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School of Biological Sciences

**UNDERGRADUATE
HONORS
CONVOCATION**

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JUNE 12 | 4:30 PM | UCI STUDENT CENTER

Program

Welcoming and Opening Remarks

Frank LaFerla, PhD

Dr. Lionel and Fay Ng Dean and
Distinguished Professor

Undergraduate Honors Convocation Speaker

Raju Metherate, PhD

Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education

Procession of Students

Closing Remarks

Frank LaFerla, PhD

Dr. Lionel and Fay Ng Dean and
Distinguished Professor

Reception

Undergraduate Honors Convocation Awards

Excellence in Research, Dean's Awardees

John Anding

Sophie Cohen

Faith Cribbs

Kaylie Gurholt

Mihika Jalwadi

Hannah Lee

Elena Moyer

Kien Nguyen

Madeline Nistl

Aashi Patel

Krey Pillei

Pranav Radhakrishnan

Amit Ramchandani

Izza Rayna

Joseph Reyes

Nancy Rojo

Elijah Rowe

Areej Shaikh

So Takagi

Aneesh Telikepalli

Jaydon Vasquez

Hannah Vu

Audrey Whitney

Mark Young Xu

Katrina Yan

Elaine Zhang

Daniel Zhang

These awards are given to students who demonstrated outstanding work in the Excellence in Research program as selected by the Honors Committee

Robert Ernst Prize for Outstanding Research in Biological Sciences

Ashreiy Appajodu

Reilly Chow

Dr. Robert Ernst received a PhD in Biological Sciences in 1979 after retirement from a career in organic chemistry. He was fascinated by orchids and their physiology, and he grew orchids for many years, combining this interest with his academic knowledge. Since 1983, the Robert Ernst Prize have been given for outstanding research in the arear of plant biology and in biological sciences

Honors in Biological Sciences

Haneen Jamal Allahaleh

Walker Michael Allen

John Anding

Amanda Paule Arevalo

Cassidy Azores

Vivien Bui

Suhina Chand

Avelin Chang

Sidney Chang

Michelle Cheng

Joshua Choi

Trina Thi Dang

Pranav Satish Das

Jianchen Ding

Anny Anh Do

Donovan Doan

Gavin Aaron Duke

Ly Duong

Ruth Emily Paredes Edillor

Maab Elsayed

Marco Santos Esteban

Nickon Ezzati

Shooka Falahati Marvast

Hestor Oswaldo Fonseca

America Garcia

Krina A. Ghadia

Freddy Gonzalez

Kaylie Shea Gurholt

Honors in Biological Sciences

(Continued)

