By Candice Conti
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly is looking desirable to minority applicants.

Over the last eight years, Cal Poly has increased its efforts to recruit students, especially from minority ethnic groups. According to preliminary admissions data documents for fall 2001, the number of African-American applicants has gone up from 249 in 1993 to 465 in 2001.

There has been a 71 percent jump in Asians seeking entry into Cal Poly over the past eight years. In 1993, 2,086 applications were received from Asians; in 2001, approximately 3,710 applications were received.

Hoorode has also boosted their representation. Hispanic applicants to Cal Poly have increased up to 74 percent since 1993. In 1993 only 482 applications were sent to the university, but in 2001, a whopping 3,842 were received.

James Maraviglia, executive director of Admissions and Recruiting, said the increase in diversity in the students applying to Cal Poly may be because the college has tried to target these prospective students.

"The university has made significant efforts to recruit students especially from historically disadvantaged backgrounds," Maraviglia said.

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three-unit semester," Conn said. He explained that a three-unit semester translates to 4.5 quarter units.

"There are obvious advantages to the semester system in the sense that students only have to register twice, and it is more cost effective in a sense of lower administrative cost if we are doing things twice instead of three times," Baker said. "Many faculty have indicated that the semester calendar gives them the opportunity to get to know their students a little bit better."

Baker explained, however, that most of the faculty are divided on preferences to each system. Just as Baker said, Michael Bollow, an assistant professor for city and regional planning, had mixed feelings.

"The previous institution that I taught at was on the semester system, so I got used to that; however, the nature of education at Cal Poly, 'learn by doing,' works well with the quarter system," he said.

Colleen Colborn, a mathematics senior, thinks that semesters are too long and drawn out. "The finals are harder because they pile on more work," she said.

Daniel Roberts, an architecture junior, believes that, for his major, the quarter system is more beneficial.

"With the quarter system, you get a lot more different projects, and therefore more experiences," he said.
By Michelle Hatfield

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"It's certainly very common and certainly can be spread," she said.

"People don't really like having breakouts, because they're frequent and they're painful," Brauninger said. The first breakout of the blisters is the worst, as far as pain and the number of blisters. After that, patients receive antiviral medication that reduces the duration of symptoms and suppress breakthroughs.

Herpes is spread through skin to skin contact and a person can pass it even if they don't have a breakout at the time.

"Seventy-five percent of the people who have herpes will spread it when they don't have any lesions," Brauninger said.

There are 45 million cases of herpes in a given population compared to 560,000 cases of HIV, according to the American Social Health Association pamphlets.

Brauninger said that the first breakout of the virus while pregnant is dangerous. "If it's her first breakout, she's not receiving any antibodies, so the baby can get herpes," she said. "The woman has antibodies with her second and third breakouts and they protect the baby." Brauninger said that the only prevention possible right now is using condoms properly and being aware that oral sex can spread the virus, too.

If someone noticed blisters around their mouth or genital areas, Brauninger said they should go to the Health Center for an exam. "We can usually tell if someone has herpes just by looking," she said. The person is then prescribed antivirals, such as Acyclovir, to take three times a day for 10 days after their first occurrence, Brauninger said. For recurrences, antibodies are prescribed for three times a day for five days.

Acyclovir is the generic version that Brauninger prescribes and costs 44 cents a capsule or $1.32 a day to take. Students can get their prescriptions at the Health Center pharmacy.

For more information, visit the Health Center or the American Social Health Association online at www.asashd.org.
Parties' beliefs are inherently contradictory

A natural skeptic, I find it invaluable to question generally accepted ideas. It is through this process, and not a lack of commitment to political conservatism, that I bring up the following contradiction.

I have recently stumbled upon a peculiar inconsistency within my beloved Republican Party, and among the Democrats as well. This contradiction centers around the value of life. Conservatives seem to fight for the sacred value of life in terms of the innocent unborn, but this stance breaks down when considering the punishment of criminals.

