

# **Cal Poly Report**

Feb. 17, 2021

## **Employment**

## **Employment Opportunities**

For all available job openings, visit jobs.calpoly.edu. All new positions opened this week are listed below. Current employees can also find job postings at

https://careers.calstate.edu/, an internal job site for CSU employees. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

#498896 — Administrative
Coordinator — School of
Education (Administrative
Support Coordinator II) Academic
Affairs — College of Science and
Mathematics — School of
Education. \$37,380-\$67,668 per
year. Anticipated hiring range:
\$46,800-\$56,400 per year. Open
until filled.

#498746 — Administrative
Assistant — English
(Administrative Support
Coordinator II) Academic Affairs —
College of Liberal Arts — English.
\$37,380-\$67,668 per year.
Anticipated hiring range: \$45,600-\$60,000 per year. Open until filled.

#498749 — Administrative
Assistant — Art and Design
(Administrative Support
Coordinator II) Academic Affairs —
College of Liberal Arts — Art and
Design. \$37,380-\$67,668 per year.
Anticipated hiring range: \$45,600-\$60,000 per year. Open until filled.

#498878 — Contracts Analyst — Dean's Office, College of Liberal Arts (Administrative Analyst/Specialist Non-Exempt), Academic Affairs — College of Liberal Arts — Dean's Offices. \$39,456-\$76,164 per year. Anticipated hiring range: \$51,000-\$63,600 per year. Open until filled.

## Key Dates Finalized for Cal Poly's Accreditation Site Visit

Cal Poly is currently in the process of reaffirming its accreditation by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC). A successful reaffirmation process will provide a valuable university-level peer review process, and will also ensure eligibility for federal funding in a number of programs, including student access to federal financial aid. Cal Poly's selfstudy theme is "Promoting the Success of All Cal Poly Students While Achieving the Goals of the CSU's Graduation Initiative 2025." Specifically, the university is focusing on three sub-themes: "Developing a Campus Culture that Is Diverse, Equitable and Inclusive," "Recruiting and Retaining a More Diverse Community of Students, Staff and Faculty," and "Teaching and Learning How to Live and Work in a Diverse World." Cal Poly will submit its self-study report to WSCUC by Feb. 16, 2022. A team of WSCUC commissioners will visit the campus from April 27-29, 2022, and a decision on the university's accreditation will be made by June 23, 2022. WSCUC and Cal Poly hope that all members of the university community, including students, staff, faculty and external stakeholders will be able to participate in the April 2022 visit. For more information, see Cal Poly's WSCUC Accreditation page at https://wasc.calpoly.edu/.

## **Food Pantry Now Open to Faculty and Staff**

Currently, millions of individuals face food insecurity every day. Due to the ongoing effects of the coronavirus pandemic, many households that experience food insecurity do not qualify for federal nutrition programs and rely on their local food banks and other hunger relief organizations for support. Due to this recognized need, the Cal Poly Food Pantry will open its doors to staff and faculty on Fridays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The food pantry is located in the lower level of Campus Health & Wellbeing (No. 27). Staff and faculty are welcome to peruse our selection of items, no questions asked. Cal Poly also hosts a SLO Food Bank Distribution site on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 3:30-5:30 p.m. on Mott lawn. For more info about Cal Poly's Basic Needs resources, including how to donate: <a href="https://basicneeds.calpoly.edu/">https://basicneeds.calpoly.edu/</a>.

### View and Register for Upcoming Benefit Events

Did you know that you can now view and register for upcoming benefit related events on the Human Resources website at <a href="https://afd.calpoly.edu/hr/benefits/events">https://afd.calpoly.edu/hr/benefits/events</a>? Questions? Contact the Human Resources Benefits team at <a href="mailto:benefits@calpoly.edu">benefits@calpoly.edu</a> or ext. 6-2236.

Campus Dining Partners to Donate Meals to Cal Poly Food Pantry

In another step to help ensure every student has access to nutritious meals so they can stay focused on their studies, Campus Dining and partner Vitco Foods will donate 80 meals per month to the Cal Poly Food Pantry. Vitco Foods, a local Cal Poly-alumni owned restaurant supplier, has delivered frozen meals to the Food Pantry since Jan. 12. The meals will continue a donation program that began spring 2020 and has seen increased use by students. Following feedback from the Food Pantry, Campus Dining approached Vitco Foods about increasing the amount and making their donations a regular accommodation. Vitco Foods didn't hesitate. This donation program is the most recent initiative that Campus Dining leads to support students in need. Other programs include Mustang Meal Share and Feed Cal Poly.

