



C.U.R.E. at UCLA

Collaboration in Undergraduate Research Enrichment

Week 2 Information Session

Agenda

- Programs and Events
 - Research Seminars and Workshops
 - Career Development Workshops
- One-on-One Peer Research Mentoring
- Mentor Recruitment
- Additional Tools and Resources
- Events for this quarter

When you join CURE:

*Where do I start?
How do I get into a lab??*

1. What are you passionate about?
2. What types of research are being done at UCLA?
3. Which faculty members are working in that field?
4. How do I contact professors and make myself a strong candidate, even if I have no prior lab experience?
5. How can I SUCCEED in lab and get funded and published as an undergrad?

Programs and Activities

- Peer Research Mentoring
 - Open peer research mentoring sessions
- General research-oriented questions
 - Finding a lab, preparing a CV, drafting cover letters, discussing a lab's field of study
- Career-oriented questions
 - Extracurricular opportunities and programs at UCLA, a discussion of classes and majors, applications
 - One-on-one peer research mentoring program

One-on-One Peer Research Mentoring: *What to Expect*

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- Pairing with one mentor based on scientific or career interests
- Assistance through the lab application process
- Follow-up with your progress in the lab
- Discussion of literature, experiments, and ideas
- Career and course guidance
- Peer networking

One-on-One Peer Research Mentoring: *What We Expect*

- Attendance at meetings on **Wednesdays from 6-7pm**
- Enthusiasm and dedication
- Progress reports after getting into lab
 - Purpose: see where you're at, provide feedback on your experiments and scientific writing, work with you more in-depth if you're interested in publishing

Peer Mentoring Applications *(mentors & mentees)*

cureatucla.github.io/applications

Mentor applications are reviewed on a rolling basis

Applications close **Sunday, Oct 9 at 11:59 p.m.**



Programs
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Activities

Research Seminars and Workshops

- Undergraduate research workshops
- Faculty research seminars
- Field exploration workshops

Journal clubs

- Read the scientific literature
- Think independently and critically
- Understand experimental theory and concepts
- Communicate and discuss science

Career Development Workshops

- MD, PhD, MD/PhD
- Scientific Careers
- CV Preparation
- Mock Interviews
- Panel Discussion
- Science Round Ups



Once you've gotten your feet wet and have been in a lab for at least two quarters...

Apply to be a CURE Mentor!

Mentor Responsibilities

- Attend weekly coordinator meetings
- Plan and lead workshops
- Peer Mentoring
 - Assess readiness and interests
 - Assist with lab applications
 - Continuing communication and mentorship
- Officer positions
 - President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary

Coordinator Benefits

- Practice scientific communication
 - Professional and layperson level
- Exposure to multiple fields of research
- “You can’t teach what you don’t know, nor can you inspire someone if you’re not inspired”
- Work with an amazing group of individuals

Tentative Schedule

Week 3: Mentor/mentee meet & greet - dorm dinner

Week 4: Career workshop

Week 5: “How to find research opportunities”

Week 6: CV/Resume & Cover letter workshop

Week 7: Princeton Review - discussing the GRE & MCAT

Week 8: Faculty research panel

Week 9: Thanksgiving week - no workshop

Week 10: Drop-in counseling

2016-2017 CURE Mentors



Andrea Castro
President & Mentor



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Secretary & Mentor



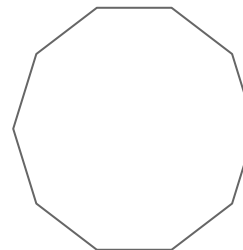
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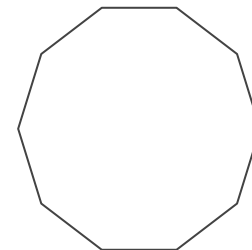
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Important links

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Thank you for listening!

We look forward to collaborating with you in the future!