



UCIRVINE

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Cellular &
Molecular
Biosciences

Graduate Student
Handbook

Academic Year: 2015-2016

Enrollment

Graduate students must enroll in graduate courses for a minimum of 12 units each quarter. To enroll in courses, you must access WebReg at: <http://www.reg.uci.edu/registrar/soc/webreg.html>.

During your first year in the CMB program, each quarter you will enroll in one core course for 4 units, a lab rotation for 6 units, and Scientific Communication 292 for 2 units. The rotation course number is 200R assigned to each of our CMB faculty in all six departments. You can find the correct course code in WebSoc at: <http://websoc.reg.uci.edu/perl/WebSoc>, then select the department that the faculty member belongs to and look for their 200R code.

A CMB faculty advisor has been assigned to you. You should enroll in Scientific Communication 292 each quarter for 2 units in the department which hosts your advisor. Your advisor will help you with rotation selection, rotation proposals and reports, and serve on your mini-symposium committee.

In addition to your other courses, you are required to take Ph.D. Fundamentals, MBB 291, for 2 units in Fall quarter, Biomedical Research Methods, MBB 295, for 2 units in Winter quarter, and Conduct of Research, MMG 250, for 2 units in Spring quarter.

Sample schedule for each quarter:

Fall quarter

Core	Choose one	4 units
200R	Rotation	6 units
292A	Scientific Communication	2 units
<u>MBB 291</u>	<u>Ph.D. Fundamentals</u>	<u>2 units</u>
Total Units		14 units

Winter quarter

Core	Choose one	4 units
200R	Rotation	6 units
292B	Scientific Communication	2 units
<u>MBB 295</u>	<u>Biomedical Research Methods</u>	<u>2 units</u>
Total Units		14 units

Spring quarter

Core	Choose one	4 units
200R	Rotation	6 units
292C	Scientific Communication	2 units
<u>MMG 250</u>	<u>Conduct of Research</u>	<u>2 units</u>
Total Units		14 units

Registration for more than 16 units per quarter requires advance approval by the Graduate Advisors and the Dean of Graduate Division.

Registration in every regular academic session (Fall, Winter, Spring) is necessary until all requirements for an advanced degree have been completed.

Registration at UCI consists of two separate steps: payment of fees and enrollment of classes. Both steps must be completed in order to be officially registered. To fulfill your enrollment requirement, you must go online to use WebSoc (on line Searchable Schedule of Classes) and WebReg (Enroll in Classes) to enroll in classes before the deadline to pay fees or you will be held responsible for the late *fee* payment of \$50.00. There is a late *enrollment* fee of \$50.00 that goes into effect at the end of the second week of instruction.

Curriculum

During the first year, students will select one of five focus areas: “Structural Biology, Biochemistry, and Biophysics”, “Developmental and Stem Cell Biology”, “Immunology and Microbiology”, “Cancer and Cell Biology”, or “Genetics, Epigenetics and Genomics.” Students will select three didactic courses, one each quarter, from a menu of course options recommended for their focus area. Students will be allowed to substitute courses or switch focus areas during the first year, by petition. During the first year the students also complete three required 2-unit S/U courses (PhD Fundamentals, Biomedical Research Methods, and Responsible Conduct of Research) that develop knowledge and skills not necessarily covered in the didactic courses. Students may take additional elective courses relevant to their area of specialization although this is not encouraged. Each focus area recommends elective courses for students in years 2 or later, to be taken after transfer to a departmental PhD program.

The following page includes a list of coursework requirements and possible electives in each focus area.

Structural
Biology,
Biochemistry
& Biophysics

Developmental
and Stem Cell
Biology

Immunology
and
Microbiology

Cancer and
Cell Biology

Genetics,
Epigenetics and
Genomics

Curriculum

Fall:

- MBB 204 Proteins w/ Literature (MBB 214)
- Winter one of:
 - MBB 203 Nucleic Acids w/ Literature (MBB213)
 - P&B 252 Proteomics
- Spring one of:
 - MBB 211 High Res Structures:NMR/X-ray
 - P&B 232 Ion Channels
 - Chem 218 Metallobiochemistry
- Electives, above plus:
 - Chem 216 Organometallics
 - MBB 223 Comp Biol
 - MMG 206 Gene Expression

Curriculum

- 3 courses from
 - DB 231B Cell Biology
 - MMG 206 Gene Expression
 - DB 245 Stem Cell Biology
 - DB 210 Adv Dev Genetics
- Electives, above plus:
 - DB 207 Mouse Dev Genetics
 - BC 207 Adv Mol Genetics
 - BC 225 Chromatin

