



Cal Poly Report — November 26, 2014

News

Orfalea College of Business Announces Career Development Program for Business Students

The Orfalea College of Business recently introduced a unique pilot program between its students and the business consulting firm TrustedPeer Inc. called the Next Experts Program. Cal Poly is the first university to partner with TrustedPeer Experts, a global network of business leaders from consulting, industry, academia and the public sector. The TrustedPeer Experts who participated in the program included Nancy Schaefer, managing partner at Consumer Dynamics and former vice president of marketing for Kraft Foods; David Burk, CEO of the Electron Shop and creator of FleishmanHillard's integrated marketing strategy; Don Transeth, the founding marketing director for EA Sports; Bruce Lincoln, chief technology officer for Urban Cyberspace Co. and a senior fellow scholar at Columbia University's Graduate School of Business; Philip Bouchard, CEO and founder of TrustedPeer and an executive at five other companies; and Rick Bragdon, CEO of Idiom Brand Identity and a naming expert. For more information, [visit the Cal Poly News website](#).

Open Forums Set for Candidates for Associate Vice President for Facilities Management and Development

The three finalists for the associate vice president for facilities management and development position have been invited to visit campus. Faculty, staff and students are invited to attend their Open Forums, scheduled from 3:15 to 4 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center balcony lobby. The candidates and their Open Forum schedules are:

- Ron Booth, executive director of facilities operations, Auburn University, Auburn, Ala., Tuesday, Dec. 2;
- Ramesh Vakamudi, associate vice president, Facilities Management, Georgia State University, Thursday, Dec. 4; and
- Tom Lollini, campus architect and associate vice chancellor, Physical Planning, Design and Construction, UC Merced – Friday, Dec. 12.

There will be signs in the Performing Arts Center to guide attendees to the forum locations. The finalists' resumes are available

at: <http://afd.calpoly.edu/vp/news.asp>.

Faculty & Staff

Assistant Vice President Named for Alumni Outreach

After a nationwide search, Ellen Cohune (B.S., Speech Communication, 1988) was named the assistant vice president of alumni outreach. Cohune will be responsible for the university's alumni relations activities and for bolstering connections between the university and its 165,000 alumni worldwide. She brings 25 years of advancement and private industry experience to the position, including four years at Cal Poly, serving in the areas of alumni outreach, media relations, and advancement communications.

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Nominations for Distinguished Teaching Award Due Dec. 5

The nomination period for the 2014-15 Distinguished Teaching Award is open through Friday, Dec. 5. Any student or alumnus may submit one or more nominations on the [nomination website](#). Nominations should include the professor's name, department, and a supporting statement containing evidence of merit based on the criteria listed for this year's award.

Breakfast for New(er) Faculty on Dec. 12

Newer faculty at all ranks are invited to the Fall Quarter Community Breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 12 (the last day of finals), in Chumash Auditorium (UU 204). This is an opportunity to connect with recently hired colleagues from across campus and learn about important topics and key resources essential to professional success at Cal Poly. There will also be two presentations, including information on preparing materials for performance reviews and guidance for tenure-line faculty and lecturers. Breakfast will be provided. Registration is requested through [this link](#).

Workshop on Course Design to be Held Dec. 19

Get a jump start on course planning before the winter break. The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology (CTLT) is hosting a two-day workshop, Camp Course Design, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 18-19. The workshop will support instructors and staff in the course-proposal process, including drafting and review sessions on course learning objectives, aligning objectives with assessments and extended course activities, and syllabus design. All instructors and staff who are interested in proposing new courses or redesigning a current course are welcome to participate. Lunch, resources and stipends will be provided. Enrollment is limited to 25. For more information, visit the [CTLT website](#).

Retirements

Previously Announced Retirements

Pat Hosegood Martin (M.S., Physical Education, '83) will retire after almost 32 years at the Cal Poly Corporation. A retirement reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

Jim Hilsinger is retiring after 29 years of valued service to the Physics Department. A reception will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in Fisher Science (Building 33), Room 285. Light refreshments will be served.

Sumi Seacat will retire after more than eight years at Cal Poly. A retirement reception will be from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, in the Equal Opportunity Conference Room in Fisher Science (Building 33), Room 290.

Donna Amos will retire after 34 years of service. A retirement reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

Catastrophic Leave

Elena Scanu, administrative support coordinator in the Psychology and Child Development Department, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate leave credits to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact catastrophic leave coordinator Joy Sisler at ext.

