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SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY

WEEKLY NEWS 9/30

NOTE FROM DR. KIRBY

I hope everybody enjoyed their first week of classes. I certainly did. What you have hopefully picked up about your STS professors is that we love teaching. Being able to work with students in the classroom (and out) brings us a lot of satisfaction. That is why I am looking forward to the rest of the quarter.

If you have any news or events that you would like to share with your fellow IS majors then please let us know at is@calpoly.edu.

My office hours this quarter will be Tu 1-3PM and Th 1-3PM. You can drop by my office (note my new office: 52-D4) at these times or you can contact me via Zoom using this link: 6247671135. As always, I am also happy to set up other meeting times if you are not able to make these office hours. Just send me an email and we can arrange a day/time.

STS - RELATED CLUBS



MUSTANG FILM SOCIETY

Mustang Film Society is a new club on campus aimed at fostering a community around film and providing students interested in film with opportunities to connect to others in the film industry and explore their interests! This may be of interest to any MAST minor students.

If interested, please contact Dr. Emily Ryalls at eyalls@calpoly.edu or follow the Instagram @mustangfilmsociety

EVENTS

2025 CALIFORNIA

FORUM FOR DIVERSITY IN GRADUATE EDUCATION

Saturday, October 18, 2025 9:00 am - 4:00 pm University of California, Merced

CONNECT

The Forum is a free event aimed to increase access to graduate degree programs. Learn about academic pathways and opportunities for graduate education. If you are navigating barriers or have had limited access to opportunities, this event is designed for you.

PREPARE

Choose and participate in over 20 live workshops explaining the graduate school application process, PhD and Master's education, and discipline-specific topics.



Scan to Register



EXPLORE

Explore graduate opportunities by attending a fair with over 100 recruiters especially wanting to meet YOU!

FREE LUNCH!

The Forum is open to all California undergraduate and master's students.

Register for free here or scan QR code

https://calstate.eventsair.com/2025-diversity-forum/student/Site/Register

CALIFORNIA FORUM FOR DIVERSITY IN GRADUATE EDUCATION



77 Thu, 10/2 | 10:10-11 a.m. | Zoom link

The California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education will be held at UC Merced on Oct. 18. This FREE event is open to all undergrad and master's students pursuing advanced degrees. Bus transportation and meals are provided.

Register by Oct. 6 (or earlier if spaces fill): Register here.

Learn more at caldiversityforum.org or join the info session.

SENIOR PROJECT INFO SESSION

Curious about how to get started with your senior project? Join us for an info session to learn more!

Tuesday, October 21

(iii) 11:10 AM – 12:00 PM

Zoom: Join Here

Meeting ID: 385 162 8168

Don't miss this chance to get your questions answered and set yourself up for success.



Public Invitation. Protect Yourself Online + Explore Cyber Careers

Cyber Collective and the Public Interest Technology University Network (PIT-UN) are teaming up to bring you a **free**, **90-minute interactive workshop** this fall:

Navigating Digital Harm: Internet Street Smarts + Cyber Career Readiness
7 October 15, 2025 | Virtual

You'll learn how to:

- · Spot and prevent online scams, doxxing, sextortion, and surveillance
- Apply real-time risk assessment skills
- Discover career paths in cybersecurity and trust & safety

No tech background? No problem. You'll leave with tools you can use right away—plus insights to jumpstart a future in this field.

Register Now

Seats are limited. Let's make the internet safer, together.

The Public Interest Technology University Network

View this email in a web browser

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risk assessment skills, and explore career opportunities in cybersecurity and trust & safety. No tech background is needed—just bring your curiosity and interest in making the internet safer.

OPPORTUNITIES

SAFER DVAM SYMPOSIUM



Call for Presenters!

Safer is hosting the Gender- & Power-Based Violence Symposium on October 14, 2025 for Dating Violence Action Month. This year's theme is Answer the Call: Connect. Empower. Transform.

Keynote: Author Myriam Gurba (Creep, Mean).

Apply to present by Sept. 24: Application Link Open to students, faculty, staff & community members.

Questions? Email clope105@calpoly.edu.

NEW MUSTANG MAKERSPACE

OPEN TO ALL CAL POLY STUDENTS!



A completely free space open to all students, regardless of major.

No engineering experience necessary. Work on class projects, senior project,s or even personal projects!!

LOCATION

In Bonderson, Building 197, Room 110

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HOURS

Fall Quarter, Weeks 2-7 Mon-Fri: 10-7pm Sat: 9-6pm

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Link to our website



MUSTANG MAKERSPACE

The Cal Poly Machine Shops (College of Engineering) are excited to welcome students to the

Mustang Makerspace, located in Bonderson (Building 197), next to Mustang '60. This free, all-major space is your go-to hub for digital fabrication, creativity, and hands-on learning.

Inside you'll find 56 3D printers (Bambu, Prusa, Elegoo, Formlabs, MarkForged), 4 laser cutters, an embroidery machine, an industrial Cricut vinyl cutter, and sewing machines. Whether you're working on a class assignment, a senior project, or just a personal idea, the Makerspace has the tools to help bring your vision to life. No prior experience is needed—our shop techs are here to teach you, answer questions, and support your projects.

- Fall Quarter Hours (Weeks 2-10):
 - Monday-Friday: 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
 - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

3D printers are open to everyone without training, but you'll need a Red Tag Certification for lasers and some other equipment. Learn more and sign up for trainings at machineshops.calpoly.edu.

Questions? Email calpolyshoptechs@gmail.com | Aero Hangar: (805) 756-2266 | Mustang '60: (805) 756-5634

Come explore, create, and make your ideas a reality—see you in the Makerspace!

STUDENT SUPPORT



COLLEGE POSSIBLE AT CAL POLY

The College of Liberal Arts partners with College Possible's Catalyze program to connect students with near-peer success coaches. Coaches support academics, study skills, financial literacy, career exploration, wellness, and more.

Learn more by contacting Multicultural Academic Advisor Alejandra Cebreros at alcebrer@calpoly.edu or check out the attached infographic.



FINANCIAL AID FOR FOOD: GET UP TO \$250 A 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** 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





SLO SOLUTIONS CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Are your students having a hard time focusing on schoolwork due to roommates or neighbors disagreeing about issues around noise, dishes, or house rules?

Students can find themselves overwhelmed by conflict with landlords, roommates, and neighbors! We can help! SLO Solutions may be able to help students and residents with access to FREE conflict resolution and mediation, funded by a partnership between the City of San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly, Cuesta College, and Creative Mediation. For more information, click here.



Morning, Mustang



MORNING, MUSTANG - NEWS SOURCE FOR CAL POLY STUDENTS

Carly Heztel, a second year journalism student, has published a news source for Cal Poly students that summarizes every day's most important campus, San Luis Obispo and California stories in twominute emails. Carly is working in cooperation with the nonprofit College Brief to create accessible and relevant news for college students.

Read some of the stories here.



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