

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

“Learn More. Do More.”



The Learning Resource Center (LRC) houses three distinct tutoring programs:

- **Bronco Tutoring** (formerly MaSH and ASI tutoring): Tutoring in Math, Science, Engineering, Business, Social Sciences, etc.
- **College Reading Skills Program (CRSP)**: Tutoring in reading and study skills to eligible students.
- **University Writing Center (UWC)**: Writing tutoring for university---wide courses and GWT preparation

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All LRC tutors are certified through the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA)

Mission Statement

The Learning Resource Center's mission is to promote student success through tutoring, workshops, test preparation, and study skills development.

LRC News and Events

During the Fall Student Open House Event, the LRC held a contest to rename the MaSH and ASI tutoring programs. The winning name, suggested by participant Joy Chang, was **Bronco Tutoring!** This new program name was implemented during Winter quarter, and new LRC signage will soon follow.

On February 27th, the LRC's **new website** was launched. Please

see the article below for more information on the new website.

The LRC hosted several **workshops** this quarter, including workshops on the Graduation Writing Test (GWT), Math Diagnostics Placement Test (MDPT), and Preparatory Math Program (PMP) courses. These workshops were very productive for our tutees, and the LRC will be hosting similar workshops in the Spring Quarter.



Pictured above: CRSP Staffmembers Cynthia Greco, Laura Ayon, Rachel Dominguez, and Robert Matranga pose with Billy Bronco at the Fall Student Open House

The LRC began **After Hours Tutoring** in Week 10 and Finals Week. These extended hours were made possible per the additional Student Success Fee, and will continue to be offered in Spring Quarter.

---Stephanie Gibbons,
Graduate Assistant

The Learning Resource Center's New Website



Pictured Above: Screen Cap of the LRC's new homepage

We have redesigned our [website](#)! The new site matches the new Cal Poly homepage and other sites. With this new layout, it is now even easier to schedule appointments, download applications, register for workshops, find helpful study guides, and so much more. Visit the [Our Services](#) page to find the help you are looking for. Don't be left behind! Visit the [News & Events](#) page to see the exciting and upcoming events within the LRC. Students can access LRC, Campus, and Community resources in one place through our [Student Resources](#) page. Faculty can access tutor recommendation forms and workshops for use in their classroom in our [Faculty & Staff Resources](#) page.

Have any comments, questions, or suggestions for our website? Please email us at lrc@csupomona.edu to let us know!

---Tracy McDonald, LRC Director



Pictured Above: Iliana Garcia & Miguel Rodriguez

Student Staff Highlights

Bronco Tutoring--- General Subjects:

Iliana Garcia

LRC Spanish tutor Iliana Garcia has tutored 14 distinct Spanish courses since being hired in September 2012 and says that she is passionate about her work as it gives her “the ultimate feeling” of fulfillment. Garcia, who is CRLA certified, recalled a memorable instance in which her tutee was failing a class and after receiving her assistance finished with an A!

Iliana Garcia sets her tutees at ease with her warm smile and friendly personality and has emerged as a leader in our programs in being a spokesperson in such events as the LRC’s January 2013 “Coffee, Tea and LRC” Open House.

Garcia will graduate this Winter 2014 and predicted that in leaving Cal Poly Pomona, she will especially miss the “amazing tutors and tutees” she met in the LRC. We will miss Iliana Garcia greatly also!

---Melissa Stocking, Program Coordinator

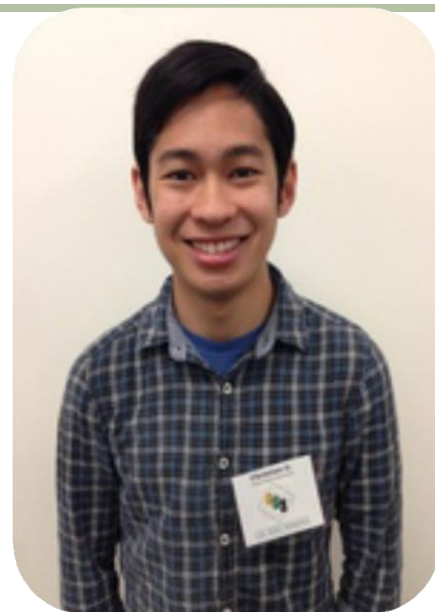
Bronco Tutoring--- MaSH:

The MaSH Program Coordinator would like to extend a special thanks to the many tutors who participated in the success of the Math 10 and Math 11 workshops held in Fall and Winter. Without you, the workshops would not be possible.

