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Today's session is on:

How to Find Internships & Research Opportunities

We'll get started soon!

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Introduction

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Before We Begin

You are in listen-only mode. You can hear us, but we can't hear you.

We're recording.
You'll be able to view this webinar recording at iNewStudentWebinars.ucsd.edu

Ask questions – Use the Q&A feature to submit questions. You can also contact us at iContact.ucsd.edu

Fill out the survey at the end of today's session to be entered into a gift card giveaway!

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Presenters

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- **Academic Internship Program**
  - Tricia Taylor, Senior Program Director
- **Undergraduate Research Hub**
  - Julie Kim, Office Manager
- **Jacobs Cooperative Education Pilot Program**
  - Alice Grgas, Associate Director, Corporate Affiliates Program - Talent Programs
- **OASIS LATS (Language Arts Tutorial Services) Writing Support Program**
  - Maggie Thach Morshed, Humanities Lead

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Academic Internship Program

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Academic Internship Program

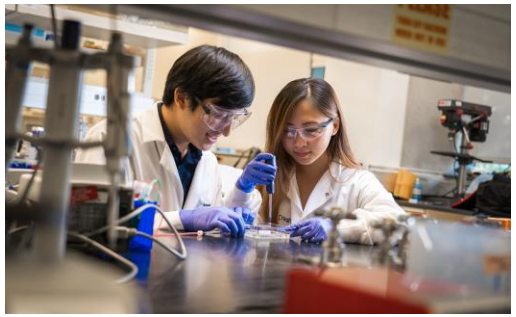
Students can **earn general elective academic credit for an internship** through our **AIP 97** or **AIP 197** courses.

Our student services include:

- Support in identifying and preparing for internship opportunities
- Guidance on enrolling in AIP courses
- Facilitated reflection to enhance career and academic development

Academic internships align with an academic quarter. Apply to AIP and complete the enrollment process in the quarter prior to the internship.

Students – Apply for AIP:
https://aip.ucsd.edu/students/apply.html



In addition, AIP also has several special programs and partnerships, including:

- **Biology Research Internship Program - BISP 197** for students interning in bio research labs and interested in earning biology lab credit (4 units).

- **UC Washington DC Program (UCDC)** Live, learn, and intern in the vibrant city of Washington DC. Open to all majors, UCDC hosts extraordinary internship opportunities in every field.

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Undergraduate Research Hub

The Undergraduate Research Hub (URH) empowers undergraduates seeking to become integrated in the UC San Diego research community with the skills to be successful in a post-baccalaureate career. URH's cooperative staff creates an environment for students to engage in research and leverage resources to maintain long-term relationships through high impact practices. URH welcomes students from diverse backgrounds seeking to maximize their student experiences and future opportunities.

Travel, Scholarships, and Summer Opportunities

- Conference funding for students who will be traveling to present their research
- Numerous Prestigious scholarships (Boren, Gilam scholarship, Goldwater scholarship, Strauss scholarship etc.) Prestigious Scholarships
- Summer research opportunities: Summer Research Program & SRC

Please click the link to our website for a list or programs and eligibility: https://ugresearch.ucsd.edu/programs/all-ucsd.html

URH Programs for Undergraduate Students

- **TRELS**: Triton Research and Experiential Learning Scholars (TRELS) are awarded $1,000 for work on their project in the quarter in which they are awarded (winter or spring). You'll use the funds for research, guided artistic or creative projects, or public service opportunities, under the guidance of a UC San Diego faculty member.
- **FMP**: The Faculty Mentor Program (FMP) allows students with at least sophomore standing (45+ units) to work as a research assistants to a UC San Diego faculty member for at least 10 hours per week during the academic year; participate in a research project; receive 4 units of independent study credit each quarter
- **UC Scholars**: The UC Scholars Program is an 8-week, full-time summer research experience for undergraduates, supported by UC San Diego's Office of Student Affairs and the Undergraduate Research Hub.

