



# UCI BioSci Student Affairs

## BIO SCI ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS Fall 2023 - Week 4

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### 1. Mentorship Program to Help Students Navigate Undergrad Research

The Mentors for Academic and Research Success (MARS) is an initiative created by Research Outreach at UCI (ROUCI) to provide peer mentorship and guidance to undergraduate students with their academic, career, and research-related endeavors. The goal of this program is to unite the student community to develop inclusive opportunities to make connections and receive support in navigating research and student life at UCI.

### Program Overview:

Mentors and potential mentees will meet on our MARS Mentor-Mentee Mixer during Week 6, Nov. 8th, and they will be officially matched on our MARS Match Day during Week 9, Nov. 29th. Mentors and mentees will meet at least once per designated period (about once every 2 weeks), and socials will be held throughout the program to get to know other mentors and mentees!

Mentor Applications are currently open and are due **Saturday, Oct. 28th**.

**Mentee Applications** will open on **Wednesday, Nov. 8th (MARS Mentor-Mentee Mixer)**.

### Got Questions?

Please contact the ROUCI email: [rouciteam@uci.edu](mailto:rouciteam@uci.edu)

To learn more about our club, visit our [website](#) and Instagram ([@researchoutreachuci](#))

A promotional poster for the MARS Mentor-Mentee Mixer. The background is light blue with a stylized globe in the top left. In the center, two scientists, a woman and a man, are working in a lab with various glassware. The text is arranged in several boxes: a top box with the title, a dark blue arrow pointing right with a QR code, a box with the deadline, and a box with application details. The overall design is clean and professional, using a color palette of blues, purples, and whites.

**MENTORS FOR  
ACADEMIC AND  
RESEARCH SUCCESS  
(MARS)**

**SCAN QR CODE  
TO APPLY!**

**THE DEADLINE TO  
SUBMIT THE  
APPLICATION IS  
WEEK 4, 10-28-23  
(SATURDAY) AT  
11:59PM.**

**ALL UNDERGRADUATE  
STUDENTS ARE  
WELCOME TO APPLY!**

**MENTORS MUST BE  
AVAILABLE TO ATTEND  
MIXER AND MATCH  
MEETINGS ON WEDNESDAY  
NOV. 8TH AND 29TH AT 5-6  
PM.**

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## 2. Upcoming Pre-Health Workshops

- Zoom: November 14th, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- In person (NS1-3116): November 15th, 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Zoom: December 4th, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
- Zoom: December 5th, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

[Register for a pre-health workshop here.](#)



PRESENTED BY JENN MAITLAND  
ACADEMIC COUNSELOR, PRE-HEALTH ADVISOR  
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

# PREPARING FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONS

INTERESTED IN APPLYING TO A HEALTH  
PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL AND AREN'T SURE  
WHERE TO START?

**FALL 2023 DATES:**

- IN PERSON (NS1-3116): OCTOBER 16TH, 2 P.M. – 3 P.M.
- ZOOM: OCTOBER 17, 11 A.M. -12 P.M.
- ZOOM: NOVEMBER 14, 10 A.M. – 11 A.M.
- IN PERSON (NS1-3116): NOVEMBER 15TH, 3 P.M. – 4 P.M.
- ZOOM: DECEMBER 4, 1 P.M. – 2 P.M.
- ZOOM: DECEMBER 5, 10 A.M. – 11 A.M.

REGISTRATION: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/UCIPREHEALTHWRKSHIP](https://tinyurl.com/UCIPREHEALTHWRKSHIP)  
THIS WORKSHOP IS OPEN TO ALL UCI STUDENTS



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### 3. Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science Recruitment Week - Nov. 2



Office of Strategic Student Recruitment and Outreach  
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science

#### MAYO CLINIC COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE RECRUITMENT WEEK



## Innovative Education

Are you interested in pursuing a degree in medicine or Ph.D. in biomedical sciences?

Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science will be on campus to showcase the many educational opportunities, including medical school and doctorate programs, that we offer. Information will be available about Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine and Mayo Clinic Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

Make plans to stop by and learn more about our unique funding models, emphasis on translational science, and how we continuously improve patient care through research, education, and medical advances. You will also hear from our recruiters to get an idea of what you will need to prepare for post-graduate opportunities!

