

# New PHILANTHROPIC FOUNDATION

# to Lead University Fund Raising

The polytechnic experience at Cal Poly Pomona gives students a distinct advantage when they enter the workforce, and the university has long relied on a committed foundation of supporters to help provide the resources needed for students to succeed.

To create new philanthropic opportunities, the university has established the **Cal Poly Pomona Philanthropic Foundation** and installed a volunteer board of directors that includes distinguished alumni and industry leaders. The nonprofit organization, established July 1, will serve as the leader for the university's fund-raising efforts.

"By broadening partnerships and deepening financial support, the philanthropic foundation will strengthen the university's educational mission by increasing student scholarships, faculty research initiatives, classroom and lab renovations, and projects that benefit the economic vitality of the state and region," says **Dan Montplaisir**, vice president for university advancement.

**Larry Gates**, president of DRC Engineering, is the inaugural board chair.

"This foundation is important to me, because when I attended Cal Poly Pomona in 1987, I received an incredibly valuable education at a low cost. I want to ensure that future generations have that same opportunity," he says.

The philanthropic foundation is able to accept a broader range of gifts and grants to fund scholarships, facilities, academic priorities and strategic programs at the university. The move is also a critical step in implementing the university's Strategic Plan.

The foundation's directors will help raise the university's profile in the region, serve as ambassadors, and help the university engage with prospective donors and corporate partners.

For more information about the new foundation, visit [www.cpp.edu/philanthropy](http://www.cpp.edu/philanthropy).

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Philanthropic Foundation Board of Directors,  
pictured here with Rose Float student leaders.

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**LARRY GATES**  
Inaugural Board Chair



*"I'm passionate about the mission and vision of Cal Poly Pomona! My academic and extra-curricular experiences directly contributed to my career success. This role on the Philanthropic Board is next step in helping to turn that strategy into reality for the benefit of students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni and the community."*

**DIANE MILLER**  
Nominating Committee Chair



*"I am particularly passionate about the 'Future of Work' and helping students gain practical work experience and build their resumes while in college. I also am interested in leveraging my industry relationships to introduce companies to Cal Poly Pomona and to connect students with internships, additional educational exposure and innovative projects."*

**SUSAN KELLOGG-BELL**  
Development Committee Chair

