



CAL POLY

Student Affairs
University Housing

yakʔitʷutʷu

Freshman Residential Community

In recognition of the Indigenous people of San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly proudly names its new residential community, yakʔitʷutʷu, which means "community" in the Chumash language. Dedicated in honor of Cal Poly's relationship with the Chumash, this student housing complex features seven residential halls named after Northern Chumash Tribal sites throughout the Central Coast region. Together, the university and the Chumash community partnership will serve to educate future generations of Cal Poly students and local residents about the Indigenous people of San Luis Obispo.

tšɪlkukunitš

Meaning: Place of the rabbits
Modern Site: Carrizo Plain

tiłhini

Meaning: Place of the full moon
Modern Site: San Luis Obispo
Cultural Capital

tsitqawi

Meaning: Place of the dogs
Modern Site: Morro Bay

nipumuʔ

Meaning: Place of the big house
Modern Site: Nipomo

tsitpxatu

Meaning: Place of the whales
Modern Site: Avila

elewexe

Meaning: Named for swordfish
Modern Site: Paso Robles

tsitkawayu

Meaning: Place of the horses
Modern Site: Cambria

GRAND AVE.

SLACK ST.