Mechanical engineering and mathematics tutor, Miguel Rodriguez, recently founded a Cal Poly Pomona chapter of the SIAM (Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics). Miguel is the chapter president while mathematics tutors, Grace Lim and Emily Jasien are serving as vice president and secretary, respectively. Cal Poly’s SIAM currently has 54 members including MaSH tutors: Christine Kchech, Craig Sheldon, and Eric Severson. The organization has already hosted a guest speaker from Siemens PLM Software and has two more guest speakers lined up to speak to the Cal Poly SIAM members in upcoming meetings.

We wish Amina Razzak all the best as she leaves MaSH and Cal Poly. Amina is graduating with a degree in Chemical Engineering this winter. We will miss you, Amina!

---Teri Vail, Program Coordinator



Pictured above from left to right: Michael Zhou, Sapna Jethani, and Christian Garrido

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College Reading Skills Program:

Michael Zhou

Although Michael is technically “between degrees,” he deserves mention for his contributions to CRSP’s peer tutorial services. In addition to his tremendous efforts to identify and bolster each tutee’s strengths and areas for improvement, he has invested much time and research in developing materials and training fellow tutors to assist tutees who are preparing for graduate entrance exams. Michael will depart CRSP to gear up for medical school in the spring, and will be sorely missed!

---Bob Matranga, CRSP Advisor

University Writing Center:

Sapna Jethani

The UWC would like to recognize Sapna Jethani for her excellent service as a GWT consultant. Sapna worked in the UWC as a tutor during the 2011---2012 AY before graduating with her bachelor's in English. She then returned in 2013---2014 as a grad student and has done an exceptional job helping coordinate the UWC's GWT services. Sapna has strong leadership skills and has been integral in the effort to improve our operational model.

---Len Vandegrift, UWC Program Coordinator

Clerical Assistants:

Christian Garrido

Christian Garrido has been an outstanding employee for the Learning Resource Center since 2011. He surpasses our expectations as a student assistant with his tremendous effort, positive attitude, and professionalism.

When new students visit the Learning Resource Center, Christian empowers them with the knowledge to schedule their own online tutoring appointments. Christian has spread his enthusiasm about the Learning Resource Center to other students outside the workplace; he even encourages his fraternity to utilize LRC services by offering personalized instruction for registering into Accudemia.

We are so appreciative of Christian’s contagious positivity and hard work!

---Patty Moses, Office Coordinator

\$250 Scholarship Opportunity for LRC Tutors and Tutees

LRC tutors and tutees are invited to apply for the **Dawn Van Bruggen Memorial Scholarship** this Spring Quarter 2014. Award recipients, one tutor and one tutee, will each receive \$250 and will be honored at a special recognition luncheon at Kellogg West on June 6.

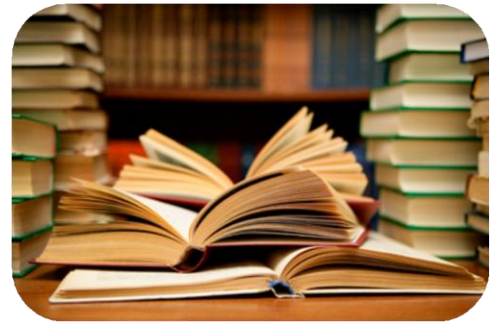
The Dawn Van Bruggen scholarship is given annually to tutors and tutees who exemplify former LRC tutor Dawn Van Bruggen's qualities, such as perseverance through adversity, providing community service, humbleness, and friendliness.

Applications are available on the LRC website.

- **Application for [tutors](#)**
- **Application for [tutees](#)**

Applications must be submitted by **May 30, 2014**, to the LRC front desk (Building 15---2921).

---Melissa Stocking,
Program Coordinator



*The Dawn Van Bruggen
Memorial Scholarship
application must be
submitted by 5/30/2014*

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Tutoring Hours:

Monday---Thursday 9am---5pm
Friday 9am---4pm

Upcoming in Spring 2014:

For the duration of Spring Quarter, Bronco Tutoring will be available by appointment and walk---in from 5---7pm on designated days. For the updated schedule, please see the LRC website under [Tutoring](#).

For updated Event and Workshop dates hosted by the LRC, please visit our website under [News and Events](#) and [Workshops](#).