Student Affairs

Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs
Administration Building (01) Room 209
805 756-1521

The Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs oversees a division that provides services, leadership training, and learning experiences for all Cal Poly students. Through advocacy, program development, and serving as a liaison to student organizations on behalf of the University, Student Affairs is the key link to student life on campus. Dedicated to student learning, Student Affairs staff mentor students, encourage personal development, and support important initiatives to enhance retention and matriculation of students.

Mission Statement
The mission of the Student Affairs Division is to cultivate student learning and success. Together with others in the University, the Student Affairs Division is committed to the principle of integrating Student Affairs programs and services into the student’s total learning environment, and fostering within each student respect and responsibility for self and members of the greater community.

Delivery of programs and services is influenced by an ongoing assessment of student needs, the campus climate and established outcomes. It is guided by:

- The scholastic achievements of our students;
- The residential nature of our campus;
- The high staff/faculty-to-student ratio of our departments;
- The selective standards of our admissions, which draw students throughout the state and beyond;
- The learn-by-doing focus of our curricular and co-curricular activities; and
- The appreciation for diversity in the student community.

The mission is carried out through teaching and personal instruction, advisement and counseling, community service learning, internships and experiential education, organized programming, and services. The mission is achieved through the following programs and services:

- Associated Students, Inc.
- Career Services
- Dean of Students
- Disability Resource Center
- Health and Counseling Services
- Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Parent Program
- Student Academic Services
- Student Life and Leadership
- Testing Services
- University Housing

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC. (ASI)
University Union (65), Room 212, 805 756-1281

Mission Statement
The mission of Associated Students, Inc. is to enrich the quality of student life and to complement the educational mission of Cal Poly through shared governance, student employment, student advocacy and a broad spectrum of programming, services and opportunities for leadership and social interaction.

Vision Statement
Associated Students, Inc. will be every student’s connection to the ultimate college experience.

ASI Student Government
University Union (65), Room 202, 805 756-1291

Leadership opportunities are open to all interested students. This includes the elected College Council representatives who form the Board of Directors, appointed positions on the University Union Advisory Board and the ASI Executive Cabinet. ASI student leaders represent the student body on campus, community and regional committees.

Three student officers guide the organization: the ASI President, Chair of the Board, and Chair of the University Union Advisory Board. These officers and the Board of Directors are elected in spring quarter and are the recognized representatives of Cal Poly students. The ASI Chief of Staff is an appointed leader who guides the ASI Executive Cabinet in supporting the goals of the ASI President.

The Board of Directors oversees the policy development of ASI, a $12 million nonprofit corporation. ASI collects quarterly fees, commercial revenue and grants, which support a wide range of campus clubs as well as student programs and services.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OF ASI
ASI operates a wide variety of facilities, including the Julian A. McPhee University Union, Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center, Recreation Center, and Cal Poly Sports Complex.

ASI Business Office
University Union (65), Room 212, 805 756-1281

The ASI Business Office provides internal business services to all ASI programs and services, including administrative support, fiscal services, human resources, project management, and information technology.

JULIAN A. McPhee UNIVERSITY UNION (UU)
The Julian A. McPhee University Union is a central place for students, faculty, staff, alumni and guests to meet, relax and exchange ideas. Facilities include: UU Plaza, UU Epicenter, two student lounges: Bishop's Lounge and San Luis Lounge, UU Gallery, ASI Events, Poly Escapes, ASI Craft Center, Mustang Lanes, BackStage Pizza, Starbucks, Student Life & Leadership, Student Community Services, Multicultural Center, Women's Center, ASI Student...
Government Office, Chumash Auditorium and UU Reservations.

**UU Epicenter**  
*University Union (65), Room 203, 805 756-5807*  
The UU Epicenter is students’ one-stop shop for "Events, Programs and Ideas." Students can obtain information, materials and resources on the following programs and services: ASI Events, Cal Poly Rose Float, ASI Craft Center, UU Gallery, Club Services, and Poly Escapes.

The UU Epicenter provides services to Cal Poly clubs and independent student organizations.