I find this double standard troubling, for a pro-life position seems to undermine the sacred value of life. The same inconsistency may be found within the Democratic Party, for they fight for a criminal's right to life, but not for that of an unborn child.

My argument against abortion stems from the idea of "potential life." Jennifer Rosner

What if that child was the next great world leader or political peacemaker or scientific genius? How will our world suffer by prematurely ending their life?

In terms of convicted criminals, I perceive them as possessing this same potential. If a criminal is able to turn his life around and become a positive influence on others, exposing how wrong murder is in personal experience, he could have more impact than 119 non-convicted citizens.

For me, it is not more likely to alter a former drug addict toward the harshness of drugs than someone who has never actually experienced the drug before. Where are we to judge when a person has surpassed the boundaries of forgiveness and no longer deserves to live?

In terms of political ideology, conservatives also tend to be more religious. They are usually the ones fighting for prisons and a more spiritually conscious populace. From a Christian perspective, sins are not scaled in terms of severity, nor ranked on a continuum of forgiveness. So why does conservative society fail to view the people putting the death penalty down? Are they the ones who are committed to initiating the life of the criminal?

It seems to me that we are fighting some kind of logical battle. I believe in the law, but I do not believe that the law is always right. I believe that the law is right if it is right for the time it was written.

It seems that we are fighting for the sake of the law, not the sake of the people. The two are not the same.

Jennifer Rosner is a political science senior.

For foreign policy, I do not think a major role in the last presidential election. Yet, as George W. Bush prepares to move into the "global office," Bill Clinton scrambles to square out the last details of his unfinished legacy. The main question is how Bush will deal with the Middle East conflict.

The current president is a"peacemaker" or "humanitarian," but what about the rest of the world? How will our world suffer from the loss of a "potential" human being?

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He said short-range efforts on the
university's part have resulted in an
increase of applicants from minority
groups, but the problem goes deeper.

"The problem of unequal educa­
tional opportunity that results in the
inability of certain segments to
fully compete for admissions to a
highly competitive campus, like Cal
Poly, will require long-term solu­
tions that need to be developed by
the university, public schools, state
and federal government and private
business and industry," Martin said.

Although the number of applica­
tions for acceptance to Cal Poly by
ethnically diverse students has
increased, it doesn't mean that the
campus has more minorities
enrolled.

Bonnie Krupp, institutional
research and planning analyst, said
minority levels among students
attending Cal Poly have actually
decreased.

"Over the last few years, the per­
centage of ethnically diverse stu­
dents has gone down," Krupp said.

She said Cal Poly is having trou­
ble tracking student ethnicity
because a lot of students are not
specifying their ethnic origins.

"There has been a considerable
change in the number of students
not giving an ethnic group," Krupp
said.

Apparently, the percentage of
students selecting the category "eth­
nicity not specified" has increased
from 3.2 percent in fall 1996 to 7.5
percent in fall 1998. In fall of 1999,
asignificant increase occurred,
making the percentage 12.8.

Unofficial reports from the
admissions office show that officials
may not know the exact number of
minority students attending Cal
Poly. Between fall 2000 and fall
2001, the percentage of students
choosing a specific ethnic group has
increased by 31 percent. In fall of
2000, 2,322 students did not specify
ethnicity, but in 2001 only 1,599
students did not declare their eth­
nicity or simply didn't respond.

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"It was a nice win for us," said Oklahoma head coach Jack Spades, who attended Cal Poly in 1972 before transferring to Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania. "We're a young team this year and have had a lot of adversity with injuries. But the guys have really been stepping up."

But Sandlin would put the Mustangs back on the board midway through the meet.

Trailing 184-pounder Josh Lambrecht 2-1 in the first period, Sandlin used a late second-period take-down to knot the score at 3-3.

"Chuck Sandlin did what he had to do," Cowell said. "It was key for him to continue to keep going strong. The win against Fresno State and this one will help his mental outlook."

Sandlin knocked off Jason Rossen 5-2 to keep the Mustangs in Naturals' match against No. 25 Fresno State.