**DATE** Thursday, November 2, 2023

**TIME** 5pm to 6pm

**LOCATION** Division of Career Pathways (DCP) Training Room

DCP is located directly across from the Student Center Starbucks

**MORE INFORMATION**  
[college.mayo.edu](https://college.mayo.edu)



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## 4. Spring 2024: California Ecology and Conservation Field Course - Apply by Oct. 25



# California Ecology and CONSERVATION

NRS BIOL/ENVS 188 19 units

## CREDIT ALLOCATIONS

### Biological Science Major

Fulfills E166L Field Methods and two upper-division biology electives

### Earth System Science Major

Fulfills EarthSS 114 Field Methods and two upper-division electives  
(in HTE specialization if needed)

### Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Major

Fulfills E166L Field Methods and two upper-division biology electives

### Environmental Science and Policy Major

Under section C, this fulfills one upper-division ESS elective and two of the three upper-division electives for the major. Students would still need to complete one ESS course, two UPPP courses, and one additional elective under section C.

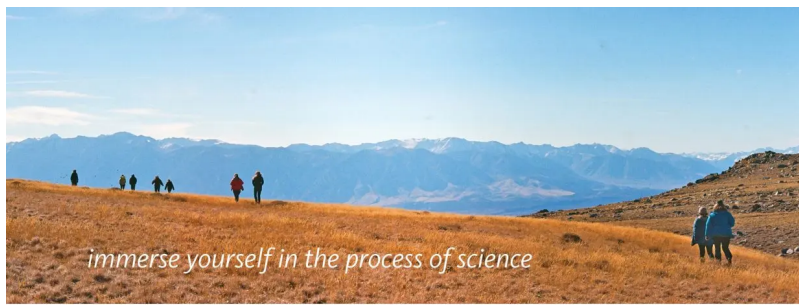
## 2024 SCHEDULE

	Spring	Summer	Fall
Applications open	Aug. 15, 2023	Nov. 1, 2023	Feb. 15, 2024
Applications due	Oct. 25, 2023	Feb. 10, 2024	Apr. 25, 2024
Instruction begins	April 1, 2024	Jun. 24, 2024	Sept. 26, 2024
Instruction ends	May 20, 2024	Aug. 12, 2024	Nov. 14, 2024

information for  
**UC IRVINE**  
students

RENSIE RICHOLDS

 Natural Reserve System  
CALIFORNIA ECOLOGY & CONSERVATION  
[ucnrs.org/teaching/cec](https://ucnrs.org/teaching/cec)



## CALIFORNIA ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION

### NRS BIOL/ENVS 188 & 189

#### ACTIVITIES

Explore California—spend 7 weeks at UC Natural Reserves  
Design your own scientific studies  
Learn field research and data analysis methods  
Improve your scientific writing and public speaking  
Receive personalized mentoring from instructors

#### DETAILS

Open to undergraduates from all 9 general UC campuses  
Maximum of 27 students  
Fall and spring: 19 quarter/15 semester units  
Summer: 19 quarter/12.7 semester units

#### LEARN MORE AND APPLY

[ucnrs.org/teaching/cec/](https://ucnrs.org/teaching/cec/)



PHOTOS: JUSTIN JAMES, LORENA WANGOU

## 5. Excellence in Research Workshops - Nov. 8 & 14

### Are you interested in participating in the 2023-2024 *Excellence in Research Program*?

Students interested in participating in the 2023-2024 *Excellence in Research Program* are required to attend a mandatory informational workshop in November per the schedule below. **Students must attend one workshop.** Additional workshops will not be scheduled so please attend if you have an interest in participating in the program. Workshops last approximately 1.5 hours. Please arrive on time and stay for the entire workshop to receive credit for attending. Sign up for a workshop via the Google Workshop [RSVP Form](#).

#### ***Excellence in Research Workshops -***

**Wednesday, November 8, 11:00 am – 12:20 pm, ICS 174**

**Tuesday, November 14, 3:30 – 4:50 pm, RH 101**

Visit the Excellence in Research website for Eligibility, RSVP Form and Excellence in Research Packet... <https://excellence.bio.uci.edu/>

Questions? Contact Susan Schafer, BSSA, [slschafe@uci.edu](mailto:slschafe@uci.edu)



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## 6. Trinity School of Medicine (Caribbean Medical School) Info Session and One-On-One Advising - Oct. 26

Are you interested in learning more about Caribbean medical education? A representative from Trinity School of Medicine will be available to meet with UCI students in the coming weeks. Please sign up for an info session as well as a one-on-one appointment.

