Note from Dr. Kirby

Save the date for STS Minor graduation and STS Program celebration! The end of the Quarter is still a ways away, but STS minors should schedule Thursday, June 1 from 3:00-4:30PM in their diaries. This will be an important opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of all of our STS minors and to recognize our graduating seniors.

Dr. Kirby’s Office Hours: Tue 1-3PM and Thu 1-3PM either in person (47-36F) or Zoom using this link: 6247671135. Please stop by if you need any assistance or email me and we can set up an appointment.
Short Cuts screening at the SLO Film Festival

Please join us on Thursday, April 27 at 6 p.m. at the Fremont Theater for the Short Cuts film screening! We have 10 short films this year -- a collaboration of two classes (ISLA 341 and ART 483), 44 students, and a wide range of local, talented actors!

Here's a link to the festival website for tickets and more information: [https://slofilmfest.org/events/calpolyshortcuts/](https://slofilmfest.org/events/calpolyshortcuts/)

Also, here's a link to a student generated website that has behind the scenes photos and more details about the various films: [https://shortcuts2023.wixsite.com/sloshortcutsc2023](https://shortcuts2023.wixsite.com/sloshortcutsc2023)
Career Services Student + Employer Diversity Networking Event

Career Services is excited to host the upcoming Student + Employer Diversity Networking Event on Wednesday April 19 from 4-6pm in the MAC. This event is designed to give historically underrepresented students a chance to connect with employers in a low-pressure environment. In addition to time for networking, we will also have a panel of alumni who will talk about their experience navigating the job search and Cal Poly as someone from an underrepresented background.

This year's panelists are:
Camille Lo Porciuncula
The event will feature professional headshots, free appetizers and raffle prizes including a Herschel backpack and gift cards to Amazon, H&M, Target and Trader Joe’s. Students are welcome to register for the event on MustangJOBS (not required, but encouraged).

Upcoming Talk by Sonoma State Roboticist and Philosopher John Sullins

Abstract: In a world where social robots are becoming increasingly common, the ethical implications of their design cannot be ignored. Join us as we explore groundbreaking experiments that utilize the concept of inner speech found in psychology to create social robots with some glimmers of an ethical conscience. Giving users access to the inner dialog of the robot helps the users understand the conscience of the machine as it reasons through decisions as well as bringing to consciousness for the human users that there is an ethical problem that must be dealt with. We'll also discuss how this concept of inner speech plays a role in skilled moral reasoning, or what philosophers call phronesis, and its potential impact on the future of robotics in the context of elder care.

The talk will take place in Building 08 (BRAE) room 123, during the UU Hour (11:10 AM – 12 PM) on Thursday, April 20. The talk is funded through CLA lottery funds, with support from PHIL and CSSE.
OWN: Original Womxn's Narratives coming up this weekend!

Join the Cast and Crew for the Gender Equity Center’s: Original Womxn's Narratives: OWN, April 22 and April 23 at 7pm in Spanos Theatre

This event is FREE to the public. This event will not be ticketed and seating is first come first serve.

After years of producing The Vagina Monologues, we are now in the eighth year of the show created within the Gender Equity Center: Original Womxn's Narratives (OWN), a production that works to be a radical vehicle for representation and diversity. OWN is a student-created production at the intersection of social justice and theatre, exploring stories about taking ownership of or defying expectations of gender. OWN features stories of misogyny-affected people, the gender nonconforming experience, and experiences of marginalization through gender in body, mind, and/or spirit, be that in past, present, future, and/or fluid. The stories featured in OWN 2023 were written and submitted by Cal Poly and SLO community members. We recognize there are more diverse stories out there than we could represent.

You can RSVP now using the link below, we hope to see you there!

Cal Poly Now Link: https://now.calpoly.edu/event/8606886
April is Sexual Assault Action Month! - Take Back the Night Event

This year’s theme is “Resistance & Resiliency” to recognize the long-term commitment to social justice that this anti-violence movement requires, while also celebrating the resiliency of survivors in our community. Events include survivor healing craft events, therapy dogs, a Lunch & Learn dialogue about consent beyond sex, a community art project, and Denim Day. Our community will note the Cal Poly “P” painted teal for 2 weeks out of the month to bring attention to these events. The month culminates in our biggest night of the year:

Take Back the Night | Thursday, April 27, 5-8:30pm | UU Plaza

Take Back the Night is an international movement against sexual violence, with its own roots in San Luis Obispo since the 1980s. With a focus on uplifting survivors and building empowerment in community, this event will feature live music, catered food, art installations, local vendor and resource fairs, speakers from the local community, a solidarity march and end with a candlelight vigil. This event is made possible with generous support from ASI Events, Planned Parenthood, and the Career Services Diversity Funding Committee.