**ASI Events**  
*University Union (65), Room 203, 805 756-1112*  
ASI Events provides on-campus entertainment programming in four different program areas: UU Gallery, live entertainment, Concerts in the Plaza and special events. These programs, in addition to our multicultural events and celebrations, comedy, artistic expression, education programs and speaker forums on social issues, have been identified to meet the diverse needs of a comprehensive university.

**UU Gallery**  
*University Union (65), Room 203, 805 756-5807*  
The UU Gallery is located in the UU Epicenter and is designed to give students and community members the opportunity to showcase artwork with exhibits of painting, photography, sculpting and more.

**ASI Craft Center**  
*University Union (65), Room 111, 805 756-1266*  
The ASI Craft Center offers a wide variety of fun, non-academic craft classes and workshops. The facility includes ceramics, surfboard-shaping, skateboard deck-building and stained glass areas, a bike repair room, woodworking power tools, glass bead-making lab, poster-making tables with pens and paper, and a retail store.

**Poly Escapes**  
*University Union (65), Room 112, 805 756-1287*  
For more than 30 years ASI’s Poly Escapes has been sponsoring outdoor trips and programs with students at the core of its leadership program. With a zest for spontaneous adventure and the desire to explore the unknown, Cal Poly students have looked to Poly Escapes to take them on “once in a lifetime adventures.” Poly Escapes provides trip coordination, educational experiences, a climbing wall, resource library and roughly 20 trips each fall, winter and spring. Students may also rent equipment such as tents, sleeping bags, backpacks, cross-country skis, surfboards and ice cream makers at reasonable prices.

**Cal Poly Rose Float**  
*University Union (65), Room 209, 805 756-1268*  
One of the most exciting activities on the Cal Poly campus is building the annual Rose Parade float. Since 1949, a team of students at the Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and Pomona campuses has produced floats annually. For more than 60 consecutive years, students from all academic majors have enjoyed the thrill of watching a float they designed, built and decorated make its way down Colorado Boulevard on New Year’s Day in the Tournament of Roses Parade.

Not only is the Cal Poly float a one-of-a-kind venture for college students, it is also an opportunity for students to develop new innovations such as computer-controlled animation, hydraulics systems for movement, and more.

**ASI CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS**  
Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center (133), 805 756-1267  
The Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center is a nationally accredited program providing quality early care and education services to children from 4 months to 6 years old. Student parents are given first priority for enrollment. Subsidized childcare is available for low-income student parents.

The ASI Children’s Programs’ philosophy is based on the belief that young children thrive in an environment that promotes understanding of themselves, others and the world around them. Teachers focus on facilitating children’s development in the social-emotional, cognitive and physical domains. Activities are designed to meet the children’s individual and age-appropriate needs. With the understanding that children learn through play, caregivers encourage them to explore, discover and have fun. Emphasis is placed on teaching children how to problem-solve and make appropriate choices, while learning to interact within a group setting.

**ASI RECREATIONAL SPORTS**  
Recreation Center (43)  
805 756-1366 (Main), 805-756-PLAY (Hotline)  
http://www.asi.calpoly.edu/recreation_center  
ASI Recreational Sports offers opportunities for all students to participate in aquatics, exercise and instructional classes, personal training, intramural sports, informal recreation and special events.

Registered Cal Poly students have free access to the Recreation Center, which is open seven days a week. ASI’s Recreational Sports Program employs more than 160 students each year. Student and full-time staff members are available to assist with any questions or concerns about Recreational Sports programs.

**Rec Sports Programs:**  
*Aquatics* classes are designed for all levels of swimmers, from beginning to masters. Scuba courses, stroke clinics and lifeguard training are just a few of the classes offered.

**Personal Training** provides the opportunity to get fit with certified personal trainers in a fun, safe environment. Individuals learn how to work out and use equipment properly from personal trainers who provide focused attention on each client.

**Fitness and Instructional** programs are designed for individuals to acquire new skills in a relaxed and enjoyable
setting. Programs offered include an extensive aerobic schedule, spin classes, martial arts, pilates and yoga. Nationally certified personal trainers are on staff to assist in meeting fitness goals.

**Informal Recreation** provides non-structured opportunities to participate in a variety of activities such as swimming, cardiovascular exercise, free weight and weight machines, basketball, volleyball, racquetball and indoor soccer.

