



Welcome to the Architecture Summer Career Workshop!

The Architecture Summer Career Workshop begins with check-in on Sunday, June 28th, and culminates in a gallery exhibit on Friday, July 24th, with check-out immediately following.

We are very pleased you have chosen to attend the Architecture Summer Career Workshop and look forward to your visit to the Cal Poly campus! On behalf of the entire workshop staff, we welcome you and want you to know that we intend to make the Architecture Career Summer Workshop a very rewarding experience for you!

Please read through the following, as it will likely answer many of your questions, including what to pack, how to use Cal Poly's REC center, and required supplies.

There are separate pdfs that discuss check-in and check-out procedures, parking, and other FAQs. Please make sure to read all pdfs thoroughly!

A TYPICAL DAY LOOKS LIKE...

The workshop is led by Architecture faculty, Angela Bracco, Brent Freeby and guest faculty with each studio section of 15-16 students assigned a Teaching Associate (TAs). These TAs are selected from some of our most talented recent Architecture graduates who are able to mentor and guide students in the studio environment. All workshop content is delivered by current Cal Poly Faculty. All workshop activities are held in the Architecture building (building 5) and are in the same classrooms that we use for our incoming freshman students.

The workshop studios are in session from 9am-4pm Monday through Saturday.

Unlike lecture-based learning that many students are familiar with, in the workshop students are so engaged with hands-on projects they quickly realize that this time passes quite quickly!

7:00 - 8:45 am	Wake up + have breakfast in the dining hall
9:00 - 10:00 am	Group lecture, project briefs, and project reviews
10:00 - 12:00 pm	Studio time
Noon	Lunch

1:00 - 3:00 pm	Studio time
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Workshops (portfolio, 3d modeling, sketching)
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Recreational activities + down time
5:00 - 7:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 - 10:00 pm	Recreational activities + down time
10:30 pm	Quiet time + Lights Out
Tuesday nights	Dinner and a lecture
Thursday nights	Our famous San Luis Obispo farmers market + dinner

The summer workshop is a fast-paced program, and important information is covered in every class. Students are expected to attend all classes and be present every day for the full four weeks of the program.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Social activities which are equally important to the academic life of the workshop, with both evening and Sunday activities. We have many recreational activities led by current Cal Poly Architecture Students. Every year we have lots of activities, of all sorts, to offer campers such as various sports, water coloring, drawing, other crafts, 3d printing etc. If you have a particular activity you are interested in, we can typically accommodate this as long as it's not dangerous and can be conducted on campus. We also have other events such as beach day and pool time.

REC CENTER

Campers also really seem to like going to The Cal Poly Rec Center which is available for workshop students 16 and over. The fee is about \$50 for four weeks, payable directly to ASI at check-in.

The Rec Center is funded independently through a student fee. It is run by Associated Students Incorporated (ASI) and is therefore outside of costs and release agreements with Conference and Event Planning. Rec Center Waiver of Liability forms will be available at check-in, as a Parent or Guardian must sign these for minors. If a parent is unable to sign this form at check-in, please call Conference and Event Planning (805 756-7600) to have this form sent in advance to have it signed prior to check-in.

***Campers must have a parent sign this agreement on the day of check-in to attend the gym during the duration of the workshop!**

DORM LIFE + SUPERVISION

Practically all the participants of our camp reside on campus in Cal Poly residence halls, where they are introduced to the rhythms and expectations of university life. Supervision is provided by live-in counselors who are current Cal Poly architecture students, offering both mentorship and guidance. Through this residential experience, students develop personal responsibility, social awareness, and lasting peer relationships. The program serves as a supported introduction to college life, balancing independence with structured supervision.

The “live-in” resident advisors (RAs) will be introduced at our first meeting. The dorms are separated by gender. Each wing of the dorm has restrooms, showers, and laundry rooms. The ground floor has two all gender restrooms, recreational activities, and vending machines.

*Please note that for the welfare of the workshop students, going off campus is strictly prohibited, except for organized and chaperoned group activities such as Thursday night Farmer’s Market, firm tours and beach day. We recognize that this policy is often stricter than some students’ have at home, but students are typically so engaged in the social activities of dorm life as well as workshop assignments that this policy is rarely an issue.

