

PHYSICAL SCIENCES NEWSLETTER

FALL 2018 EDITION

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UPCOMING EVENTS: Physical Sciences Student Affairs Zot Chat ONLINE NOW ZOT! CLICK TO CHAT!

ANNOUNCEMENTS/

PHYSICAL SCIENCES ZOTCHAT IS AVAILABLE! Chat live with a counselor/peer advisor to ask general counseling or advising related questions. For more information, visit <u>https://ps.uci.edu/stuaff/</u> <u>content/live-chat</u>

IMPORTANT FALL QUARTER DATES:

Sept .27 - Instruction Begins

Oct .12- Deadline to Add/Drop courses without Dean's approval using WebReg (by 5 p.m.)

Nov. 12 - Veteran's Day

Nov. 22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec. 7 - Instruction Ends

Dec. 8-14 - Final Exams

Dec. 17 - Jan. 1 - Winter Break,

Holidays

ADD/DROP POLICIES

*ADD/DROP: The deadline to add or drop courses in the School of Physical Sciences is the end of Week 2 by 5:00 PM. Add/Drops can be made using WebReg.

*CHANGE: The deadline to change grade option or variable units is the end of Week 2 by 5:00PM. Changes can be made using WebReg.

An online petition will be used for Adds, Drops, and Changes after the listed enrollment deadlines have passed. Log into <u>STUDENT ACCESS</u> to submit an enrollment exception request.

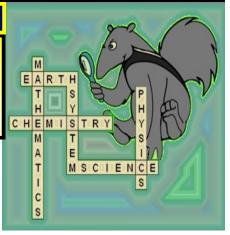
**Some departments within the School of Physical Sciences have deadlines earlier than those for the School itself. Please see the comments in the SOC for details:

NO CHEMISTRY LABORATORY CHANGES AFTER WEEK 1. Please NOTE: This deadline is earlier than the School of Physical Sciences Week 2 deadline.

GRADUATING SENIORS

Don't forget to submit those graduation applications! The time to do so is now if you plan on graduating in the spring or summer. Log in to Student Access today!





Visit us at http://ps.uci.edu/stuaff/

MENTOR PROGRAM

Great opportunity to be paired up with an alumni or science professional as a mentor

Gain insights to potential career paths; map-out areas for personal and professional development; and seek council regarding issues of concern

For more information visit: <u>http://www.physsci.uci.edu/mentor</u>

THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS OCTOBER 3, 2018!

The Physical Sciences Undergraduate Mentoring (PSUM) runs annually from November to May.

CAREERS AFTER COLLEGE http://ps.uci.edu/stuaff/content/careers

- Math provides a solid foundation for further study in graduate or professional school, including law school or business school. Information about math careers is available at: <u>AMS Careers</u>, <u>MAA Ca-</u> <u>reers</u>, and <u>AWM Career Resources</u>.
- Physics majors are analytical thinkers with a basic understanding of natural processes. Even with a Bachelor's degree, physics majors are in high demand in our technological society. To get an idea of industrial opportunities go to: <u>www.dice.com</u> and search "physics", <u>AIP Careers, APS Careers</u>.
- Chemistry majors are prepared to go on to careers in the chemical sciences as well as in biology, medicine, earth sciences, secondary education, business, and law. More information is available at: <u>AIC Careers</u>, and <u>ACS Careers</u>.
- ESS students go on to graduate school programs and careers as research scientists in academic, public, or private institutions. Students are prepared to enter the workforce directly as scientists in a diverse array of fields. ESS career information can be found at: <u>AGI Careers</u>, <u>AGU Careers</u>, and <u>GSA Careers</u>.

MATH AND BIOLOGY Specialization and minor

Interested in math AND biology?

Math majors, there is a **specialization in Mathematical Biology**! Mathematical biology is an integration of using mathematical models and tools and their applications in biology. Mathematical models and simulations are formulated and analyzed in order to answer biological questions.

There is also a **minor in Mathematics for Biology** for non-majors. Both the minor and specialization includes the course, **Mathematical Modeling in Biology (Math 113A-B-C).** If interested, please come by our office or visit <u>UCI General Catalogue</u> for more information!

UROP — UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

- What does UROP stand for? Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program
- UROP encourages and facilitates research and creative activities by undergraduates from all schools and academic disciplines at UCI.
- Research opportunities are available not only from every discipline, interdisciplinary program, and school, but also from many outside agencies, including national laboratories, industrial partners, and other universities.
- UROP offers assistance to students through all aspects of the research process, from proposal writing, to
 project management, awarding grant money, as well an opportunity to publish findings in UCI's own undergraduate research journal.
- Visit their website here for more information!