**Intramural Sports** provides a variety of structured sports leagues and tournaments in a safe, recreationally competitive environment. The program is open to all Cal Poly students and also to faculty, staff and alumni who are current members of the Recreation Center. Popular sports include: basketball, flag football, soccer, softball and volleyball.

**CAREER SERVICES**

*Student Services (124), Room 114, 805 756-2501*

www.careerservices.calpoly.edu

This centralized service is available to all students and alumni of the University. In collaboration with the academic colleges, Career Services assists students with exploring, formulating and implementing career plans. Career Services actively promotes and supports effective professional relationships between the University and employers.

**Career Counseling**

Students are guided through the exploration and formation of personal career plans. Students considering a change of major are particularly encouraged to utilize Career Services so that they may become better informed about career options. With the assistance of a career counselor, students may take advantage of interest inventories; utilize computerized career guidance systems, and review current literature on career profiles, trends and work environments.

**Job Search Exploration**

Students are guided through the job search process which includes identifying and researching employers, developing resumes/cover letters, preparing for the interview, and networking with employers through career fairs, information sessions and other career related events.

Student employment opportunities are available to all currently-enrolled students. Positions are centralized online through Mustang Jobs through the On-Campus Interview Program or Job Listing Service. This includes local part-time jobs (on campus and off campus), Co-op, internships, summer, seasonal and career jobs.

**Cooperative Education**

Cooperative Education is a joint partnership between employers, Career Services and Cal Poly's academic programs. Students are able to secure professional-level work experience related to their majors, obtain professional contacts in industry, affirm career goals, obtain marketable skills, develop self-confidence, and integrate what is learned in the classroom within the world of work. Co-op assignments are primarily full-time paid positions, three to six months in duration, offered to junior- and senior-level students. Students earn academic credit for their participation.

**Graduate School Exploration**

Students are guided through the graduate school admission process, which includes identifying, researching and contacting potential graduate programs; preparing personal statements; and completion of applications and tests.

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the Career Resource Center, which contains a variety of career resources, annual reports, salary trend information, alumni network files, and student workstations allowing Internet research and computer-assisted career exploration programs.

**DEAN OF STUDENTS**

*Health Services Bldg. (27), Room 188, 805 756-0327*

The Dean of Students Office provides leadership to support student success, strengthen campus community relations, and provide the initiatives for future student-centered programs that foster the development of the student academically, socially and ethically.

The Dean of Students supports student learning and service through:

- helping students manage academic and nonacademic situations;
- consulting extensively with faculty and staff on behalf of student concerns;
- interpreting and assisting with understanding campus policies and procedures;
- consulting with student clubs and organizations to foster a healthy student life;
- cultivating a caring, supportive campus and community environment; and
- assisting with parent concerns regarding campus life and policies.

Students with questions or concerns are encouraged to stop by or contact the office. The staff answers questions, advocates when appropriate, investigates student complaints of discrimination, and directs students to the appropriate campus or community resource as needed.

**DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER**

*Student Services (124), Room 119, 805 756-1395, voice or tty*

The Disability Resource Center’s mission is to assist in creating an accessible university community where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to fully participate in all aspects of the educational environment. The Center cooperates through partnerships with students, faculty, and staff to cultivate student learning and success.

Students wishing to use disability-related services and accommodations complete an Application for Services, submit disability documentation, and then meet with an
access specialist who determines eligibility and accommodations. Advance planning is strongly encouraged.

For detailed information please see www.drc.calpoly.edu.

HEALTH AND COUNSELING SERVICES
Student Health Center (27), 805 756-1211
The goal of Health and Counseling Services is to support the physical and psychological well-being of all students attending Cal Poly. A variety of services are offered for students including ambulatory care, laboratory testing, on-site x-rays, prescription medications, dental consultations, individual and group counseling, and health education programs. Health and Counseling Services assists students by minimizing class time lost due to illness, injury, or personal problems.

Health Services
Student Health Center (27), 805 756-1211
The following services are available to all students as part of the health services fee:

- **Outpatient medical services** are available, year-round, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and includes primary physician and nursing services, men's/women's health care, laboratory and routine x-ray procedures.