6-5755 or rgcampbe@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Brandi Marin-Morris, police dispatcher in the University Police Department, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate leave credits to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact catastrophic leave coordinator Kathleen Cook at ext. 6-6675 or kacook@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Student Successes

Poly Team Takes Second at International Drone-Building Competition

An international roster of engineering schools competed to build the best drone at the 22nd annual American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Student Design Competition, held at the International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exhibition at Montreal's Palais des Congrès. Competing against topflight teams from China, France, India, Peru, Turkey and the U.S., the Cal Poly contingent took second place in



the effort to build a powerful, maneuverable, remotely piloted drone that could navigate obstacles, complete a targeted payload drop, and return to the start in one piece. For more on the competition that had carbon fiber blades and aluminum struts flying in all directions, see [Product Design & Development](#). For video coverage, visit the ASME website.

Ag Science Student Earns Top FFA Honors at National Conference

Agricultural science major Jana Colombini was awarded the American FFA Degree at the National FFA Convention in Kentucky. The designation places the San Joaquin native in rare company, with fewer than half of 1 percent of the 610,000 FFA members nationwide earning the designation each year. Recipients are required to have demonstrated outstanding planning, managerial, financial and leadership skills, and have supervised agricultural experience hours and a record of community service. For more on the award, see the [Western Farm Press](#).

Campus Announcements

Open Science Cafe Entries Due Dec. 1



Kennedy Library is launching its second annual Open Science Cafe competition, an opportunity for student leadership and Learn by Doing. One student proposal will be awarded 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 does not have to be about science. The application deadline is Dec. 1. For more information, visit the [Kennedy Library website](#), or contact Karen Lauritsen at ext. 6-7549 or klaurits@calpoly.edu.

AGR Fraternity Seeking Donations for the Homeless through Dec. 2

The Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity is holding a fundraiser through Tuesday, Dec. 2, to aid homeless residents in San Luis Obispo. The students are hoping to raise \$1,500 for care packages that include warm clothing, food and holiday gifts. On Saturday, Dec. 6, the fraternity members will dress up in holiday-themed costumes and distribute the care packages to homeless in San Luis Obispo. Those who would like to donate should contact Alpha Gamma Rho President Garret Rowley at growley@calpoly.edu, philanthropy chair Brad Kurtz at bckurtz@calpoly.edu, or fundraiser coordinator Matt Lockwood at mlockwo@calpoly.edu. Donation boxes will also be distributed to some local

businesses.

Center for Community Engagement Hosts Annual Gift Drive Through Dec. 3

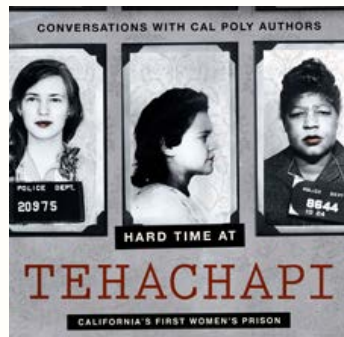
The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) will continue its annual holiday gift drive through Wednesday, Dec. 3. Trees across campus will be decorated for the season and adorned with gift requests from local youth. The gifts will be distributed through six local agencies that focus on families and children. The target price range for donated gifts is \$15 to \$20. Gifts should be wrapped and delivered to the CCE office in the Science Building (No. 52), Room E22. Awards will be given for most gifts collected by a single group, best wrapping, most Mustang spirit, most unique wrapping, and most environmentally friendly wrapping.

Daylong Workshop on Financial Wellbeing to be Held Dec. 5

The Department of Wellbeing, Health & Counseling Services is presenting "Financial Wellbeing: Learn To Build Wealth at Any Age" from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. The workshop will help participants explore opportunities to thrive financially, develop financial skills, enhance financial vocabulary and create strategies to succeed financially. [Click here](#) to register. For more information, contact Hannah Roberts, coordinator of campus wellbeing, at hrober02@calpoly.edu.

