

General Assembly

December 5th, 2023

Attendance
DECEMBER



Confirm Attendance
Fall 2023



If there is a mistake in
your attendance history,
please email Gustavo

Community Agreements

Community Agreements

- No recording
- Respect the speaker
- One mic one diva
- Step up step back
- Decorum

Zoom Specific Agreements

- Please keep your mic muted when you're not speaking
- If you have any questions/doubts, please raise your *Zoom hand* and you will talk shortly.

Robert's Rules of Order: A Brief Overview

Robert's Rules of Order Motion Steps

1. **Motion:** A member rises or raises a hand to signal the chairperson. *"I move to..."* for approving, adjourning
2. **Second:** Another member seconds the motion.
"Second!" or *"I second the motion"*
3. **Restate motion:** The chairperson restates the motion.
4. **Debate:** The members debate the motion.
5. **Vote:** The chairperson restates the motion, and then first asks for affirmative votes, and then negative votes.
"All in favor? Opposed? Abstaining?"
6. **Announce the vote:** The chairperson announces the result of the vote and any instructions.

Last Meeting Minutes and Current Agenda Approval

Assembly Vote Required

Correct agenda is actually on the next slide!

Meeting Agenda

- Greetings
- Last Meeting Minutes/Current Agenda Approval
- Roll Call/Community Agreements
- Campus IT Strategy Development Initiative
- Administration Reports
- Co-sponsorship Presentations (0)
- Executive Board Report
- Discussion Items
 - Affinity Group Support
- Action Items (0)
- Announcements
- Adjournment

Next General Assembly!

In person on Tuesday, January 16th at 6PM in the GSA Lounge

We are gauging modality and other preferences in the below feedback form! Please take a moment to fill it out!



Feedback on GAs



Administration Reports

GSA Advisor

Graduate Division

Graduate Council

GSRC

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Graduate Student Association

Graduate Division

Commencement 2024

**SAVE THE
DATE** 

**JUNE 14, 2024
1 PM**

ON THE COMMENCEMENT GREEN

- Students who have completed, or will complete, a graduate degree or credential between Summer 2023 and Fall 2024 are invited to participate.
- For more information and to reserve regalia:
www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/commencement

Graduate Division

- Friendly Reminder:
 - Please be sure to update your contact information (especially, mailing address) in UCPATH and GOLD.

Co-sponsorship Funding Running Tally:

4 funded so far at \$300/each

\$13,800 remaining of \$15,000 in fund

Co-sponsorship Requests

- Friday Noon Seminar (FNS) GSA Funding Proposal
 - Alyse Ptacek

Friday Noon Seminar (FNS) GSA Funding Proposal

What: *Weekly seminar (based on presenter availability) for research progress presentations by advanced PhD students. A student-led space fostering grad student collaboration and community.*

Who: MCDB and BMSE graduate students (no faculty, department officials, or undergraduates).

Cost: *Weekly lunch (~\$250 each), department quarterly funding was abruptly cut from \$4500 to \$2000 this quarter*

Funding request: \$300 toward lunch to help alleviate the sudden, drastic budget cut

Information about Co-Sponsorships

The GSA has limited funding available to support organizations' events and conferences that serve graduate students.

- \$300 per quarter per graduate student organization
- \$600 per year per graduate student organization

Mentorship programs are encouraged, but need to center the professional development of graduate students.

When someone brings forward a co-sponsorship that we want to see but needs some changes to be a good fit, the GA can say funding is approved conditionally.

Yes, you can apply for co-sponsorship!!

Do you want to support grad student community and professional development? We will give you \$300!!

- GSA Officers are excited to collaborate with and support you! We ❤️ Collaboration!

Ideas!

