LSAMP Program

Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority & Underrepresented Student Participation (LSAMP) in STEM Program

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The LSAMP Program is designed to support undergraduate students who face or have faced social, educational and/or economic barriers to careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. The goal of the LSAMP Program is to increase the persistence and graduation rates of students from underrepresented groups who major in STEM disciplines. To accomplish this goal, the Cal Poly SLO LSAMP Program provides academic advising, community-building activities, professional development opportunities, and financial assistance to support successful transitions to Cal Poly and to careers in STEM fields. The LSAMP program emphasizes activities designed to enhance graduate school and career preparedness, including undergraduate research experiences, support for community college transfer students in STEM, and opportunities for student participation in academic conferences and international activities. Cal Poly SLO LSAMP is supported by the National Science Foundation (NSF) under Grant No. HRD-1302873 and the CSU Chancellor's Office.

To be eligible for financial assistance, students must face or have faced social, educational and/or economic barriers to careers in STEM; be U.S. citizens or permanent residents; and be enrolled at Cal Poly in an eligible major. Eligible majors include any major in the College of Engineering or College of Science and Mathematics (excluding Liberal Studies): the following majors are also eligible: Agricultural and Environmental Plant Sciences, Agricultural Science, Animal Science, Agriculture Systems Management, Architecture, Architectural Engineering, BioResource and Agricultural Engineering, Dairy Science, Environmental Earth and Soil Sciences, Environmental Management and Protection, Food Science, Forestry and Natural Resources, Industrial Technology, Landscape Architecture, and Nutrition.