

WINTER 2018: Issue 2

## What's UP with UgsP?



Underrepresented  
Graduate  
Students in  
Psychology

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Welcome back everyone! We hope that you all had an enjoyable Winter break and that you are feeling refreshed for the new quarter. The UGSP board held their first meeting of 2018 to set some fun goals and plan some awesome events for you! Please take a look below to see what's in store.

## UGSP's Resolutions

As the new year begins, UGSP has taken some time to reflect on the past and create a vision for success in the future.

- 1) Highlight the accomplishments of our membership. In an effort to uplift one another and celebrate achievements (big and small), we will be starting a new Spotlight section in our newsletter. **Members are encouraged to nominate fellow UGSP members for a shout out!** Papers, fellowships, and awards are great – but don't feel limited! We know that many of us are doing great things ALL the time, and the effort at least deserves some recognition. [Submit nominations to ucla.ugsp@gmail.com.](mailto:ucla.ugsp@gmail.com)

2) Increase efforts for helping our members navigate the sociopolitical climate. UGSP prides itself on being a space for all individuals to be heard. We do realize, however, that there are not many formal spaces to have an open dialogue about current sociopolitical issues, and so we will be working on changing that. Details to come!

3) Increase the breadth of our events. We love our big social events and our Brown Bag series – but we want even more! See the Upcoming Events section for additional opportunities to hang out.

4) Increase our social media presence. We know you get a million emails per day. We know that there is a chance that you won't even read this. That's why we'd like to take ourselves into modern times and more diligently use our additional platforms. Make sure you're following us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/ugsp.ucla/>) and keep an eye out for more!

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## Upcoming Events

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### **Brown Bag: Navigating Community-Based Research in the Learning Sciences**

UGSP is pleased to announce our next speaker: **Dr. Ananda Marin**, a professor from the School of Education. Dr. Marin studies culture, STEM education and how children and families reason and build knowledge about the natural world. Her talk is entitled: "Navigating Community-Based Research in the Learning Sciences." Refreshments will be provided!

Ananda Marin, Ph.D.

Date: January 23rd, 2018

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Location: 5461 Franz Hall

### **High School Outreach Event**

We will be presenting to high school juniors and their families at Venice High School. More details to come!

Date: February 21st

Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m

### **Other Upcoming Events: Dates TBD**

**Undergraduate Outreach Event: CV Workshop for Undergraduates in the Psychology Department.**

Students will have a 20 minute didactic seminar regarding mechanics of CV writing. Afterwards, students will be convene in small groups (3 students each) and be paired with a mentor who will provide feedback on their CVs.

Date (tentative): Week 4 or Week 5

**Midterms Happy Hour!** Come take a break from studying or grading (or both) with your fellow UGSP friends. We know you'll need it! Date and location TBD.

**Film Screening!** Join us for a film screening and discussion in commemoration of Black History Month this February. Date and location TBD.

# What's UGSP Been Up To?

FALL 2017

We were so excited to see everyone at our Holiday Party in December. Chipotle, delicious snacks, and “beverages” were served! Thank you all for joining us – we hope you had fun!

Dr. Nanthia Suthana presented at our first Brown Bag event, where she discussed her journey in neuroscience and navigating academia as a woman of color. She also provided advice and tips for maintaining productivity and a personal life as a graduate student.

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## Call for Volunteers!

The Undergrad Outreach Committee has a volunteer opportunity. We need your help to make our event successful and to reach as many undergrads as possible! Gain mentorship experience to add to YOUR CV!!!

### Volunteer Opportunity:

We are looking for volunteers that are interested in helping undergraduates develop and/or improve their CVs. Volunteers will gain hands-on experience working with students in a 3-person group and one-on-one during a one hour workshop.

### Volunteer eligibility:

Graduate students  
Post-bac research staff with research experience  
Post-docs

*Please contact ReJoyce Green and Blanche Wright at [ucla.ugsp@gmail.com](mailto:ucla.ugsp@gmail.com), if you would like to volunteer. Please put “CV Workshop Volunteer” in the subject line.*



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