



## Cal Poly Report - June 4, 2014

**PLEASE NOTE:** The June 4 and 11 issues will be the final installments of the 2013-14 academic year. Cal Poly Report will publish monthly through the summer, returning to its regular weekly schedule in the fall.

### News

#### Thulin Selected Dean of the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences

Andrew Thulin has been appointed dean of the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences. He has served as interim dean of the college since July 2013. Prior to that, he led the Animal Science Department for 15 years. Thulin earned a bachelor's degree from Cal Poly in 1977 and master's and doctorate degrees from Kansas State University. His career spanned the private sector and higher education, including a three-way appointment in extension, research and teaching at Michigan State University. He also worked for seven years as manager of worldwide technology deployment for Cargill Inc., before returning to Cal Poly in 1998 as a member of the faculty.



Under Thulin's leadership, the Animal Sciences Department implemented a new strategic vision that led to a significant expansion of facilities, faculty and staff. Graduation rates increased to nearly 90 percent, and more than \$16 million was raised for new laboratories and the construction of a new Beef Center, Animal Nutrition Center and Meat Processing Center, among other buildings. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

### Commencement Happenings

#### Nationally Recognized Organizational Expert Keith Ferrazzi to Deliver Keynote

Keith Ferrazzi, an expert in organizational change and relationship development, will speak at two commencement ceremonies scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 14 and 15, in Spanos Stadium. Ferrazzi is founder and CEO of Ferrazzi Greenlight, a Los Angeles-based strategic consulting firm that focuses on the importance of building positive relationships for personal and business success, particularly in sales performance and team effectiveness in an increasingly virtual world. Ferrazzi is the author of The New York Times bestsellers "Who's Got Your Back" and "Never Eat Alone." He was the youngest person to make partner and hold the position of chief marketing officer at Deloitte Consulting. Ferrazzi has also provided support to the Cal Poly community. He designed CalPolyCONNECT, launched this year, an experiential learning program to help undergraduates succeed in their careers, build meaningful relationships, and establish financial independence. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

### Two Honorary Degrees to be Awarded

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An entrepreneur known for revolutionizing the produce industry and a former Cal Poly baseball standout and ASI president will be awarded honorary doctorate degrees during Cal Poly's two commencement ceremonies. Frieda Rapoport Caplan will be awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters at the June 14 ceremony. Caplan founded Produce Specialties Inc. (now Frieda's Inc.) in 1962, the country's first female-owned and -operated wholesale produce company. She introduced unusual and exotic produce to supermarkets, changing the way Americans eat fruits and vegetables. Robin Baggett will be awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws during the June 15 commencement ceremony. A 1973 business alumnus, ASI president, and former Mustang baseball standout, Baggett is now a successful lawyer, vintner and community activist. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

### **Commencement Details**

Cal Poly will confer degrees on about 4,200 graduates. This year's theme is "Mustangs Forever." For more information about spring commencement, visit the [Commencement website](#).

### **Congrats to Mustang Baseball for a Historic Season**

It's been a historic season for Mustang Baseball. The team had a record number of wins in the regular season, won the Big West Championship, was ranked No. 1 in the country, and earned the opportunity to host the NCAA Regional tournament for the first time. In addition, Coach Larry Lee was named Big West Coach of the Year. The season came to an end last weekend, though, in a second round loss to the Pepperdine Waves. Congratulations to Mustang Baseball for a historic season. For more information, visit the [Mustangs website](#).

### **Recipients Named for 2013-14 Outstanding Staff Award**

Three employees have been recognized with the 2013-14 Outstanding Staff Award. Jean DeCosta, dean of students in Student Affairs; Tammy Martin, career counselor in Career Services; and Craig Stubler, instructional support technician in Natural Resources Management & Environmental Sciences will receive a plaque and a monetary award and will be honored during the Fall Conference general session in September. For more information on the recipients, visit the [Administration & Finance website](#).

## **Faculty & Staff**

### **Financial Planning Sessions to be Offered on June 6**

Financial planning sessions will be offered with a representative from Fidelity Investments from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, June 6, in the Administration Building, Room 124. Assistance will be available with enrollment in the Cal State 403(b) retirement plan with Fidelity Investments, individual financial counseling, questions about retirement savings and investment options for Cal State retirement accounts held with Fidelity, and reviewing retirement goals and individual investment portfolios. The sessions will be conducted by Micheal Johns, a financial advisor with Fidelity, one of the five fund sponsors for CSU Tax Sheltered Annuity plans, also known as a 403(b). Other fund sponsors include ING, MetLife, TIAA-CREF and VALIC. Human Resources does not endorse Fidelity or any one of the fund sponsors specifically. General tax shelter/deferred compensation program information and fund sponsor contact information is available on the [Human Resources website](#). Attendance is subject to supervisory approval and based on departmental operational needs. To register for the seminar, go to the [Fidelity website](#) or call 800-642-7131 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### **CSU Fee Waiver Benefit Available**

The fee waiver program provides eligible faculty, staff and management employees the opportunity to attend classes at CSU campuses at greatly reduced rates. The benefit may also be transferred to eligible dependents. For information regarding eligibility, guidelines, procedures and deadlines, visit the [Administration & Finance website](#). For additional information, contact Terizza Miller at [tmiller@calpoly.edu](mailto:tmiller@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7354.