- **Health education** offers three programs: Educational Resources On Sexuality (EROS), Thoughtful Lifestyle Choices (TLC), and Health Enrichment Action Team (HEAT) which provides education regarding nutrition; they are provided by staff professionals and students trained as peer health educators. Programs include nutrition counseling, alcohol and drug awareness, sexuality and lifestyle wellness.

- **Additional health services** are available at a low cost: prescriptions, over-the-counter items, outside lab tests, immunizations, orthopedic supplies, and optometry consultations.

**Major medical insurance** coverage for off-campus services is strongly recommended. Students are encouraged to have their own coverage for major medical, surgical and emergency expenses. **Due to a shortage of doctors in the community in certain specialty areas, students requiring specialty medical care are encouraged to call for appointments with local specialists well in advance.**

Counseling Services
Student Health Center (27), 805 756-2511
Counseling Services offers individual and group counseling, psychiatry, crisis intervention, education and outreach, and internship training. Counselors are available to assist with the normal adjustments of academic and social life; personal issues such as confidence and self-esteem, stress management, body image and sexuality; as well as more serious personal concerns such as depression, anxiety, alcohol and drug abuse.

OFFICE OF STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
Student Services Bldg (124), 805 756-2794
www.osrr.calpoly.edu
The Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities administers the California State University Standards for Student Conduct. This 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. The Office addresses student behavioral problems in a developmental and educational manner with the goal of fostering the ethical development and personal integrity of students. The Standards for Student Conduct and disciplinary process are available at www.osrr.calpoly.edu.

PARENT PROGRAM
Student Services Bldg (124), Room 210
Parent Helpline: 805 756-6700
www.parent.calpoly.edu
e-mail: calpolyparent@calpoly.edu

The Cal Poly Parent Program is dedicated to helping families effectively support their students’ transition and success and providing opportunities for them to stay connected to the university community. All of the Parent Program’s services are designed to serve as resources for parents and families as they discover the best ways to support their sons or daughters, while also enabling their students’ independence and personal responsibility.

Parents are encouraged to sign up for the Parent E-newsletter. This monthly service provides links to University news and important dates, and features timely tips and articles for parents and supporters.

The University’s Parent Program Advisory Council serves in an advisory capacity to the Parent Program and offers the Cal Poly parent community experienced parent perspectives and avenues for involvement. In addition, the Parent Program welcomes parents at orientation events, hosts an annual Parents’ Weekend, and encourages support of Cal Poly and its programs through the Cal Poly Fund.

STUDENT ACADEMIC SERVICES
Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301
Student Academic Services (SAS) offers comprehensive programs that directly support academic excellence. Program services include academic and personal advising, admissions and transition services, new student first-year seminars, supplemental workshops and study group assistance. Academic advisors work with each of the seven academic colleges to provide academic and personal advising assistance to students with class scheduling, assessment of academic skills, graduation planning, career clarification and related learning and study skills.
Supplemental workshops and study sessions are available for key content courses in first- and second-year curricula.

An additional emphasis of SAS is to offer support to students from backgrounds that have been traditionally underrepresented in the California State University System.

The goal of SAS is to ensure that all students have equal opportunity to achieve academic success and graduation. Student Academic Services incorporates the following:

**Academic Skills Center**  
*Kennedy Library (35), Room 112, 805 756-1256*  
The Academic Skills Center (ASC) offers a variety of academic retention programs and campus support services, including study skills seminars, study sessions, an on-line study skills library and tutor referral services.

**College Bound**  
*Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301*  
The purpose of EOP College Bound is to motivate and assist in the preparation of students from low-income, first-generation college families for application and entrance to Cal Poly or another post-secondary institution of their choice. The program offers various educational outreach strategies to high school students.

**Connections for Academic Success**  
*University Union (65), Room 217A-2, 805 756-6774*  
Connections for Academic Success (CAS) was originally established via a joint venture between the University and Cal Poly’s student government, ASI (Associated Students, Incorporated). CAS provides support services to students in Cal Poly’s Partners Program and Allensworth Mentoring Program as well as students who are referred by faculty and staff. The program offers services to help students plan and achieve their academic and personal goals.

**Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)**  
*Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301*  
EOP provides admissions and academic support programs for low-income, historically disadvantaged students. EOP offers academic and personal advising, study sessions, academic orientation courses, career and post-graduate advising, and referrals to campus resources.

**Educational Talent Search**  
*Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301*  
Cal Poly Educational Talent Search (ETS) is a federally funded program that serves students in grades seven through twelve in local targeted area schools. The goal of ETS is to assist junior high and high school youth, who are low-income and/or potential first-generation college students, to graduate from high school and enter college. ETS offers various educational outreach strategies designed to develop participant motivation and increase their college awareness, including interactive school site workshops and informational sessions led by program staff, university field trips, parent information workshops and pre-college advising focused on college entrance requirements and financial aid.

**Partners Program**  
*University Union (65), Room 217A-2, 805 756-6774*  
The Partners Program is a recruitment and access feeder program which collaborates with a select number of California high schools. The University has established formal partnerships with high schools throughout the state. For those students who enroll at Cal Poly, the Connections for Academic Success program (CAS) collaborates with the Admissions Office, University Housing, College Advising Centers, as well as faculty and staff, to provide support to Partner students with their transition from high school and in making progress towards their degree.

The program is designed to assist students with acquiring information about support services such as tutoring, employment and academic advising; becoming knowledgeable about academic policies and procedures relevant to their majors; accessing financial aid resources; and understanding how to register for classes.

**Student Support Services**  
*Student Services Bldg (124), Room 119, 805 756-1395*  
Student Support Services program, a federally funded TRIO program of the U.S. Department of Education, is designed to assist program participants (low-income, first-generation or disabled college students) with enhancing their academic skills, increasing their retention and graduation rates, and promoting graduate and professional school programs.

**Summer Institute**  
*Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301*  
Summer Institute (SI) is an academic scholars’ program held annually at Cal Poly. Selected newly-admitted freshman students have the opportunity to participate in this mini academic quarter residential program geared at helping make a successful transition from high school to the more rigorous Cal Poly environment.

**Upward Bound**  
*Hillcrest (81), 805 756-2301*  
Upward Bound (UB) is a federally funded TRIO program which provides a college preparatory program for low-income and/or potential first-generation college students. This program motivates and academically prepares local high school students for college. The academic program and residential summer school session at Cal Poly offer tutoring, career advising and supplemental instruction, as well as cultural and recreational activities.

**STUDENT LIFE AND LEADERSHIP**  
*University Union (65), Room 217, 805 756-2476*  
[www.studentlife.calpoly.edu](http://www.studentlife.calpoly.edu)  
Student Life and Leadership offers opportunities to develop leadership skills, contribute to the community, experience diversity, participate in group dynamics, and mentor new
students. Its mission is to advance and encourage the learning and personal development of students, and its programs are integrated into the student’s total learning environment.

The department is responsible for the oversight of student clubs and organizations on campus including chartering, membership roster certification and judicial review and sanctioning.

**Cal Poly Clubs**
There are close to 300 active clubs and organizations affording students the opportunity to become active in campus life. Clubs include academic and professional organizations, hobby-interest clubs, honor societies, service clubs, residential groups, multicultural organizations and spiritually based groups.

**Commencement**
Commencement ceremonies are coordinated by Student Life and Leadership staff, in collaboration with the Commencement Committee, and are held each December and June.

**Community Service Programs**
The Community CENTER at Cal Poly represents the University’s commitment to community involvement and civic engagement. It is dedicated to helping each individual, as well as student clubs, find meaningful and satisfying service experiences through both volunteer service and service related to academic learning.

**Student Community Services** provides volunteer service programs that address a variety of social issues, concerning children, homeless individuals, mentally disabled adults, seniors, animals, and the environment. Each year, thousands of students participate in service activities. Annual events include Make a Difference Day, WOW Day of Service, Hunger Awareness Week, Homeless Awareness Week, Change the Status Quo Conference, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, and César Chávez Day of Service.

**Service-learning courses** integrate community service with course curriculum to enhance learning outcomes. Each quarter, hundreds of students are involved in community service as part of their academic coursework. The Community CENTER provides support for faculty and students in developing and implementing service learning.

