



Provost's Report to the Academic Senate

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Enrollment Updates



Enrollment Goal for CY 2025–26

Cal Poly Pomona is projected to slightly exceed the CY 2025–26 enrollment goal, driven by multiple contributing factors:

- Average Unit Load exceeds projection
Projected: 12.84 | Current: 13.03 (UG: 13.50)
- Improved re-enrollment outcomes
Fewer Stop Out Eligible & Danger of Discontinuation students (YoY)
- Record spring transfer cohort
1,240+ newly enrolled transfer students

Financial Impact

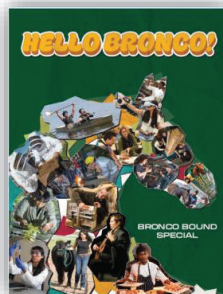
- \$1.8M in permanent CSU reallocation funding



BroncoBound – Saturday, March 21

A **university-wide** event for admitted students and their supporters, highlighting campus resources, academic opportunities, and student life.

All swag is created by CPP students



Registration is live!

- "Say Yes to CPP" – new zone
- ASI Hosted Game Room





Tenure Track Hiring, Funding Opportunities, and Awards



Tenure Track Faculty Hiring

New searches in 2026-2027 for hire in 2027-2028

24 allocated to the colleges based on growth

5 searches focused on emerging tech/GIS

A total of 29 new tenure-track faculty searches



Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

Provost's Teacher Scholar Program

Provides up to 3 WTU of assigned time (or equivalent funds) to support scholarship
Proposals due March 1 and Awards announced in April

AI Course Integration Grants

Support and advance faculty work to integrate generative AI into the curriculum
Call for proposals announced in March
Applications due mid-April; Awards announced May

Special Projects for Improving the Classroom Experience (SPICE)

Due Date: February 9, 2026; for info, please visit the [SPICE website](#).

Canvas in Practice: Strategies for Course Design and Student Success

(6 independent sessions, February 3rd thru April – please visit the [CAFE website](#))
The next workshop is on February 17

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Faculty Mini-grants (RSCA)

Due Date: February 8; for info, please visit the [RSCA website](#).

Strategic Interdisciplinary Research Grant program (SIRG)

Due Date: April 12; Announcement soon; for info, please visit the [SIRG website](#).



Faculty and Staff Award Opportunities

Provost's Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Scholarly & Creative Activities and Service

Nominations due Friday, February 13

Awardees Announced in April

For more information: [Provost's Awards](#)

Outstanding Advisor Awards

Nominations due Friday, March 13

Awards reception will be held on Thursday, April 23 from 3-5pm

For more information: <https://www.cpp.edu/outstandadvisor>



Research and Innovation

Federal Grants

- The 15% IDC cap is no longer viable for NIH and NSF
- Congressional budgets maintain the current IDC process
- Any changes to IDC are 2 years away
- Budgets in Congressional bills flat fund most agencies from last year

Expenditures and IDC recovered this year so far

	YTD 25-26	YTD 24-25
Total Expenditures	\$13,194,481	\$11,132,873
Indirect Cost Revenue	\$1,770,309	\$1,586,059



Future Career Paths



Career Engagement In and Out of the Classroom

- **Career Success Markers Expansion**
 - Faculty will receive a stipend to participate in a Faculty Learning Community (FLC) on integrating career success markers into their courses
 - FLC will take place this Summer, Applications will open in April
- **Career Champions**
 - Opportunity to support a collaborative community of career champions guiding students to complete career success markers and utilize the breadth of career-related resources
 - Application will open in April



Bronco CareerWorks

BRONCO CAREERWORKS

Your Next Job Starts Here

Cal Poly Pomona Career Center in partnership with Ultimate Staffing

- More paid, career-aligned opportunities for both students and alumni.
- Opportunities for students to explore internships, short-term roles, and full-time positions in their field of study.
- Builds on classroom learning by giving students real-world experience that helps them become by doing.

[Bronco CareerWorks – Cal Poly Pomona | Career Center](#)



Announcements and Collaborations



Graduate Programs Summit

Introducing and engaging with a coordinated approach to supporting and strengthening our graduate offerings, including:

- *Framework for planning, sustainability and innovation*
- *New curricular costs workbook to assist with decision making*

When:	Friday, February 20 from 8:30am to 2pm
Who:	Graduate Program Coordinators, Department Chairs, Associate Deans, Deans
More info:	Laura Massa, AVP Academic Programs, lmassa@cpp.edu



Cross College Collaboration

The ART of ENGINEERING: A Creative Challenge

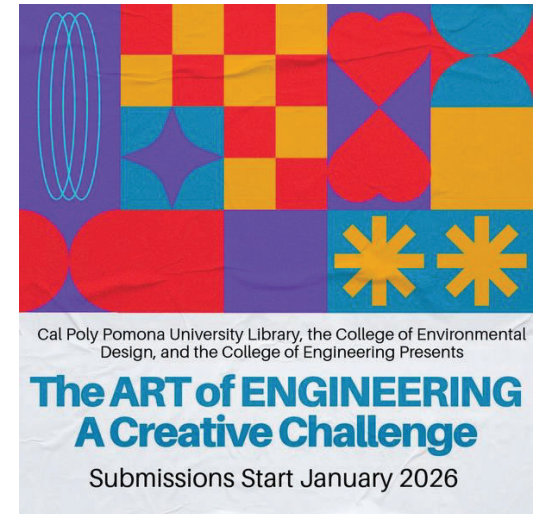
A Creative Challenge Competition to celebrate the aesthetic beauty that emerges when engineering, creativity, and hands-on learning come together in the spirit of Bronco innovation. Please visit the [The Art of Engineering](#)

- Submissions accepted February 1 to March 29
- Reception will be held on May 4, 2026.

PILOT – Credential Commencement

Credential candidates will be included in the 2026 Commencement Ceremony

- Affirming the university's commitment to equitable recognition of professional pathways and the preparation of future educators.
- Credential students may opt in to participate through a dedicated BroncoDirect module, ensuring a seamless process.





2025-2026 Common Read Keynote

**Mónica Guzmán, Author of
"I Never Thought of it That Way,"**
Tuesday, March 10

- Keynote: 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
Bronco Student Center, Ursa Major
- Register at www.cpp.edu/commonread





Reminder: Spring 2026 Student Progress Reports

Weeks 3 – 5
(February 2–22)

Weeks 8-11
(March 12 – April 12)



Questions?