

Summer Newsletter

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About the OURS Office

What is OURS

On behalf of the Office of Undergraduate Research Services (OURS) we welcome students, staff, and faculty to the Beach! The Summer Newsletter focuses on highlighting undergraduate students and their research experiences during the Summer of 2024. We encourage you to share this newsletter and the opportunities included in the newsletter widely with students and colleagues.

The Office of Undergraduate Research Services is here to support our research and undergraduate community and we look forward to a thriving research community for the 2024-2025 academic year.

OURS Office

Please stop by our office in SSSC-120 to ask us any questions related to undergraduate research, meeting with a peer advisor, or regarding upcoming undergraduate research workshops.

Elyzza Aparicio
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OURS Director

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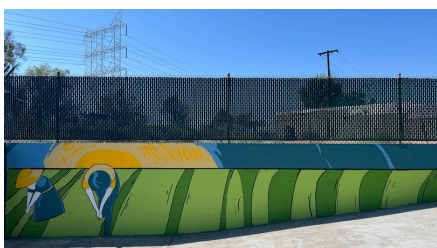
Alondra Gonzalez



My name is Alondra Gonzalez. I was one of the three local Bell Gardens artists chosen as a group to paint a newly granted project of the city. This includes two electrical boxes and two murals. The designs were self-made by the artist not myself; I just had the pleasure of incorporating the images onto the areas and translating the creativity. The mural project was announced in April of 2024, and we were accepted in May, but did not start until the first week of August. It was challenging work, but we managed to put it all together. The designs were carefully chosen by looking into the history of the city we were working on, that city is Bell Gardens. We looked into in the past and saw how two people who lived there that gave great things to the community, their names are Don Antonia and Julia Russ, the third mural was incorporated through a local artist who is an immigrant and wanted to put her experience into the community that many people have gone through. It was an immense pleasure working alongside other talented artists and to hear advice for my future career and building my portfolio little by little.

Alondra Gonzalez is a third-year student in College of the Arts and is an Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) alumna.

Alondra, in a white jacket and blue jeans, is pictured with two other local Bell Gardens artists who worked on the murals, Juan Galindo and Javier Solórzano (aka Lucha Cat). They are joined by the Bell Gardens City Council.

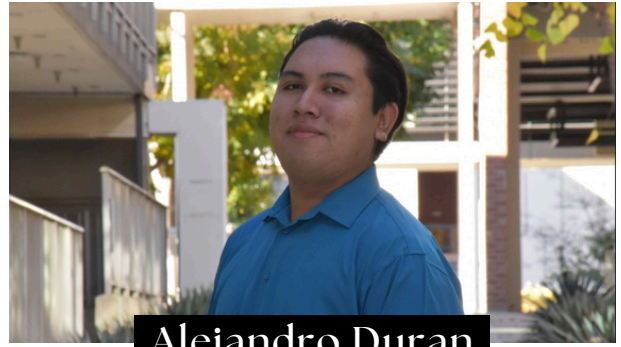




Alba Romero

The K.U.R.E. Summer Transfer
Bridge Program
Program Affiliation: [KURE](#)

The K.U.R.E. Summer Transfer Bridge Program and Dr. Taylor have been pivotal in my transition to CSULB, providing invaluable hands-on experience and helping me build lasting relationships with both students and faculty. Over the summer, I had the unique opportunity to contribute to a master's student's experiment and even have my name included on their paper—something I never expected as a transfer student. This program is essential for helping transfer students feel connected and prepared for their academic journey, and I highly recommend its continuation for future students.



Alejandro Duran

McNair Scholars Program at CSULB
Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

Engaging in summer research here at CSULB has been a tremendous experience that has deepened my understanding of genetics and research as a whole. I had the opportunity to work on a research project that allowed me to collaborate with others and learn valuable lab techniques such as synthesizing cDNA and performing qPCR, as well as being trained in handling liquid nitrogen. Alongside gaining lab experience, it was a great way to connect with peers within my field and learn more about the type of work I'd like to pursue. I am grateful for having the opportunity to engage in this experience as it helped me become more comfortable in the lab and taught me valuable research skills. Overall, the internship gave me experience in biology research, and I look forward to presenting at future symposiums.



Alexander Uy

CSULB SURGE
Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#), [UROP](#)

This summer I was a part of BUILD Surge and had the opportunity to do research over the summer with Dr. Ava Hedayatipour. The experience was extremely insightful and gave me many chances to learn more about my research interest. The program also gave me a chance to learn more about the graduate school process and I am grateful to have experienced it.