The Community CENTER assists the University in recognizing students for outstanding service in a variety of ways. Each year, the University President awards the President’s Community Service Award to outstanding students, clubs, and faculty. Students can have their service hours noted on their official university transcripts.

**Gender Equity Center**
The Gender Equity Center is a campus resource where the Cal Poly community can connect for information, educational events, and leadership programs related to gender equality and identity. The center is a place for all individuals interested in working towards social justice. The Center is committed to fostering a comfortable and all-encompassing Cal Poly experience for everyone regardless of gender, sexual orientation, or race.

**SAFER. Student Alliance for Ending Rape, known as SAFER, aims to promote, empower and educate students on essential information regarding sexual assault. The purpose of this program is to create a community which fights to end sexual assault and relationship violence by raising awareness, providing resources and offering presentations, events and workshops.**

**Women’s Programs** is dedicated to educating the Cal Poly community on local, national and global women’s issues including gender equality, body image, the wage gap, feminism, women’s history, and violence against women. Women’s Programs’ mission is to create and sustain a university environment that promotes the personal, educational and professional growth of women.

**Men and Masculinity Programs’** mission is to educate the Cal Poly community concerning local, national and global men’s issues including masculinity, influences of the media and sexual assault. The intent of Men and Masculinity Programs is to cultivate a community for men that positively affects their campus and surrounding areas, through service and personal example.

**Greek Organizations**
There are more than 30 fraternities, sororities, and cultural Greek organizations affiliated with Cal Poly. Many of the social sororities and fraternities own or lease housing near the campus. Some organizations provide lodging and meals for their members.

**Multicultural Center**
The mission of the Multicultural Center (MCC) is to promote an environment where diversity is respected and celebrated, and alliances are built regardless of ethnic/racial membership or sexual orientation. The mission serves to complement the University’s philosophy that affirms all students’ identities and which enhances the quality of university life for all students. The Center’s mission strives to prepare all students to become culturally competent citizens in a global society.

**Orientation Programs**
Open House encompasses many activities showcasing the excellence of Cal Poly and the surrounding community. An event preview is hosted on Thursday night at the popular Farmers’ Market, and on Friday, conditionally admitted students and their supporters are invited to campus. On Saturday, campus is open to the public with many events, including the Poly Royal parade, open ceremonies, kids’ fair, and an exciting club booth and activity area with more than 200 student clubs participating.
THE SPORT CLUB PROGRAM

The Sport Club program offers the campus community a wide variety of competition, instruction, and development in the form of 24 sport clubs and related activities. The program currently has over 900 students who participate in various sports clubs and features a competitive level above the traditional intramural program. The members compete against clubs from other universities, improve their skills through instruction, and develop leadership skills through the management of their organizations. Students of all skill levels are encouraged to participate.

THE WEEK OF WELCOME (WOW) ORIENTATION PROGRAM

The WOW experience is designed to assist new students with a successful academic, social and emotional transition to university life. Parent orientation programs provide parents with an opportunity to celebrate their student’s transition as well as have their own questions and concerns addressed during Family Orientation Weekend. During this weekend, programs are also provided for first-year students, transfer students, non-traditional students, and parents and younger siblings of new students.

WOW also hosts the parents’ Coffee House during Open House, summer advising sessions for parents, non-traditional student orientation day, and welcome activities for new students starting during winter and summer quarters. WOW is an exciting environment in which to meet new people, become familiar with Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo, and prepare to start a college career.

PRIDE ALLIANCE: LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) CENTER

The LGBT Center is a resource center for the entire campus community. Its mission is to provide programming, networking and resources that raise awareness and educate students of diverse backgrounds about LGBT and related issues. The Center’s Ally Training program prepares members of the campus community to support and be sensitive to the needs of LGBT people.

SPORT CLUB PROGRAM

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TESTING SERVICES

Student Services (124), Room 121, 805 756-1551
Testing Services administers standardized tests of admission, placement and certification, such as the Law School Admission Test and Medical College Admission Test, and coordinates the administration of the CSU English Placement (EPT) and Entry Level Math (ELM) test programs. Testing Services provides general proctoring services to the campus community, and operates an ETS Computer-Based Testing Center that offers such tests as the GRE, TOEFL and PPST.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING

Building 031, 805 756-1226
Living on campus can be a unique and rewarding experience. For the majority of first-year students, it is the first experience in a shared community living environment. Learning in the classroom is extended into on-campus residence halls and apartments through the “Living/Learning,” “Connections,” and “Transitions” Programs.