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ANTEATERS MATHEMATICS CLUB (AMC)

The Anteaters Mathematics Club is a student run organization that brings together students interested in mathematics. AMC provides opportunities for students to explore various topics of mathematics outside the classroom, enhance student communication and cooperation, and provide resources to help students prepare for future careers in mathematics, We also have some fun activities such as: talks from professors and graduate students, workshops on careers, graduate schools, and undergrad research as well. Math Club meets every Monday at 5-6PM at Natural Sciences 2, room 1201. You do NOT need to be a major to join AMC! Anyone who is passionate about mathematics is welcome. And please visit our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/anteater.math.club/

EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCE CLUB (ESSC)



The Earth System Science Club at UC Irvine aims to prepare ESS, ES, and students interested students in sustainability for careers in the field. We provide a number of workshops and networking opportunities with faculty, alumni, and local industries to assist students in preparation for the workforce. In addition, we serve the local community with ecological volunteering throughout the year. We hope to see you at our next meeting!

Please join our Facebook group for updates on the club and email us anytime at <u>esscirvine@gmail.com</u>. Check out our website at <u>http://ess-club.wix.com/essc</u>.

Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/196761771800/

CAL TEACH CLUB (CTC)

The CalTeach Club at UCI is affiliated with UCI's CalTeach Program, which is a 4-year undergraduate program where you can earn your bachelor's degree in Math or Science along with a secondary teaching credential. However, you do not have to be committed to the Cal Teach Program nor be a Math or Science major to be a part of the CalTeach Club. We invite all individuals who are interested in teaching, tutoring, or learning more about the education field in general. Our mission is to foster a community of future teachers here at UCI, and to offer a chance to network with other future and current educators. We aim to achieve this by bringing in guest speakers such as current/retired teachers, alumni, and other experts in the education field. Club meetings will have snacks, social events, speakers and informative workshops! This is your chance to discover whether or not teaching is for you. To know when and where we will have meetings follow us on Instagram at ucicalteach or on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/ucicalteach/</u>.



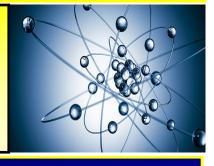
To find out more of what we have to offer and our upcoming events, feel free to contact us at <u>cbarilli@uci.edu</u> or <u>calteachadvisory@gmail.com</u>.

WOMEN IN PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY AT UCI

The Women in Physics & Astronomy (WiPA) group at UC Irvine is a representative body for women at the undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral levels. We strive to create a community for female physicists that fosters support through a variety of social events and outreach programs. We welcome anyone who is interested in discussing topics related to women in physics and addressing women's issues and interests within the department.

Visit us at our website: https://clubs.uci.edu/womeninphysics/

Email us for more information at uciwomeninphysics@gmail.com



ALPHA CHI SIGMA

Alpha Chi Sigma is a national professional co-ed fraternity focusing in the chemical sciences. Founded in 1902, there are nearly 100 chapters across the nation. Here at UCI, we are comprised of individuals from various majors such as Biology, Pharmaceutical Science, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Earth System Science and Public Health who are bonded by our love for and the common interest in the field of chemical sciences. As a group we strive to create a positive social forum for our members by promoting chemistry through academics, research, service, and assist our members in succeeding in their professional goals.

The Delta Lambda Chapter of AXS will be rushing from 10/8 - 10/11, and all events (excluding Monday at UTC's Cha for Tea) will meet at Rowland Hall at 6pm. Contact: <u>ucialphachisigma@gmail.com</u>



THE ACTUARIAL SOCIETY

The Actuarial Society serves as the undergraduate actuarial student organization at UC Irvine. We host events throughout the school year to provide social and professional development. This includes hosting actuarial speakers, resume workshops, and technical workshops. Additionally, we provide exam support and will happily answer any career questions.

Please visit our website at <u>www.clubs.uci.edu/actuarialsociety</u> for further information and resources provided.

Contact us at actuarialsociety@uci.edu.