Aline (Ali) Curiel Silva

BioFLOW IRES (International Research Experience for Students) at Adolfo Ibañez University in Santiago, Chile
Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

My international research opportunity has been transformative. Under the guidance of my mentor Andres Concha, a passionate physicist with a curiosity for nature, I've learned the importance of approaching science with genuine interest and curiosity. This bio-inspired and biomimicry program merges biology, physics, and engineering. Although I am majoring in marine biology, I believe in embracing interdisciplinary approaches to science and I encourage fellow students to explore other fields that pique their interest.



Alp Tahincioglu

Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC)
 Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#), [UROP](#)

I had the privilege to participate in a summer research opportunity, where I was able to broaden my research experience and participate in different research projects than what I am used to. At first, adjusting to a new lab environment in a place I've never been to was challenging, but I got the chance to meet wonderful people and gain various technical skills. Most importantly, I solidified my goals of pursuing a PhD in a medical field through this summer research experience!



Alyssa Alfaro

UC Irvine's Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)
 Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

I have had the honor and privilege to work alongside Tasneem Mustafa in the CIRC (Cardiovascular Innovation and Research Center) lab run by Dr. Naomi Chesler. My research aims to understand the pulmonary microvascular endothelial response to pathological flow conditions in Cpc-PH (Combined pre- and postcapillary pulmonary hypertension). I am specifically researching the impact Cpc-PH has on Piezo1, YAP/TAZ, AND VEGFR2 through western blotting. Understanding these molecular responses could lead to targeted therapies that prevent the progression of Cpc-PH in patients with LV failure, improving a patient's quality of life and medical outcomes.



Ariana Trinidad

Healthy Balance Research Lab at CSULB
 Program Affiliation: n/a

This summer, joining the Healthy Balance Research Lab was an exciting opportunity that marked my first real experience to hands on research. I learned new skills with data collection, recruiting participants, and analyzing the information we gathered. One of the highlights was our community outreach efforts, where I engaged with local members, built connections, and shared ideas with one another. The experience helped me grow both professionally and personally, and I am thrilled to continue being a part of the lab in Fall 2024. Thank you to Dr. Selena Nguyen-Rodriguez for the opportunity.



Austin Esparza

CSULB
 Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

Participating in Building Undergraduate Infrastructure Leading to Diversity (BUILD) has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my undergraduate career. With support from mentors like Sarah Velasco, Dr. Araceli Gonzalez, and Dr. Michael Carlson, BUILD has empowered me and my peers to develop and refine new skills as aspiring researchers, communicators, and scientific professionals. I have been fortunate to spend the summer working on bioinformatic skills assessing microbial marine population dynamics. This experience has validated my scientific interests and broadened my professional capabilities, further opening the door as a competitive applicant for graduate school.



Bella Rodrigues

CSULB SURGE
 Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

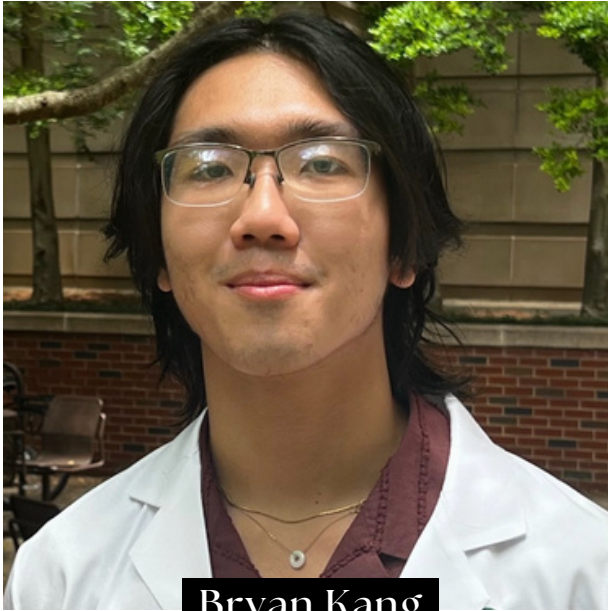
This program was a rigorous introduction into both research expectations and the application process for graduate school. The combination of independent research and workshops supplied us with useful skills that could not only be utilized in academic environments, but also in other areas of our lives. One of the highlights of this summer program was the mentor and peer support that served to supply helpful feedback and encouragement along our academic journeys.



Brooke Morales

Summer Undergraduate Research
 Fellows (SURF) Internship at Scripps
 Research, La Jolla, CA
 Program Affiliation: [U-RISE](#)

This summer I got to work in Luke Lairson's lab using chemical biology tools to find small molecule inhibitors of the cGAS-STING pathway. I got to perform cutting-edge research, learned new techniques, and was pushed to think outside of the box. I am most grateful for the connections I made with the people there, as now I have a bigger network supporting me in my endeavors in graduate school. This experience was incredible and helped me grow as a scientist!