Alejandro Amado Guzman

Omid Antonio Haghkhab

Elizabeth Hernandez

Sadie James

Yunsuh Jeong

Roshni Jha

Musa Khan

Hera Kim

Marie Sol Kim

Anna Priscie Komorita

Ritwik Kumar

Andrea Nicole Lanz

An Le

Peter Anahoa Le

Hannah Lee

Linus Sebastian Lee

Payton Sho Huai Lin

Jennifer Liu

Felipe Armando Luna

Jobeth Ly

Mariam Mabrouk

Anjali Madisetti

Chhaya Maurya

Powel Mousaian

Elena Marie Endriga Moyer

Hendira Kayla Nababan

David Mordechai Moshe Nassir

Sarah Xue Le Ng

Anh Ming Vu Ngo

Khanh Nguyen Hoang Ngo

Baokhoi Dinh Nguyen

Elise Nguyen

Thien An Nguyen

Parth Patel

Asrita Prathigudupu

Kenny Ho Quan

Omeed Rabie

Amit Harish Ramchandani

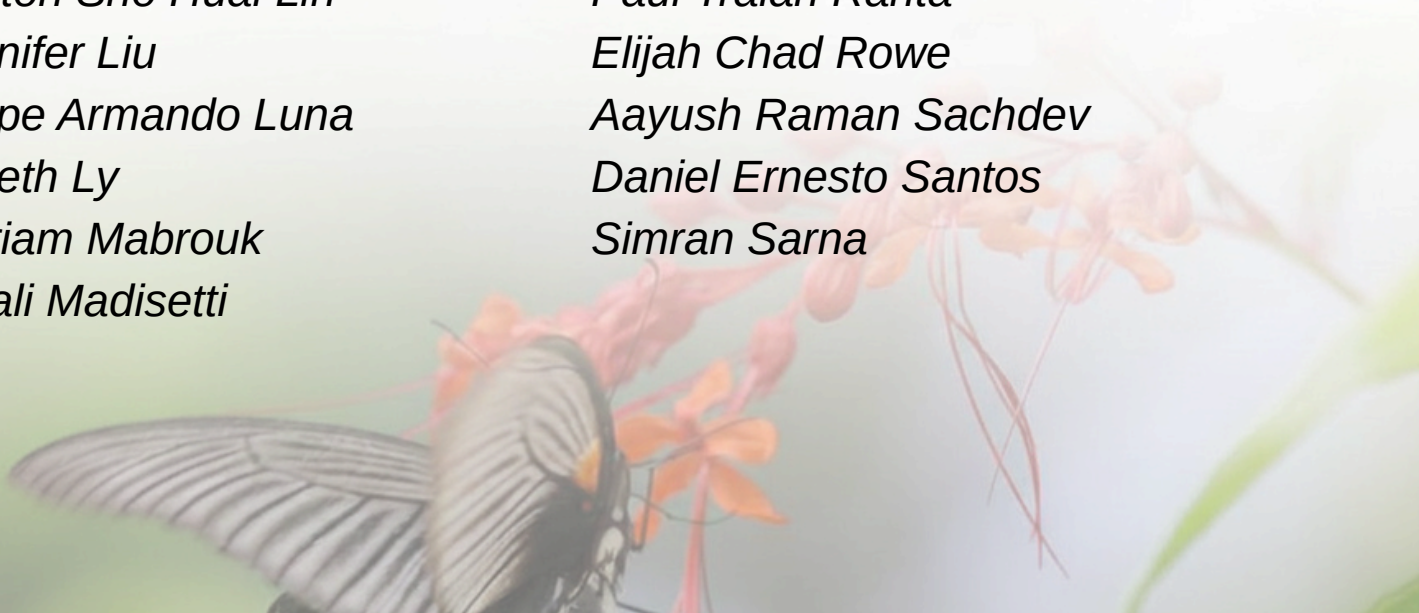
Paul Traian Ranta

Elijah Chad Rowe

Aayush Raman Sachdev

Daniel Ernesto Santos

Simran Sarna



Honors in Biological Sciences

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Areej Rafique Shaikh

Sarah Sindu Shelly

Madison Sierra Sutherland

Katherine Reda Tadros

Nick Tang

Kaitlin Thanh To

Shenyu Tong

Joban Toor

Cat Tuong Nguyen Tran

Kayla Tran

Ruby Tsang

Nishita Vaddella

Hunter Chase Vandre

Manasvini Varatharaj

Jasmine Danelle Villanueva-Barriga

Aidan Joseph Visher

Allene Hoang-Phi Vo

Hannah Vu

Kyson Ikuo Wada

Havishka Devduni Wansapura

Audrey Kendal Whitney

Mark Young Xu

Chloe Tyda Yang

Grace Anna Yip

Erika Zagni

Elaine Yueran Zhang

Honors in Neurobiology

Ajoooni Behl

Yasmeen El Jack

Amanda Shiou-Wei Fang

Paniz Hajizadeh Bahram

Christian Kaleel Kastoun

Janice Michelle Jan

Avantika Pandiyan

Sasha Patel

Raghav R. Sriram

An Vinh Truong

Bella Xinyi Yu



Brian Atwood Scholarship

Varun Ajith

Zaid Ahmed

Established in 2007, the Brian Atwood Scholarship is awarded to two junior Biological Sciences majors who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in both scholarship and service to the UCI community.

Robert H. Avnet Memorial Scholarship

Ritwik Kumar

Janice Lan

In memory of Robert H. Avnet, this scholarship was established by Lilian Marks to assist students interested in becoming physicians. The recipients must be majors in the School of Biological Sciences, accepted to, or have an excellent chance of being accepted to medical school or other health professional schools, and have financial need.

Dr. M. Marlene Godoy Undergraduate Research Fellowship in Movement Sciences

Hanna Chow

Caris Aster

Brandee Hess

The Dr. M. Marlene Godoy Undergraduate Research Fellowship in Movement Sciences supports undergraduate research training in movement physiology, biomechanics, exercise sciences or a related field.

Kyle Farol Memorial Award

Trina Dang

To honor the memory of Kyle Farol, this award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate in the School of Biological Sciences who has dedicated their time as a volunteer in a clinical setting.