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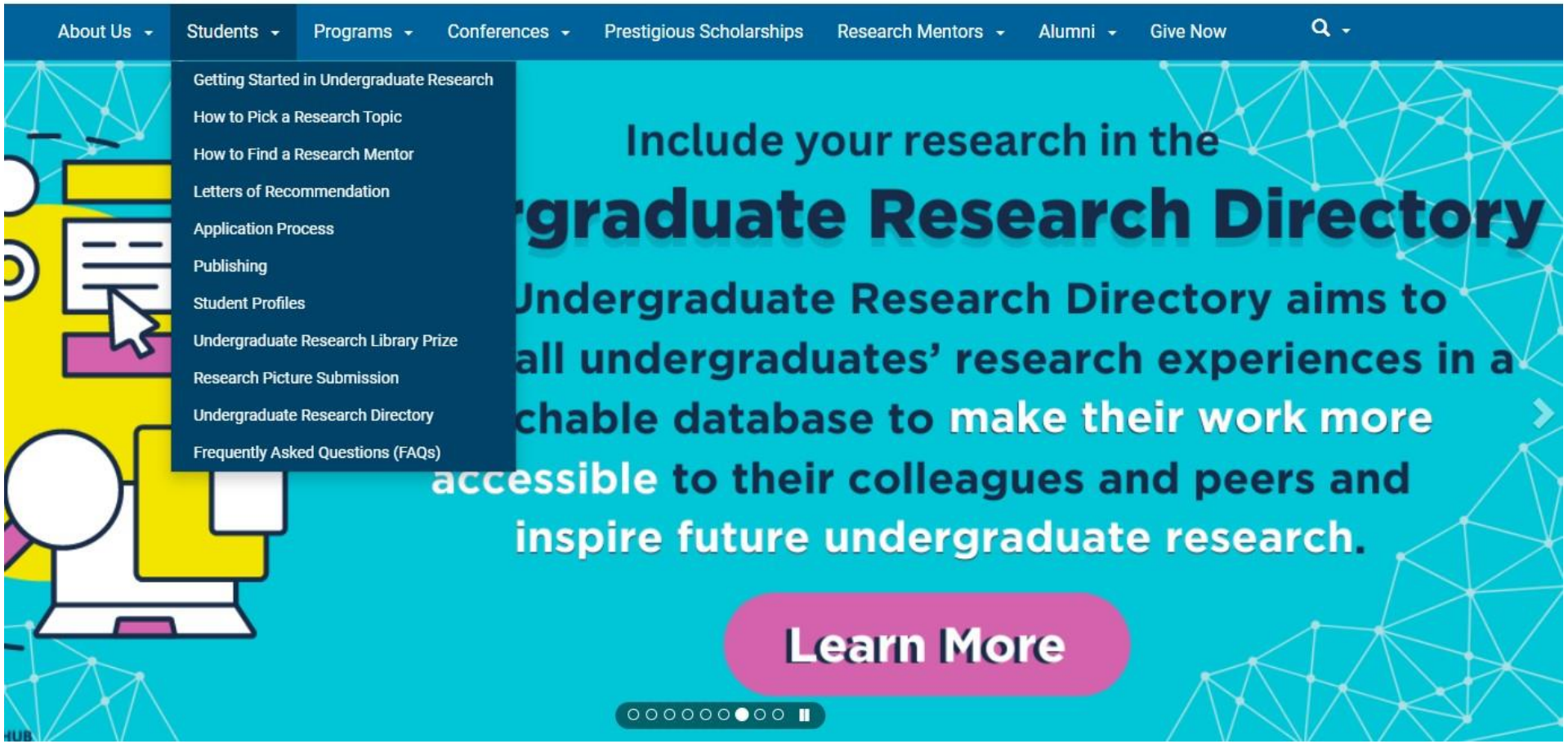
Undergraduate Research Hub



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Jacobs Cooperative Education Pilot Program

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Jacobs Cooperative Education Pilot Program

- Part of the Jacobs School of Engineering Corporate Affiliates Program (CAP)
- Co-ops (& internships) posted in the Jacobs School Job & Internship Portal
- Students must meet with their major academic advisor to review their course plan and obtain clearance
- Start work in Summer (June/July), end in December
  - Full-time (30-40 hours per week) for up to 6 months
- Recruitment timeline:
  - Fall or between January-March 2025
- Most Jacobs School of Engineering Majors eligible

For more details: https://jacobsschool.ucsd.edu/cap/co-op
For any questions, contact: jacobscoop@ucsd.edu

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Under the OASIS unit, LATS (Language Arts Tutorial Services) provides culturally-affirming writing support that allows students to embrace their unique voices and become better writers. Services include:

- One-on-one writing tutoring
- Drop-in Community Write-ins
- Academic Opportunities Workshops
- Professional Development and Study Skills Workshops

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What You Need to Do

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Preparing Your Application

Faculty Mentor Program

Application Period: October 28, 2024-January 17, 2025

There are 4 items required to apply to FMP:

1. Applications

- General Application and Undergraduate Application (When you finish the general application, you will be automatically directed to complete the undergraduate application.)
- FMP Application (After you finish the previous two applications, you will given the opportunity to choose to complete the FMP application.)