Dec. 5 Talk with Cal Poly Author to Discuss California's First Women's Prison

Kathleen Cairns, a lecturer in the History Department, will discuss her book, "Hard Time at Tehachapi: California's First Women's Prison," at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5, in Kennedy Library, Room 111H. Ryan Alaniz, assistant professor in sociology, will join Cairns in conversation, followed by a question-and-answer session. The Dec. 5 talk is part of the Conversations with Cal Poly Authors series at Kennedy Library. The event is free and open to the public. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. You can listen to podcasts of past conversations on the Kennedy Library [SoundCloud site](#). For more information, visit the [Kennedy Library website](#), or contact Karen Lauritsen at ext. 6-7549 or klaurits@calpoly.edu.



Mental Health First Aid and Suicide Intervention Workshops to be Held in December

The Department of Wellbeing, Health & Counseling Services is offering three trainings to educate the campus community about how to respond to a mental health crisis.

— Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) will teach attendees how to recognize the signs of addiction and mental illnesses, implement a five-step action plan to assess a situation and provide help, understand the impact of mental and substance use disorders, and identify local resources. MHFA will be offered from noon to 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, and Tuesday, Dec. 2. A second training will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, and Tuesday, Dec. 9.

— Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) is an intensive, interactive and practice-dominated course designed to help people recognize risk and learn how to intervene to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. ASIST will be offered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, and Friday, Dec. 5. Reservations are required. Attendees must attend both sessions of each respective training. For more information, contact Hannah Roberts, coordinator of campus wellbeing, at hrober02@calpoly.edu.

Dec. 9 Discussion to be Held on Immersive Learning Through Artists' Books

Kennedy Library will host a discussion with author Brenda Helmbrecht and graduate students from English 506, Pedagogical Approaches to Composition, at 12:10 p.m. Tuesday,



Dec. 9, in Kennedy Library, Room 111H. The discussion will be based on participants' experiences learning and teaching with artists' books from [Special Collections and Archives](#). The event will

be followed by a reception and open house at 1 p.m. in Room 409. Guests will be invited to view a selection of the inspiring and thought-provoking artists' books found in Special Collections and Archives. For more information, visit the [Kennedy Library website](#). (Image: "World Without End" by book artist Julie Chen. Photo by Prem Ananda, courtesy of Special Collections and Archives.)

Cal Poly Becomes a Jed & Clinton Health Matters Campus

Cal Poly has joined The Jed & Clinton Health Matters Campus Program, a nationwide initiative designed to help colleges and universities promote emotional wellbeing and mental health programming, reduce substance abuse, and prevent suicide among students. Providing health and wellbeing services to this population is a growing focus nationally, as more than 21 percent of college students reported having received a psychiatric diagnosis or treatment for mental health issues, such as depression or eating disorders, in the past year. The program is a joint initiative of The Jed Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting emotional health and preventing suicide among college students, and the Clinton Health Matters Initiative, part of the Clinton Foundation, which works to improve the health and wellbeing of people of all ages in the U.S. For more information, visit the [program website](#) or contact Hannah Roberts, coordinator of campus wellbeing, at 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 Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Santa Maria and Templeton. For more information, contact Dominique Bonino, Commuter & Access Services coordinator at ext. 6-6680. Be sure to ask about a free trial ride.

Third Annual CLA Food Bank Drive Extended to Dec. 12

The College of Liberal Arts has extended its annual Food Bank Drive to help meet peak holiday demands. Food and monetary donations will be accepted through Friday, Dec. 12, in each CLA department office. Again this year, CLA student clubs will compete for the best-decorated collection barrel. Food and monetary donations are welcome from campus and the surrounding community. For more information, visit the [CLA website](#).

Farmstead Made Eggnog Available from Cal Poly Creamery

Cal Poly Creamery's popular Farmstead Made Eggnog is now available through the holidays at Spencer's Markets in Santa Maria and Morro Bay, and at Cal Poly's Campus Market and University Market. The secret eggnog recipe was developed by Cal Poly's Dairy Science program and is made by students. Its suggested retail price is \$4.25 per quart.



Cal Poly Cheese Gift-Packs Available for the Holidays

This holiday season, give friends and family award-winning Cal Poly cheeses, made and packaged by Cal Poly students. Ten cheese varieties are available in five gift-pack arrangements.



Gift packs can be shipped or picked up at the Cal Poly Creamery during this season. Gift packs sell out every year, so order early. For a list of cheeses, packages and prices, or to place your order, visit the [Cal Poly Creamery website](#), call ext. 6-6644, or email creamery@calpoly.edu.

