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CAL POLY POMONA STUDENT ELECTED CHAIR OF CSSA

POMONA, Calif. — July 3, 2013 — Cal Poly Pomona student Devon Graves, who served as Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) attorney general for the 2012- 2013 academic year, has been elected by the California State Student Association (CSSA) to serve as Chair for all 23 campuses of the California State University (CSU). On Saturday, June 15, Graves was elected Chair at the final meeting hosted at CSU Monterey Bay. Graves began his term on July 1 and will aid the CSSA by being an advocate to students through direct work with the California legislature.

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The CSSA is an independent non-profit student association governed by a student board of directors comprised of representatives from all 23 CSU campuses. The organization addresses issues affecting students at the state-wide and system-wide level. It is the mission of the CSSA to maintain and enhance access to an affordable, quality public higher education for the people of California.

In his position, Graves will be chair of board meetings and the internal affairs committee. Some of his duties include ensuring that meetings run smoothly by preparing agendas and supporting the executive officers. Meetings are held once a month at alternating California universities. He will also attend CSU Board of Trustee meetings held at the CSU Office of the Chancellor in Long Beach, Calif.

“This is an awesome opportunity for Devon to serve and be a leader at the system-wide level,” said ASI's Executive Director, Cora Culla. “I am confident that he will represent ASI and Cal Poly Pomona very well and continue to be a passionate advocate for the needs of CSU students.”

As an incoming third-year political science student, Graves has been learning about advocacy through course work and his experience this past academic year in both ASI student government and CSSA. He was part of voter registration drives on campus, in which nearly 2,000 students registered for the first time, and helped update ASI's Articles of Incorporation in November.

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Cora Culla

Guided by its commitment to foster student advocacy, representation, engagement and academic

success, ASI provides for leadership opportunities at the campus and CSU system-wide level and offers leadership development so as to live up to its motto of students serving students.

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