A FOCUS ON STUDENT SUCCESS
Student Affairs promotes student success throughout the Cal Poly experience by providing Learn by Doing opportunities, delivering innovative student-centered programs, encouraging personal growth, and empowering our students within a safe, healthy, inclusive and supportive environment.

VALUES THAT FUEL OUR ACTIONS

Champion the student
We support, guide and advocate to create an environment where all students can reach their full potential.

Create visionary programs and services
We are leaders in delivering innovative and extraordinary co-curricular learning experiences that directly impact student recruitment, retention and graduation.

Sustain meaningful partnerships and collaboration
We partner with our campus and local community to build strong relationships and engage in conversations that create impactful opportunities for student success.

Cultivate continuous learning
We match the quality of Cal Poly's in-class experiences with exceptional out-of-class co-curricular opportunities that enhance Learn By Doing.

Promote ethics, integrity and respect
We value a diverse campus community and embrace an inclusive campus culture.
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.

CONNECTING STUDENTS TO THEIR ULTIMATE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE.

Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) is an inclusive, empowering, student-driven organization committed to providing programs, services, and facilities that enhance and develop the student learning experience. Cal Poly students are stakeholders in ASI and have access to leadership positions through Student Government and on-campus employment. All of these opportunities are designed to complement Cal Poly’s educational mission, support a balanced education, and give students ownership and pride in their college experience.

ASI PROGRAMS

ASI CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS
The Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center provides quality early care and education services to children from four months of age through kindergarten. Student parents receive first priority enrollment, followed by faculty and staff, alumni and community members.

ASI JOBS
More than 600 ASI student employees are the driving force behind the organization’s ability to create quality programs and services for all students. On-campus employment provides students with valuable work experience and leadership opportunities in a variety of positions.

ASI STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASI Student Government is comprised of elected and volunteer student leaders that act as the collective voice of the student body. Through the three branches – ASI Executive Cabinet, ASI Board of Directors, and University Union Advisory Board – student leaders work together to practice shared governance, student advocacy, and collaboration with campus and community entities.

CAL POLY ROSE FLOAT
Students of Cal Poly Universities in San Luis Obispo and Pomona work together yearly to create the only student built float that participates in the Tournament of Roses Parade.
ASI PROGRAMS CONTINUED

ASI CLUB SERVICES
ASI Club Services connects students to over 350 clubs at Cal Poly, working as a partner with the University to administer day-to-day club operations.

ASI POLY ESCAPES
Limitless adventure await with ASI Poly Escapes, a premier outdoor adventure program with guided trips throughout San Luis Obispo County and California. Reach new heights at the Poly Escapes outdoor Climbing Park at the Cal Poly Recreation Center, or check out the Rental Center for a variety of low-cost equipment rentals to help students and community members gear up for their next adventure.

ASI RECREATIONAL SPORTS
Students have access to numerous activities and programs that provide opportunities for them to go above and beyond their recreational ambitions with ASI Recreational Sports.

AQUATICS
The Recreation Center boasts an impressive aquatics facility complete with an Olympic-size lap pool and leisure pool featuring swim instruction classes, scuba and safety certifications, and pool deck relaxation.

ASI INTRAMURAL SPORTS
A variety of indoor and outdoor team sports, leagues, and tournaments are available at low costs to keep over 7,000 participants in the game all year long including basketball, soccer, flag football, dodgeball, and more.

FITNESS & PERSONAL TRAINING
Group fitness classes at the Recreation Center offer a unique mix of fun, specialized workouts designed to get participants moving. Customized private or group personal training sessions are available with nationally certified personal trainers for participants to elevate their fitness goals.