Other ways you can get involved and show your support:

Follow us on Instagram (@calpolysafer) to keep you updated on our calendar of events.
Promote our campaign with your networks! Download an email signature and Zoom background to show your support.

Visit Safer's website for all event information. Thank you for being our amazing campus partners, and for continuing to engage with our programming and conversations about creating a campus free from gender- and power-based violence. We're so excited to see you at some, or all, of our events for the month!

April 27, 2023 | 11AM-4PM | ATL

BioBreakthrough Conference

We are challenging you to think outside the box.

The BioBreakthrough Conference is Cal Poly COSAM's first student-led conference redefining STEM career paths after graduation by exploring the biotechnology industry from entrepreneurship, business, and research perspectives and you’re invited.

Featuring talks About:

AI Drug Discovery
BioEntrepreneurship
Getting Involved Now

Synthetic Biology/BlueTech
Venture Capital in Pharmacy
BioTech Start Ups

Follow Us on Instagram @CPBIOBREAKTHROUGH

RSVP Here TINYURL.COM/BIOBREAKTHROUGH

This event is funded by the College of Science and Mathematics Innovation Initiative.
The BioBreakthrough Conference | Beyond the Lab: Exploring Business in Biotech

On behalf of our BioBreakthrough Conference Team, I am so excited to announce that COSAM is hosting the first student-led conference inspiring students to explore biotech innovation, research, and business with the long-term goal of establishing Cal Poly as the leading central coast location in biotech thought and opening students' eyes to career paths in biotech.

The BioBreakthrough Conference is open to all majors and will take place on Thursday, April 27th from 11am-4pm in the ATL (bldg 7) with 5 fantastic guest speakers.

This event is funded by the College of Science and Mathematics Innovation Initiative.

INTERNERSHIPS & JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Internship Opportunity at Cal Poly Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Message from Emily Olstad:
My name is Emily Olstad, and I'm a 4th-year M.A.S.T. minor. I work at the Cal Poly Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship as a social media and videography intern, and we're currently in the process of looking for new interns for when my cohort graduates this year. I wanted to share the job listings in the next STS newsletter, as I believe these positions would appeal to many students in the program.

Here are the job listings on Handshake:
PR and Digital Marketing Intern
Videographer Intern
Graphic Design Intern

These are open to first, second, and third year students. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions at eolstad@calpoly.edu

Nominations for HdM Exchange Programme Winter Semester 2023/2024 open now

Dear partners, colleagues and friends,

Spring greetings from Stuttgart!

We are already preparing for our Winter Semester 2023/2024 commencing in October 2023, and are ready for your next nominations.
Have you already checked out our International Magazine? You can read the online version of the second edition here to get some information for potential exchange students and inspiration for the next time you come to Stuttgart.

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS TO BE NOMINATED**

If you are unsure about the number of your students that we are able to host, please email our Incoming Exchanges Coordinator Laura Ryhänen at incomings@hdm-stuttgart.de

**HdM EXCHANGE PROGRAMME NOMINATION PROCESS - Deadline 15 May 2023**

Please ensure that you nominate your student/s by using this short survey (one survey per nominated student):

https://forms.gle/LenvzvHm1gG4wZbz9

All nominations should comply with the number of students and fields of study stated in our partnership agreement. If you already nominated your students via email, please also submit this survey.

**BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG STIPEND NOMINATION PROCESS - Deadline 15 May 2023**

Should you wish to nominate one of your students for the Baden-Württemberg Stipendium scholarship, please find attached an additional form for this purpose. These nominations need to be received by us by the 15th of May 2023. Please nominate only one student for your institution.

The committee will award the stipends based on the home institution nomination information (academic and extracurricular merits, financial support needs etc).

You can find further information about the scholarship here.

**STUDENTS' ONLINE APPLICATIONS - Deadline 31 May 2023**

After having received your nominations, and starting from first week of May, we will contact your students directly and send them a link to our online application portal. You will be copied into that email.

The list of the required support documents can be found on our website

https://www.hdm-stuttgart.de/en/prospective_students/academic_programs/exchange_programs/online_application

**MINORS/STUDY PROGRAMMES IN ENGLISH THAT ARE PLANNED FOR WINTER SEMESTER 2023/2024:**

- Advertising
- App Design & Development
- Business Analytics
- Games Development
- Integrated Product Design
- International Publishing
Each Minor is a set one semester long programme consisting of a minimum of 30 ECTS. Please note that each Minor is a fixed programme and it is not possible to select and combine courses from several Minors. We require a minimum certified English language level of B2. You can find out all about our Minors here.

