

Academic Senate 10/28/25

Report from the Office of the President

NAGPRA / CalNAGPRA

As a reminder, all departments were asked to complete the NAGPRA campus self-assessment survey by Tues. Nov. 4.

NAGPRA is the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act which requires annual reporting of cultural items or human remains. This is the second year we have undertaken the survey as part of our legal and ethical obligation under the NAGPRA and CSU policy.

We appreciate the strong participation we received last year and are on track to repatriate the cultural items currently in the university's possession sometime in 2026.

If you have any questions about the survey or about NAGPRA or CalNAGPRA, please reach out to our NAGPRA Coordinator Kent Spiers.

Stuart Weitzman Event

We are excited to have Stuart Weitzman visit Cal Poly on Monday, November 3.

Weitzman is a world-famous luxury shoe designer, now retired. He spends his time traveling the country, lecturing at various universities about innovation and entrepreneurship.

Mr. Weitzman has also been integral to changes at the Stuart Weitzman School of Design at UPenn where he advocates for an interdisciplinary approach. He believes future architects should study how to design transformational buildings and also learn business so they can manage an architecture firm. His approach is in line with our own thoughts about interdisciplinary education.

He will visit Cal Poly on **Monday, Nov. 3** and will speak at the PAC where students, faculty and staff will hear firsthand how Stuart built an iconic brand, the lessons he learned growing global businesses, and the experiences that have shaped his life and leadership. Please consider attending; it should be a very interesting presentation.