and presented by real-world professionals and cover a wide range of topics, including software, creative and business skills. This on-demand, self-paced learning service is free and available at work or home. For convenient one-click access to lynda.com, go to the portal and click "Customize" in the upper right corner. In the search box, type "training." Click on "Training Resources" to login. You can also add a tab to your portal for easy access. For help adding the tab to your portal, contact the Service Desk at ext. 6-7000.

Kennedy Library Launches Open Science Café

Faculty, are you looking for Learn by Doing opportunities for your students? Kennedy Library has launched its first Open Science Cafe competition, which will award a student proposal a \$3,000 budget and \$500 stipend to create a Cal Poly Science Cafe experience. This is an opportunity for students to gain project management experience from start to finish. The event can relate to any discipline; it doesn't have to be about science. The deadline to apply is Dec. 13. To apply or for more information, go to the [Kennedy Library website](#) or contact Karen Lauritsen, ext. 6-7549 or klaurits@calpoly.edu.

Catastrophic Leave Drive

Gareth McCain, groundsworker in Facility Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate leave credits to help McCain remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Laura McCain ext. 6-5212 or lmccarre@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Retirements

Karen (Stubberfield) Watton has worn many hats during her 32-year career at Cal Poly, including stints in Academic Records, Continuing Education, and as a project manager for the PeopleSoft implementation team. As one of the original members of Cal Poly's initial Data Warehouse Project, she provided functional analysis support and BrioQuery training to the campus community. As human resources manager, she was responsible for the fee waiver program, staff/management recruitment processes, employee training and development, and coordinated the Administration & Finance Professional Series Program, Service Awards Luncheon and Outstanding Staff Awards. Watton also provided ways to enhance the quality of work life as the employee assistance program manager. Always ready with a smile, reassuring word or a map to the closest hiking trail, she will be missed by her Cal Poly family. Campus is invited to a farewell reception with light refreshments from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, at the Alumni House.

Dates for Previously Announced Retirements:

Brenda Tesch: A reception will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, in the Administration Building, Room 133.

Fred Mills' last day on campus will be Dec. 5. Please feel free to stop by any time before then to wish him well.

June Serjeant: A retirement reception to honor her service will be held from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, in the Performing Arts Center Lobby, with a brief program at 2:30 p.m.

Campus Announcements

The Cal Poly Recreation Center Hosts Free Fitness Fridays

The Recreation Center invites Cal Poly community members (faculty/staff, alumni, retirees, emeritus, spouses and registered domestic partners) to Free Fitness Fridays, with complimentary use of the facility and its amenities on Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27 and Jan. 3. Guests can explore the gyms or weight rooms, play racquetball, go for a swim, take a fitness class and much more. Get a jump start with Pilates Express from 7:45 to 8:30 a.m. Dec. 6. For a list of group exercise classes, view [the fitness schedule](#). To plan your visit, see the [hours of operation](#). Photo identification is required for entry. For more information, contact Membership Services at ext. 6-6335 or memberships@asi.calpoly.edu.

Staff Employee Sought for Committee on Substance Use and Abuse

A permanent or probationary staff employee is needed to fill the campuswide Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee (2013-2015). There is one vacancy. For information about the committee and an application form, go to the [Human Resources website](#). Interested candidates must complete the application, obtain appropriate signatures, and return it to Human Resources by Dec. 13. For questions, contact Carrie Wilemon at ext. 6-5375.

Annual Poinsettia Sale in Full Bloom

Cal Poly's annual poinsettia sale, featuring more than 2,800 plants with more than 30 different varieties and colors, will run through mid-December at the Poly Plant Shop. The flowering plants are grown by students in the university's Poinsettia Agriculture Enterprise Project. Sizes range from 4-inch pots to 4 feet tall. Prices range from \$5 to \$55. The Poly Plant Shop is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday



through Saturday. The shop will have an Open House Dec. 6 and 7, with music and refreshments. On Dec. 7 and 14, students will be on hand to advise customers about their purchases, and there will be a poinsettia backdrop for holiday photos. To get to the shop, take the Highland Drive entrance to Cal Poly and turn left onto Via Carta. The shop is at the top of the hill on the right. Metered parking is available. For more details, call the Poly Plant Shop at ext. 6-1106 or visit www.polyplantshop.com.