- Social Events
 - Pizza for Happy Hour
 - Supplies and snacks for Dungeons and Dragons night
 - Fees for Botanical Garden trip
 - Prizes and water for tennis tournament
- Professional Development Events
 - Food and drinks for skills workshop
 - Speaker payment for conference

Executive Board Report

Summary of all Executive Officers

Co-Presidents' Report: Bedlam Oak (Internal)

- Screening of strike documentary (**48,000**) on Nov 28
 - Thanks to Pratyush for an amazing film
 - Thanks to all who attended!! (~50)
 - **48,000** will be available publically after it has been submitted to festivals - will be announced!
- Vice-Chancellor of Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity Search Committee will begin in the new year!
- Considering fee to support Thriving Not Just Surviving
- Considering workshop series on military funding in STEM
- GSA Merch, as a concept?
 - Do people want merch? If so, what would people like and use?
 - Travel mugs, shirts/sweatshirts, stickers
 - Art contest?

Annjolie Vester (External)

- Council of President is meeting w/ President Drake this Thursday
- Systemwide UC Path update
 - >2 month lapse in employment will result in your direct deposit information dropped from UC Path and you will receive a mailed check instead
- San Benito Housing Committee
 - will move forward with Design Review Committee as early as January

VP Communication & Events: Gustavo Sampaio

- Pizza Night (Dec. 8th). Please join us!
- Fill form below if you have served in a committee on behalf of GSA



Grad Student Committees

HEALTHCARE

expected rate increase next year ~**24 to 30%** (23-24 year  10.7%)

2024-25 Renewal – Key Dates

Renewal kick-off email sent to campuses	October
Campuses may submit plan design and chargemaster change requests	October
Pre-Renewal/Utilization meetings	Oct 23 – Nov 3
Alliant presents preliminary UC SHIP renewal	December 5 (EOB)
Campus Deadline: initial plan design and chargemaster changes	December 15
Alliant presents 2024-25 renewal	January 16 (EOB)
Alliant delivers campus specific renewal letters	January 31
EOB Deadline: propose/request UC SHIP benefit changes	February 2
Campus deadline to submit plan design and chargemaster change requests	March 1
Campus deadline to confirm final plan design and 2024-25 chargemaster	March 15
EOB vote on UC SHIP benefit changes	March 12 (EOB)
Final rates released to campuses	April 5

Undergraduate Student
= \$1,064.00
EAP (Medical Only)
= \$363.33

Graduate Student
= \$2,067.00

Contracts and Opportunities Working Group

kwabena agyare yeboah, History, *Engagement Lead*
Sai Sukruth Bezugam, Electrical & Computer Engineering
Daniel Cervantes, Co-Chair, Political Science
Alicia Geng, Gevirtz Graduate School of Education
Mayra Gomez-Labrada, Co-Chair, Theater and Dance

Healthcare Working Group

Taft Crowley, Political Science
Xinru Du, Technology Management
Yuehao Gao, Media Arts and Technology
My Thu Tran, Co-Chair, Geography
**Kris Troy, Co-Chair, Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental
Biology (MCDB)**
Ashvini Varatharaj, Linguistics, *Humanistic Lead*
Olivia Wander, Political Science

Housing Working Group

Will Heo, Co-Chair, Economics
Shaylee Larson, Co-Chair, BioEngineering
Ye Mu, Geography
Carina Paredes-Rivera, Spanish and Portuguese
Shreyas Parthasarathy, Physics
Timothy Perez, Sociology
George Tsouloufas, Political Science
Lindsey Washiashi, MCDB

Professional Teams Committee

so far
Orientation 1 (11/20)
upcoming
Orientation 2 (12/7)
Graduate Student Townhall &
Community CoWork Dual Event (Winter 24,
tentatively weeks 3 OR 4)

VP Budget, Finance, & Committees: Adrienne Tsikewa

- GA Reps and GSA Committee Reps
 - Complete the [form](#) ASAP!
 - All GA rep stipends + committee rep stipends + PTC member stipends will be added together for ONE(1) disbursement
- Emergency grants will not be reviewed over winter break
 - Application will remain open, and app reviews will resume in Week 1 of winter quarter
- Committee on Library, Information and Instructional Resources
 - Open Forum on Data Management Across the Disciplines
 - Feb. 9, 2024
 - Focus will be on data management and the facilities that exist or are needed to assist faculty and students in managing their data; gain understanding of the shortfall of support, with an eye toward issuing a recommendation on where future campus planning and investment would be most useful
 - Please send any suggestions/recommendations to me:
 - atsikewa@ucsb.edu
 - gsa-vpfa@ucsb.edu
 - Subject line = Data Management Forum

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Graduate Student Association

VP External Affairs: Miriam Burnett



Discussion Item: Affinity Group Support
Women in Science and Engineering

Affinity Organization Funding!