Information session (via Zoom) 10AM-11AM

[https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX\\_eventsb\\_\\_events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZT1UAN](https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX_eventsb__events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZT1UAN)

One-on-One Appointments via Zoom: 11AM-12PM

[https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX\\_eventsb\\_\\_events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZT6UAN](https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX_eventsb__events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZT6UAN)

One-on-One Appointments via Zoom: 1PM-3:30PM

[https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX\\_eventsb\\_\\_events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZTBUA3](https://d5w000006h0q7eai.my.salesforce-sites.com/events/targetX_eventsb__events#/esr?eid=a1G6Q00000Y7ZTBUA3)

The Admissions representative will contact you with an exact meeting time upon sign-up.

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## 7. Study Abroad Workshop for Bio Sci Majors - Oct. 25

*Want to Study Abroad but don't know where to start?*

Please join us for a workshop for Bio Sci majors to go over the process of selecting a program, best timelines, programs to consider, and to hear experiences from Bio Sci students who have participated in Study Abroad/UCEAP! Presented by: Joanna Bradshaw, Academic Advisor.

Please RSVP with this link [here](#) for a Workshop below. There is a remote and in-person option:

- In-person: Wed, Oct 25th, 2PM @ Nat Sci II 4201



**Studying Abroad**  
**As Bio Sci Majors**

Attend an informational workshop on how to choose a program, apply, and receive course credit abroad!

Please RSVP for a workshop:

**Via Zoom\*:**  
**THURSDAY,**  
**OCTOBER 19TH**  
**@12PM**

-OR-

**In-person:**  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
**OCTOBER 25**  
**@2PM, NS II 4201**

\*Zoom link provided after RSVPing

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/XJmpQ7AuEGeXaJYA>

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## 8. Scholarship Opportunities Programs - Pre-Application Workshops

Dear Anteaters,

SOP is thrilled to announce that our Explorer's 11 advising cycle is open!  
Please submit the Pre-Application(s) for the categories you wish to pursue:

1. [Research Awards](#) (due **October 23rd at 12 pm**)
2. [Post-Graduate Internships](#) (due **October 23rd at 12 pm**)
3. [Service & Leadership Awards](#) (due **November 6th at 12 pm**)

The Scholarship Opportunities Program recommends that you **complete the required [SOP-PREP](#) before submitting the Pre-Application**. SOP-PREP is a short personal development course that will prepare you to become a competitive Pre-Applicant for one or more of our [21 external merit scholarship and internship awards](#). Upon completion of [SOP-PREP](#), you will have a **personalized advising consultation** with a Student Advisor to discuss your next steps and you will not need to complete it again in the future!



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## 9. 2024 Stella Zhang New Venture Competition

Attention!

Kickoff season is among us and we would like to ask you a few questions:

1. Do you have those idea sketches from years ago that were never picked up again?
2. Do you have interests in working with others to bring your creative ideas to life?
3. Have you ever thought about the idea of starting a small business or launching a startup?

If you answered **YES** to any of those questions, we would love to have you check out the 2024 UCI Stella Zhang New Venture Competition (SZNVC)! The competition is open to **ALL** UCI students (regardless of major), staff members, and researchers as well as community members. Teams compete for \$100,000 in cash prizes plus additional professional services!

Now, if you feel intimidated by this idea, don't be! We have a large team of mentors and coaches along with workshops to guide you through each step of the way!

Competitors will be connected with potential teammates, provided a variety of tools and resources to bring your ideas to life, and will also have the opportunity to connect with mentors in the industry to help bring their ideas from paper to life!

Our goal is to have a successful kickoff which will be on **NOVEMBER 1ST, 2023 at 5:30 PM at the MERAGE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.**

### Key Info:

- **Official Website:** <https://merage.uci.edu/nvc>
- **Official RSVP:** <https://na.eventcloud.com/sznvc24kickoff>
- **Call for Coaches/Judges:** <https://forms.gle/nKG7ocnkvVq6HKu66>

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## 10. Helpful Links

BioSci Academic Advisor Directory

BioSci Chat

UCI Appointments

Bio Sci Peer Tutoring

Gen Chem Peer Tutoring

Organic Chemistry Peer Tutoring

Math Tutoring

Physics Tutoring

LARC

UCI Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships

Fresh Basic Needs

Counseling Center

Wellness Center

UCI Disability Services Center