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ASI MISSION STATEMENT

ASI’s mission is to enhance the quality of student life and to complement the educational mission of Cal Poly through meaningful social, cultural, recreational, and educational programs. We provide valuable experiences through student advocacy, shared governance, student employment, and leadership opportunities.
ASI MANAGED FACILITIES

CAL POLY RECREATION CENTER
The Cal Poly Recreation Center is the premier destination for fitness, recreation, relaxation, and wellness on campus. This cutting-edge facility offers multiple exercise rooms, state-of-the-art equipment, an indoor track, six gymnasium courts, six racquetball courts, a wide variety of group fitness classes, equipment check out at The Pro Shop, personal training, an Olympic-size lap pool, leisure pool, beach volleyball courts, recreation areas, relaxation zones, and the ASI Poly Escapes Climbing Park and Rental Center.

CAL POLY SPORTS COMPLEX
The Cal Poly Sports Complex offers over 40 acres of outdoor space for the Cal Poly community to play, socialize, and recreate through a variety of sports and activities. The Sports Complex features lighted playing fields, five basketball courts, four soccer fields, three softball fields, and three turf fields available for general or reserved private use.

DOERR FAMILY FIELD
Opened in spring 2018, the Doerr Family Field is a synthetic turf field lined for flag football, NCAA football, and soccer. The field is open to the Cal Poly community for frisbee, football, soccer, or fitness conditioning and used for student recreational sports programs, intercollegiate athletics, and special events.

JULIAN A. MCPHEE UNIVERSITY UNION
Whether it is for studying, socializing, or guests touring campus, the Julian A. McPhee University Union is the gathering place for the Cal Poly community. Commonly referred to as the UU, it is fashioned with a variety of seating areas, computer kiosks, charging stations, Wi-Fi and hydration stations. The UU is home to the majority of ASI programs in addition to numerous University organizations, dining establishments, conference rooms, Chumash Auditorium, lounges, and the UU Plaza which are available for reservation to hold meetings, conferences or events.

ORFALEA FAMILY & ASI CHILDREN CENTER
The Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center provides early care and education services for the children of Cal Poly students, faculty, staff, alumni, and the local San Luis Obispo community. The center features seven classrooms and an accredited outdoor area for play and discovery.
Intercollegiate athletics strives to promote the moral and ethical values reflected in all university programs. Cal Poly operates its athletic program with integrity and in full compliance with institutional, conference and NCAA guidelines. Student-athletes, coaches and staff are expected to compete with honesty, sportsmanship, and fair play at all times within the guidelines of amateur athletics.

The department of athletics provides equitable opportunities for all students and staff, including women and minorities. In addition, the athletic program provides a form of educational activity which is traditionally accepted as a part of collegiate life, and which provides a common rallying point for a diversified student body, faculty, staff, and alumni. The program strives to generate interest in the university within the local community, the state, and the nation.

Student athletes are made aware of the important responsibilities they accept when they become members of Cal Poly’s athletic teams. These responsibilities include performing at an optimum level both academically and athletically, giving their best efforts toward the success of their team, and conducting themselves in a manner which will reflect well on themselves, their team, and Cal Poly.

**CAL POLY ATHLETICS AT A GLANCE**

- Cal Poly Athletics supports 21 varsity sports teams
- Most of our sports compete in the Big West Conference, though football competes in the Big Sky Conference, wrestling competes in the PAC-12 and Swimming & Diving competes in the MPSF
- Cal Poly has won 35 national championships, 168 conference championships, and sent numerous student-athletes into professional sports
- All sports compete at the NCAA Division-I level, the highest level in college athletics
ABOUT CAMPUS HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Campus Health and Wellbeing provides comprehensive medical, psychologic and holistic wellbeing services to support student success at Cal Poly. We believe health is a “state of complete physical, mental, and social wellbeing, and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity” (World Health Organization). Our skilled team of board-certified physicians, licensed clinicians, mental health professionals, and compassionate and caring staff ensure that we are not only providing excellent care but educating our students to be future health care consumers and advocates for their personal health and wellbeing. It is our purpose to offer comprehensive care, advocacy, empowerment and education for students to develop and live to their full potential.