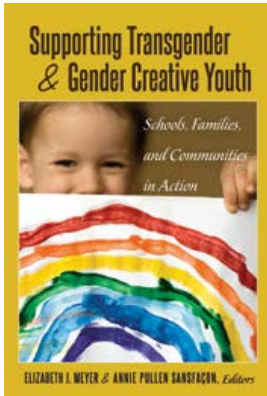
### Faculty and Staff Eligible for Discounts on STEM Summer Camp

Faculty and staff are eligible for discounts on STEM Summer Camp for fifth-through eighth-graders. Three five-day sessions will be offered in July, running from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. This year, campers will explore the science, technology and engineering of energy through inquiry-based activities led by Cal Poly faculty. Participants will test solar panels, build wind turbines, investigate the energetics of chemical reactions, develop and solve scientific challenges and visit research labs. Contact Extended Education at ext. 6-2054 for the discount code. For more information, visit the [Kids Learn STEM website](#).

### Academic Senate Announces New Members for 2014-15 Executive Committee

The Academic Senate has announced the Executive Committee membership for the 2014-15 academic year. The list is available on the [Academic Senate website](#). For more information, contact Gladys Gregory at ext. 6-1258 or [ggregory@calpoly.edu](mailto:ggregory@calpoly.edu).

### Event to Launch Book Addressing Transgender and Gender-Creative Youth



A book launch will be held for "Supporting Transgender and Gender Creative Youth: Schools, Families, and Communities in Action," co-authored by Elizabeth J. Meyer, assistant professor in the School of Education, with Annie Pullen Sansfaçon, associate professor of social work at the Université de Montréal in Canada. The launch will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 9, at the San Luis Obispo Community Foundation, 550 Dana Street in downtown San Luis Obispo. The book draws from cutting-edge research, social action methods, and theory on the topic of transgender youth and gender-creative kids. The authors address issues in education, social work, medicine and counseling, and challenges and

recommendations for families and parents. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Meyer at [ejmeyer@calpoly.edu](mailto:ejmeyer@calpoly.edu).

### Fiscal Year-End Questions Answered at Open Labs in June

To assist faculty and staff members with any fiscal year-end questions or concerns, the Administration & Finance Division's (AFD) Business Connection (ABC) group will hold open labs in the Administration Building, Room 133 on:

- Monday, June 9, 10 to 11 a.m.
- Thursday, June 19, 10 to 11 a.m.

AFD staff will be available to help with purchasing, finance and LCD Dashboard questions, payroll and/or non-payroll expenditure transfers, and other year-end questions. For more information, email [abc-afd@calpoly.edu](mailto:abc-afd@calpoly.edu).

### 2013-14 Federal Work-Study Program Ends June 14

Saturday, June 14, is the last day students may work through the Federal Work-Study Program for 2013-14. Work-Study payroll must be submitted prior to the June payroll deadline. Any late payrolls will be processed through regular student pay since late Work-Study pay cannot be authorized. During finals week, Work-Study students may work up to 20 hours. There is no Federal Work-Study during summer quarter. The 2014-15 Federal Work-Study Program will resume Sept. 22.

### Competitive Grant Announced for Cal Poly Global Programs Travel

The International Center (IC) has announced a competitive grant for Cal Poly Global Program development. In collaboration with Extended Education, IC will award modest grants to support international travel for faculty members developing self-supporting or stateside global programs. A limited number of grants up to \$3,000 will be awarded for the 2014-15 academic year, including summer 2015. The deadline for grant applications is 5 p.m. June 6. For more information, contact Jennifer O'Brien at [jeobrien@calpoly.edu](mailto:jeobrien@calpoly.edu), or ext. 6-7321 or visit the [Global Programs website](#).

## Retirements

### Receptions for Retirements Announced Previously

A reception for **Joan Beightler**, human resources manager, will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, June 6, in the Smith Alumni and Conference Center (Building 28).