Bryan Kang

University of Alabama at Birmingham's
Kidney, Urology, and non-malignant Hematology
Undergraduate Research Experience (UAB)
Program Affiliation: [KURE](#), [UROP](#)

At CSULB, I am in Dr. Weers' lab, studying the structure/function of a protein in the context of cardiovascular disease. During my time in Dr. Weers' lab, I have participated in OURS Connects (one academic and summer semester), UROP-HRPG (one academic year), and more. In Dr. Faul's lab during KURE, I investigated blood-thinner alternatives to decrease hormonal targeting on the heart in chronic kidney disease. Additionally, I have also had the opportunity to explore muscle wasting in chronic kidney disease. The blend of translational research in combination with KURE's shadowing and clinical discussions have solidified my decision to pursue a career as a physician-scientist. I highly encourage any students to reach out to me (Bryan.Kang01@student.csulb.edu) if they have any questions.



Calvin Chiu

CSULB BUILD Summer Undergraduate
Research Gateway to Excellence
(SURGE)
Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

The BUILD Summer Undergraduate Research Gateway to Excellence was a fantastic opportunity for me to learn and develop my personal research skills. From working under a CSULB Research mentor to presenting at the BUILD Summer Symposium, I gained valuable insights into the processes behind formulating, creating, and presenting my own research project. Additionally, the RCR training workshops and group-facilitated discussions broadened my knowledge about graduate school and better prepared me for pursuing higher education. Overall, summer research with SURGE has been an extremely gratifying experience, and it has really helped me grow and develop as a student researcher in the field of psychology.



Danny Sarmiento

BeachCave Laboratory
 Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

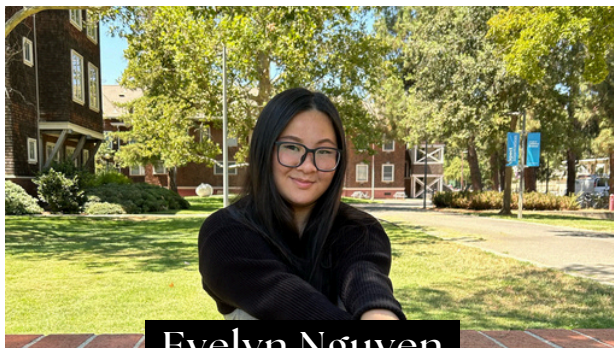
This summer's research experience with the BeachCave Lab has inspired me to keep seeking answers, even when they seem elusive. It provided me with the opportunity to learn from my colleagues and absorb new information and insights that have broadened my understanding of engineering. I am truly grateful for this experience, which has been immensely beneficial to my academic journey



Darrell A White, Jr.

Learning Aligned Employment Program
 Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

My summer was filled with reading books and writing a reflective paper. I also catalogued my sources for the research paper on an Excel spreadsheet. I met with my faculty advisor frequently and was able to have meaningful conversations about the research.



Evelyn Nguyen

Broadening Participation in Social Inequality Research (BPSIR) at UC Davis
Program Affiliation: Honors, LAEP

During the Year 2 BPSIR program, an eight-week residential program at UC Davis, I gained valuable research experience that focused on addressing social inequities in education policy. I felt such a strong sense of pride being part of BPSIR's inaugural 2nd Year Cohort, where I've found lifelong friends and contributed to something truly exceptional. I'd also like to acknowledge my research mentor, Dr. Jacob Hibel at UC Davis, for teaching me so much over this summer and giving me this amazing opportunity to assist in a project I am proud to be part of. I highly encourage students of all backgrounds and majors interested in social inequality research to apply to the BPSIR program!



Isaiah Pansoy

Iron Catalyzed enantioselective Cross Coupling at Wahlman Organic Chemistry Lab at CSU Long Beach
Program Affiliation: n/a

I barely passed organic chemistry and look at me now! Learning hands-on with an instructor that cares about your success is honestly a cheat code. So many concepts that were hard to grasp during the school year are now clear as day! I am beyond thankful for the opportunity to do research and I am living proof that grades do not determine your academic success!



Jacob A. Nguyen

The McNair Summer Research Internship Program and Symposium
 Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

Over the summer, I took part in the McNair Scholars Program, which has guided me on my path to graduate school through research and scholarly activities. Under the mentorship of Dr. Guido Urizar in the Psychology department, I completed a research project, examining the effects of attending prenatal stress management classes on adaptive coping among low-income and ethnic minority pregnant women. The highlights of my summer research experience included exploring my research interests/questions, working closely with a professor who is an expert in my field of interest, and receiving guidance in preparing for graduate school applications.