Tina Hadaway-Mellis, RN, MBA
Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Health and Wellbeing

“Health and Wellbeing are integral parts of ensuring the continued success of our campus community. Addressing the needs of the Cal Poly community from a holistic perspective will foster healthy habits and create future leaders who will live their fullest possibilities long after graduation.”
HEALTH
We offer a variety of medical services ranging from primary and walk-in medical care, preventative care, nursing care, pharmacy, lab, x-ray and immunizations. Our board-certified physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and nursing staff are trained experts in college health. We believe in providing student-centered health services that support their success at Cal Poly.

COUNSELING
We offer a wide array of confidential services including short-term individual therapy, group therapy, crisis support, emotional wellbeing workshops, outreach, and referrals. Our licensed mental health clinicians have significant experience and expertise in college mental health and intentionally create safe, inclusive and welcoming environments for all students, whether they have experience with counseling in the past, or it’s their first time exploring therapy.

WELLBEING, HEALTH EDUCATION & BASIC NEEDS
Are committed to helping our campus community be well. Our team of health educators and service professionals are subject matter experts in substance use and misuse, mental & emotional wellbeing, sexual health, healthy relationships, and providing inclusive and equitable student support. As public health practitioners, our goal is to prevent physical or emotional harm from occurring and promote long-term healthy communities.

SAFER
Provides confidential advocacy, support and prevention education related to sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, and sexual harassment. We are committed to co-creating a campus culture that is inclusive and affirming of all identities and experiences.

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Career Development and Planning
Career Services empowers Cal Poly students to achieve a lifetime of meaningful career success by engaging with Cal Poly’s vibrant network. Ensuring students have the support they need is our highest priority. We offer a range of career development programs and resources encouraging students to tap into their unlimited possibilities.

CAREER COUNSELING SERVICES
Career Services offers a variety of career counseling services to help students achieve success and obtain meaningful careers after graduation. Our Freshman Focus Team connects first-year students with counselors to clarify majors and develop career plans. Our College Specialist Team works closely with the six academic colleges. They deliver tailored programming and services to help students explore and prepare for future graduate school and career opportunities.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS, EVENTS, AND RESOURCES
Career Services offers workshops and classroom presentations to expose students to valuable professional skills such as resume writing, interview techniques, job search strategies, networking, changing majors, etiquette and salary negotiations. Career Services offers exploration events and meetings with industry experts to expose students to a multitude of exciting new career opportunities. In addition, several virtual career resources are available to students including an online networking and mentoring platform, Cal Poly Career Connections.
STUDENT/ALUMNI/EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIPS

Recruitment and Networking Opportunities
Career Services hosts quarterly Career Fairs during the academic year to provide students with direct access to professional job and internship opportunities. The robust campus interview program brings hundreds of employers and students together. Students are engaged in several information and networking sessions during the year to interface with potential employers, giving students more exposure to opportunities and future careers.

Developing Long-term Relationships
The Employer Partnerships Team is dedicated to fostering enduring connections with our recruiters. By working together to create customized recruiting solutions, our staff can help ensure connections are made to campus communities most beneficial to each employer. Specialists are conducting meaningful outreach to businesses, nonprofits and government agencies to increase opportunities available to all students.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT
Career Services conducts annual graduate status surveys to track graduates success in their careers and graduate and professional school studies. The data collected from students and post-graduates are used to support the value of a Cal Poly education, program review and accreditation across the university.

