



# CAL POLY

## Office of the President

Cal Poly community,

I'm proud to announce that Cal Poly third-year political science major Jackson Martinez has been appointed by Gov. Gavin Newsom to the California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees. As one of just two student representatives on the 25-member governing body, Jackson will help oversee the nation's largest four-year public university system, contributing to policy decisions and the fiscal, academic and administrative governance of the CSU.

Jackson currently serves as secretary of accessibility for Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) at Cal Poly. He brings significant public service and policy experience to this role, having served as a legislative scheduling intern with the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) in 2026. He also interned in 2025 with the Office of Rep. Salud Carbajal in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Office of Assemblymember Gregg Hart in the California State Assembly.

This appointment is a remarkable example of Cal Poly's Learn by Doing philosophy in action. Through this opportunity, Jackson will help represent the voices and interests of students not only at Cal Poly but across the entire CSU system while gaining invaluable leadership and governance experience.

I am confident that Jackson will represent Cal Poly and the CSU student community with distinction, and I look forward to working with him in his new role on the Board of Trustees.

Please join me in congratulating Jackson on this outstanding achievement and on being one of the many talented Cal Poly students who are making a meaningful impact across California and beyond.

Congratulations, Jackson!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Armstrong  
President

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