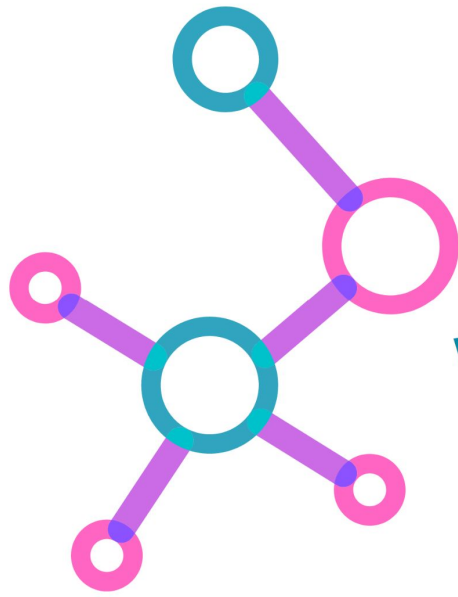
Currently, the GSA and Grad Div supports 5 graduate affinity organizations. Each org receives:

- \$2000/year from GSA
- \$3000/year from Grad Div

The organizations that receive funding are:

- Queer Trans Graduate Student Union (**QTGSU**)
- Asian Pacific Islander Graduate Student Association (**APIGSA**)
- Black Graduate Student Association (**BGSA**)
- American Indian and Indigenous Graduate Student Association (**AIIGSA**)
- Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (**SACNAS**)

Due to national affiliation and support, as well as collaborating with undergraduate students, SACNAS can no longer receive GSA and Grad Div funding, so we are considering supporting WiSE instead.

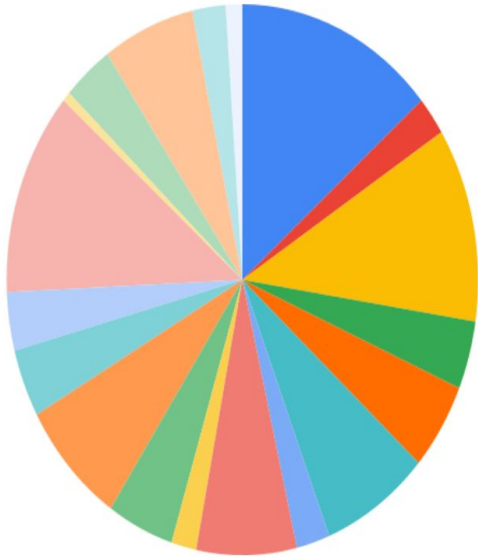
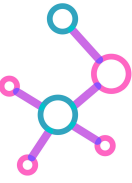


WISE

Womxn in Science
and Engineering



About Us



- Biology
- Biomolecular Science
- Environmental Science
- Computer Science
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Chemistry & Biochemistry
- Brain Sciences
- Earth Science
- Ecology & Marine Biology
- Electrical & Computer Eng.
- Geography
- Marine Science
- Materials
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Physics
- Statistics
- Technology Management



OUR ORGANIZING BOARD



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President



Sara Matsumura
Vice-President



Miriam Urie
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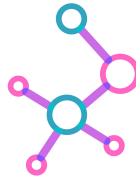
Emily Huffman
Social Committee
Co-chair



Sadia Nowshin
Communications
Chair



LIFE IN ACADEMIA PANEL



Life in Academia Panel

Join us for a conversation on academic careers and how we can foster an inclusive environment for underrepresented groups. Refreshments provided.