2. Research proposal (as part of the FMP application)

- Provide a brief description of the project and/or research activities you plan to conduct under the guidance of your faculty mentor. If possible, elaborate on what type(s) of research methodologies you will be conducting (e.g. library/archival research, clinical research, fieldwork, bench work, etc.) and how you plan on maintaining contact with your mentor. (350 words max)

3. Transcripts

- If you are an incoming transfer student (You do not have a UC San Diego GPA):
  - A copy of your unofficial transcript(s) from previous school(s) (community colleges, other universities, etc.)
- If you have attended UC San Diego for at least 1 quarter:
  - A copy of your unofficial UC San Diego transcript - (How to download your transcript)
  - If you completed coursework prior to attending UC San Diego (e.g., transfer credits), they will appear on your UC San Diego transcript. You do not need to upload transfer transcripts.

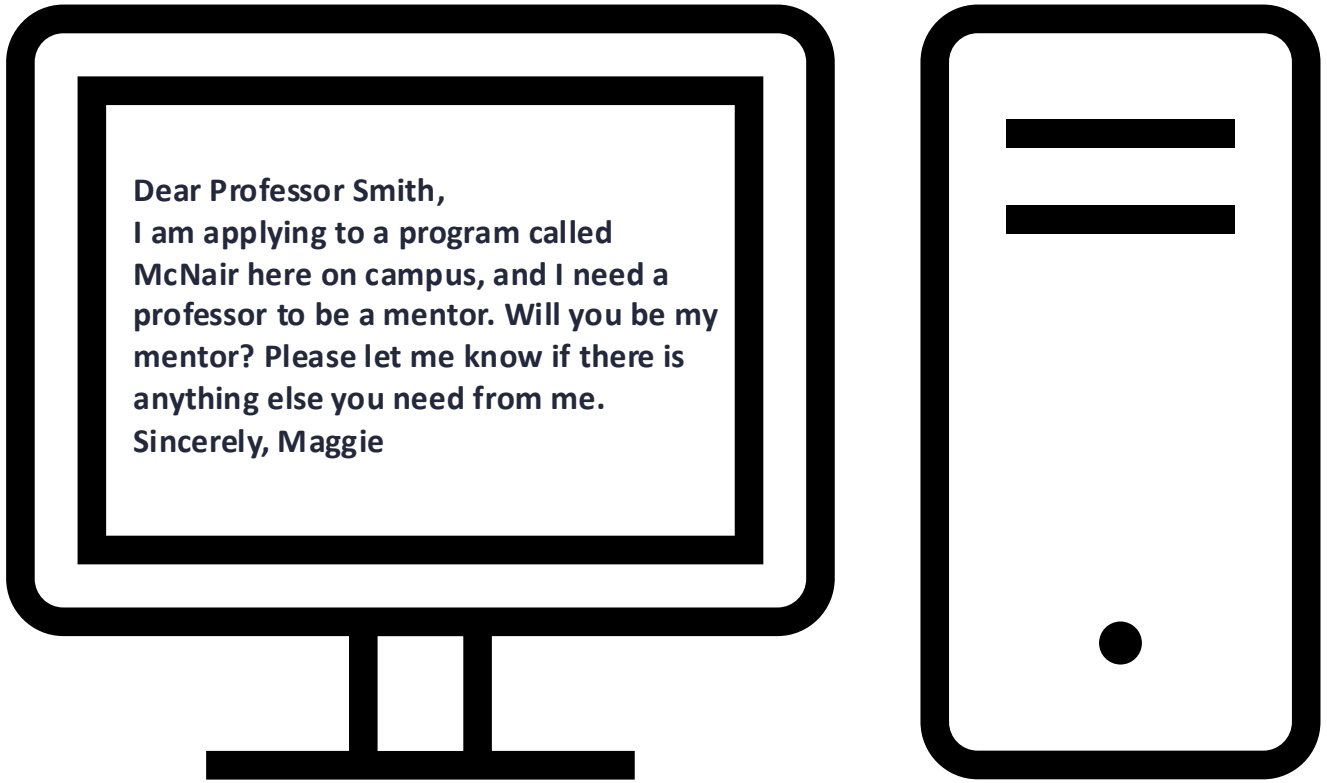
4. Mentor name and contact information

- **Don't wait!** Students should find a mentor and discuss a potential research project **before** adding that faculty member's name and email to the FMP application.
- **Students are responsible for finding and contacting their own mentor,** but the FMP coordinator can help if you're having a hard time. For tips, review our page on how to find a mentor. Start looking for a mentor as you're filling out the general application—be proactive!
- Once you save your faculty mentor's information in the application, an email is automatically sent to that person asking them to agree a number of statements with regards to their support to mentor you in FMP. (NOT a formal letter of recommendation.)
- The faculty mentor needs to complete this section before the application deadline.

Reaching Out to Professors

Ways Email Interactions Go Wrong

Vague
Off-putting tone
Not having the proper context



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With any professional emails, you want to consider:

Clarity

Be clear about what you're asking or saying

Know Your Audience

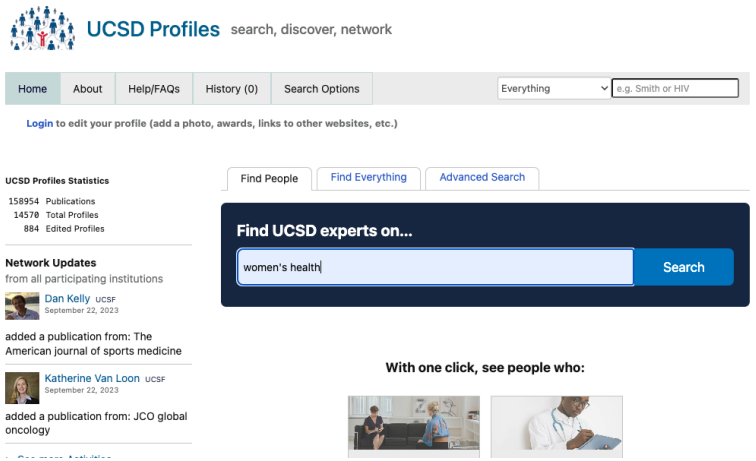
Who are you emailing exactly? What are you emailing that person? What is the context around that person?

Gratitude

Show that you appreciate their time and effort. Show that you understand the dynamic of the relationship

