

CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Function

The national conversation on race, social justice and policing has elevated student, faculty, and staff concerns about law enforcement on university campuses. As a result, the California State University (CSU) adopted the Campus Police and Safety Advisory Committee policy requesting campus presidents to establish an advisory committee to review campus police and safety matters that affect students, faculty, staff and visitors. This includes the implementation and enhancement of community policing principles and practices that uphold transparency and enhance trust of campus law enforcement agencies.

In 2015, former President Obama established the Task Force on 21st Century Policing to address exposed rifts in relationships between police and the communities they protect. He charged the task force with identifying best practices and offering recommendations on how policing practices can promote effective crime reduction while building public trust. The task force recommendations are organized around six main pillars: Building Trust and Legitimacy, Policy and Oversight, Technology and Social Media, Community Policing and Crime Reduction, Officer Training and Education, and Officer Safety and Wellness. These pillars were adopted by all 23 CSU campuses as a working guide for instituting meaningful change and improvements across the university.

The purpose of the Public Safety Advisory Committee is to promote and embrace a shared responsibility for campus safety, consider all dimensions of safety, promote improved communication, advance relationships and safety throughout campus and increase awareness of safety conditions and programs.

The Committee will assist the Public Safety units understanding of campus community members' experiences, needs and perspectives while serving in an advisory capacity to the University President. Committee members will use their varied expertise and areas of specialization to offer sound counsel in the administration of public safety practices on campus. They will also assist in educating the Cal Poly community about programs, services and initiatives offered by Cal Poly Police and Public Safety. The committee is comprised of a diverse group of campus community members who will review and provide counsel on matters of public safety to create a welcoming, safe and inclusive campus environment for our students, faculty and staff. The advisory committee may not be authorized to receive, review, or investigate complaints against university employees or students.

Membership

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

- Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Diversity and Inclusion (Co-chair and ex officio)
- Assistant Vice President of Public Safety/Chief of Police (Co-chair and ex officio)
- Student committee members (5)
 - ASI President or Designee (1)
 - Inter Housing Council (IHC) President or Designee (1)
 - Athletics designee appointed by Athletics Director (1)

- Greek Community designee, appointed by Vice President of Student Affairs (1)
- Student Diversity and Belonging designee, appointed by Vice President to Student Affairs (1)
- Faculty Representative, appointed by Provost (3)
- Represented Staff appointed by University Personnel (1)
- Academic Senate Designee, appointed by Chair of Academic Senate (1)
- University Housing Designee, appointed by Vice President for Student Affairs (1)
- Sr. Vice President for Administration and Finance or Designee (1)
- Cal Poly Police Officer (1)
- Vice President for Diversity & Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer or designee (1)
- Student Diversity and Belonging professional staff member, appointed by Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Diversity and Inclusion (1)
- Director of Counseling Services (1)
- Assistant Vice President Civil Rights & Compliance Office & Title IX Coordinator (1) ex officio
- Provost or Designee (1) ex officio
- University Counsel (1) ex officio
- Vice President for University Personnel & Chief Human Resources Officer or Designee (1) ex officio

Terms

Committee members are appointed to one-year terms and shall not serve more than three consecutive years. Exceptions include the Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Diversity and Inclusion and Assistant Vice President of Public Safety/Chief of Police as committee cochairs

Staff

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

Meetings

Cal Poly Public Safety Advisory Committee meetings are scheduled quarterly or on call of the co-chairs.

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