Men’s Basketball to Host Canned Food Drive Dec. 5

The Cal Poly Men’s Basketball program, in conjunction with San Luis Obispo county Albertson’s stores, will host a holiday food drive Thursday, Dec. 5, at the San Luis Obispo Farmers’ Market and three local Albertson’s locations. Those who donate will receive raffle tickets and free game tickets for the Dec. 14 game against CSU Dominguez Hills. For more information, go to the [Cal Poly News website](#).

LGBTQIA Fall Social to be Held Dec. 5

The LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Ally) Faculty/Staff Association invites you to its fall social. Members, guests, colleagues, friends and partners are invited to mingle from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, in the upstairs lounge at Pappy McGregor’s restaurant. For more information, go to the group’s [Facebook page](#). Visit the group’s [website](#) to add your name to the email distribution list or become a member.

Campus Administrative Policies Update

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

Holiday Gift Drive Held through Dec. 6

The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) is sponsoring a holiday gift drive through Dec. 6. Gifts will be distributed to children in San Luis Obispo County through partner organizations including Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Teen Academic Parenting, the Housing Authority of San Luis Obispo, Department of Social Services, Community Action Partnership, and Youth Treatment Program. Pick up a gift request in the CCE office in UU 217. Gifts must be delivered to the office by Dec. 6. Gifts should cost no more than \$20.

Statistics Department Provides Consulting Service 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 available at Cal Poly. If there is a special area of statistical inference that is of interest to a group in your department, contact Schaffner at 6-1545 or 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.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

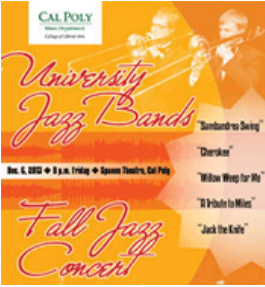
Visit the Bella Montana Homes [website](#) for available homes for sale.

Events

Students to Present Ocean-Related Projects Dec. 4

Students in the class Communicating Ocean Sciences to Informal Audiences (COSIA) will present their hands-on, ocean-related projects from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, in the main lobby of Fisher Science (Building 33). The projects are sponsored by COSIA, the Center for Coastal Marine Sciences and the Center for Excellence in STEM Education.

Fall Jazz Concert Set for Dec. 6



The Cal Poly jazz ensembles will showcase the next generation's approach to jazz at their Fall Jazz Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, in the Spanos Theatre on campus. The University Jazz Bands and two jazz combos will perform a variety of jazz greats that range from "blisteringly fast" tunes to the bluesy side of jazz. For more information, go to the [Cal Poly News](#) website.

Cal Poly Choirs to Present 'A Christmas Celebration' Dec. 7

Cal Poly's PolyPhonics, The University Singers, and the Early Music Ensemble will usher in the holiday season with their annual "A Christmas Celebration" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, in Harman Hall of the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The Cal Poly Brass Ensemble and student instrumentalists will join the Cal Poly Choirs. The choirs will perform combined and individual works that range from a piece sung in the Kituba dialect from the Congo to the traditional rendition of "Silent Night." The audience will have an opportunity to participate in a carol sing-a-long. For more information, go to the [Cal Poly News](#) website.



Cal Poly's Take It SLO Sets Two Holiday Performances for Dec. 8



Take It SLO, Cal Poly's a cappella ensemble, will present its annual Holiday Concert at 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, in Room 218 in the Davidson Music Center (Building 45) on campus. The 15-member vocal ensemble will perform a variety of songs designed to raise the holiday spirit, plus some new works and old favorites, all arranged by students. The group's members represent a variety of majors on campus. For more information, go to the [Cal Poly News](#) website.