Jessica King

HDEV 470 with Dr. Kim Kelly
 Pathways to Independence
 Program Affiliation: [OURS Connects](#)

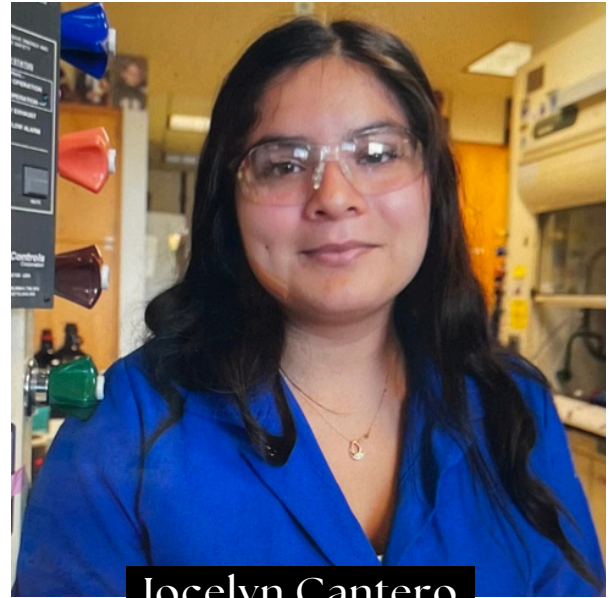
I flourished in revisiting old hobbies and exploring new skills while contributing to an admirable mission of empowering young women. Even on the days where I struggled to finish tasks correctly and make progress in my project, my supervisor never gave up on me and always guided me to the right path. I'm honored that they trusted me to make a positive impact in the program and allowed me a safe space to build my confidence. And I'm happy to say that this experience is one of the primary factors in my decision to launch my own nonprofit organization to advocate for the disabled community!



Jo Estrada

Public Health Entomology For All (PHEFA)
Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

This summer I had the amazing opportunity to be a part of the Public Health Entomology For All (PHEFA) program, a collaboration between the Entomological Society of America and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). I worked in Atlanta, Georgia, at the CDC with the Ecology and Entomology team in the Rickettsial Zoonoses Branch under Dr. William Nicholson and Bryan Ayres. I was given the opportunity to be trained in countless skills related to the field of public health entomology: I went flagging for ticks at Panola Mountain State Park, reared and maintained mosquito colonies for a week, performed necropsies on small mammals we trapped, maintained both clean and infected cell cultures, and learned how to perform numerous laboratory tests such as DNA extraction of flat and engorged ticks, real-time PCR, Sanger sequencing, and indirect IFAs. My time in PHEFA was incredibly enlightening not only because of the countless new lab and field skills I gained and honed, but also because I was able to learn so much about the field of public health entomology firsthand, build a broader network, and learn about all of the opportunities in the field. The PHEFA program has reinforced my already-strong interest in the field of public health entomology and in the future I hope to further pursue a career in this field with the help of the skills I gained during my time at the CDC.



Jocelyn Cantero

Summer Undergraduate Research
Fellowship at UC Irvine
Program Affiliation: n/a

This summer, I had the privilege of participating in the SURF program at UCI under the mentorship of Dr. Vy Dong. I conducted a small molecule synthesis and had the opportunity to shadow graduate students working on peptide synthesis. This experience provided me with valuable exposure to graduate school by attending meetings, workshops, and seminars. I had the chance to connect with professors, postdocs, and graduate students who offered advice and support throughout my time there. The program not only expanded my research skills but also introduced me to peers from across the country. Overall, it was a rewarding experience that helped me grow both academically and personally.

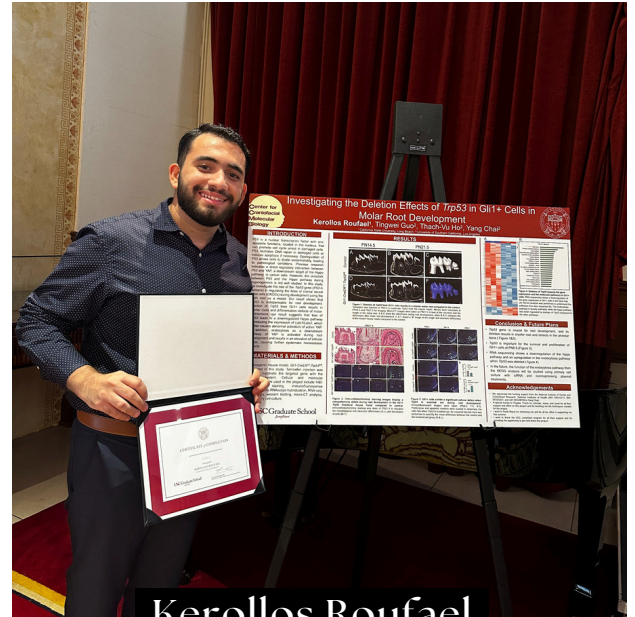


Jose Pineda

Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory (SAO) Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) at the Center for Astrophysics (CfA) at Harvard University and The Smithsonian Cambridge, MA

Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

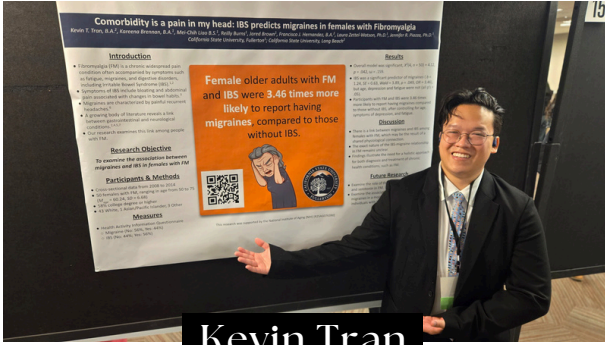
This summer has been crucial in my decision to pursue graduate school and especially in deciding my research interests. Through my research program, I have been exposed to many subfields of astrophysics and met many leaders of these fields, all with their own stories of education and career. Meeting with these individuals taught me so much about what it means to pursue a career in research and what it might look like.



Kerollos Roufael

USC Jumpstart Program at the University of Southern California (USC)
Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

This summer, I had the pleasure of working in the Chai lab, in the USC Center of Craniofacial Molecular Biology. In the lab, I was investigating the role of molecular signaling networks in regulating the fate of progenitor cells during organogenesis, specifically in tooth root development. During my internship, I was able to learn new lab techniques, assist research associates with their projects, and apply critical thinking in identifying and solving problems that arose in the project. The program has given me an insight into what a PhD program looks like and what is needed to be a successful PhD candidate.



Kevin Tran

Disability Justice Lab (CSU Long Beach)
 Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Center
 (CSU Fullerton)

Program Affiliation: [OURS Connects](#)

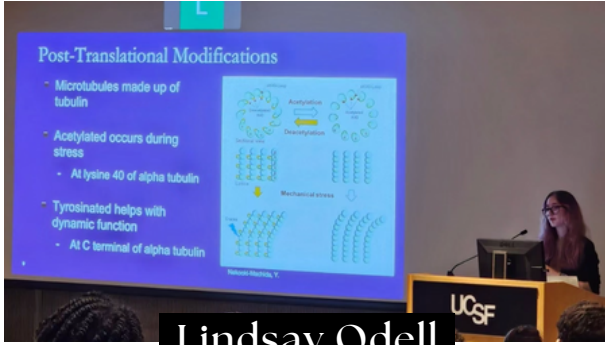
This summer, I am working as a lab admin at the Disability Justice Lab with Dr. Danielle Kohfeldt and had the opportunity to present our findings at the International Communication Association in Australia. Our research highlighted the support online communities, specifically those focusing on endometriosis, can offer to individuals affected by chronic pain. Additionally, I am contributing to two manuscripts highlighting our findings on these communities and endometriosis. At the Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Center at CSU Fullerton, I am the team leader in charge of conducting cognitive tests over the phone, investigating the impact of fibromyalgia on cognitive function in aging participants. Additionally, I am contributing to a manuscript as the first author, highlighting the significant finding that women with fibromyalgia and IBS are 3.46 times more likely to report migraines compared to those without IBS.



Kimberly Ortiz

Long Beach Research Foundation
 Long Beach
 Program Affiliation: n/a

Over the summer, I had the pleasure of working alongside Dr. Janet Muñiz to research gentrification in Santa Ana. We would compare the interviews from different groups of people in Santa Ana to gain insight into how they view the city's changes and their hopes for the future. This experience also taught me how to code interviews, transcribe and edit interviews, and analyze research. I am pleased to announce that I will continue working with Dr. Muñiz in the fall to further develop our research. I cannot express enough gratitude for this amazing first research opportunity and the knowledge I've gained from it.



Lindsay Odell

Summer Research Training Program at University of California, San Francisco
 Program Affiliation: [U-RISE](#)

Over the Summer, I had the opportunity to research in the Lakkaraju Lab researching microtubular structure in ARPE-19 cells modeling Age-related Macular Degeneration. Throughout my time in the program, I was able to learn about immunofluorescence, cell culture work, and fluorescent microscopy techniques. In the few months I spent there, I was able to connect with so many like-minded scientists and grow as a scientist myself.



