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Cal Poly Named Among Best in California For Hispanic Students

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly is among 19 CSU campuses named as "Publisher's Picks" by Hispanic Outlook In Higher Education.

The Publisher's Picks is an annual national list of colleges and universities that the publication sees as having solid records in recruiting, enabling, and graduating Hispanic students. The standings are based upon formal and informal inquires as well as data from the National Center for Education Statistics.

The CSU campuses included are: Bakersfield, Chico, Dominguez Hills, Fresno, Fullerton, Hayward, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Pomona, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marcos, and Stanislaus.

"The California State University is proud to be highlighted in Hispanic Outlook," said Chancellor Charles B. Reed. "Our responsibility is to provide access to California's best and brightest students, and to provide them with the opportunity of a quality education and an excellent start in a fulfilling career. The California State University is the gateway to success for many of these first-generation college-goers."

The CSU is the most diverse higher education institutions in the nation, with ethnic minorities making up more than half (53 percent) of its identified student body. Hispanics make up nearly a quarter of the total CSU student population. The California State University annually confers 58 percent of the state's bachelor's degrees earned by Hispanics.

The California State University is the largest system of senior higher education in the country, with 23 campuses, nearly 400,000 students and 44,000 faculty and staff. Since the system was created in 1961, it has awarded about 2 million degrees.

The CSU is renowned for the quality of its teaching and for the job-ready graduates it produces. Its mission is to provide high-quality, affordable education to meet the ever-changing needs of the people of California. With its commitment to excellence, diversity and innovation, the CSU is the university system that is working