

CAL POLY OPPORTUNITY FEE COMMITTEE

Function

Cal Poly represents one of the greatest values in higher education, but the cost of a Cal Poly education remains financially prohibitive for many low-income and first-generation California students. Limited financial aid for campus fees has significantly contributed to Cal Poly having the highest costs of attendance of all public universities in California, once financial aid is taken into account. Following an alternative consultation process, whereby input was received from approximately 2,200 students and faculty across campus, Chancellor White approved the Cal Poly Opportunity Fee (CPOF).

Funds from the Cal Poly Opportunity Fee will be used to expand the university's successful Cal Poly Scholars program, which provides students from California partner high schools with scholarships for up to five years, a technology package, proactive advising and other support.

This fee will be assessed on all non-California-resident undergraduate students beginning in fall 2019. In addition, the fee will be cohort based and phased in over four years (2019-2022). The target for out-of-state enrollment will continue to be 15 percent. Admission criteria will continue to be identical for in-state and out-of-state students. Graduate students are excluded from paying or receiving the Cal Poly Opportunity Fee.

The CPOF will be distributed in the following manner: student grants (50-70%); direct student support and advising (15-25%) and hiring of tenure-line faculty members with an emphasis on diversity (15-25%).

The CPOF Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the University President. The committee will review proposals provided by the Graduation Initiative (GI) 2025 Team and will make appropriate endorsements to the President regarding the use for student support and advising. No more than half of this amount will be spent on student support and advising for Cal Poly Scholar recipients. The remainder will go to general support for all students.

Membership

All nomination recommendations will be submitted to the President for approval.

- ASI President (*co-chair*)
- Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance (*co-chair*)
- Two Non-California student representatives who may also be ASI Board Members, nominated by Associates Students, Inc.
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- Two Cal Poly Scholars, nominated by Cal Poly Scholars Program
- Academic Senate Chair or designee, nominated by Academic Senate Chair
- Provost Designee, nominated by Provost
- Student Affairs Designee, nominated by Vice President for Student Affairs
- Diversity and Inclusion Designee, nominated by Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion

Campus Fee Advisory Committee

Nonvoting, Ex officio Committee Members (no term limits):

- Provost's Office Representative, appointed by Provost
- Two Senior Vice President Administration and Finance Office Representatives, appointed by Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance

Terms

Each voting member, listed above, will serve a one-year term and may serve up to two terms *(with the exception of the Senior Vice President of Administration who serve continuously as co-chair)*.

Staff

Administrative staff will be called upon to support the committee as needed.

Meetings

Cal Poly Opportunity Fee Committee meetings are scheduled quarterly or on call of the chairs.

Established January 7, 2019