Cal Poly processed a total of 24,023 applications during the Fall 2001 application cycle – the most Fall applications processed in the past fourteen years. Undergraduate applications numbered 23,225, an increase of 3,421 over Fall 2000; 10,673 new undergraduate applicants were selected and 4,590 enrolled.

First-time freshmen applying for admission numbered 18,886 or 80.6% of the total undergraduate applicant pool, and represented 73.4% of the new undergraduates who enrolled.

Cal Poly received 1,848 early decision applications for Fall 2001, 841 students were selected and 665 (79%) enrolled.

The University enrolled 18,079 students (headcount) for Fall 2001, an increase of 1,202 students over Fall 2000. Undergraduate enrollment was 17,066 students, up 7.6% over Fall 2000.

Undergraduate continuing and returning student enrollment was over the projected number for the first time in several years, with 12,951 students, over 900 more than expected, enrolling.

Post-baccalaureate enrollment was 1,013 students, nearly equal to Fall 2000 data. Post-baccalaureate student enrollment was under target for both new and continuing students.

New students comprised 25.4% of the total enrollment with 4,137 new undergraduates (3,003 new freshmen, 1,030 new transfers, and 104 other new students*) and 327 new post-baccalaureate students enrolling for Cal Poly courses for the first time in Fall 2001.

Fall 2001 saw a slight increase over Fall 2000 in the overall average units taken per student to 13.89 (14.09 for undergraduate and 10.51 for post-baccalaureate students).

*Other undergraduate students include transitory students, those seeking a second baccalaureate, and those returning to a new major.
In Fall 2001, 74 Cal Poly students studied in eight countries as part of the California State University system's International Programs. The students’ courses of study represented a variety of disciplines. They studied in universities and centers in Chile, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Spain, and the United Kingdom. During Spring 2001, 90 students studied in nine countries.

Several Cal Poly colleges and departments hold individual exchange agreements with universities on six of the world's continents. This Fall, 39 students participated in exchanges to eight countries including Australia, France, Germany, India, and Sweden. Last Spring 35 students participated in department exchange programs to six countries.

Cal Poly sent two professors and 60 students to the London Study Program during Fall quarter. Six Cal Poly faculty and 77 students participated in the program during Spring 2001.

Also during Spring quarter, 35 Cal Poly students and four faculty participated in the California Maritime Academy/Golden Bear Study Abroad program. The curriculum is science-based.

Other Study Abroad opportunities include the Thai Study Program (42 students and one Cal Poly professor participated this Fall), the Salamanca Study in Spain Program (18 students and one professor this Fall), and language training programs in Spain and Mexico.

### Financial Aid

During the 2000-01 academic year approximately 55% of all enrolled Cal Poly students received some type of traditional financial assistance, such as scholarships, loans, grants and work-study.

The amount of financial aid awards varied little from 2000-01 with disbursements processed by the Cal Poly Financial Aid Office reaching just over $60 million (compared to $27 million in 1990-91 and $59 million in 1999-2000).

During the 2000-01 academic year, federal, state, and state university grants accounted for 29% of the financial aid dollars distributed. Scholarships accounted for 9%; loans, 60%; and federal work study, about 2%.

### Housing

As of October 1, 2001, 2,939 students (16% of the total enrollment) lived in the residence halls: 1,600 men (54%) and 1,339 women (46%). The remaining students lived off campus with the majority residing in the city of San Luis Obispo.

Cal Poly has started construction on a project that will house 800 more students on campus beginning in Winter 2003.

### Institution of Origin

What institutions do Cal Poly undergraduates come from? The top “feeder” schools are:

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### Study Abroad

In Fall 2001, 210 international students, including 169 undergraduates and 41 post-baccalaureate students. These students came from 53 countries. Countries sending five or more students to Cal Poly include Australia, Canada, Costa Rica, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Mexico, the Peoples Republic of China, Sweden, and Taiwan (based on students' reported institution of origin).
The average age of all Cal Poly students enrolled for Fall 2001 was 21.6 years. Undergraduates averaged 21.1 years, compared to 24.1 years for all undergraduates enrolled in the CSU system (based on last available data, Fall 1999). There were 8,186 female students (45.3%) and 9,893 male students (54.7%) on campus in Fall 2001. Undergraduate gender diversity at a campus wide level has shown a gradual increase. In Fall 2001, the percentages were 44.7% female and 55.3% male, compared to 42.6% female and 57.4% male in Fall 1990.
In Fall 2001, Cal Poly undergraduate students came from nearly every county in California, 48 other states and U.S. territories, and 33 foreign countries. Nevertheless, 95% are California residents.

The 19% of undergraduate students who are local area residents include students from Santa Barbara County (4%), Monterey County (2%) and San Luis Obispo County (13%).

Cal Poly offers 66 bachelor's degrees, 30 master's degrees, 15 credential programs and 49 minors. Majors that graduated the most students in 2000-01 were:

**Bachelor's Degrees**
- Business Administration 18%
- Agricultural Business 7%
- Mechanical Engineering 6%
- Liberal Studies 4%
- Animal Science 3%
- Industrial Technology 3%
- Psychology 3%
- Computer Science 3%

**Master's Degrees**
- Business Administration 20%
- Education 19%
- Agriculture 12%
- Industrial and Technical Studies 8%
- Engineering 8%

Cal Poly awarded 3,133 degrees in 2000-01. Bachelor's Degrees 2,841, Master's Degrees 292, Credential Recommendations 298.

The following data is derived from a comprehensive cohort study developed by the Office of Institutional Planning and Analysis. To date, the study follows the retention of students first enrolling in the Summer and Fall of 1990 through Fall 2000.

Six year graduation rates for first-time freshmen (the six-year observation interval is the rate most often used by federal and other reporting bodies) are available for the 1990 through 1994 first-time freshmen cohorts.

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