## Student Successes

Cal Poly biological sciences senior George Brusch was awarded a National Science Foundation (NSF) graduate research fellowship, which will fund three years of his doctoral work at Arizona State University beginning in fall 2014. The fellowship program supports outstanding graduate students pursuing research-based degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. A first-generation college student, Brusch entered Cal Poly in 2003. Emotionally and financially unprepared, he dropped out after two years. Seven years later, he re-enrolled with new resolve and never looked back, earning a spot on the Dean's List seven of the last eight quarters. The NSF fellowship is often awarded to students who have already completed one or two years of graduate school, but since returning to Cal Poly, Brusch has focused on research at a level that's unusual for an undergraduate, even for Cal Poly undergrads. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

## Campus Announcements

### Enhancements to Workstation Security and Productivity in Process

Work is underway to enhance campus workstation security and workplace productivity. The effort started earlier this quarter and will continue through October. ITS and the campus IT community are coordinating the configuration of workstations into the new Active Directory infrastructure and will be working to make the transition as smooth as possible. Once a workstation has been included in the new AD, departments can take advantage of secure transmission of files between workstations and file servers, regular software updates, and self-service "click-and-install" access to many campus software packages, including Adobe Creative Cloud and Microsoft Office. Employees new to a department will automatically be added to permission groups once their employment is reflected in the Human Resources system. This will allow new personnel to access appropriate workplace resources like file server folders and printers without any additional manual configuration. For more information, contact the AD Migration Team at [ad-migrations@calpoly.edu](mailto:ad-migrations@calpoly.edu).

### Dates Added for Mental Health First Aid Training

Counseling Services is offering three training opportunities to better prepare faculty and staff to spot a mental health crisis and provide help. Topics covered in the Mental Health First Aid course include: the signs of addiction and mental illnesses, a five-step action plan to assess a situation and provide help, the impacts of mental and substance use disorders, and local resources and where to go for help. The two-day trainings will be offered: Monday and Tuesday, June 9-10, 12:30 to 5 p.m. both days (includes lunch); Wednesday and Thursday, June 18-19, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day (includes breakfast); Wednesday and Thursday, June 25-26, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. both days (includes breakfast). For more information, email Hannah Roberts at [hrober02@calpoly.edu](mailto:hrober02@calpoly.edu).

### Vanpool Openings

The Cal Poly Vanpool allows riders to earn rideshare credits, and save gas money and wear-and-tear on their vehicle. There are seats available for commuters from the following cities with the corresponding work schedules:

- Arroyo Grande, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (July and August)
- Templeton, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Santa Maria, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (spare rider)

For more information, contact Dominique Bonino, Commuter & Access Services coordinator at ext. 6-6680. Be sure to ask about a free trial ride.

### **Canyon Post Mail Center Announces Summer Hours of Operation**

While most of the residence halls and on-campus apartments will be closed for the summer, Canyon Post mail center will be open from noon through 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, from June 16 through the summer quarter. For more information, call ext. 6-6640.

### **Printing Discounts Available to New Department Clients**

University Graphic Services (UGS) is offering departments that are new clients 15 percent off the first commercial print job through the end of the school year. Check department mailboxes for a postcard with details. For more information, contact UGS at ext. 6-1140 or [ugssales@calpoly.edu](mailto:ugssales@calpoly.edu), or visit the [UGS website](#).

### **PolyCard Office Has New Hours of Operation**

The PolyCard office has new hours of operation. The office is now open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. These changes allow the PolyCard office to align with essential cashiering processes. The PolyCard office is located with the Service Desk in the Natatorium (Building 46). For more information, contact the PolyCard office at ext. 6-2614 or visit the [PolyCard website](#).

### **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, CAM and proposed draft policies, go to the [CAP Web page](#).

### **Big Sale on Apple Products at the University Store**

Faculty and staff can save up to \$350 on select Apple computers and up to \$60 on select iPads through Saturday, June 7. Visit the [University Store](#) for details, discounts and exclusions.

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

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

## **Events**

### **Student Ensemble to Stage "RSVP XIX: 'Vox Balaena'" Concert June 5**

The Cal Poly Music Department student production ensemble RSVP will stage "RSVP XIX: 'Vox Balaena'" at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 5, in the Performing Arts Center Pavilion. This marks the 19th season of this transmedia series celebrating electroacoustic diversity and compositional risk. Transmedia refers to storytelling in the digital age, weaving together separate plot threads by way of traditional and new media outlets. Inspired by the great life, plight, size and songs of humpback whales, the production takes the audience on a visual, sonic, introspective tour of these mammals and humankind's relationship to them. The show exhibits a wide variety of musical styles and also includes dance, voice recordings, photos and video. Much of the background material came from some of the world's foremost whale researchers. "The production is in four movements: the first taking a historical view of whales, the second speculating a view from the whales' perspective, the third addressing the horrors of whaling, and the fourth suggesting a future relationship of humankind with other citizens of the planet," said Antonio Barata, RSVP artistic director.