Curriculum

- 3 courses from
 - DB 231B Cell Biology
 - MMG 206 Gene Expression
 - MBB 215 Immunology
 - MMG 222 Molecular Pathogenesis of Viral Infection
- Electives, above plus:
 - MBB 221 Adv Immunology
 - Path 221 Immunopathogenic
 - MBB 205 Molecular Virology

Curriculum

- 2 courses from
 - DB 231B Cell Biology
 - MMG 206 Gene Expression
 - MBB 217A Cancer Biology
- 1 course from
 - BC 225 Chromatin
 - P&B 252 Proteomics
 - P&B 232 Ion Channels
 - DB 245 Stem Cell Biology
 - MBB 205 Molecular Virology
- Electives, above plus
 - MBB 217B Cancer Biology II
 - BC 240 Breakthroughs in Cancer Research

Curriculum

- 2 courses from
 - MMG 206 Gene Expression
 - DB 214 Genomics
- 1 course from
 - BC 225 Chromatin
 - BC 207 Adv Mol Genetics
 - MBB 203 Nucleic Acids
 - CS 284A Algorithms for Mol Bio
 - DB 210 Adv Dev Genetics
- Electives, above

CMB course offering by quarter for the 2015-16 academic year:

SBBB			DSCB			IM		
F	W	S	F	W	S	F	W	S
MB 204	MB 203	PB 232	DB 231B	DB 245	DB 210	MB 215	MMG 206	MMG 206
	PB 252	Chem 218		MMG 206	MMG 206	DB 231B		MMG 222
		MB 211						
Take one F								
Take one W								
Take one S								

CCB			GEG		
F	W	S	F	W	S
DB 231B	MMG 206	MMG 206	DB 214	MMG 206	MMG 206
	MB 217A	PB 232	CS 284A	MB 203	DB 210
	MB 205			BC 225	BC 207
	DB 245				
	BC 225				
	PB 252				
Take two			Take two		
Take one			Take one		

Research Rotations

Students are funded for all three academic quarters while enrolled in the CMB program. Two research rotations are required; a third rotation can be performed in the thesis lab or, if needed, in a third lab.

During the first two weeks of the quarter the student must identify the rotation project and write a rotation proposal (instructions can be found at: <http://cmb.uci.edu/rotation-paperwork/>) which must be approved and signed by the faculty advisor and rotation supervisor and then turned into the CMB office by the end of the second week of instruction. During the last two weeks of the quarter the student must write a rotation report (instructions can be found at: <http://cmb.uci.edu/rotation-paperwork/>) which must be completed, approved, signed by both the rotation supervisor and the faculty advisor, and then submitted to CMB by the end of finals week. The rotation report must be approved and signed by the faculty advisor, and will count toward the grade for the course.

Copies of both the proposal and the signed report must be handed in to Renée Frigo in the CMB office (4143 Natural Sciences II) and will be added to the student's file. The rotation advisor prints out the rotation evaluation form, completes it and sends it to the CMB office where it becomes part of the student's file. A rotation that was performed in a CMB laboratory during the summer before entry into the program will count as one of the two required rotations. Laboratory rotations are graded as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U).

CMB Faculty by Focus Area – Primary Affiliation

Cancer and Cell Biology	Developmental & Stem Cell Biology	Genetics, Epigenetics & Genomics	Immunology & Microbiology	Structural Biology, Biochemistry & Biophysics
Aimee Edinger	Anne Calof	Ali Mortazavi	Albert Zlotnik	Al Goldin
Alex Boiko	Arthur Lander	Bogi Andersen	Andrea Tenner	Andre Luptak
Anand Ganesan	Bruce Blumberg	Emiliana Borrelli	Anthony James	Celia Goulding
Angela Fleischman	David Gardiner	Feng Qiao	Bert Semler	Charlie Glabe
Chris Hughes	Diane O'Dowd	Jay Gargus	Craig Walsh	Dana Aswad
Christine Suetterlin	Ed Monuki	Katrine Whiteson	Haoping Liu	Donald Senear
Daniela Bota	Grant MacGregor	Klemens Hertel	Lbachir BenMohamed	Francesco Tombola
David Fruman	Irene Pedersen	Kyoko Yokomori	Luis de la Maza	Geoff Abbott
Devon Lawson	Kavita Arora	Michael Mulligan	Manuela Raffatellu	Greg Weiss
Dongbao Chen	Ken Cho	Michael Zaragoza	Melissa Lodoen	Hudel Luecke
Ed Nelson	Larry Marsh	Paolo Sassone-Corsi	Michael Buchmeier	Jennifer Prescher
Eva Lee	Leslie Thompson	Ping Wang	Michael Cahalan	Lan Huang
Hung Fan	Maksim Plikus	Qin Yang	Michael Demetriou	Markus Ribbe
Jeff Chan	Matt Inlay	Sha Sun	Ming Tan	Melanie Cocco
Kai Kessenbrock	Olivier Cinquin	Suzanne Sandmeyer	Naomi Morrisette	Michael Green
Lee Bardwell	Peter Donovan	Xiaohui Xie	Roz Sandri-Goldin	Naoto Hoshi
Marian Waterman	Pierre Baldi	Yongsheng Shi	Xiangmin Xu	Paul Gershon
Mark Fisher	Rahul Warrior	Zeba Wunderlich		Rachel Martin
Michael Berns	Rob Steele			Ray Luo
Michael McClelland	Tallie Baram			Ronsheng Jin
Olga Razorenova	Tom Schilling			Sheryl Tsai
Peter Kaiser	Ulrike Luderer			Shin Lin
Phang-Lang Chen	Xing Dai			Steve Gross
Rob Edwards				Todd Holmes
Scott Atwood				Tom Poulos
Steven Chessler				Yilin Hu
Susanne Rafelski				
Young Jik Kwon				