ACTIVITY

- Go to ugresearch.ucsd.edu
- Go to "Students" tab
- Click on "How to Find A Research Mentor"
- Click on "UC San Diego Faculty Profiles (UC San Diego Health ONLY)



Reaching Out to Professors

Dear Professor Christina Chambers,

My name is Maggie, and I am a first-year student majoring in Women's Studies. I admire the work you do with Mommy's Milk, a nationwide human milk biorepository, as well as your research on child health and development. As someone who is curious about how to improve child health outcomes, I'm inquiring if you have any openings in your lab or know where I can look for these opportunities.

Growing up in a country with little emphasis on childhood health, I didn't get opportunities to pursue research in this area. While I don't have lab experience right now, I'm hoping that I can start in a lab such as yours.

I would love to hear your thoughts and advice about how someone like me could get started. I notice you have office hours from 1pm-2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Could I drop by your office hours to discuss possible opportunities?

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,
Maggie

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Benefits of Research Opportunities & Next Steps

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Co-Curricular Record (CCR)

Highlight student involvement and achievements in opportunities beyond the classroom that complements your UC San Diego Transcript

- Capture experiences outside of the classroom
  - On-campus jobs
  - Clubs and student orgs
  - Volunteer work
  - Global learning
  - Research and internships

The goal of the CCR is to provide a broader picture of students' time at UC San Diego in the spaces and places where they learn leadership, career readiness skills and engagement practices beyond the classroom.

Information about the CCR: https://elt.ucsd.edu/ccr/
UC San Diego Competencies: https://elt.ucsd.edu/competencies/

Writing About Your Research Experience

Work with a LATS tutor to write about your research experience in:

- Grad School Personal Statements
- Scholarship Essays
- Academic Opportunities
- Internships
- Resumes and Cover Letters

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Hours:
Monday-Friday
10:30am-6pm

Located on the Third Floor of Center Hall

Tutoring begins October 7th
(Start of Week 2)

Questions?

