Meet our 2023 McPhee Scholars and Valedictorians Mya Do and Serly Teymoorian

Our two McPhee Scholars and Valedictorians are Mya Do (physics) and Serly Teymoorian (computer science). We celebrate their academic achievement in fields where women are historically underrepresented. Currently, women earn under 25% of degrees in physics and computer science. Their success is all the more notable due to the fact that both are immigrants. Click below to read their stories:

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Alumnus Dr. Richard Rodriguez is the 2023 College of Science Commencement Speaker

When Dr. Richard Rodriguez ('70, biology) showed up for his first day at Stanford Medical School he had doubts, but his grades convinced him he belonged there. Rodriguez said, “It was clear that Cal Poly
Pomona had given me a great foundation. I had all the science education I needed to succeed.”

CSU Trustee to Speak at College of Science Commencement

Diana Aguilar-Cruz chose CPP because she felt comfortable and welcome. “I also love the learn by doing motto. I’m glad I studied here because I got so much experience. It prepared me to do research and if I wanted to go to work in a lab right now, I know I could get a job and succeed.”

She’s grateful for the mentorship she received from faculty, administrators, and staff. “The professors taught me so much, including life lessons. Professor Alex John mentored me in class and in research. He taught me to have confidence in myself and what I was doing,” she said.

CPP Cyber Defense Team Takes Second in National Competition

In April, CPP’s cyber defense team took second place in the regionals of the National Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition. They then beat eight other regions to secure a wildcard spot in the national finals in Dallas, TX. In the national competition Stanford won first place, CPP second, and DePaul third. The CPP team is made up of Computer Information Systems and Computer Science students. Senior Security Analyst and Lecturer Curtis Carpenter (pictured far right) coached the team.
Greisy Winicki-Landman 2022-2023 Outstanding Advisor

Professor Greisy Winicki-Landman from the Department of Mathematics and Statistics received a 2022-2023 Outstanding Advisor Award. The award recognizes extraordinary efforts in supporting student success. Faculty and staff recipients were honored at a reception on April 25. Winicki-Landman, pictured center, poses with College of Science Dean Alison Baski (right) and Associate Provost, Student Success, Equity & Innovation Terri Gomez (left).

SEE ALL WINNERS

Jodye Selco Wins Outstanding Reviewer Award

Professor Jodye Selco, from the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry and CEMaST wins a 2022 Outstanding Reviewer Award from the Education Sciences Journal.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Andrea Bonisoli Alquati Quoted in National Geographic

Associate Professor Andrea Bonisoli Alquati from the Department of Biological Sciences is quoted in the article, "Radioactive Dogs? What we can learn from Chernobyl's strays."

Bonisoli Alquati shared that what they (researchers) learn about the stray's DNA may transform our knowledge about how mutations relate to diseases, particularly in vertebrates.

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Department of Physics & Astronomy Receives Assessment Revolutionary Award

Associate Professor Qing Ryan (pictured left) submitted the physics BS program for this award which celebrates the efforts of Cal Poly Pomona faculty who improve student learning and the learning environment by developing and implementing closing-the-loop strategies and changes (to teaching, curriculum, or instructional design) in response to assessment data. To address gaps, the BS Physics program drew from the literature of promising practices, and provided an optional recitation class. By calculating normalized gains between the two formats, findings reveal that students in this class scored higher than lecture classes.
Events

College of Science Commencement
May 23, 2023

3:30 p.m., College of Science #1
- Computer Science
- Kinesiology & Health Promotion
- Mathematics & Statistics

7:00 p.m., College of Science #2
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry & Biochemistry
- Physics & Astronomy
- Geological Sciences

INFORMATION & UPDATES

New Publications

If you have a recent publication that is not included, please let us know so that it can be listed in next month’s newsletter! email: djgriggs@cpp.edu


Grants

Professor Ed Bobich, Department of Biological Sciences Demography, Mortality, and Phenology in Relation to Elevation for Fouquieria splendens in the Colorado Desert After a Series of Droughts, Western North American Naturalist (2023-2026)
**College of Science Advising Center**

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

- **May 12**: Last Day of Classes for all students
- **May 13-19**: Finals week
- **May 23**: College of Science Commencement
- **May 26**: End of semester for faculty & grades due
- **May 29**: Memorial Day (campus closed)
- **June 5**: Grades finalization

The **Science Advising Center** is located in Building 8, Room 306

Contact by email at: sci_advising@cpp.edu

You can [schedule an appointment](#) through CPP Connect.

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