Makana Woods

Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP)
 University of Michigan
 Ann Arbor, Michigan
 Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

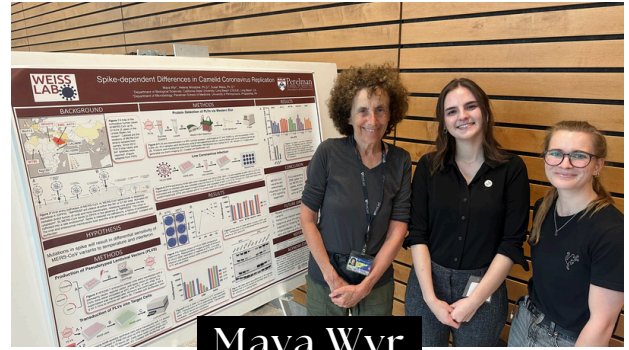
This summer, I am performing research at the University of Michigan's Orthopedic Rehabilitation and Biomechanics (ORB) Lab. I have found my time here in Ann Arbor, Michigan more than productive, but insightful with the grace, kindness, and overflowing knowledge of the ORB team! As a full-time undergraduate researcher, two big achievements from this summer's experience is my decision to strive big by networking and attending this program in Ann Arbor, as well as asking all questions I had, in and outside of the lab! I am blessed to have this opportunity, as I've had the chance to see what my bachelor's and future doctoral degree could offer me.



Manuel Ivan Marroquin

Harvesting Healthy Habits program at CSULB Center for Latino Community Health, Evaluation, and Leadership Training
 Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

My experience with the Harvesting Healthy Habits program was incredibly fulfilling. Teaching 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders about gardening and nutrition, and guiding them through healthy food demonstrations, showed me the importance of education in fostering healthy habits. Seeing the children's enthusiasm and curiosity grow as they learned skills for lifelong wellness was a rewarding experience. Thank you to the Latino Center for the opportunity



Maya Wyr

University of Pennsylvania Summer Undergraduate Internship Program (SUIP); Philadelphia, PA
 Program Affiliation: [U-RISE](#)

I had a great summer research experience at the University of Pennsylvania. SUIP provided so many incredible professional development activities that have prepared me to apply for Ph.D. programs and enter the field of research. I also enjoyed exploring Philadelphia and the upper East Coast and making new friends.

The photo attached is from the SUIP end-of-program symposium. From left to right: My faculty mentor Dr. Susan Weiss, me, and my day-to-day mentor Dr. Helena Winstone.

**Mika Toyama**

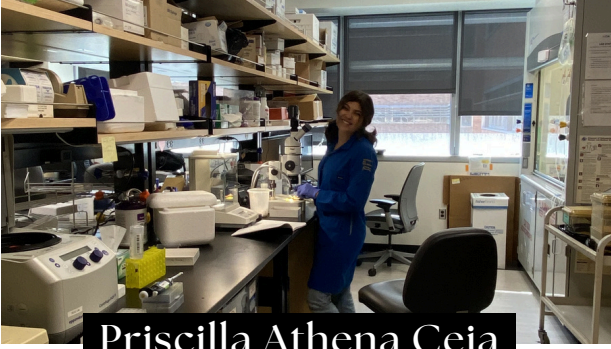
CSULB McNair Summer Research
Internship Program (SRIP)
Program Affiliation: [McNair](#), [OURS
Connects](#)

The past 10 weeks of research with my faculty mentor Dr. Jason Plummer from the social work department has taught me resilience and new skills. I have learned quantitative research skills such as coding using RStudio, presenting at a research conference, and understanding the p-value of a result. I have learned the importance of a state's political context and its impact on social work students' ability to be socially conscious of systemic oppression. Overall, the opportunity to conduct research with my mentor in my field of interest has made me a better educated academic, professional, and individual and solidified my interest in higher education in my near future.

**Natalie Amanda Vega**

McNair Scholars Program at CSULB
Program Affiliation: [McNair](#)

Doing summer research has been an educational and interesting journey. I have never done research with a mentor before and it has been a wonderful experience. Thanks to my mentor, Dr. Becky Nash who taught me a lot about research, coding, and social networking. Working with Dr. Nash has been an amazing experience, especially since the research I am doing now is on my favorite franchise, Star Wars!



Priscilla Athena Ceja

Richard Morgan Summer Research Fellowship Program (RMUF)
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Program Affiliation: [U-RISE](#)

This was a great summer where I learned so much about the MdPhD career path and new laboratory techniques. I was especially excited to work with mice and cell cultures! I am so grateful for all the people I met who guided and mentored me! This experience has opened my eyes and was enriching."