Dr. William F. Holcomb Scholarship

Khanh Ngo

The William F. Holcomb Scholarship was established to support an undergraduate student conducting research in the area of biomedical, marine biology, and/or other related studies.

Carol Becker McGaugh Award

Muhanad Hilal

The Carol Becker McGaugh Award was established in 2003 by Carol Joyce Becker McGaugh and Dr. James McGaugh. Selected by a committee appointed by the Director of the Center for the Neurobiology of Learning and memory, the award recognizes juniors who conduct outstanding research in the area of the neurobiology of learning and memory. This award is presented to a student who excels in both scholarship and research and will support the student in completing research during the subsequent academic year.

Carol and James McGaugh Award

Varun Ajith

In memory of Carol McGaugh and to honor Dr. James McGaugh, this award established in 2018 by daughter Janice McGaugh Morrow and son-in-law William Morrow. The award recognizes a hard-working student with strong moral character, integrity, and who has demonstrated potential for making a difference in neuroscience.

The James Tait Goodrich Award for Excellence in Neurobiology in Honor of James McGaugh

Allison Jian

Hannah Karowe

This award was established in 2018 by James Tait Goodrich, M.D., PhD and Mrs. Judy L. Goodrich to honor long-time mentor and friend, Dr. James McGaugh. The award recognizes an undergraduate student completing their junior year and is for outstanding achievement in neurobiology.

Friends of the CNLM Award

Morgan Lu

Vaidehi Shah

These awards are funded by annual contributions from the Friends of CNLM. The purpose of the awards is to provide financial assistance to students while they perform research in CNLM laboratories over the summer. Awards will be based primarily on evidence of excellence in undergraduate laboratory research and secondarily on academic grades and other activities.

Larry Mehlman Endowed Memorial Scholarship

Luke Garcia

Sandra Ngo

Established to honor the memory of Laurence J. Mehlman, an outstanding undergraduate of biology at UCI. Laurence was a member of the Biological Sciences Honor Society, graduated Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa from the UCI School of Biological Sciences and was accepted to the UCLA School of Medicine, entering the class of 1974. He was highly regarded as a person of great dedication and personal magnetism. The award recipients have demonstrated outstanding achievement in scholarship and community, school of campus service.

Edward Mittleman Memorial Fund Scholarship

Fiona Yao

A scholarship in Memory of Mrs. William D. Redfield's first husband, Edward Mittleman, and son, Dr. David C. Redfield, a specialist in infectious diseases who graduated from UCI in 1970.

Gale "Morrie" Granger Award

Enoc Ulloa

This award was established to support undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in the School of Biological Sciences pursuing a degree in Biological Sciences with an immunology emphasis.

Dr. Lionel and Fay Ng Scholarship Award

Elif Murat

Lawrence Yan

Saasha Gajjaer

Raymond Yeh

Yifei Tian

Charlotte Zhong

The Dr. Lionel and Fay Ng Scholarships were established by Dr. Ng and Mrs. Ng, their son Lester Ng, and his wife Vani Ng. Lester is an alumnus of UCI Biological Sciences, and the family wishes to award students who display excellence in academics and research, and are active in the International Studies Program in the School of Biological Sciences

Jayne Unzelman Scholarship

Amanda Fang

Marco Estaban

Simran Sarna

Jayne Unzelman, a graduate student in Developmental and Cell Biology, received the Edward A. Steinhaus Award for outstanding teaching assistant for the 1971-1972 academic year. She received her PhD posthumously in June 1973. The scholarship in her name is awarded to students with high academic achievement who have served the School and the community.

