A Message from an EOP Student

“Whatever your son or daughter likes to do, they’ll be able to do it here in San Luis Obispo. You can be assured that they will have a safe place to grow and pursue their interests and have enough time for school and rest.”

Josue Perez, first-year Computer Engineering student

This picture was taken on November 7 by a group of 17 students as part of an organized outing sponsored by the Civil Engineering Society. Students took the “tri-tip challenge,” which consists of hiking Bishop Peak, the Cal Poly P and Cerro San Luis. The hike started at 5 a.m. and ended with a celebratory tri-tip sandwich at Firestone Grill.

FIRST YEAR SEMINAR

The First Year Seminar series is an eight-week program offered to new incoming first-year and transfer EOP students. The seminars were created to assist EOP students with a successful transition into life at Cal Poly. Students were introduced to university resources and challenged to implement new learning methods that are essential to their academic success. Some of the topics covered include self-advocacy, financial aid, effective time management, academic colleges, and class scheduling.

FINISHING THE QUARTER STRONG!

On November 13, Student Academic Services hosted an event called “Finish the Quarter Strong!” for students in all programs - Connections for Academic Success, Cal Poly Scholars, the Educational Opportunity Program, and Student Support Services. Over 150 students attended. The event provided students with a study break and inspiration to go into finals week with a success-oriented mindset.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

Greetings, parents and supporters! We are delighted to connect with you to share highlights from the fall term here at Cal Poly and Student Academic Services. You are our partners in student success!

Renoda Campbell - Coordinator, Connections for Academic Success
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STUDENT SUCCESS SEMINARS

This fall, we offered 40 Student Success Seminars on 19 different topics related to student success. Examples of seminar topics include time management, memory techniques, test preparation, stress management and reading textbooks effectively. A total of 607 students attended the seminars, and 107 of these students (18 percent) were affiliated with S.A.S. programs.

Here’s what some students had to say about the Student Success Seminars:

“The seminar was very thorough and introduced me to new note-taking strategies that I had not previously considered. I hope to utilize these strategies in the future.”

“Provided great advice for time management and test preparation. I feel confident and ready to start studying for my next midterm!”

“Seminar was very informative and practical. Great presentation, thanks!”

STAY CONNECTED

Our partners in Parent & Family Programs offer a variety of ways to stay connected to campus.

- **Parent VIP Page**: Stay connected with regular e-updates on time-relevant topics and campus resources.
- **Parent Volunteer Corps**: Volunteer and connect with other Mustang parents to get to know the Cal Poly community.
- **Parent Advisory Council**: Observe a meeting and apply to be a part of a group of university ambassadors.
- **Ask a Parent Page**: Ask a Parent Advisory Council member questions and share your experiences and perspectives as a Cal Poly parent (www.parent.calpoly.edu/ask-parent).
- **Contact**: parent.calpoly.edu
  805-756-6700

CAL POLY SCHOLARS

This fall, Cal Poly Scholars offered the following opportunities and events:

- **Move-In at the Scholars Living Communities**
- **CP Scholars Welcome Dinner**
- **Year 1 Workshop: Program Partners Panel**
- **Year 1 Workshop: PASS Party and Class Registration Help**
- **Year 2 Workshop: Cooking In Poly Canyon Village**

For Winter 2016, Cal Poly Scholars will offer:

- **Year 1 Workshop: Building Your Skills For Strengths & Leadership**
- **Year 2 Workshop: CP Scholars Year 3 - What To Expect?**
- **Career Workshop: Presenting Yourself via Portfolium & Resumes**
- **Learn By Doing Lunch - An Opportunity To Network With Faculty and University Leadership**

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