Wednesday, April 12th, 4-5:30 pm
Location: Elings 1601

OUR PANELISTS:

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Angela Pitenis
Assistant Professor, Materials | 
Xiao Luo
Associate Professor, Physics | 
Nina Molane
Assistant Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering | 
Andrea Carlini
Assistant Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry |
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REGISTER AT:
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/NDMZH46KTJGNKC288](https://forms.gle/NDMZH46KTJGNKC288)

Questions? ucsb.wise@gmail.com



HEADSHOTS EVENT



CAREER PANEL



Career Panel

Join us for a conversation on careers in industry and careers outside the traditional academic path. Appetizers will be served at the reception.

OUR PANELISTS:

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Meredith Murr
Director, Strategic Programs and Corporate Relations, College of Engineering, UCSB | 
Nien-Tsu Shen
Board Director, Kung-Peh Shen and Shang-Ho-Tsieng Cultural and Educational Memorial Foundation |
| 
Zoe Hinc
Manager, Design Verification Engineering, KARL STORZ Imaging | 
Christina Knapp
Senior Researcher, Microsoft Station Q |

Thursday, April 27th, Elings 1601
Panel: 4-5 pm
Networking reception: 5-6 pm

RSVP REQUIRED:
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/HGMVSGM1E9FTKQ8M9](https://forms.gle/HGMVSGM1E9FTKQ8M9)

Questions? ucsb.wise@gmail.com



SEMINAR AND Q&A WITH DR. KATHY KAMATH | SENIOR DIRECTOR OF R&D AT SERIMMUNE INC

How I Became a Scientist:
Sacred Geometry, the Cancer Puzzle,
& an Unconventional Path
Seminar and Q&A with Dr. Kathy Kamath

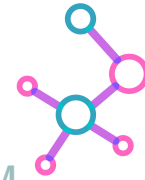
Thursday, March 2nd, 1 pm
Elings 1601

Food & drinks provided

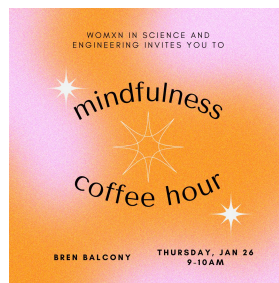


WiSE Fellowships

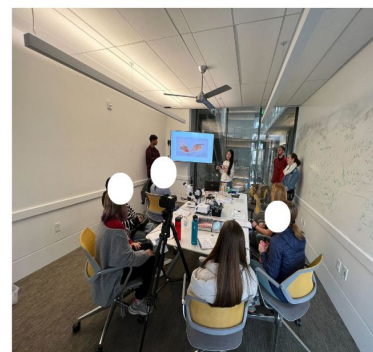
Decolvenaere fellowship: Melody Molander
Karl Storz fellowship: Melanie Adams
BD Biosciences fellowship: Neeli Tummala and Hiba Wakidi
Capritto fellowship: Taruna Schuelke



NEXT IN STEM

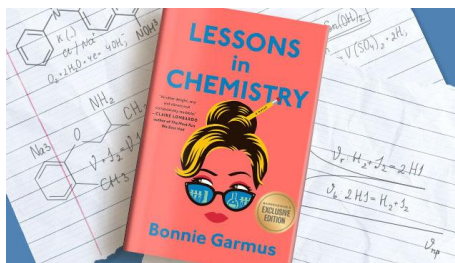


HER SCIENCE LAB



WiSE Book club

WiSE Running club



Her Science Lab Schedule

10:05 AM	Arrival at ESB 1001
10:10 AM	Introduction
10:20 AM	
10:30 AM	Demo 1
11:00 AM	
11:25 AM	Demo 2
11:35 PM	
11:20 PM	Chipotle lunch in ESB 1001
1:09 PM	
1:05 PM	Demo 3
1:55 PM	
2:00 PM	Demo 4
2:50 PM	
2:15 PM	Send-off in ESB 1001



In case you joined late, fill
out attendance sheet

Attendance



Adjournment

Next General Assembly: **January 16th** in-person