Poly Reps Application
2016–2017
Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in Poly Reps and Recruitment 2016–2017. Poly Reps is a voluntary, honorary, public relations organization of 33 students who assist in the promotion of Cal Poly to prospective and current students, as well as their parents and alumni. Throughout the year we give campus tours and presentations to prospective students and their parents, as well as serve on panels discussing student life at Cal Poly for counselors, parents, teachers, students and alumni. On campus we run programs like high school outreach efforts and alumni events. Aside from serving Cal Poly and alumni, we do a lot of fun things together including quarterly retreats, social events, and yearly conferences. We strongly encourage you to fill out this application and take part in Poly Rep New Member Recruitment.

Sincerely,

Poly Reps

To be eligible for Recruitment you must:

• Attend one of the MANDATORY pre-selection meetings.
• Submit a typed application online by January 17, 2017 at polyreps.calpoly.edu by 4:00 PM
• Have a 2.5 cumulative grade-point average at the time of application
• Plan on graduating no sooner than June 2017.

How to apply:

• Go to polyreps.calpoly.edu and click on “Becoming a Poly Rep”
• Click “Apply Here” and enter your information
• Attach your answers to the application questions as a PDF document

Please review the next page of this packet. Listed are the dates for the Mandatory Meetings, the application deadline and interview dates. We look forward to receiving your application.

If you have any questions or concerns, especially regarding your eligibility, please call the Admissions office at 805-756-5448 (M-F 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) or contact the Poly Reps New Member Recruitment Committee Chair at polyreps@gmail.com.

Good Luck!
## Poly Reps Recruitment Events Schedule 2016–2017

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Locations for all meetings will be posted on polyreps.calpoly.edu on December 1.

**Note:** Applicants must only attend one Mandatory Meeting. If you have an issue with being able to attend an applicant meeting, please contact Poly Reps via the contact information listed on page 2.

**All applications due: Tuesday, January 17 by 4:00PM online at polyreps.calpoly.edu**

### Important Dates:

- **Feb. 10 – 12**: 1st Round Interviews
- **Feb. 24 – 26**: 2nd Round Interviews
- **March 8**: New Member Orientation *(Alumni House)*
- **March 11**: Mandatory Tour Training

Interview times will be scheduled by phone upon selection from applicant pool. Otherwise, you will be notified by mail if not chosen for interviews.
Poly Reps
Mission Statement

• Promoting Cal Poly, and personalizing the university to prospective students, their parents, and other visitors to the campus
• Increasing awareness of the benefits of Alumni Association membership and encouraging Cal Poly students and alumni to participate in Cal Poly Alumni Association activities
• Supporting Alumni Association events and representing the Cal Poly student body
• Developing student leaders who practice teamwork, self-motivation, creativity and friendship

Activities of Poly Reps include:

• Giving campus tours and presentations to prospective students and their parents, alumni, and special visitors
• Making presentations about Cal Poly at high schools and community colleges
• Serving on panels discussing student life at Cal Poly for counselors, parents, teachers, students, and alumni
• Representing Cal Poly as hosts or resource persons at campus public relations events
• Attending meetings every other week, annual tour training, and retreats
• Enjoying special events for members such as the new member celebration, the fall retreat, district and national conventions, annual End-of-the-Year Banquet, etc
• Organizing STORM, campus tours, new student welcome events, etc. for Cal Poly Students.
• Informing current Cal Poly students about the Student Alumni Association, alumni participation after graduation, how to stay connected to Cal Poly, and the benefits of the Cal Poly Alumni Association
• Serving as student representatives for the Cal Poly President’s Office
Membership in Poly Reps is limited.
Selection criteria include:

- Dedication to group and time commitment (approx. 15 - 20 hours/month)
- Sincere desire to represent Cal Poly
- Ability to work well with others
- Effective speaking ability
- Ability to make a positive first impression
- Ability to adapt to a variety of situations
- Effective written and oral communication skills
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade-point average, full-time student, a minimum of one quarter completed at Cal Poly with at least one year of coursework remaining
- Although hard work and commitment are required, much of the individual participation in activities can be worked around the Poly Rep’s class and study schedule

Poly Reps enjoy important advantages from membership:

- Unparalled experience in public relations (meeting people, public speaking, representing the university) which develops the skills and confidence vital to success in job interviews, and career advancement.
- Being part of a dynamic, highly visible, helping organization.
- Opportunity to work with and learn from university professionals in recruitment, marketing, public relations, development, alumni, and management.
- Broaden contacts among faculty, staff, students, administration, and alumni, which can be used for help around campus and references upon graduation.
Please type your answers to all of the following questions. **Use no more than 4 pages** and use a standard (12 point) font size. Those who will be scoring your application will not know your name, as the application cover sheet containing your personal information will be removed. Please remember to make NO reference to your name, do not include photos or otherwise identify yourself in answering the questions.

Attach the answers to the questions in PDF format to your online application and submit by the application deadline: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 by 4:00PM.

**Application Questions:**

1) You can give a private tour of Cal Poly to anybody in the world. Who would it be and why? What would you be most excited to show off?

2. Cal Poly has decided to start a program to award graduating seniors with superlatives. On graduation day you receive an envelope announcing that you got awarded one! What superlative did your peers choose for you? Do you agree with this and why?

3. Name one time you had to overcome adversity in order to achieve a goal.

4. You have been chosen to give a TED Talk. What message do you believe is important to share with your audience. Give a short summary of your talk, and why you believe this message is important to share.
5. Describe the person you hope to be in five years.

6. What is something in your life you take pride in representing and why?