Returning students and new transfers have an opportunity to live in on-campus apartments in an environment which provides programmatic support with the goal of retention and academic success.

All students participate in a variety of social interactions and share the same community with diverse groups of individuals. Residents are provided with an environment that educates, challenges and supports their development. Activities are coordinated by hall staff and residents. Most students make lifelong friends while residing on campus.

STAFF

Community programs and activities are administered by full-time live-in professionals (Coordinators of Student Development), who are available to assist residents with counseling, crisis intervention, general referrals, and judicial actions. The Coordinators of Student Development also supervise front desk services and the Resident Advisors/Community Advisors.

 Resident Advisors and Community Advisors, known as RAs and CAs, are typically upper-division students who understand the challenges faced by new students and try to make living on campus a positive and memorable experience for all residents. The RAs and CAs are trained in advising, event planning, and crisis intervention to assist students through their first year.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE PROGRAMS

LIVING/LEARNING HALLS

The Living/Learning Residence Halls are for freshmen and are centered around Cal Poly's academic colleges. Faculty, administrators, and alumni meet with the students in an informal setting. The programming focuses on four fundamental areas: academic development and support, personal development, professional affiliation, and
leadership development. This provides many advantages for residents including direct faculty contact, study groups, and events relating to the student's major and career planning.

**The Connections Program**
The “Connections” Halls offer freshmen programs that support student transition into the residence hall community and University. This program is designed to provide incoming freshmen with the information, resources and support needed to be personally and academically successful at Cal Poly. Participating students have the opportunity to get involved with leadership, community service and social activities in the halls.

**The “Transitions” Program**
“Transitions” offers programs and activities in the on-campus Cerro Vista Apartments for first-year, transfer and returning students who are comfortable and experienced with a more independent lifestyle. Students living here are expected to be independent and have abilities and experience to live and cook on their own. The Honors Community is located within the Cerro Vista Apartments.

**The “Sophomore Success” Program**
The Poly Canyon Village Apartments and the “Sophomore Success” Program are offered to returning residents through a lottery process. Student programming and activities support retention and overall academic success.

**Community Involvement**
Student representatives are elected in fall term to serve on governing boards in each of the halls and apartments. Participants contribute to their hall's community by planning social, recreational, and educational events, and by voicing student-related concerns. Networks in community services, recreational sports and multicultural issues provide additional opportunities for student involvement.

**ResNet**
All on-campus rooms have access to the Cal Poly Network and the Internet. Cal Poly ResNet is the on-campus housing network that provides dedicated high-speed connections 24 hours a day. The ResNet Office provides this and other computing support programs for on-campus residents.

**Living Expenses for Students in Campus Residence Halls and Apartments (Subject to Change)**
All Housing fees are payable in advance. Quarterly installment plans are available. All fees listed below reflect 2010-11 prices and are subject to change:

- Residence Hall Rooms – Double Occupancy (academic year license) .................. $5,653
- Residence Hall Meal Plan (mandatory) .............. $4,339
- Apartments – Private Rooms (academic year license) .......... $725/month (approx.)

**Off-Campus Housing Resources**
[www.housing.calpoly.edu](http://www.housing.calpoly.edu)
The Housing Office maintains information regarding the rental of off-campus houses and apartments, and an extensive list of private and shared rooms. Information is available at the Housing website. The University does not inspect, approve or disapprove of any housing offered through these rental resources.

**Applying for On-Campus Housing**
[www.housing.calpoly.edu](http://www.housing.calpoly.edu)
Information about the on-campus housing program and timeline to apply can be found at the Housing web site. Housing is offered to university-admitted students; however, spaces are limited. On-campus housing is secured on a first-come/first-served payment basis and cannot be guaranteed to all incoming freshmen due to the variance of new students admitted each year. Conditionally admitted students who have accepted their offers of admission submit housing applications via an online process through the my.calpoly.edu portal, printing the Housing License Agreement, and submitting payments to Cal Poly.