CMB Faculty by Focus Area - Secondary Affiliation

Cancer and Cell Biology	Developmental & Stem Cell Biology	Genetics, Epigenetics & Genomics	Immunology & Microbiology	Structural Biology, Biochemistry & Biophysics
Bruce Blumberg	Alex Boiko	Anne Calof	Angela Fleischman	Feng Qiao
Dana Aswad	Bogi Andersen	Bruce Blumberg	David Fruman	Michael Buchmeier
Francesco Tombola	Chris Hughes	Dana Aswad	Ed Nelson	Michael Cahalan
Greg Weiss	Craig Walsh	Haoping Liu	Jennifer Prescher	Michael Demetriou
Irene Pedersen	Dana Aswad	Jeff Chan	Katrine Whiteson	Pierre Baldi
Jennifer Prescher	Daniela Bota	Larry Marsh	Kenneth Longmuir	Roz Sandri-Goldin
Klemens Hertel	Dongbao Chen	Leslie Thompson	Matt Inlay	
Kyoko Yokomori	Kai Kessenbrock	Peter Kaiser	Michael McClelland	
Lan Huang	Marian Waterman	Rahul Warrior	Paul Gershon	
Melissa Lodoen	Ping Wang	Rob Edwards	Rongsheng Jin	
Ming Tan	Sha Sun	Tallie Baram		
Naomi Morrissette	Suzanne Sandmeyer	Todd Holmes		
Qin Yang		Xiangmin Xu		
Sha Sun		Xing Dai		

Mini-symposia

At the end of Fall and Winter quarters, two CMB faculty advisors will meet with their four advisees for a mini-symposia. At each mini-symposium, each student will give a 20 minute rotation presentation followed by 10 minutes of discussion/critique. Advisors and students will provide critical evaluation of each presentation. Detailed comments on strengths and weaknesses of the presentation will be provided to students individually by their advisor.

A recommended format for mini-symposia presentations can be found at: <http://cmb.uci.edu/files/2013/09/Recommended-Presentation-Format.pdf>.

Preliminary Exam

At the end of Spring quarter, students must demonstrate proficiency by passing a preliminary qualifying exam. The purpose of this exam is to verify that you have completed the goals of the CMB first-year program. These are:

1. to establish a foundation of knowledge in the relevant disciplines
2. to acquire an understanding of research methods including the responsible conduct of research

3. to sharpen your critical thinking abilities so that you are ready to begin thesis research in which you will take major responsibility for the design, conduct and publication of Ph.D.-level research projects.

The preliminary exam format consists of one rotation presentation and a critical review of a manuscript followed by presentation of proposed original research stemming from the manuscript. Complete exam instructions can be found on the CMB web-site at <http://cmb.uci.edu/files/2014/03/Prelim Exam Instructions 2014.pdf>.

During Winter and/or Spring Quarter, a workshop is offered for students who would like to have more preparation for the journal critique and research proposal section of the exam. We will assign students to 3 groups of 6 members each. Each group will have a second or third year graduate student who will provide an example of a good preliminary exam presentation at the first group meeting. Your group will then schedule 3 additional meetings with 2 students practicing a journal critique at each meeting. Your second year graduate student will be present at these meetings to provide feedback on the presentations.