Sarah-Tran Nguyen

Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program
Program Affiliation: [BUILD](#)

The purpose of the Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program is to develop a national set of guidelines for service dog training organizations. The goal of the program is to ensure that all qualified service dog organizations are reliable and sufficient. Once fully trained by these organizations, the service dogs are paired with veterans who are recovering from symptoms of PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder). Using the ATLAS.ti data analysis software, our lab gathers, codes, and summarizes the evaluations received from the 23 service dog training organizations nationwide who have implemented the beta guidelines. Based on our thematic write ups of the evaluations, guidelines will be refined until an 80% threshold consensus is reached per guideline by the participating organizations, whereupon a final set of guidelines will be established and required to be followed by all service dog training organizations in the United States.



Stefan Lucero

Department of Physics at CSULB
 Program Affiliation: [KURE](#)

My name is Stefan Lucero and during my Summer research with the Department of Physics I joined the Nanoelectronics group. Under the guidance of Dr. Ojeda-Arztisabal, our team focused on the electronic transport of materials used to make Van der Waal heterostructures at a microscopic level. Specifically, we tested the transport of different semi-metals with monolayer graphene. As part of the program I redesigned the transfer station to allow more stable movement as well as rotational degrees of freedom. This has allowed us to make more advanced structures that we will publish formally next Winter.



Victoria Min

Eat, Play, Go! At CSULB Center for Latino Community Health, Evaluation, and Leadership Training
 Program Affiliation: [UROP](#), [BUILD](#)

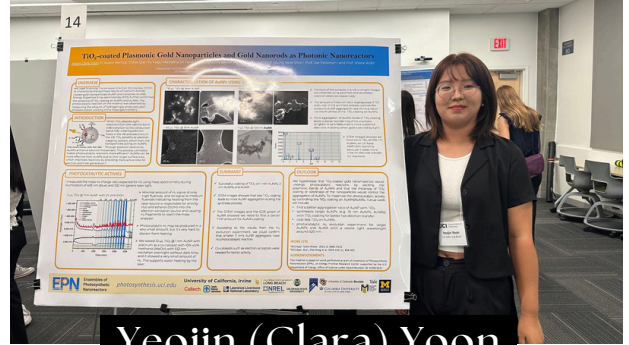
I was given the opportunity to engage in hands-on research experience at the Center by working directly with participants and performing data collection. I also got the chance to work in a team to resolve any issues that came about. Being in this internship gave me the opportunity to conduct data in real time, where in previous experiences I often focused on data analysis.



Viviana Hernandez

CSU Dashboard Spotlights Higher Education Equity Gaps: A Preliminary Exploration of Rhetorical Sensitivity and First-Generation Student Success
 Program Affiliation: [McNair](#), [EOP](#), NSLS (National Society of Leadership and Success)

My summer research experience has been amazing! I have gained a deeper understanding of how impactful my research is for first-generation students. This project has helped me recognize my passion for student success. My mentor and the McNair program have given me the confidence to continue pursuing research and my career in higher education.



Yejin (Clara) Yoon

Undergraduate Research Assistant
 Summer Internship with EPN
 University of California, Irvine
 Program Affiliation: Ensembles of Photosynthetic Nanoreactors (EPN)