STUDIES IN GERMAN

In addition to our English-taught Minors, students with German language skills are welcome to join modules that are part of our regular degree study programmes. We require a minimum certified German language level of B2 (Bachelor level)/C1 (Master level).

http://www.hdm-stuttgart.de/studieninteressierte/bachelor

http://www.hdm-stuttgart.de/studieninteressierte/master

ACCOMMODATION APPLICATION - Deadline 31 May 2023

Hochschule der Medien does not own dormitories, and we are therefore part of the city-wide accommodation network of Studierendenwerk Stuttgart.

All nominated students (under 30 years old) will get a manual on how to apply. Students will live in halls of residence at Filderbahnplatz/Möhringen or in Esslingen.

ACADEMIC CALENDER

https://www.hdm-stuttgart.de/en/prospective_students/academic_programs/exchange_programs/academic_calendar

IMPORTANT: ONLINE INFO SESSION FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF – Thursday 27 April 2023, 4pm CEST

We will organise a virtual info session about studying abroad at Hochschule der Medien via Zoom on Thursday 27 April 2023 at 4pm (CEST). Please save the date, forward the information to your already nominated or potential future outgoing students and meet us under the following link:

ZOOM SESSION: HdM Information Session for Partners and Students

https://hdm-stuttgart-de.zoom.us/j/69919487035?pwd=cnNSVGw4c1NhNXZzazZHcmdBT1ZmZz09

Meeting ID: 699 1948 7035
Code: 928311

CONTACT US

Please use the team address incomings@hdm-stuttgart.de for any questions you or your students might have. Please also forward this email to your colleague/s, if you are not responsible for
outgoing nominations.

We cannot wait to welcome your students here in Stuttgart! The whole Team Sunshine is ready for them and so are our HdM Buddies.

Best wishes, beste Grüße,

Hochschule der Medien International Office Team
Cal Poly is participating in a statewide service and career development program --- #CaliforniansForAll College Corps.

If you’re looking for a way to make a positive difference in the community and give back to others while exploring future career paths and building valuable skills, consider applying for the program. Through College Corps, Fellows will gain hands-on work experience with nonprofits or government agencies in San Luis Obispo focusing on climate action, K-12 education, or food insecurity. Plus, you’ll earn $10,000 (pre-tax) through a living allowance ($7,000) in regular disbursements during your service plus an education award ($3,000) upon the completion of 450 service hours.

The program is open to full-time undergraduate students and applications received by March 17 will be given priority review.

Visit https://serviceinaction.calpoly.edu/information-about-college-corps for more details about the program and to make sure you qualify.
The Women's, Gender & Queer Studies Department is accepting scholarship applications for the 2023-24 academic year! Take these steps now to make sure you are considered.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**2023-24 academic year (must attend full-time in Fall 2023)**

Apply by 5/5
Please email wgqs@calpoly.edu or eadan@calpoly.edu if you have any questions!

**How to Apply**

By Friday 5/5:
Complete the Cal Poly Scholarships Application on the Cal Poly Portal.
Make sure to check one or more of the following three boxes to indicate your interest in being considered for WGQS Scholarships:

- In the university-wide list, check the box that reads "Demonstrated interest in and commitments to women’s and gender equity and rights through community service, related group activities, and/or leadership efforts."
- In the CENG list, check the box that reads "Demonstrated interest in and commitments to diversity and equity via leadership efforts, especially in organizations that promote women’s rights."
- In the CSM list, check the box that reads "Major in the College of Science and Mathematics with current contributions to community service, especially in relation to women’s and gender equity."

In addition, when prompted to do so, make sure to include the name and email contact for an academic/professional reference in your scholarship application.

**Scholarships available for the 2023-24 academic year likely include:**

**Susan Currier Memorial Scholarship**
Open to CLA students with a minimum 3.0 GPA and financial need. Preference will be given to students from disadvantaged backgrounds, who have overcome adversity, and/or who make valuable current contributions to community service.

**Vicki & Darel Farrar Scholarship**
Open to students with a minimum 3.0 GPA who are majors in the College of Engineering, or in Chemistry, Physics, or Statistics. Must demonstrate a commitment to women’s/gender equity by serving as a leader in organizations with this purpose.

**Sarah Perryman Memorial Scholarship**
Open to juniors and seniors majoring in Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics, or Physics with a minimum 3.2 GPA. Must demonstrate a valuable, current contribution to community service. Preference will be given to students who are from disadvantaged backgrounds, who have overcome adversity, and/or who demonstrate a commitment to women’s/gender equity.