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Meet-Ups

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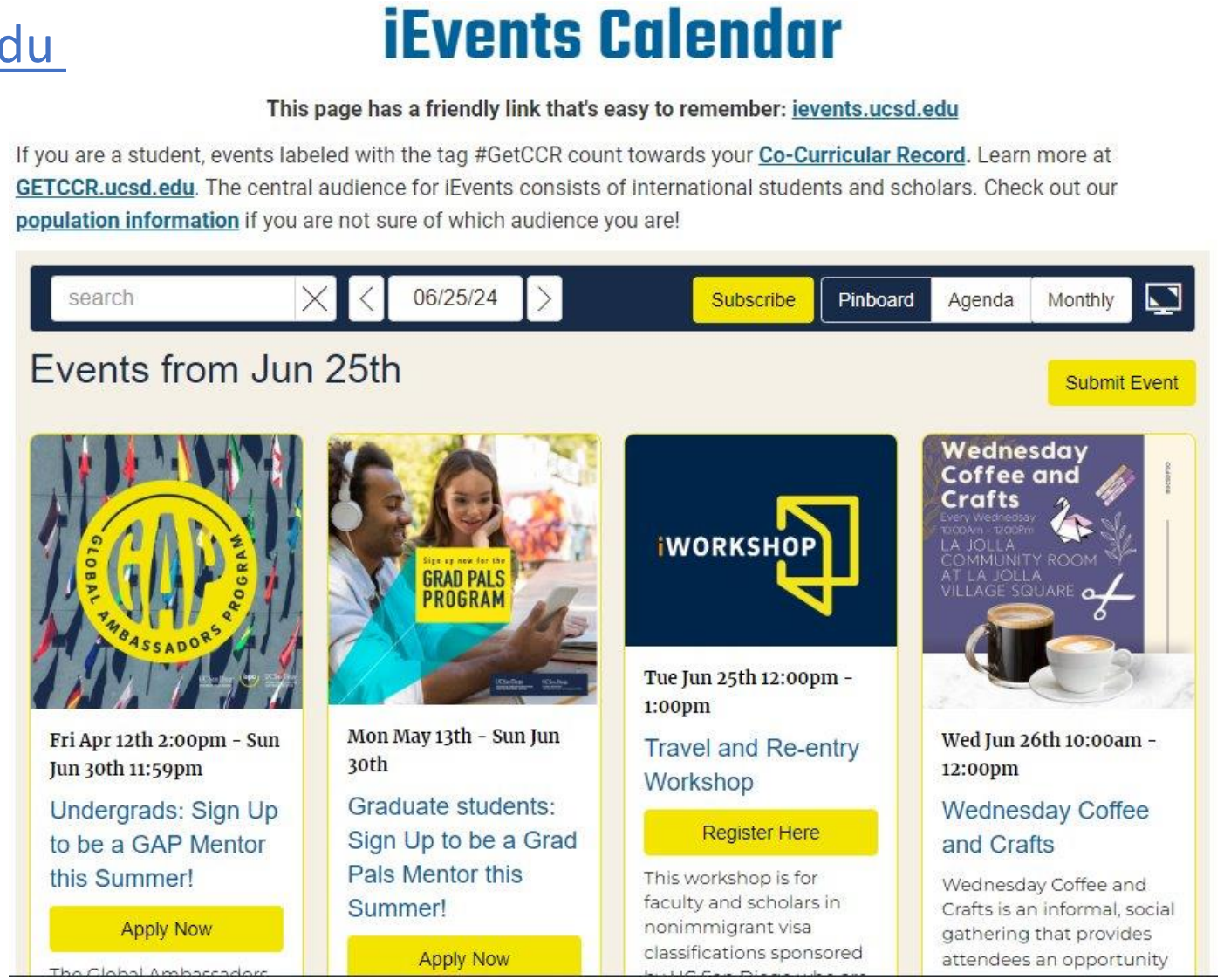

Survey

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Please take a moment to fill out this survey so we can better serve you.

Final Reminders

- Submit your Check-In Form via iPortal (iCheckin.ucsd.edu)
- Register for other sessions at iEvents.ucsd.edu
- You can always contact ISEO via iContact.ucsd.edu

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