This Month

Congratulations to our 2017-2018 School Year Student Veterans Organization Officers!

At our SVO meeting yesterday (March 2), we held the election for next year’s officers. Congratulations to the following people:

• Ariel Crisostomo, President
• Jeong Clary, Vice President
• Sarah Morningred, Secretary
• Alexis Williams, Treasurer
• Dan Reno, Public Relations Officer

Our officers are committed to serving the student veterans and dependents of Cal Poly. Please let any of these people know if you have any ideas; this is YOUR SVO! See you on March 16 for our next meeting.

Partnership with QL+ AND Next SVO Meeting!
On Thursday, March 16th, we will partner with Quality of Life Plus on Dexter Lawn to spread awareness for veteran presence on campus, and for the sacrifice that veterans make when they serve our country. The VSC will be out on Dexter Lawn between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. with coffee and donuts.

BUT WAIT… THERE’S MORE!

Because this is during the same time as our next Student Veterans Organization Meeting, we will hold our next SVO Meeting on Dexter Lawn by the booth with QL+! Come out to Dexter Lawn on Thursday, March 16th to hear about upcoming events with the VSC and SVO, and enjoy coffee and donuts from the booth.

Emerging Leadership Certificate

The Emerging Leadership Certificate program is the perfect way for students to build leadership skills, practice teamwork and communication skills, connect with other student leaders, and learn about how to get involved at Cal Poly. Students complete the Emerging Leadership Certificate by participating in the Emerging Leaders Series. The Emerging Leaders Series is FREE, open to all students (no experience required), and provides a fun, quick way for students to expand their leadership perspective and skills.

Students should email leadership@calpoly.edu by the end of the quarter (to RSVP for the session that works best in your schedule.

Spring 2017 Emerging Leaders Series Offerings:

· Tuesdays, 3-5 p.m., UU 219, beginning April 11
· Wednesdays, 1 – 3 p.m., UU 218, beginning April 12
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The Emerging Leaders Series is a not-for-credit series that meets once a week for two hours over the course of nine weeks. The series begins during week 2 of each quarter.

Email leadership@calpoly.edu to claim your spot or ask any questions, spots are offered on a first come first serve basis.
Be a PEER LEADER at the Center for Service in Action!

The Center for Leadership is recruiting Peer Leaders for the 2017-2018 academic year. Peer Leaders volunteer at the Center for Leadership, supporting the Center’s daily functions, designing new programs and initiatives, and helping out with student leadership development. They support the Center’s programs while also assisting with leadership development among their peers. Peer Leaders help design marketing and outreach efforts and support the design and facilitation of leadership and StrengthsQuest presentations, workshops, and education. The Peer Leader role is a great Learn by Leading experience for students who are passionate about leadership, you are encouraged to apply!

April 14, 2017 at 5 p.m.: Online application due and PDF copy of resume emailed to leadership@calpoly.edu

Please visit our website to apply to be a Peer Leader. All questions and concerns may be directed to leadership@calpoly.edu.

Ongoing Opportunities

Job Opportunity!

GBL Systems Corporation is looking to hire Cal Poly student-veterans! GBL Systems Corporation is a leading systems engineering and software development firm with a 25 year history of developing tomorrow’s Electronic Warfare capability today. They specialize in the areas of Systems/Software Engineering, Electronic Warfare, Web Development, Network Centric Warfare, Modeling/ Simulation and Avionics Development. GBL is based in Camarillo, CA. with many opportunities on base at Pt. Mugu NAS.

See the attached documents for more information!

Share Your Story
As part of her legacy project for the Counseling & Guidance graduate program, Masters Student Emilie Sklarenko is creating a series of video interviews with veterans, in which participants will be asked to discuss their experience transitioning from the military to college. Through conducting these interviews, she aims to identify and raise awareness for any veteran-related issues in hopes of improving services for veterans on campus.

If you are a veteran who is willing to help Emilie with her legacy project, please email her at esklaren@calpoly.edu.

Prioritize Your Mental Health

The Veteran Service Office in SLO has recently hired a Mental Health Therapist, Breanne Salmon, for veterans and their family members. The goal is to provide services for those who are unable or unwilling to receive services through other providers. Individual and couple therapy is available. Services in which Veterans have come in for include depression, anxiety, PTSD, difficulty communicating, and transitioning into civilian life.

For more information, contact Breanne Salmon at BSalmon@co.slo.ca.us or visit the Veteran Service Office at 801 Grand Ave, San Luis Obispo.

Need Tutoring?

There are several staff members at the VSC who have volunteered their talents to tutor any student who needs it--for free! The following are hours that our staff members are able to tutor:

- English tutoring and Paper editing with Dan Reno, English Masters Student: Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Engineering/Math tutoring with Kevin Hurtado, Upper-level Mechanical Engineering Student:
  
  Wednesdays and Fridays, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
  Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  

- Physics/Math tutoring with Sebastian Pardo, Upper-level Physics Student:
  
  Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.  


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**Support our Troops Overseas**

Ariel Crisostomo, our SVO Vice President of Dependent Affairs, is organizing a community service project to send care packages to troops overseas. If you know anyone overseas who would want a care package, please email us at veteranscenter@calpoly.edu and give us their information! Also, if you are a veteran and have ideas for items that you really appreciated receiving during your deployment, we would love to incorporate those items into the care packages, as well. If you would like to donate items to the service project, please bring them by the Veterans Success Center (52-E4).

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**A Message from our New Public Relations Officer,**

**Dan Reno**
I am happy to be joining the Veteran Success Center as a writing tutor and filling the role of the Public Relations Officer for the Student Veteran Organization. As an English graduate student and a Writing Tutor for the Cal Poly Writing & Rhetoric Center, I wanted to offer my expertise to the veteran and dependent community on campus. Additionally, as the Public Relations Officer I am excited to help develop the Veteran Suicide Awareness event scheduled to take place this May. We are all working hard to create a course that is informative but also fun. I hope everyone can join us and make this a memorable event for the Cal Poly community!

-Dan Reno

"With me is Right, Before me is Duty, Behind me is home."