IN 2020-21, CAREER SERVICES:

- Hosted 1000 companies at 14 career fairs
- Posted over 93,000 job and internship positions through the online recruitment platform MustangJOBS
- Conducted approximately 5,000 individual career counseling appointments
- Delivered over 400 career education programs
- Posted nearly 4,000 local part-time, on-campus jobs, and work-study opportunities

Graduate Outcomes
- 95% Positively Engaged
- 78% Working Full Time
- 2% Working Part Time
- 13% Attending Graduate School
- 5% Still Seeking
- 2% Other Pursuits**

Major-Related Jobs
- 96% Found jobs related to their major

Employment Timeline
- Of those employed, 100% had jobs within nine months of graduation.
- 69% Before Graduation
- 17% Within Three Months
- 10% Within Six Months
- 4% Within Nine Months

Starting Median Salary
- $68,600

*Data is based on 2,755 student responses collected within nine months of graduation; 52% overall response rate. For a detailed breakdown by college and major, go to: careerservices.calpoly.edu/gsr. **Other pursuits include intentional plans such as travel, gap-year experience, artistic pursuits, and personal commitments.
Center for Leadership
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The Center for Leadership fosters socially responsible leadership development through high-impact practices, programs, and events that are innovative, inclusive, and educational.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Student Leadership Institute (SLI) is a free, one-day student leadership conference held on campus every fall quarter. SLI serves as a chance for students to gain essential leadership skills and get connected with other student leaders in the community.

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

This 8-week certificate program is the perfect way for students to build leadership skills, reflect on their values, explore their identities, practice teamwork, enhance their communication skills, and connect with other student leaders.

SOCIAL CHANGE LEADERSHIP

In this 8 week certificate program, students deepen their leadership skills by exploring how to be agents of change and make positive impacts.

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SERIES

Our newest certificate focuses on cross-contextual, and cross-cultural leadership. This 4 week series is a great way to build a global leadership foundation.

LEADERSHIP FACILITATIONS

Our staff creates and facilitates tailored leadership sessions for students, groups, organizations, and classes across campus. Our staff works with each group to create an engaging and relevant experience. The facilitation request form is located on our website.
ABOUT

The Commencement Office provides graduates and their guests with a memorable and meaningful graduation experience that symbolizes the culmination of their academic achievements.

The office aims to enhance and enrich the culmination of a student’s academic achievement through honored university tradition and festive celebration. It also aims to collaborate and build strong alliances with campus partners in this university-wide effort.

Commencement is a time of celebration, pride and reflection for students, families, friends, faculty and staff. As graduates embark on the next chapter of their lives, they are welcomed to the Cal Poly Alumni Association and encouraged to continue their engagement as “Mustangs Forever.”
CELEBRATING AND HONORING MUSTANGS FOREVER

A UNIFIED UNDERTAKING

COMMENCEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
Comprised of leaders representing the academic colleges, Facility Services, University Police, Alumni Association, Disability Resource Center, Music Department, Mustang Media, University Store and many more.

COMMENCEMENT POLICY COMMITTEE
A university-wide standing committee that advises and recommends commencement policy to the President.

COMMENCEMENT TEAM
A team of staff, students and volunteers who execute commencement events.

HIGHLIGHTS AND FACTS

• Each year, Cal Poly confers more than 5,200 degrees upon deserving scholars at its fall and spring commencements.

• Cal Poly welcomes more than 50,000 supporters to the campus and community to help honor and celebrate graduates.

• Cal Poly honors the passage of students to alumni through a Cal Poly Proud pinning ceremony in which all graduates place a pin on their fellow graduate and stand as white doves are released, symbolizing the hope that all graduates will soar, succeed and fly home to their alma mater.

• Cal Poly hosts more than 50 college and department events on campus, providing an intimate opportunity for graduates and guests.

• Cal Poly hosts nine cultural commencement ceremonies that honor the diversity of its students, acknowledge their identities and celebrate their achievements.

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The Center for Service in Action connects students with meaningful community service opportunities that complement their educational experience, strengthen their understanding of diversity and social responsibility, and develop skills to become ethical and knowledgeable leaders who contribute to a global society.

ALTERNATIVE BREAKS

Spend a break – winter, spring, or summer – traveling to learn about a new culture, explore issues of diversity, and do service for the community.

