

# Poly Reps Application

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Poly Reps and Recruitment 2019-2020. Poly Reps is a voluntary, honorary, public relations organization of students who assist in the promotion of Cal Poly to prospective and current students, as well as their parents and alumni. Throughout the year, we give campus tours and presentations to prospective students and their supporters. Poly Reps also provide high school and community college school group tours which historically support low-income and underrepresented populations. In addition, Poly Reps serve as the official University Ambassadors and serve from time to time the President's Office, campus VIP guests, and represent Cal Poly to alumni and other friends of university.

On campus, we run programs like high school outreach efforts and alumni events. Aside from serving Cal Poly and alumni, we do a lot of fun things together including quarterly retreats, social events, and yearly conferences. Poly Reps provides programs for current students to connect with philanthropic opportunities and university development. We strongly encourage you to fill out this application and take part in Poly Reps New Member Recruitment.

Sincerely,  
Poly Reps

### **To be eligible for Recruitment you must:**

- Attend one of the **MANDATORY** information meetings
- Submit a typed application online by **January 14, 2020 at 11:59 PM** to [polyreps.calpoly.edu](http://polyreps.calpoly.edu)
- Have a 2.5 cumulative grade-point average at the time of application
- Plan on graduating **no earlier than June 2021**

### **How to Apply:**

- Go to [polyreps.calpoly.edu](http://polyreps.calpoly.edu) and click on "Becoming a Poly Rep"
- Click "Apply Here" and enter your information
- Attach your answers to the application questions as a PDF

Please review the next page of this packet. Listed are the dates for the Mandatory Meetings, the application deadline, and interview dates. We look forward to receiving your application.

If you have any questions or concerns, especially regarding your eligibility, please call the Admissions Office at (805) 756-5448 (M-F 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.) or contact Max Milliman, the Poly Reps New Member Recruitment Committee Chair, at [polyreps@calpoly.edu](mailto:polyreps@calpoly.edu).

Good luck!



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## **Poly Reps Recruitment Events Schedule 2019-2020**

### **Information Sessions:**

Information Session #1: Tuesday, January 7, 2020 | 11 am- noon in room 052-0E27

Information Session #2: Wednesday January 8, 2020 | 5 - 6 pm in room 006-0124

Information Session #3: Thursday January 9, 2020 | 11 am - noon in room 192-0106

Information Session #4: Thursday January 9, 2020 | 6 - 7 pm in room 26-104

Note: Applicants need only attend one Mandatory Meeting. If you have an issue with being able to attend an applicant meeting, please contact Poly Reps via the contact information listed on page 2.

### **Important Dates:**

Applications Due: Tuesday, January 14 by 11:59 PM online at [polyreps.calpoly.edu](http://polyreps.calpoly.edu)

First Round Interviews: January 24 – 26, 2020

Second Round Interviews: February 7 – 9, 2020

New Member Orientation: Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Mandatory Tour Training: Saturday, February 22, 2020

Interview times will be scheduled by phone or email upon selection from applicant pool. Applicants not selected will be notified via phone, email, or hard copy letter.

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### **Poly Reps Mission Statement:**

- Represent Cal Poly to prospective students, their supporters, and other visitors by communicating Cal Poly's mission and philosophy through giving campus tours, visiting high schools, and attending special campus events and activities
- Serve as Annual Giving and Marketing Ambassadors by representing student experiences through philanthropy events, social media, and other outreach methods
- Develop student leaders who practice teamwork, self-motivation, creativity, and friendship

### **Activities of Poly Reps include:**

- Giving campus tours and presentations to prospective students and their parents, alumni, and special visitors
- Delivering presentations about Cal Poly at high schools and community colleges
- Serving on panels discussing student life at Cal Poly for counselors, parents, teachers, students, and alumni
- Representing Cal Poly at campus public relations events
- Attending meetings every other week, annual tour training, and retreats
- Enjoying special events for members such as the new member celebration, the fall retreat, district and national conventions, annual End-of-the-Year Banquet, etc.
- Organizing STORM, campus tours, new student welcome events, etc. for Cal Poly students
- Serving as student representatives for the Cal Poly President's Office

### **Poly Reps Enjoy Important Advantages from Membership:**

- Unparalleled experience in public relations (meeting people, public speaking, representing the university) which develops the skills and confidence vital to success in job interviews and career advancement
- Being part of a dynamic, highly visible, helping organization
- Opportunity to work with and learn from university professionals in recruitment, marketing, public relations, development, alumni, and management
- Broaden contacts among faculty, staff, students, administration, and alumni, which can be used for help around campus and references upon graduation

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### **Poly Reps 2019-2020 Application Questions**

Please type your answers to all of the following questions. Use no more than 4 pages and use a standard (12 point) font size. Those who will be scoring your application will not know your name, as the submission page containing your personal information will not be included. Please remember to make NO reference to your name; do not include photos or otherwise identify yourself in answering the questions.

Attach the answers to the questions in PDF format to your online application and submit by the application deadline: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 by 11:59 PM.

#### **Application Questions:**

1. Based on your college experience thus far, if you could go back and tell yourself one thing before your first day of college what would it be?
2. A freak storm hits San Luis Obispo and temperatures this week drop to -30 degrees! Despite the weather, you must sell 100 pints of Cal Poly ice cream to fundraise for Poly Reps. How do you do it?
3. Name an experience you have had in relating to a person, or persons, whose background(s) are different than your own and what you gained from this experience.
4. If one of your close friends was writing a Poly Rep application on your behalf, what is one personality trait that they would mention on why you are NOT qualified to be a Poly Rep and why?
5. Oh no! Malicious creatures from outer space have just landed on Dexter Lawn! Global leaders have tasked YOU, the captain, with putting together a team of any 2 living people to prevent them from taking over the planet. Who do you choose and why do you choose them? Devise your team's plan to stop the Earth invaders and describe it in your response.
6. You have been chosen to give a Ted Talk. What message do you believe is important to share with your audience? Give a synopsis of your talk.