**Dr. Shirley H. Walker Scholarship**
Open to students in any major with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Must demonstrate a commitment to women’s/gender equity by serving as a leader in organizations with this purpose.

**Ralph R. Wilmar Women’s Educational Opportunities Scholarship**
Open to students in any major with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Must demonstrate a strong interest and/or active participation in promoting or enhancing educational opportunities for women and/or about gender.

Have questions? Please email wgqs@calpoly.edu or eadan@calpoly.edu.

**WGQS Scholarships for the 2023-24 Academic Year**

The Women's, Gender & Queer Studies Department is accepting scholarship applications for the 2023-24 academic year! Take these steps now to make sure you are considered.

Apply by 5/5
Please email wgqs@calpoly.edu or eadan@calpoly.edu if you have any questions!
CALL FOR ACTORS!!!

SPRING '23 STAGED READING OF

Our Enemies: Lively Scenes of Love and Combat

by Yussef El Guindi

Seeking 7-8 actors for the following roles:

- Noor — (f) an aspiring novelist about to get her big break
- Gamal — (m) an aspiring novelist, struggling and angry about it
- Mohsen — (m) a successful writer, some would say a “sellout”
- Sheikh Alfani — (m) a Muslim community leader
- Hani — (m) Sheikh Alfani's son
- Olivia — (f) editor at a major publishing house
- Earl / Russel / Father Carol — (m) TV host / publisher / priest

SYNOPSIS:
Struggling writer Gamal hates the way his fellow Arab-Americans represent their culture on American media. It's easy enough to take out his frustration on literati superstars Mohsen and local mosque leader, Sheikh Alfani. But when his own girlfriend and novelist Noor gets an offer from a major publisher backed with a national media campaign, how will Gamal manage his frustration?

ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT:
Born in Egypt, raised in London and now based in Seattle, Yussef El Guindi's work frequently examines the collision of ethnicities, cultures and politics that face Arab-Americans and Muslim Americans. El Guindi holds an MFA in playwriting from Carnegie-Mellon University, and has worked as a playwright at Silk Road Rising; literary manager for Golden Thread Productions; and playwright-in-residence at Duke University. He is the recipient of many honors, including the Steinberg/ATCA New Play Award and the 2010 Middle East America Distinguished Playwright Award.

Table read with the playwright: April 26th
Performance and talk-back: April 27th
Open to all Cal Poly students. No acting experience necessary. If interested, please email hbaki@calpoly.edu.

Call for Actors! Spring '23 Stage Reading of Our Enemies: Lively Scenes of Love and Combat

If interested, please email hbaki@calpoly.edu

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WOW Leader Nomination Form!

Happy Spring Quarter! We are so excited for Open House next week but right after that event is the start of our Spring Training series for our fall Week of Welcome (WOW) Leaders and we need your help! In order to provide the best orientation experience for the incoming class during WOW, we need to recruit more students that are passionate about helping others and being positive mentors/role models for new students.

If you know of any leaders who fit this description, please fill out the below form so we can send them information about the WOW Leader position. [https://forms.office.com/r/v1yjUGFwfE](https://forms.office.com/r/v1yjUGFwfE)

PULSE is hosting a Holistic Wellbeing Workshop for graduate and undergraduate students in Spring 2023

PULSE, Cal Poly’s peer health education program, is hosting a brand-new Holistic Wellbeing Workshop this spring. **This workshop series that is geared to guide students through breathwork; explore vulnerability and openness with yourself and others; support with finding your boundaries; and an opportunity to cultivate a sense of calm in your life.**

The Holistic Well-being Workshop series is a student-run program that has been created in collaboration with professional staff at Campus Health & Wellbeing and is an **educational program** to share **tools** (mentally and physically) to cultivate awareness and goals around well-being. This is not a workshop run by Counseling Services.

In our 5-week program series, students will build community, eat free food, journal, and dive deep into the topics of Building Vulnerability, Discovering Identities, Noticing Your Relationships, Knowing Your Spaces and Limits, and The Wrap-up.

If you are interested in this program, please complete our interest form below: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2wING578lUSVNX03nMoq5yQnQhMzJlqSzbjal1p4VUM0ZyVudYT0gzTUo0MEZNM1NGzVUNTRQiQIQCN0PWcu](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2wING578lUSVNX03nMoq5yQnQhMzJlqSzbjal1p4VUM0ZyVudYT0gzTUo0MEZNM1NGzVUNTRQiQIQCN0PWcu)
If you have specific questions or concerns, please reach organizers at pulse@calpoly.edu.