STUDENT COMMUNITY SERVICES

Volunteer programs that focus on issues ranging from homelessness, health & wellness, working with animals, addressing food insecurity in our county, and more.

- Beyond shelter
- Environmental Council
- Food insecurity & nutrition
- Poly paws
- Senior services
- Students for Health & well-being
- Students Supporting People with Disabilities
- Youth programs

SOCIAL JUSTICE SERIES

Discussion groups, led by community experts and our faculty, designed to encourage open dialogue on current social justice issues.

CHANGE THE STATUS QUO

A student-created and managed conference that offers a wide range of presentations to encourage discourse about a multitude of social issues.
SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

The Office of the Dean of Students enhances student success and retention and facilitates a respectful, diverse and inclusive campus. It provides direct support, advocacy and resources for successful navigation of campus life.

LEADERSHIP

JOY M. PEDERSEN, Ph.D.
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Student Support, Success and Retention

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Associate Dean of Students
Student Rights and Responsibilities
PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

STUDENT SUPPORT, SUCCESS AND RETENTION
Serves as a resource to help students resolve university-related issues and concerns to help them obtain their degrees. The office ensures student success by facilitating referrals, support and advocacy through nonclinical interventions. It also provides follow-up services in collaboration with other university departments or individuals, community agencies parents or guardians, and stakeholders in the students’ success.

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
Administers the California State University Standards for Student Conduct. The office ensures a fair and impartial administration of the disciplinary process while educating students about their responsibilities and protecting the rights of all members of the university community. It also addresses student behavioral problems in a developmental and educational manner, with the goal of fostering the ethical development and personal integrity of students.

CAL POLY CARES
Supports students with critical and urgent needs by providing emergency grants to help offset core expenses — from housing and meals to academic supplies, unplanned emergencies and many things in between.

FOSTER YOUTH PROGRAM
Serves incoming first-year, transfer, and continuing students who have experienced foster care. We are committed to helping students earn a degree by providing a community of support where students can succeed and thrive.

STUDENTS WITH DEPENDENTS PROGRAM
Provides support to Cal Poly undergraduate and graduate students who are parents, guardians, and caregivers. We are committed to promoting student success through advocacy and support.

OFF CAMPUS HOUSING PROGRAM
The Off Campus Housing Program supports students transitioning from on-campus to off-campus housing; helps students gain access to safe and affordable housing; and prepares students to be responsible renters.
ABOUT DRC PROGRAMS

The purpose of the Disability Resource Center (DRC) is to cultivate an accessible university community where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to fully participate in all aspects of the educational environment. The center offers assistance for both temporary and long-term disabilities and is open to students who are questioning their need for accommodations. The center's staff is passionate about leveling the playing field for students with disabilities.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

DIRECT ASSISTANCE AND ACCOMMODATIONS
Assistive technology exploration and training, audio textbooks, note-taking, on-campus transportation, sign language interpreting and exam accommodations.

ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT SERVICES
Disability-management advising (optional bi-weekly meetings to review strategies & progress), special exception registration, reduced course load, learning assistance, peer mentors and liaison with faculty.

UNIVERSALLY DESIGNED LEARNING
Technical assistance on universal design in learning, evaluating classroom accessibility, video captioning assistance and ADA training.

CONNECTIONS
Connections Club promotes social connection through fun events and activities. Whether students have social anxiety, autism, or simply want to meet other students, all are welcome to attend these free events on campus.
Fraternity and Sorority Life Fact Sheet

greeklife.calpoly.edu

Fraternity and Sorority Life provides opportunities and support to meet the standards of excellence set within the six pillars of our community through scholarship and learning, leadership and values, community service and philanthropy, safety and risk management, brotherhood and sisterhood, and diversity and inclusion.

GOVERNING COUNCILS

- United Sorority & Fraternity Council (USFC): Cultural interest fraternities and sororities that present their ideals, voice, and cultural awareness to the Cal Poly community.