Faculty Advisors

During the first year, students will be paired with a faculty advisor. They will meet at the beginning of each quarter for personal academic advising emphasizing the importance of laboratory rotation experience. Included will be the value of identifying potential sponsors, making clear intentions after selecting a potential thesis advisor, and the need to demonstrate a commitment to research. Each advisor will meet with two students. Participation each quarter will include rotation assessment, a critique, and a mini-symposium.

Unsatisfactory Academic Progress Policy

The UCI Graduate Policies and Procedures requires that a student be notified of unsatisfactory academic progress. Criteria for determining unsatisfactory progress includes:

- An overall grade point average below 3.0; or
- A grade point average below 3.0 in two successive quarters; or
- Fewer than 24 units completed and applicable toward the advanced degree requirements in the last three quarters; or
- Failure to complete required courses or examinations satisfactorily within the period specified by the graduate program; or
- Failure to pass a required examination in two attempts; or
- Failure to progress academically within the Normal Time to Degree framework specified for the student's graduate program; or
- The appropriate faculty committee's evaluation that there has not been satisfactory program toward completion of the thesis or dissertation.

The CMB program policy includes a two tiered system of "academic warning" and "academic probation" to notify students that they are not making satisfactory progress.

1. If a student has a single B- in a required course, the student is not making satisfactory progress and is issued an "academic warning." If the student completes the first year coursework and rotations with a 3.0 GPA, he is allowed to take the preliminary exam (for the CMB) and transfer to a department. The student can submit a General Petition to have the B- accepted in fulfillment of the program requirement. The General Petition must be submitted after transfer to a department, and needs to be approved by the thesis advisor, departmental graduate advisor, Associate Dean of the School, and the Graduate Division.
2. If a student has a C+ in a required course (or received a second B-), the student is placed on "academic probation." In this case, a student is not allowed to transfer out of a gateway program until they have satisfactorily completed the program requirements and the student is not allowed to take the preliminary exam. Students on academic probation must receive an Exception to Policy to receive a stipend for employment or fellowship.

California Residency Policy

Non-resident students are required to establish California residency after their first year of graduate school. If you do not establish California residency before the beginning of Fall quarter of your second year, you will be responsible for paying your non-resident tuition (approximately \$5,000/quarter).

In order to be classified as a California resident for tuition purposes, you must demonstrate your intent to reside in California indefinitely. To prove intent, it is necessary for you to obtain legal documentation of intent to make California your permanent home and relinquish all legal ties to the past place of residence **as soon as possible after the date of entry into California**. Within the next month you should obtain a California driver's license or California ID card, register your vehicle in California, and register to vote in California.

IMPORTANT: When reviewing your status for California residency, the resident deputy will ask the question: when would this student have been unable to go back to their original state and not qualify for residency? If it is not clear that you could not go back to your home State, then you have not established clear ties to California (i.e., have out of state license, have active checking/savings bank accounts out of state, registered to vote in another state, or NOT registered to vote in California).

ANY TIES TO OTHER/PREVIOUS RESIDENCE MUST BE CHANGED.

Between June 1 and September 1, 2016, see the Residence Deputy, John Lapuz, located at the Registrar's Office, Aldrich Hall, room 215 and bring your documents (proof of your intent to become a CA resident). Do this **BEFORE** the Fall quarter 2016 fees are due or you will be assessed non-resident tuition.

For more information on establishing California residency, please go to:
http://www.reg.uci.edu/residency/downloads/reclass_grad.pdf.

Finances

Your CMB stipend of \$30,000 for the 2015-16 academic year is paid out as follows:

10 payments of \$2250.00 each from Oct. 1, 2015 through July 1, 2016 =	\$22,500.00
3 payments of \$2500.00 each from Aug. 1, 2016 through Sept. 30, 2016 =	<u>\$7,500.00</u>
Total stipend	\$30,000.00

Note: Taxes are not deducted from the 10 payments of \$2250.00. It is a student stipend, you are not considered an employee at this time. The 3 payments of \$2500.00 do have taxes deducted since as of July 1, 2016, you will be employed by your thesis advisor and will receive a payroll check.

Direct Deposit

To receive your stipend through direct deposit, please go to:

https://portal.uci.edu/uPortal/p/webproxy-cms-file-view.ctf2/max/render.uP?pP_cmsUri=public%2FAccounting%2FPayroll%2FHowToDirectDepositPayCheckDEFT.xml

log in and follow the instructions to arrange for direct deposit of your pay check.

Financial Aid Office

The UCI Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships provides students and their families with the financial resources necessary to assure success in their academic goals. It is located in 102 Aldrich Hall, phone (949) 824-8262. Financial aid information for graduate students can be found on their website,

<http://www.ofas.uci.edu/content/GraduateEntering.aspx>.