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University Store to Hold Cyber Monday Event Dec. 1

Get a jump on holiday shopping at the University Store's online Cyber Monday Event on Monday, Dec. 1, at calpolystore.com. You don't have to leave home to get deals on apparel and gifts. Order at your convenience from your own desk or home computer.

University Store Offers Discount During Customer Appreciation Event

Save this holiday season at the Cal Poly University Store's annual Customer Appreciation Event on Thursday, Dec. 4. Special extended sale days are offered exclusively for faculty and staff Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 2-3. A special coupon will be emailed to all faculty and staff for this event. Remember to print it out and bring it in to save 30 percent on purchases of Cal Poly apparel, gifts and supplies.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

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

Submission Guidelines Updated for Cal Poly Report

Submission guidelines for Cal Poly Report have been updated. Submissions should be emailed to polynews@calpoly.edu with "Cal Poly Report" in the subject line no later than 12:30 p.m. the Thursday prior to any respective edition. Submissions should be in text format with the name of the event, the time, day, date and location included first, followed by a summary, any related link and contact information. Submissions should be a maximum of 200 words and might be edited for brevity or style. Some types of submissions are shorter, such as retirement announcements, which are typically about 80 words. Images are welcome and should be attached as jpgs. The submission guidelines are available on the [Marketing & Communications website](#).

Events

Family Sing-Along to Disney Musical set for Nov. 30

The family is invited to sing along to the animated musical "Frozen" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, at the Performing Arts Center. The Oscar-winning movie is the highest-grossing Disney film of all time. It will be screened in high-definition, with a snowflake that will hover over lyrics shown like subtitles, allowing audiences to follow the music in classic sing-along tradition. Music and other activities will precede the film in the PAC Lobby. Doors open at 2 p.m. Guests are encouraged to attend in costume. The event is presented by PAC Outreach Services, SLO International Film Festival and SLO Youth Symphony. Student and adult tickets for the film range from \$10 to \$16 and may be purchased [online](#) or through the PAC Ticket Office at ext. 6-4TIX (4849).



Tenor Christopher Campbell to give Vocal Master Class Dec. 2

Tenor Christopher Campbell, who has a career in opera and oratorio, will

present a vocal master class at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the Pavilion of the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Several leading Music Department voice students will perform and be critiqued. Staff member Paul Woodring will accompany the students on piano. Campbell has performed throughout the U.S. with such respected opera companies as Glimmerglass Opera, New York City Opera National Company, Opera Pacific, San Francisco Lyric Opera, and Long Beach Opera, among others. The master class is free and open to the public. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

Cal Poly Arts to Present Encore Performance of Audra McDonald on Dec. 3

Cal Poly Arts presents an encore engagement with singer Audra McDonald at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center. Winner of a record-breaking six Tony Awards and two Grammy Awards, the Broadway superstar and "Live From Lincoln Center" host will entertain guests with favorite show tunes and songs from her new album, "Go Back Home." Tickets range from \$36-\$86. Faculty and staff can get a 20 percent discount by selecting the student option when purchasing tickets. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

Comedian Brian Regan to Perform Dec. 4



Cal Poly Arts will present comedian Brian Regan at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Regan first appeared on The Late Show with David Letterman in 1995 and recently made his 26th appearance, the most any comedian has made on the CBS show. A prolific entertainer, Regan is known for bringing new material when making a return visit to any city. That tendency has earned him a following that packs sold-out performances from coast to coast, including a 2011 Rotary de Tolosa fundraiser in San Luis Obispo. Ticket range from \$45-\$62. For more information, visit the [Cal](#)

[Poly Arts](#) website.

Annual Cal Poly Poinsettia Sale Kicks Off With Holiday Open House Dec. 5-6

Cal Poly's annual poinsettia sale, with more than 2,800 plants and more than 30 different varieties and colors, will kick off at the Poly Plant Shop Holiday Open House Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5-6. The sale runs through mid-December. The flowering holiday plants are grown by students in the university's Poinsettia Agriculture Enterprise Project. Sizes range from small plants in four-inch pots to large poinsettias reaching four feet high. Prices are \$5 to \$55. The Poly Plant Shop is located in Building 48 on Via Carta Road and is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, call the Poly Plant Shop at ext. 6-1106 or visit the [Poly Plant Shop website](#).



