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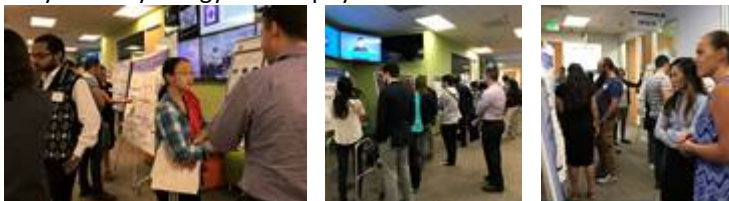
**From:** Mary Ypma-Wong  
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**Subject:** Postdoc News- PDA Picnic Today at 11:45am! PDA Hike, Board Elections, Peer Interview Workshop-Summer Writing Resources

## PostDoc Weekly Post | May 31, 2017



**Thank you to the postdoctoral scholars who judged talks and posters at the NSF GRFP symposium last Friday!**

Antara Das-Developmental & Cell Biology  
Jessica Bolton-Pediatrics  
Reza Khazaeinezhad-Biomedical Engineering  
Markus Kowalewski-Chemistry  
Kwok Lam-Physiology and Biophysics  
Ying Li-Pharmaceutical Sciences  
Theresa Loveless-Biomedical Engineering  
Nasrin Nassaj-Chemical Engineering & Materials Science  
Ruxi Qi, Molecular Biology & Biochemistry  
Subrata Sabui-Medicine  
Gaetano Speciale-Chemistry  
Rachel Steinhardt- Chemistry  
Shubha Tiwari- Neurology  
Gary Yao-Physiology and Biophysics



## Postdoctoral Association (PDA) Events



### PDA Monthly Picnic Lunch

**Today!** Wednesday, May 31 11:45am~ 1:00pm BC's Cavern outside tables. [Map](#)

**All** postdocs are invited; we discuss a range of topics from employment opportunities to fun places in So. California. This picnic is held the last Wednesday of each month, so mark your calendars. Bring your lunch; dessert provided.



### PDA Hike to Mount Baldy

Saturday, June 3. Leave campus at 7am. All postdocs are invited to join in. Details posted on the [PDA Facebook page](#); contact Markus ([mkowalew@uci.edu](mailto:mkowalew@uci.edu)) for more info.



Join the PDA Board- Elections on Wednesday, June 7!

### **PDA Monthly Meeting and Board Elections- [PDA website](#)**

Wednesday, June 7 5:30-7:00pm, Biological Sciences III, Room 2120

You are invited to become a PDA board member and plan programming for UCI postdocs. The PDA works closely with the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs, receiving financial and staff support from the Graduate Division. The board meets 5:30-7:00pm on the first Wednesday of the month, and uses Basecamp to communicate efficiently. Projects are shared to reduce the time commitment. Being on the PDA board offers you the opportunity to determine the best programming for UCI postdocs and develop your leadership and communication skills.

This year, the PDA has organized 5 “Strategies for Success” events with “Peer Interviewing” planned for June 14. The PDA is also organizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual UCI Postdoctoral Symposium on Sept. 22, 2017.

### **Strategies for Success- “Nail that Interview”-Peer Interview Practice**

Wednesday, June 14 5:30-7:00pm at Graduate Resource Center

Prepare for your interviews by being the interviewer and interviewee. Using a round robin format, everyone will be engaged during this workshop and leave with greater confidence to “nail the interview”. [Register](#)

### **2nd Annual UCI Postdoctoral Symposium for September 22, 2017**

Following huge success last year, the UCI Postdoctoral Association is proud to host the 2017 UCI Postdoctoral Scholar Research Symposium at UCI Applied Innovation. We invite all postdocs to apply to present TED-style research talks and posters. Prizes will be awarded. Specific information will be sent early June. [Photos](#) from last year.



## **You are invited to UCI Celebration of Graduate Success!**

**Friday, June 9-Symposium 10:15am- 5:00pm, Reception 5:00-6:30pm**

The Celebration is a day-long symposium that calls together graduate and postdoctoral scholar alumni, campus leaders, current graduate, and postdoctoral scholars to honor the success of our graduate community *and* to engage in a dialogue about its future. Today, more than ever, professional development is essential to success. No one understands this better than our alumni. The time is now to work together to brainstorm a world-class joint venture in graduate professional development and engage in graduate education. [Details and registration](#).



## **Three ways to help you get your writing done this summer!**

- 1. Weekly PoWER Group Meeting-Postdoc Writing Editing and Review Group-** All postdocs welcome to write and review in a quiet and productive atmosphere. Contact Mary Frances Ypma-Wong PhD ([m.ypmawong@uci.edu](mailto:m.ypmawong@uci.edu)) for more information.

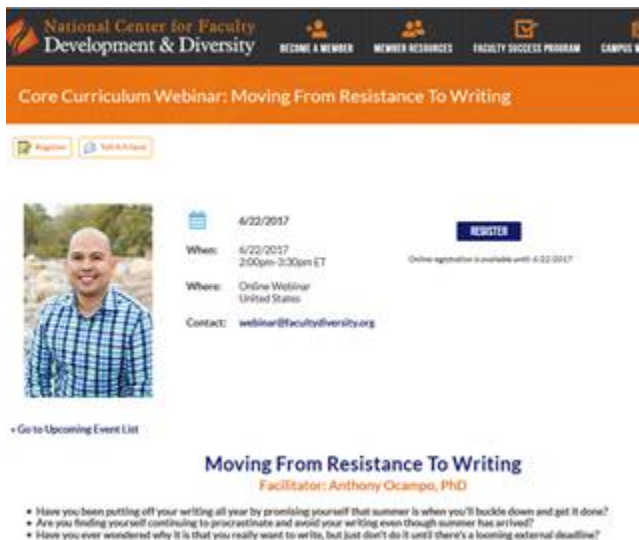
Tuesday PoWER Group-Meets weekly 9:00am-12:00pm, BioSci III, Rm 3011

Friday PoWER Group-Meets weekly from 8:30am-10:30am, BioSci III, Rm 1120

- 2. UCI Nature Masterclass Certificate Program in Scientific Writing and Publishing**

This program provides modular online training in scientific writing and publication. It is prepared and presented by editors and staff from the Nature journals. There are approximately 15 hours of instruction; you earn a certificate of completion after completing 80% of the course (not all sections are pertinent to all users).

3. **National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity**- Resources for postdocs from all disciplines. Sign up for free institutional sub-account membership with the NCFDD. Membership includes access to a wide range of professional development resources, including this June 22 webinar. You must have your UCI e-mail address to enroll.



The screenshot shows the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity website. The header includes navigation links: BECOME A MEMBER, MEMBER RESOURCES, FACULTY SUCCESS PROGRAM, and CAMPUS. The main heading is "Core Curriculum Webinar: Moving From Resistance To Writing". Below this are "Register" and "Add to Calendar" buttons. A profile picture of Anthony Ocampo, PhD, is shown. The event details are: Date: 6/22/2017, Time: 2:00pm-3:30pm ET, Location: Online Webinar, United States, and Contact: webinar@facultydiversity.org. A "REGISTER" button is present. Below the registration information, there is a link to "Go to Upcoming Event List" and the event title "Moving From Resistance To Writing" with the facilitator's name. Three bullet points are listed at the bottom:

- Have you been putting off your writing all year by promising yourself that summer is when you'll buckle down and get it done?
- Are you finding yourself continuing to procrastinate and avoid your writing even though summer has arrived?
- Have you ever wondered why it is that you really want to write, but just don't do it until there's a looming external deadline?

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