- Interfraternity Council (IFC): Large social fraternities that strive for an enriched college experience based on leadership, community, scholarship, unity, sustainability and professionalism.

- Panhellenic Council (PHA): Large social sororities that promote the growth of individual chapters and the Greek community through cooperation, leadership and mutual concern.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

- Council Executive & Jr. Executive Boards

- Order of Omega Honors Society

- Standards of Excellence

- Greek Week Programming Board
Parent and Family Programs provides support, resources and exciting programming for the proud parents, family members and supporters of Cal Poly students. The office strives to facilitate communication between and among parents and the university, support student success by increasing parent awareness of university resources and help parents develop strategies to meet the unique challenges of parenting students through the college years.

**ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Parent Advisory Council is a group of 24 parents, two students and one faculty member who collectively provide feedback to Parent and Family Programs and give input on matters involving student development and success. Sharing their diverse experiences and perspectives, Parent Advisory Council members serve as university ambassadors, fostering communication between and among parents and the university.

**PARENT PHILANTHROPY**

Parent Philanthropy is essential to enhancing the Learn by Doing experience. Gifts by Cal Poly Proud parent donors provide numerous scholarships to deserving students, help keep students in school through the university’s basic needs initiatives, enhance Learn by Doing through direct department support, and transform the campus landscape. Make a gift today at giving.calpoly.edu/get-involved/parent-philanthropy.
STAY INFORMED

POLY PARENT NEWS
A monthly newsletter that provides parents and supporters with up-to-date information on relevant topics and useful resources. Sign up at parent.calpoly.edu/poly-parent-news.

MUSTANG FAMILY INSIGHTS
An informative webinar for Cal Poly parents and supporters featuring campus and community experts. View past episodes at facebook.com/calpolyparents/videos.

ANNUAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER: GATHERING ON THE GREEN
A reception for out-of-state Cal Poly parents, supporters and students to meet, mingle, connect and share tips on how to best support new Mustangs.

SEPTEMBER: EVENING WITH THE PRESIDENT
A reception for parents to connect with university leaders as their students begin the Cal Poly journey.

OCTOBER: MUSTANG FAMILY WEEKEND
An opportunity for parents, families and friends to return to campus, visit with students, engage in Learn by Doing activities and cheer on the Mustangs during an exciting football game.

APRIL: OPEN HOUSE
Cal Poly’s annual showcase for new students and their supporters. Spotlight events include Out-of-State Parent Reception, Parent and Supporter Coffee House and Morning Cup with the President.

JULY: SLO DAYS
Orientation programs and events for parents of new students.
ABOUT US

Student Academic Services offers services and programs that enhance many aspects of student life on and off campus. We increase access and awareness for first generation, low-income students. Our programs provide access to higher education, facilitate the transition to the university environment, assist in the development of academic and personal skills, and support Cal Poly’s mission of access, retention, and graduation. Our goal is to promote academic success towards graduation for a diverse student population through first-year seminars, mentoring, and tutoring. We also seek to prepare graduates to be engaged citizens and successful members of the workforce in a diverse, global environment.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide access to higher education, facilitate transition to the university environment, and assist in the development of academic and personal skills, thus promoting academic success towards graduation for a diverse student population.
PROGRAMS & SERVICES

CENTER FOR MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENTS
A central hub of information and support, including the coordination of all military educational benefits and programming, access to campus and community resources, and hands-on leadership and career opportunities.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM
Aims to improve access, retention, and graduation rates for low-income, first generation, and historically educationally disadvantaged students. We achieve this through tutoring, academic counseling, and first-year seminars for students.

EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH
A federally funded TRIO program that serves students in grades 7-12 in targeted area high schools, with the goal of assisting low-income and/or potential first-generation college students in graduating high school and entering college.

SUMMER INSTITUTE
Provides selected, newly admitted EOP freshmen with an exciting and rewarding mini academic quarter to help them successfully transition between high school and the more rigorous environment of higher education.

