



PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY

Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) Policy for Accredited Programs to Use in Providing Information to the Public:

LAAB accredited programs are required to provide reliable information to the public. Programs must report on accreditation status and its performance. This information is to help potential students make informed application decisions.

ACCREDITATION

The five-year program in landscape architecture is accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board and recognized by the Landscape Architects Technical Committee of the California Board of Architectural Examiners. For more information on LAAB, see:

<https://www.asla.org/AccreditationLAAB.aspx>

COST OF ATTENDANCE

2019/2020 Cal Poly Student Costs

The following information is summarized and provided for reference from the Office of Financial Aid, Cost of Attendance website: <https://www.calpoly.edu/financial-aid/costs-and-affordability/undergraduate-costs-of-attendance>. For up-to-date information, please refer to website.

Price to Attend Cal Poly Freshman Undergraduate		
	Undergraduate On/Off Campus	Undergraduate Living w/Parents
Fees & Tuition*	\$9,942	\$9,942
Books	\$1,599	\$1,599
Supplies	\$342	\$342
Room & Board	\$14,208	\$5,490
Transportation	\$1,317	\$1,317
Personal / Misc.	\$1,518	\$1,518
Estimated loan fees	\$72	\$72
Total Fees and Other Estimated Costs	\$28,998	\$20,280

*Fees are based on full-time enrollment for the fall, winter and spring quarter.

*Non-resident students pay fees (listed above) PLUS \$264 per unit non-resident tuition and an annual opportunity fee of \$2,010.

*International students pay non-resident tuition an additional fee of \$900 and \$1,165 of mandatory health insurance.

Registration fees are estimated and subject to state budget approval.

Housing and meal costs are estimated.

Books and supply costs may vary depending on the courses students take each quarter.

Federal Loan borrowers have estimated loan fees added to the cost of attendance.

The CSU makes every effort to keep student costs to a minimum. Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may need to be increased when public funding is inadequate. Therefore, CSU

must reserve the right, even after fees are initially charged or initial fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed fees. All listed fees, other than mandatory system-wide fees, are subject to change without notice, until the date when instruction for a particular semester or quarter has begun. All CSU listed fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor, or the Presidents, as appropriate. Changes in mandatory system-wide fees will be made in accordance with the requirements of the Working Families Student Fee Transparency and Accountability Act (Sections 66028 - 66028.6 of the Education Code).

Budgets are estimated and subject to change.

RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES

Freshmen Graduation Rate: The following tables show five-year, six-year and seven-year graduation rates for first-time freshmen, as provided by the university's Institutional Research office:

Cohort*	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
% Graduated within 5 years (#)	66.7% (14)	77.8% (14)	63.6% (14)	74.3% (26)	57.6% (19)	63.9% (23)
% Graduated within 6 years (#)	85.7% (18)	83.3% (15)	72.7% (16)	80.0% (28)	63.6% (21)	
% Graduated within 7 years (#)	85.7% (18)	83.3% (15)	77.3% (17)	80.0% (28)		

*When the students entered the program.

One-Year Retention Rate: The following table shows the one-year retention rate for first time freshmen entering the program over the past six years, as provided by the university's Institutional Research office:

Cohort	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018
% Freshman returning (#)	90.6% (29)	97.2% (35)	88.5% (23)	98.1% (52)	88.9% (24)	97.9% (46)

*When the students entered the program.

Note: Cohort is based on the federal Student Right-to-Know Act, which defines an entering cohort as first-time freshmen who entered in fall term or the immediately preceding summer term who were enrolled full-time in the fall term.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The following tables show demographic data for students in the program over the past six years, as provided by the university's Institutional Research office:

	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Total Headcount	172	172	197	201	191	193

Gender	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Men	54.1%	48.3%	50.3%	45.8%	45.5%	44.6%
Women	45.9%	51.7%	49.7%	54.2%	54.5%	55.4%

Ethnic Origin	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Hispanic/Latino	16.9%	22.7%	23.9%	24.4%	23.6%	20.2%
African American	--	--	--	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	--	--	--
Asian American	14.0%	14.0%	14.7%	15.4%	17.3%	17.6%
Multi-Racial	9.3%	6.4%	8.1%	7.5%	9.9%	9.8%
White	51.7%	48.8%	46.2%	44.8%	43.5%	45.6%
Non-Resident Alien	3.5%	2.9%	1.5%	1.0%	1.6%	1.6%
Other/Unknown	4.1%	4.7%	5.1%	6.5%	3.7%	4.7%

Residency	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
CA Resident	95.3%	94.2%	91.9%	92.0%	89.5%	86.5%
Non-Resident	4.7%	5.8%	8.1%	8.0%	10.5%	13.5%

	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Average Age	21.1	21.6	21.2	21.5	21.1	21.0

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Degrees Awarded: The program has awarded the following number of degrees over the past six years:

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
BLA Degrees Awarded	45	40	34	32	41	34

Academic Performance: The department's students carry an average course unit load per quarter of 15.47, compared to the Cal Poly average of 14.60 units/quarter (Source: Institutional Research, Fall 2019 Undergraduate Enrollment).

The department's students have an average Cal Poly GPA (all courses) of 3.26, compared to the Cal Poly average of 3.07. The department's students also have an average Higher Education GPA (includes all university-level coursework) of 3.29, compared to the Cal Poly average of 3.19. (Source: Institutional Research, Fall 2019 Undergraduate Enrollment).

Scholarships: Students have received the following scholarship amounts by year from university and non-university sources over the past six years (Source: Financial Aid Office and program records):

Academic Year	Total Scholarship Amounts (no.)
2013-14	\$30,850 (12)
2014-15	\$33,250 (11)
2015-16	\$20,675 (9)
2016-17	\$32,450 (9)
2017-18	\$24,000 (11)
2018-19	\$27,075 (12)

Employment Percentages of recent graduates: Present employment of those receiving the BLA degree during the six-year period 2014-2019 (Source: program records):

Present Occupation	Percentage	(no.)
Advanced Study and Research	0.9%	(2)
Private Practice	38.9%	(88)
Public Practice	3.5%	(8)
Landscape Hort./Design Build	16.8%	(38)
Other	17.3%	(39)
Unknown (no data available)	22.6%	(51)
TOTAL	100%	(226)

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT INFORMATION:

Information for prospective students can be found on the following websites:

Admissions Information:

<http://admissions.calpoly.edu/prospective/>

Institutional Research Information:

<http://ir.calpoly.edu>

Prospective Landscape Architecture Student information:

<http://www.landscape.calpoly.edu/content/prospective/index>

Department News & Events:

<http://www.landscape.calpoly.edu/content/news-events/index>

Student Work:

<http://www.landscape.calpoly.edu/content/gallery/index>

Scholarships, Internships and Employment Opportunities:

<http://www.landscape.calpoly.edu/content/opportunities/index>