### **Wind Bands Concert to Feature Percussionist John Astaire on June 6**

Percussionist John Astaire will be the guest solo artist at Cal Poly's Wind Bands Spring Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, June 6, in Harman Hall in the

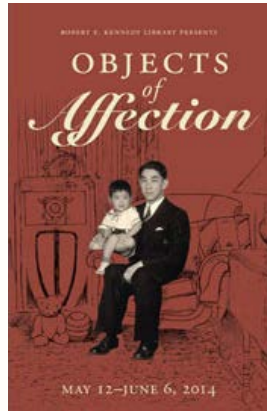




Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. A Cal Poly alumnus, Astaire is an established percussionist who has performed with the Kylix Contemporary Music Ensemble, Columbus Symphony Orchestra, Bloomington Symphony Orchestra, and the San Luis Obispo Symphony. The Wind Ensemble will accompany Astaire in a performance, and the concert will feature two music majors. For more information, call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406.

#### **Kennedy Library's 'Objects of Affection' Exhibit Open through June 6**

"Objects of Affection," an exhibit that draws on the personal papers of families featured in the Re/Collecting Project, an online archive and ethnic studies memory project of the Central Coast, is on display at the Kennedy Library through June 6. The exhibit features "Filipino Love Stories," a traveling exhibit made possible with support from Cal Humanities, a partner of the National Endowment of the Humanities. The exhibit is a collaboration with associate professor of Ethnic Studies Grace Yeh; the Ethnic Studies Department; Liberal Arts & Engineering Studies Program; MultiCultural Center; and Filipino American National Historical Society, California Central Coast Chapter. For more information, visit the [exhibit website](#).



#### **Cal Poly Choirs and Symphony to Present 'Music of Destiny' on June 7**



The Cal Poly Choirs and Cal Poly Symphony will perform music that explores the idea of human destiny at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 7, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The concert will open with Tchaikovsky's overture-fantasy "Romeo and Juliet," a musical portrayal of Shakespeare's drama of the same name. While the music does not follow the exact sequence of events found in Shakespeare's play, it depicts Friar Lawrence with a religious chant in the woodwinds, Romeo's declaration of love

with a soaring melody, and the duel between the Montagues and Capulets with aggressive gestures. It responds to the lovers' tragic death with a final lament. For more information, call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406.

#### **San Luis Obispo Writers to Kick Off Summer Reading Series June 19**

The Cal Poly English Department will kick off the Summer Literary Reading Series with local writers Jennifer Tseng and Patti Sullivan at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 19, in the Baker Center for Science & Mathematics (Building 180), Room 114 on campus. Poet and novelist Tseng was raised in San Luis Obispo. Her first book, "The Man With My Face," won the 2005 Asian American Writers' Workshop's National Poetry Manuscript Competition and a 2006 PEN American Center Open Book Award. Her new book, "Red Flower, White Flower," was the recipient of the Marick Press Poetry Prize. Sullivan is an artist and a poet who has lived in the San Luis Obispo area for 16 years. She is the author of chapbooks "For the Day" and "Not Fade Away." Her poems have appeared in a variety of journals, and her visual art has been exhibited in local galleries. The reading is free and open to the public. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

#### **Campus Dining Announces Summer Hours**

Campus Market, Einstein Bros. Bagels, Julian's Patisserie, Starbucks, Yogurt Creations, Subway and The Avenue will be open during the summer. To see their respective operating hours, visit the [Campus Dining website](#).

## 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 complete listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on the [Cal Poly Jobs website](#). To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

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**#103202 - Writing Proficiency Exam Proctor** (Casual Worker), College of Liberal Arts - Writing Skills Program. Anticipated hiring range \$8-\$17 per hour. Open until filled. Up to 20 positions available. Review begins June 13.

**#103304 - Electronic Information Technologist** (Information Technology Consultant – Foundation), Student Affairs - Disability Resource Center, \$3,470-\$5,539 per month. Anticipated hiring range \$3,470-\$4,000 per month. Open until filled. Review begins June 22.

**#103311 - Assistant Dean of Students for Student Support, Student Success and Retention** (Administrator I), Dean of Students Office. Salary commensurate with background and experience. Open until filled. Review begins June 25.

### Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online [employment website](#) 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.

**Part-Time Lecturer Pools** – Pools are open for 2014-15 academic year. Visit the online employment website to search departments of interest.

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

**Coordinator/Academic Advisor**, Upward Bound, \$42,796 annually.

**Cal Poly Downtown Store Manager**, University Store, \$35,698-\$51,792 annually.

**Courseware Assistant III**, University Store, \$14.29-\$20.78 per hour.

**Outreach Counselor/Advisor**, Educational Talent Search, \$16.79-\$18.14 per hour.

**Unit Supervisor, Ciao!**, Campus Dining, \$13.43-\$19.50 per hour.

## ASI Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the [ASI website](#) 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.

**Executive Assistant I** (Temporary), 20-30 hours per week. Closes Friday, June 6.



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