TRIO ACHIEVERS
A federally funded TRIO program, provides academic advising and is designed to assist participants with academic skills, increase retention and graduation rates, and promote graduate/professional school programs.

UPWARD BOUND
A federally funded TRIO program, is a college preparatory program for low-income and/or potential first-generation college students.
STUDENT AFFAIRS DIVERSITY STATEMENT

Student Affairs believes that every student should feel welcomed and respected at Cal Poly.

We provide a safe, supportive environment that values the identities, beliefs, and abilities of all people, while also acknowledging the harm and complexity of our United States history. Our staff work to actively advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in all areas across the division.

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“Transformation change with diversity, equity, and inclusion is happening at Cal Poly. I’m excited to see and be a part of this journey we on to make this a place where everyone is welcomed and accepted for who they are!”
— Dr. Jamie S. Patton,
Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs

CAL POLY
Student Diversity and Belonging (SDAB) is a collective of campus resource centers that support and empower students experiencing marginalization, through intersectional advocacy and cultural connections to build a more just and equitable Cal Poly community.

Our vision is to be a collective of campus community centers that play an active role in creating a Cal Poly experience rooted in equity and holistic support, where all students thrive. We are organized into two cluster areas:

**GENDER & SEXUALITY**

- Gender Equity Center
- LGBTQ Campus Life (PRIDE)
- Men & Masculinities

**RACE & ETHNICITY**

- Black Academic Excellence Center
- Dream Center
- Multicultural Center
- Native American & Indigenous Cultural Center

Always remember you are here with purpose. On purpose. We can’t wait to see all the wonderful things you will do!

- Beya Makekau, Director
  Student Diversity & Belonging

Culture.calpoly.edu
ABOUT US
University Housing provides a premier living and learning experience for 8,000 students in residence halls and apartment-style communities.

Research shows that living on campus, particularly the first two years, contributes to student success and retention. Campus residents have access to academic, social, wellness, and awareness events and enjoy opportunities to build lifelong friendships.

RESIDENTIAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Every campus resident is part of a Residential Learning Community (RLC), which helps them connect quickly with their neighbors. Students request an RLC to call home when they sign up for housing. RLCs provide residents with the opportunity to live with peers who share their interests, identity, or academic focus. Programs are offered in partnership with Academic Affairs, the Academic Skills Center, Campus Health & Wellbeing, Career Services, the Center for Leadership, Student Diversity and Belonging, Dean of Students, Transfer Center, Cal Poly Scholars, Disability Resource Center, Mustang Success Center, New Student & Transition Programs, and the Writing & Learning Center among others.

2021-22 RESIDENTIAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES:
» College-Based Communities
» Leadership
» Cultural & Identity Communities
» PRIDE Community
» Substance Free
» Cal Poly Scholars, EOP, TRIO
» Honors
» Transfer Program
» Engage
» Cal Poly Lofts

WHAT RESIDENTS HAVE TO SAY
Source: 2020 CSU Survey Data

88% of residents feel safe living on campus.
88% of residents respect other students in their living area.
89% of residents feel University Housing’s custodial team is doing a good job.
79% of residents say their Resident Advisor (RA) is available to assist them when needed.

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Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

We are committed to creating equitable and accessible communities for all residents, staff members and guests. We believe in intentionally supporting those who hold marginalized identities to create an environment that benefits the entire community.

Along with our campus and community partners, we are committed to improving housing equity and affordability, to supporting diversity initiatives, to developing a campus climate that supports all students and to promoting student learning and staff development.