Fall Jazz Concert Set for Dec. 5



The Cal Poly big bands and jazz combos will present their annual Fall Jazz Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, in the Spanos Theatre. The student musicians will demonstrate how jazz is being reinvented by today's jazz artists. In addition to jazz standards and original compositions by performers, the evening will include the infectious funk arrangement "Chicken Polo," which somehow translates the essence of chickens into sound for a big band. Tickets to the concert are \$12 for the public and

\$9 for senior citizens, students and Jazz Federation members. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

Cal Poly Choirs to Present 'A Christmas Celebration' Dec. 6

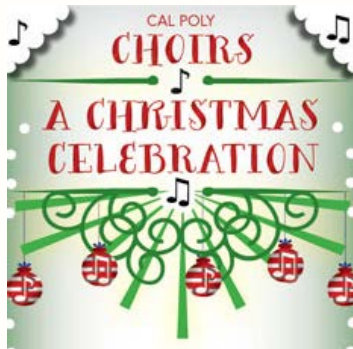
The Cal Poly Choirs will present their annual holiday spectacular, "A Christmas Celebration," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, in Harman Hall of the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center.

PolyPhonics, the University Singers, and the Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble will present holiday favorites and some new works.

Music Professor Thomas Davies will conduct the performance. The Cal Poly Brass Ensemble, conducted by Christopher J.

Woodruff, and Cal Poly's two student-led a cappella ensembles — Take It SLO and That's the Key — will add to the festive performances.

Staff members Susan Azaret Davies and Paul Woodring will accompany the choirs and will also perform solo works for piano and organ. Tickets are \$18 and \$14 general admission and \$14 and \$9 for students and seniors. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).



Cal Poly Symphony, Guest Artists to Perform Operatic Highlights Dec. 7



The Cal Poly Symphony, soprano Ciera Lamborn and tenor Christopher Campbell will perform what is considered to be some of the greatest opera music ever written at the symphony's Fall Concert at 3 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Titled "Symphony at the Opera," the concert will begin with three orchestral works. Both guest artists will perform solo arias from Puccini operas. Tickets are \$12 and \$14 for the public and \$9 and \$12 for senior citizens and students. For more

information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#), or call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406.

A Cappella Group Take It SLO to Present Two Holiday Performances on Dec. 7

Take It SLO, one of Cal Poly's a cappella ensembles, will present its annual Holiday Concert at 1 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, in Room 218 in the Davidson Music Center (Building 45) on campus. The 17-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. Tickets are \$7 general admission and \$5 for students. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).



Cal Poly Arts to Present 'An Irish Christmas' on Dec. 15

Cal Poly Arts presents "An Irish Christmas" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15, in Harman Hall of the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center. The event is a Celtic seasonal celebration perfect for the whole family. Performers dance to lyrical stories of past generations and mythology with traditional movements including the use of brooms, dancing on



half doors and spinning around butter churns. Music includes carols such as

"Silent Night," "Little Drummer Boy" and "Carol of the Bells" and traditional instruments, such as pipes, flutes, fiddles, the button accordion, and bodhráns, an Irish frame drum. Tickets range from \$24-\$44. Faculty and staff can get a 20 percent discount by selecting the student option when purchasing tickets.

For more information, call ext. 6-4TIX (4849) or go to the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

Athletics

For an overview of last week's action, upcoming competition, up-to-date sports information, photos and videos, visit www.gopoly.com. Students always get in free. Faculty and staff discounts available.

Volleyball

vs. UC Santa Barbara
Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 7 p.m.
Mott Athletics Center

Women's Basketball

ShareSLO Holiday Tournament
Friday, Nov. 28, at 5 and 7 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 29, at 5 and 7 p.m.
Mott Athletics Center

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.

#103476 – Administrative Services Manager/Executive Assistant to the Dean (Administrator I), College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences. Salary commensurate with background and experience of the individual selected. Open until filled. Review begins Dec 14.

#103480 – Coordinator, Center for Leadership & Service (Student Services Professional II), Dean of Students Office. \$3,566-\$5,069 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Dec. 8.

#103483 – Police Officer, Administration & Finance - University Police Department. \$4,325-\$5,961 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Jan. 2.

#103479 – Health Education Office Assistant (Administrative Support Assistant II), Student Affairs - Health Services - Health Education. \$2,327-\$3,491 per month. Review begins Dec. 4.

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.

There are no new openings 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. All positions have excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. To view job postings and/or apply, visit the [Corporation website](#). For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

There are no new openings at this time.

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.

There are no new openings at this time.

