

Hispanic Serving Institutions

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grant project



CAL POLY POMONA

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Grant Guidelines

In October 2005, the University Library received a \$2,129,397 Title V Developing Hispanic- Serving Institutions (HSI) Grant from the U.S. Department of Education, which comes as the library prepares for its upcoming Renovation and Addition.



The five-year grant will be used to strengthen library-based learning through a multimedia library collection known as the Hispanic Studies

Collection. The grant will also focus on improving learning technology through the purchase of new public access computers for student use in the new Library Addition/ Renovation (scheduled to open in 2008) and teaching information literacy.

Harold B. Schleifer, Dean of the University Library, is serving as the HSI grant Project Director.

HSI grants are awarded to eligible institutions of higher education to expand their capacity to serve Hispanic and low-income students. Cal Poly Pomona is an officially qualified Hispanic-Serving Institution, with at least 25 percent Hispanic undergraduate student enrollment. In Fall 2005, the university's total enrollment of 19,885 comprised 30.5 percent Hispanic

students, according to the Institutional Research, Assessment & Planning department.

Grant funds will specifically be used to:

- Build a collection that supports the study of Hispanic culture as well as brings Hispanic perspectives to the curriculum at Cal Poly Pomona by adding at least 5,000 items of books, media materials and electronic resources (databases and e-books) to the library.
- Outfit two computer-based research centers for students and one video conference center for faculty development in the new library building addition.
- Implement an information literacy program through a three-tiered (freshmen, junior/ senior, graduate/credential) Web tutorial. The program will be a permanent component of the library's instruction program.
- Establish an endowment fund that provides continued support of the Hispanic Studies Collection and maintenance of the learning facilities and the information literacy program.