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## Cal Poly's College of Architecture & Environmental Design Receives \$250,000 from William Randolph Hearst Foundation

SAN LUIS OBISPO — The William Randolph Hearst Foundation awarded \$250,000 to Cal Poly's College of Architecture & Environmental Design to establish the first teacher/student scholar fellowships within the college.

The William Randolph Hearst Foundation teacher/student scholar fellowships are intended to foster a culture of intellectual experimentation and curricular innovation that will provide students and faculty in the fields of architecture, landscape architecture, architecture engineering, construction management, and city and regional planning with opportunities to further their professional development and enhance the present and future quality of the built environment.

Funding will be distributed through three awards:

— The Hearst Student Scholar Fellowship will be awarded to a faculty member to advance faculty scholarly work while benefiting the professional development of students with paid work related directly to their field of study. The students will earn and learn by doing, adding new dimension, assistance and perspective to the work of their faculty leaders.

— The Hearst Teacher-Scholar Fellowship allows faculty to pursue scholarly activity that enhances professional development and increases educational opportunities for students.

— The Hearst Award for Scholarship in Education supports one faculty member a year in the development of a transformative project that will integrate teaching and scholarly achievement and significantly enhance student education.

"We are truly grateful to the William Randolph Hearst Foundation," said Christine Theodoropoulos, dean of the College of Architecture & Environmental Design. "This funding will allow us to provide time and resources for faculty and students to engage in new and energizing forms of scholarly work. This is a transformational gift."

The Hearst Foundation supports well-established nonprofit organizations that address significant issues in four areas of interest – culture, education, health and social service. In each area of funding, the Hearst Foundation seeks to identify those organizations achieving truly differentiated results.

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