Cal Poly to Provide Tax Preparation for Underserved Communities

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly’s Orfalea College of Business will again sponsor a program in San Luis Obispo providing tax return preparation assistance at no charge for individuals and families with incomes less than $49,000 year.

This year’s program will begin Saturday, Jan. 29.

The effort is part of the annual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program sanctioned and coordinated by the IRS. All returns are prepared by IRS-certified accounting seniors and are reviewed by local tax practitioners. Forms that will be prepared include 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 540, 540A, 540EZ and some supporting forms.

The community service project helps community members and students avoid unnecessary tax fees and tax preparation costs. Spanish-speaking preparers will be available.

Eligibility

Families with incomes less than $49,000 per year

Location

At Cal Poly: Arrive at the second-floor of the Business Building (Building 03). Visitors are asked to enter Cal Poly via California Boulevard and follow the signs to the Orfalea College of Business. Wheelchair accessible. Parking is free.

Date and times

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday, Jan. 29 to March 12. Plan to arrive no later than 2 p.m. so students have sufficient time to complete your return accurately. No appointments – first come first served.
Documents Needed

Those participating are asked to bring their Social Security card or ITIN number, 2009 tax returns and all 2010 tax-related documents (including child-care expenses), and child-care provider identification number and phone number.

For more information about the Cal Poly location, call 756-2667 (English and Spanish).

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