Visualizing History with GIS at Kennedy Library on Jan. 13

Anne Kelly Knowles, geography chair at Middlebury College, will speak from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, in the Kennedy Library Data Studio (Building 35, Room 111C), with a reception at 2:30 p.m. Her lecture will include examples of how GIS (Geographic Information Systems) can reveal otherwise invisible patterns and relationships in familiar historical events, such as the battle of Gettysburg, the American industrial revolution and the Holocaust. If you are interested in meeting informally with Knowles or having her visit a class, contact Jeanine Scaramozzino, data services librarian, at jscaramo@calpoly.edu. Learn more about Knowles at [Smithsonian Magazine](#).



Jerry Seinfeld Comes to the PAC on Jan. 23

Jerry Seinfeld will be perform his signature stand-



up routine at the Christopher Cohan Center at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Jan. 23. Seinfeld has been hailed for his uncanny ability to joke about the little things in life that relate to audiences everywhere. Tickets are on sale now. They range from \$99 or \$135 per person. To purchase tickets, go to www.tickets.calpoly.edu or call the PAC Ticket Office at ext. 6-4849.

Athletics

For an overview of last week's action, upcoming competition, up-to-date sports information, photos and videos, visit www.gopoly.com.

Women's Basketball

vs. CSU Bakersfield

Saturday, Dec. 7, at 5 p.m.
Mott Athletics Center

Men's Basketball

vs. Santa Clara

Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m.
Mott Athletics Center

Swimming and Diving

Arena Invitational

Dec. 5-7, all day event
AT&T Winter National Championships
Knoxville, Tenn.

Wrestling

vs. Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

Dec. 6-7, at 9 a.m. daily
Las Vegas Convention Center
Las Vegas, Nev.

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.

#103091 - Assistant Dean of Advancement & External Relations

(Administrator

III), College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences. Salary is commensurate with experience. Open Until Filled. Review begins Jan. 12.

#103076 - Facilities Training and Personnel Manager (Administrator I),

Administration & Finance – Facilities. Salary commensurate with experience. Closes Dec. 23.

#103087 - Development Writer (Public Affairs/Communication Specialist II),

University Advancement, \$3,469-\$5,201 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Dec. 9.

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.

CAED

#103070, Tenure Track Position-Architecture, Architecture Department, College of Architecture & Environmental Design, ext. 6-1316. Review begins Jan. 6.

CENG

#103050, Tenure Track Position-Assistant or Associate Professor Microsystem Technologies & Fabrication, Materials Engineering Department, College of Engineering, ext. 6-6439. Review begins Jan. 15.

#103061, Tenure Track Position-Assistant or Associate Professor Sustainable Materials, Materials Engineering Department, College of Engineering, ext. 6-6439. Review begins Jan. 15.

*****Revised***#103046, Tenure Track Position-Assistant or Associate Professor Innovation & Entrepreneurship**, is a joint position between the College of Engineering and the Orfalea College of Business, ext. 6-2871. Review begins Dec. 2.

COSAM

#103065, Tenure Track Position-Kinesiology, Kinesiology Department, College of Science & Mathematics, ext. 6-2546. Review begins Dec. 13.

CAFES

#103036, Tenure Track Position-Agribusiness, Agribusiness Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-5001. Review begins Jan. 13.

#103037, Tenure Track Position-Agribusiness, Agribusiness Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-5001. Review begins Jan. 13.

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 the Cal Poly Corporation, visit its [website](#). 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. CPC Human Resources, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407 AA/EEO.

Food Buyer, Campus Dining, \$15.18-\$18.62 per hour.

Administrative Assistant, Small Business Development Center for Innovation/Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, \$16.18-\$19.83 per hour.

ASI Employment Opportunities

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

There are no new job opportunities at this time.



