

**Cal Poly
San Luis Obispo
College of Science and Mathematics**

**Proposal for Increase in the College Based Fee
Winter Quarter, 2009**

Here is the University Website for the College Based Fee increase proposal:
<https://myportal.calpoly.edu/help/cbf.html>

Here is the link to information on the College of Science and Mathematics
College Based Fee website: www.cosam.calpoly.edu/college_based_fee/index.html

Brief summary of the proposal:

The Proposal: Currently, College Based Fees for most students are \$252 per quarter; for students in the College of Liberal Arts they are somewhat less. The proposal is for all Cal Poly students, including those in Liberal Arts, to pay \$362 per quarter beginning in the 2009-10 academic year. This increase represents the annual inflationary index (Higher Education Price Index, HEPI) that is already attached to the fee plus a \$100 increase per quarter. The fee would again increase by \$100 per quarter (plus the HEPI index) in both the 2010-11 and the 2011-12 academic years. During this three year period the proposal calls for a total increase of \$300 per quarter (more for Liberal Arts students) or \$900 annually. The fee is half this for part-time students (6 or fewer units in FWS and 8 or fewer in summer). The current CBF in the College of Science and Mathematics generates approximately \$1.5M annually; the fee increase will probably yield an additional \$1.8M when completely implemented in Fall, 2011.

Purposes and Procedures for Allocation in the College of Science and Mathematics: The general purposes of the original College Based Fee in the College of Science and Mathematics remain: (1) support of student-faculty research and development, (2) resources for equipment and instrumentation, and (3) access to classes. Fee revenues will come to the College as generated and distributed based on proposals from the departments and consultation with department and College CBF committees. Final decisions are made by the dean. The College of Science and Mathematics Student Council oversees the process. The current CBF in the College of Science and Mathematics generates approximately \$1.5M annually; the fee increase will probably yield an additional \$1.8M when completely implemented in Fall, 2011.

Official University Statement for Purpose Use of College Based Fees

Student learning and success are the original and continuing purposes of Cal Poly's College Based Fee and the exclusive motivations for the proposed increase. Specific opportunities that will be made possible with the fee include:

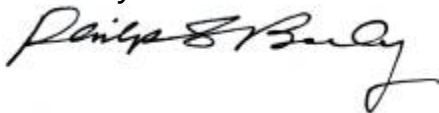
- Scheduling of classes needed to promote timely progress to graduation.
- Increased graduation rates with less time to graduation.
- Quality degree programs with uncommon learn by doing opportunities that characterize a Cal Poly education.
- Increased recruitment and retention of faculty members and correspondingly student access to the faculty.
- Student-faculty research collaborations and project based learning.
- Acquisition of sophisticated equipment and instrumentation.

An increase in the college based fee will put each academic unit in a better position to continue its academic distinction and thereby contribute to the growing national reputation of Cal Poly and the enduring value of a Cal Poly diploma.

Dear College of Science and Mathematics Students:

I hope you will become informed of the issues leading to the proposal to increase College Based Fees. Our website and that of the University have a lot of information on the subject. The original fee instituted in 2002 changed everything for us by increasing access to classes, allowing us to purchase major equipment and instrumentation (something we hadn't done for 12 years), and supporting student-faculty research. Declining State resources have made it impossible to continue full implementation of the purposes of the fee and thus the reputation of the University and enduring value of a Cal Poly education and diploma are in jeopardy. I hope you make your opinion known on the fee increase by joining in resolutions from clubs and College Based Fee Committees and participating in the on-line opinion survey March 11-12. This is my 40th year at Cal Poly and 26th as dean. I ask for your support of the proposal to increase College Based Fees and would not do so if I didn't passionately care about you and your future and believe that the increase is absolutely essential.

Sincerely



Phil Bailey, Dean
College of Science and Mathematics