MATH ANTEATER COMMUNITY

The mission of the Math Anteater Community is to create an environment in which undergraduate students majoring in math can learn to navigate the graduate application process. Over the course of the academic year, members will learn, gain familiarity, and achieve a developed understanding of the different aspects of applying graduate schools, including, but not limited to, the GRE Math Subject Test, components of an excellent personal statement, independent research, and choosing a graduate school that fits one's academic and personal interests. In addition to the club's long-term goals, Math Anteater Community's quarterly goal is to create a close-knit group of proactive undergraduate math majors and encourage sharing mathematical ideas and experiences. <u>MathAnteaterCommunity@gmail.com</u>



Visit the Research page of our office website at

http://ps.uci.edu/stuaff/opportunities/research

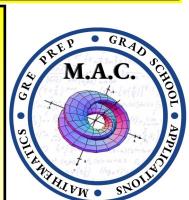
Come in and see us for more information in RH 134.

REMINDER: UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS

Remember, every time you move, you should log on to the Student Access website and update your local and/or permanent address. This way, the Student Affairs Office and other offices on campus can send you important information in the mail.

Free and Private tutoring is available for CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, *and* MATHEMATICS*! For more information visit our website.*







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UCI Math CEO

Math CEO is a Community Educational Outreach program run by faculty and students at UCI, aimed at developing problem solving and critical thinking skills through mathematics, inspiring underprivileged kids to work hard and pursue their dream of college career. Join us by:

- 1. On Mondays, attend a course (as a free, non-credit course or as MATH 192 for 2 units) to learn how to support middle school students learning math
- 2. Volunteer to do math with middle school students at UCI on Tuesday from 9-10am and/or on Wednesday from 2-4pm.

Sign up at https://goo.gl/forms/DTK9vhNZgkyb88W03 and become an inspiring mentor!

For more information, email us at mathceo@math.uci.edu.

You can also watch this video for more information: https://youtu.be/DyBik87GnHU

Take a look at this news article as well at https://news.uci.edu/feature/solving-problems/

APPLY TO BE A PEER ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Applications are available online for all academic units during 7th week Fall Quarter. These applications are also available at the Undecided/Undeclared Advising office located at 256 Aldrich Hall. This is a PAID position! Learn more about the Peer Academic Advising Program at http://www.due.uci.edu/paap

MEET THE ACADEMIC COUNSELORS



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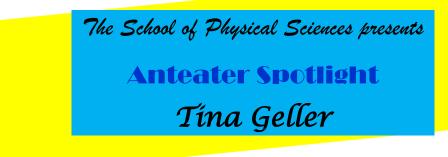
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MEET THE PEER ACADEMIC ADVISORS

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Questions? Please contact a Peer Academic Advisor or an Academic Counselor at 949-824-6507, at psazot@uci.edu, or come into our office to speak with us. We are located in Rowland Hall 134 and our walk-in hours are Mon-Fri 9:00 am-4:00 pm.



Meet Tina Geller, a fifth year Earth System Science and Psychology & Social Behavior double major, with a minor in Global Sustainability. Tina's involvement at UCI and her numerous accomplishments, are why she has been selected our Anteater Spotlight student.

Tina is from Studio City, California. When she came to UCI as a first year, she was Undergraduate/Undeclared. Because she didn't have a particular career pursuit in mind, she was trying to find something that she was passionate about that could hopefully guide her future plans. She took a Psychology class in her first year and loved everything about it, so she decided to pick it up as a major.. Then, during fall quarter of her second year, she took an Earth System Science course and although she wasn't planning to double major, she really loved the class and realized that was something that she would want to pursue.



Tina Geller

This fall quarter, Tina is going to be joining Professor Jefferson Moore's lab in the Earth System Science department. She will be helping research nutrient input to oceans by major rivers and how that affects ocean biogeochemistry using a model. She is certainly

When it comes to getting involved at UCI, Tina has some suggestions for new students. She suggests checking out a bunch of different club meetings and seeing which clubs are of most interest to you. Going with a friend is even better so that it's less intimidating. She claims that joining clubs helps combat homesickness if you're away from home, helping you find your home at UCI if you may be living off-campus or commuting. Moreover, in order to be successful, Tina recommends seeing professors and TAs during their office hours. By doing this, she has noticed that Professors and TAs aren't as intimidating as they originally seem. One time when she went to a Professor's office hours, they talked about cats for 30 minutes! Tina also advocates the importance of self-care so that you can become as successful as possible.

Tina is thinking about pursuing a career in higher education in her future. When she graduates, she wants to take a gap year before applying to grad school. During this time, she'd like to get an internship, do some research, and narrow down her future plans.

Congratulations Tina! We know that you will accomplish everything you put your mind to!