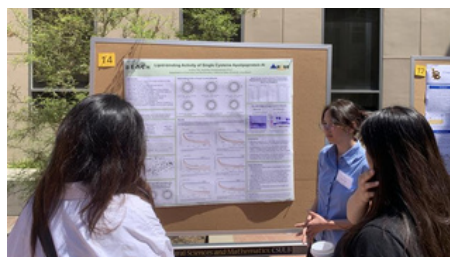
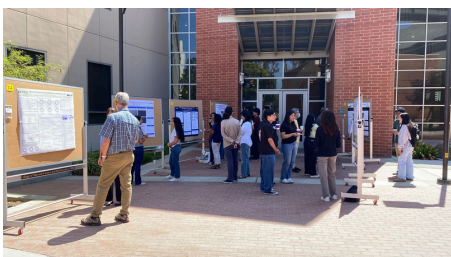
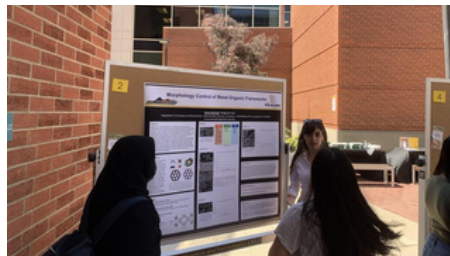
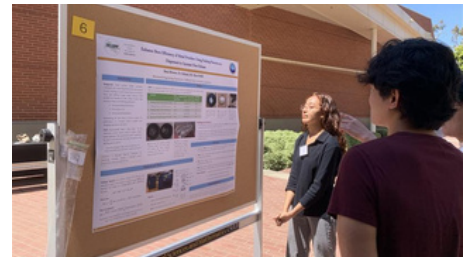
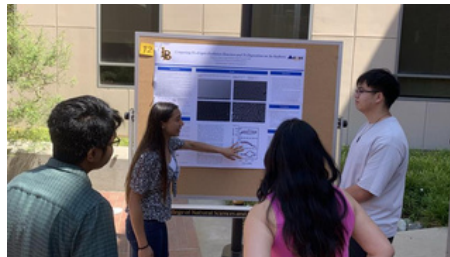
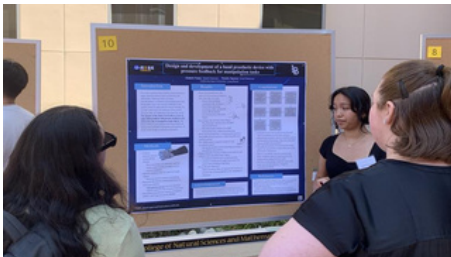
During the summer, I worked with EPN to examine our synthesized titanium dioxide-coated gold nanoparticles and nanorod for photocatalytic reaction. I've experienced and trained to work with mass spectrometry and high power laser, and I had mentored Scanning Transmission Electron Microscopy (STEM) by graduate student mentors and professors at UCI. Participating in many seminars and meetings, I personally learned how scientists communicate and how to plan and conceive research. In the last week of my internship, I participated in a symposium and presented posters.

NIH T34 Undergraduate Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (U-RISE)

About U-RISE

The Undergraduate RISE Program is funded through a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The program aims to increase diversity in future scientific and biomedical research by identifying students interested in pursuing research as a career and by providing training opportunities to be competitive for entering graduate programs. This training includes mentored research, an off-campus summer research experience (8-12 weeks), professional development workshops, graduate school preparation, and conference support.

2024 Mini Summer Symposium



✦ National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR)

About NCUR

The National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) is dedicated to promoting undergraduate research, scholarship and creative activity in all fields of study by sponsoring an annual conference for students. Unlike meetings of academic professional organizations, this gathering of student scholars welcomes presenters from all institutions of higher learning and from all disciplines. Overall, this conference offers a unique environment for the celebration and promotion of undergraduate student achievement; provides models of exemplary research, scholarship, and creative activity; and offers student career readiness development.

Important Dates

Date of NCUR 2025: April 7-9, 2025

Location: David L. Lawrence Convention Center (Pittsburgh, PA)

Submission Portal Opens: September 2024

Submission Portal Closes: December 2024

Notifications Released Registration Opens/Early Bird Deadline: January 2025

Registration Closes/Hotel Booking Closes: March 2025

For more information, please visit

<https://www.cur.org/events-services/ncur/>



✦ Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research (SCCUR)

About SCCUR

The Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research (SCCUR) provides a forum for the presentation of the best research, scholarship, and creative activities of undergraduate students in the region and encourages communication of innovative achievements across disciplines. The conference is broadly multi-disciplinary, including the arts, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and applied sciences. Students present their scholarly work in 15-minute seminar presentations chaired by faculty moderators, poster sessions, or exhibitions or performances.

Important Dates

Date of SCCUR 2024: Saturday, November 23, 2024

Location: California State University, San Bernardino

Submission Portal Opens: CURRENTLY OPEN!

Submission Portal Closes: September 22, 2024

For more information, please visit

<https://www.sccur.org/2024-annual-conference>

To submit your abstract, please visit

<https://airtable.com/app6uAljis1N73iH0/shrrDQFIX1WVqg5Tb>



✦ Student Research Competition (SRC)

About SRC

The purpose of the Annual Student Research Competition is to showcase excellence in scholarly research, and highlight creative activity conducted by CSULB undergraduate and graduate students. The Student Research Competition will feature oral presentations to an audience of fellow students, university community members, and a jury of distinguished faculty.

Undergraduate or graduate students currently enrolled at CSULB, as well as alumni/alumnae who receive their degrees in Fall 2024 are eligible to present. Research and/or creative activities presented should be appropriate to the student's discipline and career goals. Proprietary research is excluded.

Important Dates

Proposal Submission Due Date: Monday, February 3, 2025

Submit your proposals [here!](#)

Date of SRC 2025: Friday, March 7, 2025

Location: College of Business (COB)

For more information, please visit

<https://www.csulb.edu/student-research-competition>





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