Latin Honors - Cum Laude

Sarah Abdullah

Stefan David Andrade

Rongze Ao

Shannon Au

Ibraheem Maseer Bade

Ajooni Behl

Andrew Berge Berberian

Andromeda Carver

Hao Chun Chen

Leonardo Chen

Evan Kyle Chu

Zoe Wei-Yi Chu

Aryana Antonia Cortes

Sarah Le Dang

Raja Dhalla

Angela Le Hong An Do

Katie Do

Angue Nhaquyen Doan

Katie Doan

Gavin Aaron Duke

Ruth Emily Pardes Edillor

Marco Santos Esteban

Nickon Ezzati

Hector Oswaldo Fonseca

Kyle Yoshimi Futaba

America Garcia

Alonso Stefano Garcia Ugaz

Krina A. Ghadia

Jake Gipstein

Kathleen Ha

Omid Antonio Haghkhah

Robert Bruce Hull

Alison Kai Li Hung

Josh Hwang

Danielle Honrado Ito

Sadie James

Seungwon Jeon

Yunsuh Jeong

Irene Jin

Erin Jun

Siddharth Karthikeya

Ismat Khllak Aesah Minkyung

Kim

Jonathan Sung-Min Kim

Taerin Kim

Yehchan Isaiah Kim

Ritwik Kumar

Andrea Nicole Lanz

Nicole Nabani Lazo

An Le

Catherine Le

Marvin Minh Le

Hannah Lee

Yaxuan Liang

Latin Honors - Cum Laude

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Ian Lin

Sidu Liu

Yang Liu

Elizabeth Ann Luu

Mariam Mabrouk

Kriselle Andrea Ali Khan

Katelyn Mai

Anirudh S. Margasahayam

Jennifer Jasmine Mettler

Maximus Wagdy Morcos

Powel Mousaian

Amanda Ng

An Phuong Nguyen

Camile Nguyen

Derric Nguyen

Han Katherine Gia Nguyen

Jason Huy Nguyen

Joleen Nguyen

Nish Noby Nguyen

Phuong Mai Nguyen

Sonha Le Nguyen

Steven Hieu Nguyen

Avantika Pandiyan

Hoyoung Park

Kelly K. Phung

Miao Qi

Kenny Ho Quan

Sarina Rai

Pail Traian Ranta

Anita Michelle Rashidi

Gian Carlo Tolentino Sanchez

Simran Sarna

Joshua Tobias Sasaki

Anna J. Sedrak

Charu Singh

Jeremiah James Small

Raghav R. Sriram

Stephanie Kate Stahovich

Justin A. Sutanto

Celine Tze Yao Tang

Zachariah Huang-Wei Thio

Tristan Naoki Tomasyk

Brandon Trung Ton

Allison Anh Tong

Shenyu Tong

Emmanuel Tran

Kayla Tran

Vianh Audrey Tran

Nhi Trinh

An Vinh Truong

Latin Honors - Cum Laude

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Tu Vinh Truong

Ariel Tsai

Krista Emily Tsai

Carter Joseph Tu

Daniel Ming-Lun Tu

Enoc Ulloa

Harrison Y. Unger

Nishita Vaddella

Manasvini Varatharaj

Ari Verdugo

Samantha K. Wilder

Diandra Peytsyr Wu

Alisa Xie

Mark Young Xu

Isabelle Yoon

Bella Xinyi Yu

Erika Zagni

Jinyi Zhou

Latin Honors - Magna Cum Laude

Brian William Alba

Jacob Bassam Alzagatiti

Olivia Nicole Olson Barkehanai

Alden Kanoa Black

Vivien Bui

Jennifer Cai

Luke Binh Chan

Suhina Chand

Max Aiden Cohen

Nicholas D'sa

Dena Falahati Marvast

Solaiman Farooqi

Roksana Gharibgard

Paniz Hajizadeh Bahram

Caitlyn Briana Hendrickson

Ryan Bao Huynh

Daniel Hwang

Khyati Kamble

Christian Kaleel Kastoun

Brian Katiraie

Abigal Jihae Kim

Oswald Lai

Aidan Hugh Lee

Kevin Jean Ma

Latin Honors - Magna Cum Laude

(Continued)

Elena Marie Endriga Moyer

Thiri Htet Naing

Elise Nguyen

Emily Lan Nguyen

Jamie Huynh Nguyen

Kandice Uyen-Vy Nguyen

Thien Nguyen

Lauren Nishitani

Argishti Orujyan

Sasha Patel

Jonathan Noah Ross

John Robert Linchangco Seneriches

Areej Rafique Shaikh

Amanda Tae

Lia Asmi Thakar

Rosalie Tran

Caitlyn Uchida

Hannah Vu

Chloe Tyda Yang

Daniel Zhao

Latin Honors - Summa Cum Laude

Kiyarad Bekhradnia

Joshua Choi

Shengqi Dai

Shooka Falahati Marvast

Hera Kim

Lauren Elizabeth Lee

Payton Sho Huai Lin

Anjali Madisetti

David Mordechai Moshe Nassir

Albert Duc Nguyen

Baokhoi Dinh Nguyen

Darren Khoa Tung Nguyen

Jocelyn Nguyen

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