The camp is housed in the south mountain dorms. Please see the link to the dorms. Some amenities are not offered for the summer program, but this gives you a general idea of the housing arrangements.

<https://housing.calpoly.edu/student-housing/residence-halls-and-apartments/south-mountain-halls>

COMMUTER ATTENDIES

Students who live locally, within driving distance of Cal Poly’s campus, may apply as a commuter to the workshop. Students must be staying with a family member or relative in the central coast area while attending the workshop. The responsible adult must provide students with supervision, lodging, and meals while the student is not in class for the duration of the camp. Students are not allowed to stay in hostels, hotels, or other housing arrangements. Students found in violation of this policy will be immediately dismissed from the program.

Commuters are provided with daily lunch, Tuesday night dinners. Commuters need to arrive daily by 9:00 am at the Berg Gallery for instruction unless otherwise notified. And be picked up around 4:30 pm. Again, commuters can also hang out for recreational activities in the evenings and on weekends but cannot stay for dinner (except Tuesday) or remain on campus overnight.

FAMILY VISITS

Parents, guardians, and family are welcome to visit their children during the workshop. Written permission via email to workshop Director Angela Bracco (archsummerworkshop@calpoly.edu) is required if students are to go off-campus with parents or family.

At times, it is necessary for a student to travel home for family engagements, and this can be accommodated with written permission to the email above. We can provide drop-off and pick-up at the local airport or Amtrak station. There is an Amtrak bus that departs from campus as well.

WHAT TO BRING...

WORKSHOP SUPPLIES

Students are expected to bring a laptop for use during the workshop. We will focus on browser supported freely available software, to avoid any software costs or requirements, and enable students to use these tools after the workshop. However, downloading a free trial of a program works better and often requires a more robust laptop.

Please contact Angela Bracco (archsummerworkshop@calpoly.edu) if it is not possible for a student to bring their own laptop or chromebook.

Most workshop supplies will be provided and therefore, you will not need to bring any major drafting or model-making materials. However, we do ask you to bring:

- mouse for 3d modeling
- an empty 8 gb flash drive, or cloud storage space to share files.
- drawing pencil kit (such as Berol or Staedtler brand, with soft lead such as HB, F, or B lead - not mechanical pencils) (6 to 12 different pencils)
- black Uniball pen, rollerball pen, or fiber tip pen (medium point)
- black Sharpie or Pentel Sign Pen (thick and thin)
- eraser
- 9" X 12" bound sketch pad (unlined, spiral bound preferred)
- glue stick
- bottle of white glue (students prefer Tacky Glue)
- a glue gun with extra supply of glue sticks (you will likely use lots of glue sticks)
- an x-acto knife with lots of extra blades
- utility knife or heavy-duty snap blade style cutter
- a pair of large sharp scissors
- a metal straight edge (at least 18" in length with cork backing recommended)
- and a minimum six-foot extension cord

- A shoebox or container to keep all supplies in is highly encouraged.

* The camp also has lots of materials and supplies, but we ask you to start with the list above.

**Additional materials, as desired, may be purchased at the campus bookstore, too.

***PLEASE MARK YOUR EQUIPMENT WITH YOUR NAME.

Programs we use during the workshop:

3D Modeling

Rhinoceros (90-day free trial) <https://www.rhino3d.com/>

Sketch up (free web based) https://sketchup.trimble.com/en/plans-and-pricing/sketchup-free?srsltid=AfmBOooYGSfluHxSz1jilh8aPXd3diky0eVBSlidRXsnjno-ah4_ZYcN

Photo Editing

<https://pixlr.com/suite/>

*Campers can use the Adobe suite of programs, but this is a monthly subscription, and we don't use these programs during the workshop in order to not be cost prohibitive for those that wish to continue working on photo editing and portfolios after the camp. The faculty and students at Cal Poly in the Architecture Program use and are trained in Adobe Photoshop and InDesign. These are standard programs for photo editing and portfolio making.