The Mustangs earned a split during the dual, winning five of the 15 matches, but the Bulldogs claimed the upset on wins by technical fall and a major decision.

Former Arroyo Grande High standout Nate Ybarra tied the score 17-17 with a come-from-behind win over No. 16 Derrick Hayes at 133 pounds.

The freshman won 17-7, setting the stage for a potential upset at 141 pounds.

"That was the best match I've seen him wrestle," Cowell said. "It was a match we weren't planning on winning, but we gave it a chance to get back in it."

But Fresno State's Ralph Lopez defeated Andrew Ghart 8-4 in the finale to give the Bulldogs a 20-17 win.

Hines kicked off the dual with a 1-2 victory over Jim Medeiros, while Steve Strange defeated Mike Mellor by technical fall to let the Mustangs tie the match at eight.

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Wrestling drops two tough matches

By Brian Milne

Cal Poly wrestler Cedric Haymon made a good point following Sunday’s loss to Oklahoma.

“Your can’t get good unless you face the top teams,” said the No. 12 ranked Haymon. “Week after week it’s another team.”

The Mustangs were undoubtedly tested by the sixth-ranked Sooners (9-1) in a 28-6 defeat in Morgantown. The loss marked the fourth time Cal Poly (1-4) has fallen to a nationally ranked opponent in the last month.

“Our schedule is a tough awakening for our guys,” said Cal Poly head coach Donnell Cowell. “We’ll see the benefits at the end of the year.”

Haymon, the team’s lone ranked grappler, a 194-pounder ranked No. 14, recorded the Mustangs’ only victory against Oklahoma, which boasts nine ranked individuals.

Haymon (19-4 in duals) upset No. 7 James Finner at 149 pounds in a takedown with 10 seconds left in the second period, holding on for a 2-0 victory.

“This has been trying to be more of a leader all year,” Haymon said. “I started (the season) ranked, so I want to be the guy who wins the match for the team. I tell them stuff for their match and I try to do the same thing during mine.

Haymon’s win cut the Sooners lead to 6-5 following No. 2 Michael Lightner’s pin of 141-pound Mustang Aaron Glaros. Lightner, who recorded the dual meet’s only pin, improved to 20-0 on the season.

“It was a great win for Cedric,” Cowell said. “It proves his eventual status as an All-American. It helps get him over the bump and says he is for real.”

The Sooners answered Haymon’s victory with three straight wins, including shutouts at 165 and 174 pounds.

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Mustangs dominate Riverside

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Interim head coach Kevin Bromley couldn’t have asked for a better start to his head coaching career at Cal Poly.

The Mustangs played their best basketball game of the season Saturday, routing the UC Riverside Highlanders, 80-66.

Cal Poly was led by center Chris Bjorklund’s 25 points and 10 rebounds and guard Jamaal Scott’s 22 points and 12 rebounds. Scott also poured in six of seven three-pointers.

Cal Poly (6-7, 0-1 Big West) dominated defensively and controlled the boards, outrebounding the Highlanders 34-34 and holding them to 35 percent shooting in the game.

After leading 54-17 at halftime, the Mustangs opened up a 71-point lead at 73-22 following a Bjorklund basket. Overall, the team shot 12 of 21 from beyond the arc.

Cal Poly next travels to the University of the Pacific for a Big West conference matchup on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Women fall to UCSB

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Poor shooting and a lack of rebounds led the women’s basketball team to a 74-41 defeat against UC Santa Barbara Saturday night at the Thunderdome.

The Gauchos had four players in double figures, with center Lindsay Taylor scoring 19 points as well as gathering 17 rebounds, who were playing in last game without forward Caroline Rowles, who looks to return for this weekend’s Big West Conference games. Guard Odessa Jenkins led Cal Poly with 12 points and eight rebounds.

Three-point shooting was one of the downfall for the Mustangs, as they shot 24 from downtown but made only three. The team shot .303 in the first half and .250 in the second.

Cal Poly is next in action on the road against UC Irvine on Thursday at 7 p.m.