Some Ways We Create Welcoming Communities:

» Nearly two-million dollars in housing grants each year are automatically distributed to students with the greatest financial need
» Lower-cost housing options and emergency housing
» Residential Learning Communities that bring students together around culture and identity
» Gender-inclusive housing options
» Love, Empathy, Respect training curriculum focused on justice, equity, diversity and inclusion for professional staff

Faculty-in-Residence

A partnership between Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, the Faculty-in-Residence program bridges academic and residential life for campus residents. While living in campus residential communities, faculty form strong connections with residents, and become an integral academic and community partner. They host dinner conversations and guest speakers and organize community outings to local events and landmarks.

Inter Housing Council (IHC)

IHC is Cal Poly’s residential student government led by the IHC Executive Board. Branches work together to meet residents’ needs in their homes, while providing representatives for campus and University Housing decision-making. IHC members also bring exciting events to Cal Poly’s campus that create lasting memories for residents.

Transitioning to a Two-Year Housing Program

To provide all Mustangs with the campus living experience, Cal Poly implemented a first-year residential requirement in 2015. The Campus Master Plan established a goal of housing 65% of students on campus by 2035, at the latest.

As of fall 2021, three colleges have implemented a two-year housing requirement: the College of Architecture and Environmental Design (CAED); the College of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences (CAFES); and the College of Engineering (CENG.) The Cal Poly Scholars program and Athletics also require their students to live on campus for the first two years. The remaining Colleges are expected to add a two-year housing program in the next few years.

With the inclusion of double-suites in campus apartments, we anticipate being able to house all first- and second-year students in our existing communities. Space and program improvements across University Housing will enhance amenities and support student success and retention.
ABOUT WITH US

The WITH US Center for Bystander Intervention at Cal Poly was established in 2018 with a primary charge of investigating the role of bystander apathy and bystander intervention in preventing harm and improving the health, safety and success of college students. The tragic death of first-year Cal Poly student Carson Starkey in 2008, and the persistent trend of preventable harm and death among undergraduate student populations across the U.S., were the impetus for the Center and its mission.

The Center is led by a team of expert social psychology and public health faculty researchers, multidisciplinary prevention practitioners, and experienced student affairs administrators dedicated to establishing WITH US as a national research center and thought leader for combating bystander apathy and empowering communities of proactive bystanders (upstanders). The ultimate goal of the Center’s work is to provide colleges and universities with evidence-based strategies and solutions to prevent harm and lives lost in situations where bystander intervention and peer accountability could have been a mitigating, lifesaving factor. Our work is centered on preventing reducing harm from sexual violence, hazing, unhealthy drug and alcohol use, bias and exclusion, and mental health crises.

Our Mission: To empower peer-led movements of proactive bystander intervention.

Our Vision: To create safe campus communities where all students can thrive.

Our Commitments: Our mission is operationalized through four commitments: Outreach, Research, Resources, and Education.
Outreach: WITH US is committed to fostering national movements of Upstander behavior through collaboration with other leading prevention organizations to produce new research and evidence-based programs for colleges and universities across the U.S.

Research: WITH US is committed to conducting and supporting quality research on college student bystander intervention behavior, attitudes, motivators and barriers to helping. WITH US is also committed to developing and testing theory-and-research based programs and public health communications designed to foster students’ bystander intervention.

Resources: WITH US is committed to curating, vetting, and sharing existing evidence-based programs and resources to support educators and administrators responsible for developing and implementing prevention programming and improving campus safety. WITH US is also committed to developing tools to guide colleges and universities in the design of their own communications and programs tailored to their students and local contexts.

Education: WITH US is committed to providing research-informed-and-tested training and educational programs, tools, and materials to empower educators and students to shift apathetic peer cultures, inform institutional prevention and promotion related policies and initiatives, and cultivate communities of prosocial proactive bystanders (Upstanders).

WITH US is working to improve prosocial attitudes and bystander intervention behaviors among college students through the following initiatives:

1. National College Student Bystander Intervention Study
2. Evidence-Based Bystander Intervention Toolkits & Resources
3. The National Network for Peer Accountability
4. National Awareness Campaigns
5. Online Education & Train-the-Trainer Programs

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