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## Campus Community Invited to Provide Feedback for CSU Review of President Armstrong

Per a CSU board of trustees' policy requiring campus presidents to be reviewed every three years, the university community can submit comments that provide feedback to the board of trustees and the chancellor about President Armstrong's leadership and the current state of affairs at Cal Poly. Comments should also provide information that will further the university's progress and assist Armstrong in the leadership of Cal Poly. The criteria for feedback are posted on the CSU website: <a href="https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/about-the-csu/leadership/presidents/Documents/csu-presidential-review-criteria.pdf">https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/about-the-csu/leadership/presidents/Documents/csu-presidential-review-criteria.pdf</a>. The written responses will be summarized into a confidential report that will be discussed with Armstrong and presented to the board of trustees. None of the commentators will be identified by name and responses will be treated in confidence to the extent permitted by the law. Unsigned letters and petitions will not be accepted. Submit letters or emails by March 22 to <a href="mailto:presidentreview@calstate.edu">presidentreview@calstate.edu</a> or Chancellor Joseph I. Castro, The California State University, 401 Golden Shore, Suite 641, Long Beach, California 90802-4210. Read Chancellor Castro's letter to the Cal Poly community at <a href="https://president.calpoly.edu/campus-community-invited-provide-feedback-csu-review-president-armstrong">https://president.calpoly.edu/campus-community-invited-provide-feedback-csu-review-president-armstrong</a>.

## Celebrate Rec Day 2021 with the Cal Poly Recreation Center

Join ASI Recreational Sports in celebrating #RecDay2021 on Monday, Feb. 22, with a variety of fun themed fitness classes hosted by your favorite instructors to celebrate health, activity and inclusivity. One attendee per class will be randomly chosen to win a prize bundle consisting of a \$50 Athleta shop gift card, a Recreation Center sticker bundle, and more. Get your costumes ready and visit ASI Recreational Sports at <a href="https://www.asi.calpoly.edu/events/rec-day-2021/">https://www.asi.calpoly.edu/events/rec-day-2021/</a> for more information and class links.

## Hewlett Packard Enterprise Donation Will Upgrade Cal Poly's Parallel Computing Lab

A donation from Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co. will significantly upgrade Cal Poly's parallel computing lab, allowing students to be more ambitious with senior projects, theses and research that require large amounts of storage and computation power. "Jobs that might have taken three days, we could possibly do in a few hours now," said John Seng, a professor in the Computer Science and Software Engineering and Computing Engineering departments. "So that's a big improvement and a real benefit for students." A virtual ribbon-cutting ceremony was held Feb. 12 for the newly named Hewlett Packard Enterprise Massively Parallel Accelerated Computing Lab. While the lab is the only one of its kind in the California State University system, it needs upgrades to remain relevant. HPE's \$100,000 donation will allow students to continue research in high-performance computing — and elevate what they have done-in the past. Read more at <a href="https://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news">https://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news</a> releases/2021/february/hewlett donation.

#### How the Low Income Tax Payer Clinic Adapts to Serve Clients in a Pandemic

In a typical year, the LITC works with clients who meet low-income guidelines and have a controversy or legal dispute with the IRS. Volunteer lawyers, along with students, remedy the situation, advocating on their clients' behalf and finding workable solutions with the IRS. But when the pandemic hit last spring, the LITC had to readjust to continue safely upholding its mission. The clinic's executive director, Lisa Sperow, worked with staff in the Orfalea College of Business and students to protect the confidential information and sensitive documents of clients while protecting the health of all involved. "We don't get lavish gifts from our clients; we don't get extravagant parties. But they call us almost in tears thanking us for the work we've done for them," says Juan Moreno, who is earning his master's degree in taxation. Read the full article at <a href="https://www.calpoly.edu/news/great-service-community-how-low-income-taxpayer-clinic-serves-clients-pandemic">https://www.calpoly.edu/news/great-service-community-how-low-income-taxpayer-clinic-serves-clients-pandemic</a>.

### In Memoriam

Former Cal Poly dean Jon Ericson passed away in his home in Pacific Grove, California, on Tuesday, Jan. 19, after a lifelong career in education. In 1970, Ericson founded Cal Poly's School of Communicative Arts and Humanities, now the College of Liberal Arts. In addition to helping make the London Study Program available to Cal Poly students, Ericson launched English language programs for Japanese students during his tenure. He is survived by his spouse Amy, his two daughters, Beth and Ingrid, and son Joel. His first son Jon died in 1992. In 2000, the Ericsons created the M. Ericson Founders Endowment for the London Study Program to provide scholarships for qualified students with financial need to attend the program. Join in commemorating Dean Ericson's legacy by contributing to the Jon M. Ericson Founders Endowment for the Cal Poly in London Program. Read more on the College of Liberal Arts news site at <a href="https://cla.calpoly.edu/jon-ericson">https://cla.calpoly.edu/jon-ericson</a>.