The program will begin during week 2 of the Spring Quarter and run through week 6 of Spring quarter with further sessions occurring in the following academic year.

Japanese American Archival Collection Research Fellows Program

The Sacramento State University Library is proud to announce the new Japanese American Archival Collection Research Fellows Program (JAAC RFP). The library will provide two fellowship of up to $3,000.00 for individuals or research teams who wish to use Sacramento State’s vast Japanese American Archival Collection (JAAC) for research or creative-end products relating to the Japanese American experience. First consideration will be given to undergraduate and graduates from the California State University (CSU) system. Depending on availability of funds, non-CSU students will be considered for a second round of deliberations. Priority review begins on April 1, 2023. More information and the application can be found at https://library.csus.edu/japanese-american-archival-collection/research-fellows-program.

Research Integrity through a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Lens Certificate Program

As part of efforts to re-focus Cal Poly's research integrity and compliance programs to emphasize how policy and procedures related to integrity have been put in place to address issues of inequitable research practices, Research Integrity and Compliance is going to be offering a certificate program for students in Winter and Summer quarters. The certificate program will be a hybrid program involving some minimal readings, videos, and cross disciplinary interactions between students as they discuss their projects and equity and diversity within their research and would meet bi-weekly. This first year will also be offering participation stipends to students of at least $150.

If you have students who may be interested, please forward this information along.
We are also looking at providing a version for faculty, although that version may be compressed into a few 2 or 4 hour sessions, or one or two 8 hour sessions.

If you or any of your students are interested, we have an interest collection form so we can directly contact interested folks.

**Engineers Without Borders**

The Engineers Without Borders Kenya Team is starting a project to aid the market community of Masogo near the Kenyan city of Kisumu with a proposed water distribution project. This quarter, they will be conducting a remote community assessment to ensure that the proposed project is in line with the needs of the community. Students of all majors are welcome to come check out the team and join if interested! There are **weekly meetings on Mondays from 7-9pm at building 186 room C302** (186-C302). For questions, email ewbkenyacp@gmail.com.

[Read more >](#)
Cal Poly Student Startup: Ryde

Ryde is a service for Cal Poly students that helps you travel more affordably and comfortably! If you’re driving home, Ryde can connect you with other Cal Poly students that will split your cost of gas. If you’re looking for a way home, Ryde can connect you with/to students driving your way.

Want to learn more about us?

- About Us
- Cal Poly CIE – Summer Accelerator Spotlight
- Cal Poly CIE – Demo Day Pitch
- Mustang New – Ryde
- Cal Poly Corporation Highlight

Join the STS Linkedin Page!

Please follow the Cal Poly STS Linkedin page. You can access this page through https://www.linkedin.com/company/science-technology-and-society-minors-cal-poly_STS/
ROOTS (Reclaiming Our Origins Through Self-Exploration: A BIPOC Support Group): a space for BIPOC students to explore their intersecting identities and gain support through shared stories in the current political climate. ROOTS is support group that will be running Tuesdays at 10:10 - 11:40 AM. We have transitioned this service to be a drop-in community space. Students may access ROOTS at URL: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83912743816
Financial Aid for Food: Get up to $250/month for groceries

The CalFresh Outreach Team can help connect you with up to $250 a month to buy groceries at your favorite stores and many farmers’ markets! Get money to buy food, eat better, work less and focus more on school. It’s easy to set up an appointment with a CalFresh Student Advocate to determine your eligibility, walk you through the application and answer any questions you may have.

Visit calfreshcalpoly.org/ to schedule an appointment today! **Hours are: M-W 10am to 7pm and TH 10:00am to 5pm.**

Although you can apply online here on your own, we encourage you to apply with the help of the CalFresh Outreach Team to help with any questions or concerns.

Follow the CalFresh team on Instagram @calfreshcalpoly
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!
* Do you know of any campus events relevant to STS?
* Do you have any cool research or projects you want to share with your peers?
* Or anything else relevant to the STS minors.

SHARE IT WITH US!
EMAIL US AT STS@CALPOLY.EDU

Corona Virus Updates:
The safety, health, and wellbeing of all campus community members and visitors is a primary commitment for Cal Poly. For the latest updates and information regarding coronavirus and our campus preparedness, please visit https://chw.calpoly.edu/coronavirus.

The Basic Needs Task Force: Cal Poly wants every student to have access to food and housing in order to focus on their education. There are many resources to help students meet their basic needs. To learn about the food pantry, meal vouchers, emergency grants and more visit here.

To learn more about other Resources, like Health & Counseling or Disability, you can visit the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities.

If you have any further questions:

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