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Cal Poly Responds

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly has responded in a number of ways to racially-charged symbols displayed in late October in student housing on campus. Read on for university communications about the campus climate and support for diversity.

President Baker, ASI President Host Meeting at the PAC on Campus Climate, Diversity
Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker and ASI President Angela Kramer hosted a public meeting in Harman Hall Nov. 12. The topic for the ‘town hall’ style meeting was the campus climate and support for diversity.

See the Mustang Daily audio slideshow on the meeting
Read the SLO Tribune story on the meeting
See the KSBY coverage of the meeting

President Baker's Messages to Campus
Read the Nov. 4 message to campus from President Baker
View the Students’ Letter of Apology in The Tribune
Read the initial Oct. 30 message to campus from President Baker

University Forums, Lectures

Cal Poly to Hold Forum on Race and Religion Nov. 13
In light of the recent incident at the Crops House at Cal Poly, the university’s Religious Studies program will host a forum titled “Race and Religion: Your Faith, Your Choice, Your Action” from 11:10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Nov. 13.

More about forum

How Viewing Race Affects the Meaning of Race Is Topic of Nov. 19 Talk
Cal Poly psychology professor Julie Garcia will present “Bi-racial Identity in Context: How Viewing Race as a Social Construction Affects the Daily Meaning of Race” from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, in Room 104 in the Graphic Arts Building on campus. In her talk, Garcia will discuss what situational cues lead people to feel good about themselves. Some research suggests that the number of other racially similar people in any given moment affects feelings of belonging and positive well-being, according to Garcia.

More on Professor Garcia’s lecture

Student Media

Story: Mustang Daily: Being Black on a White Campus
Editorial: Protest Proves Cal Poly's Passion

Slideshow: Students Speak Out on Racism