WHAT TO PACK

CLOTHING

You will need to bring clothes for a range of activities. Outside of studio time, we will be going to the beach, walking, and hiking (this includes durable and comfortable walking shoes), clothes that can be worn in layers (i.e., a sweatshirt over a T-shirt), and a light coat as we often have cool, foggy mornings. We also have one exercise where we get a bit messy...

Although we are in California and near the beach, some say we can have all the seasons in one day, so please bring a variety of clothing choices. Students will be showering in the dorms; shower shoes or flip-flops are also recommended.

LINENS AND BEDDING

Students must bring sheets, a blanket/sleeping bag, pillow, and at least two towels.

***All beds on campus are twin xl.**

OTHER ITEMS

- reusable water bottle
- basic toiletries
- shower caddy or bathroom tote to carry your toiletries to the dorm showers.

- flashlight/headlamp
- backpack
- we have sunscreen, but sunscreen is always a great idea, especially if you prefer a specific brand!
- Snacks and beverages: if you have a favorite snack or beverage feel free to bring it. Each dorm room has a mini fridge.

Optional: bug repellent, hat, sun hat, sunglasses, laundry bag, an alarm clock, clothes hangers, or a radio/speaker since these items are not in your residence hall rooms. Fun items are welcome, too, such as cards, books, games, art supplies, costumes etc! We have many games and such, but you are welcome to add to the fun!

CAMERAS

We have found most students are taking amazing pictures with their cell phone cameras. Consequently, a digital camera is not required, but students who have their own digital camera may prefer this for documenting their work, social activities, as well as several assignments.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Bicycles are allowed. You will be fined by campus police for riding them in many areas of campus. *Therefore, we do not allow you to bring anything with wheels (bicycles, skateboards, skates).* No wheels, please!

Students are strictly prohibited from bringing any items to campus that pose a danger or risk of injury, including illegal drugs, alcohol, weapons, fireworks, and similar hazardous materials. We take this very seriously. Our staff and campus police will not tolerate misconduct in this area, and students will be immediately dismissed. Students are also not permitted to have e-cigarettes, vape pens, lighters, matches, etc.

*Any play, reckless behavior, or misuse concerning fire is strictly forbidden, especially as the dorms as they are located on the edge of the campus adjacent to a natural landscape.

**The campus is monitored by campus police 24-7 which means law enforcement is on hand for emergencies, but they are also on campus to enforce laws to anyone on campus.

POCKET MONEY AND MEALS

The majority of your meals are included in the workshop fee. The normal schedule of meals is breakfast, lunch, and dinner on weekdays and breakfast and dinner on weekends. Some snacks are provided for the dorms, too.

The following meals are not included: dinner on three Thursday nights (due to attendance at Farmer's Market), a couple of weekend lunches in San Luis Obispo, and snacks during the day.

Please bring some money to cover these meals. It is important to note that Cal Poly campus is primarily cashless (excluding the campus bookstore). If a student does not have a debit card of



their own, Apple Pay or Visa Gift cards are also options that will work on campus.

LAUNDRY

Laundry room facilities are available in the residence hall. Washers and dryers are free to use. Users assume all responsibility for articles left unattended in the laundry facility. The Architecture Summer Career Workshop does not assume responsibility for lost or stolen items. We provide laundry detergent, but please bring your own if you have a particular brand preference.

MAIL

Mail is distributed by the Conference and Event Staff, Monday through Friday, and delivered to the dorms.

Mailing address is:

Conference & Event Planning
Re: Architecture Career Workshop
Attn: Student Name
1 Grand Ave, Vista Grande Building 112, 3rd Floor
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

Mail can also be sent to Angela Bracco

Angela Bracco (camper name)
Architecture Department
1 Grand Avenue
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

For specific questions regarding registration, payment, and liability forms, please direct your questions to Cal Poly's Conference and Event Planning: conference-eventplanning@calpoly.edu or by phone at 805 756-7601.

For questions regarding the Architecture Career Summer Workshop schedule, content, and transportation coordination you may email the Program Director, Angela Bracco, at archsummerworkshop@calpoly.edu

Sincerely,

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