Student Health Insurance Plan (UC SHIP)

UCI offers one of the best, most comprehensive healthcare packages in the nation to its graduate students. With such a basic yet important need met, students are freed to concentrate on their academic studies. UC SHIP for graduates provides medical, vision, and dental coverage using the Anthem Blue Cross PPO network. For complete information about your healthcare package, refer to http://www.shs.uci.edu/health_insurance_privacy/insurance.aspx#shipplan.

Change of Address

It is important to submit a change of address when you arrive in Irvine so that the Registrar's Office has your current address. You may do this online at <http://www.reg.uci.edu/request/changeaddress.html>.

UCInetID and E-Mail Account

You must activate your UCInetID and password before you can use it for e-mail and electronic access to WebReg and ZotAccountOnline. You may activate your UCInetID on line at: <https://ucinetid2.nacs.uci.edu/cgi/activate.cgi>. Instructions for setting up your e-mail account can also be found at this website.

ID Card

Student ID cards are available at The Hill (formerly The UCI Bookstore) located in the Student Center, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. You will need your student ID number.

Parking Permit

Parking permits are required during the week of the CMB Orientation (9/22 – 9/26). Parking permits are \$70 per month for a student commuter or \$89 per month for a student commuter preferred permit. The Fall or annual permits are effective 9/29/14. For more details go to: <http://www.parking.uci.edu/permits/>.

Transportation on Campus

The Anteater Express campus shuttle buses take passengers around campus or to select destinations. Go to www.shuttle.uci.edu for route maps and schedule information.

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Cellular and Molecular Biosciences Academic Calendar 2015-2016

Fall Quarter 2015 - 49 days of instruction	
Enrollment begins	Monday, May 18, 2015
Fee deadline	Tuesday, September 15, 2015 4:30 PM
CMB Orientation	Thursday, September 17, 2015
Campus –wide Graduate Student Orientation	Friday, September 18, 2015
Quarter begins	Monday, September 21, 2015
Instruction begins	Thursday, September 24, 2015
Research Proposals Due	Friday, October 9, 2015
Veteran's Day Holiday	Wednesday, November 11, 2015
Thanksgiving Holiday	Thurs-Fri, November 26-27, 2015
Instruction ends	Friday, December 4, 2015
Final examinations	Sat-Fri, December 5-11, 2015
Research Reports Due	Friday, December 11, 2015
Mini-Symposia	Friday, December 11, 2015
Quarter ends	Friday, December 11, 2015
Christmas Holiday	Thurs-Fri, December 24-25, 2015
University Closed	Mon-Wed, December 28-30, 2015
New Year's Holiday	Thurs-Fri, Dec 31, 2015 - Jan 1, 2016
Winter Quarter 2016 - 48 days of instruction	
Enrollment begins	Monday, November 16, 2015
Fee deadline	Tuesday, December 15, 2015
Quarter begins	Monday, January 4, 2016

Instruction begins	Monday, January 4, 2016
Research Proposals Due	Friday, January 15, 2016
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday	Monday, January 18, 2016
CMB Recruitment Weekend #1	January 28-30, 2016
CMB Recruitment Weekend #2	February 4-6, 2016
Presidents' Day Holiday	Monday, February 15, 2016
Instruction ends	Friday, March 11, 2016
Final examinations	Sat-Fri, March 12-18, 2016
Research Reports Due	Friday, March 18, 2016
Mini-Symposia	Friday, March 18, 2016
Quarter ends	Friday, March 18, 2016
Spring Break	March 21-25, 2016
Spring Quarter 2016 – 49 days of instruction	
Enrollment begins	Monday, February 22, 2016
Fee deadline	Tuesday, March 15, 2016
Quarter begins	Wednesday, March 23, 2016
Cesar Chavez Day Holiday	Friday, March 25, 2016
Instruction begins	Monday, March 28, 2016
Research Proposal Due	Friday, April 8, 2016
Memorial Day Holiday	Monday, May 30, 2016
Instruction ends	Friday, June 3, 2016
Graduate Commencement	Saturday, June 4, 2016
Final examinations	Sat-Th, June 4-9, 2016
Research Reports Due	Friday, June 10, 2016
Quarter ends	Friday, June 10, 2016
Preliminary Examinations	Mon-Fri, June 20-24, 2016

Important University Policies

Code of Student Conduct

Graduate students are members of both society and the academic community with attendant rights and responsibilities. The Code of Student Conduct addresses these rights and responsibilities and provides university wide standards for implementing regulations to protect and promote the rights of members of the University and assure compliance with University laws and policies. A copy of this document is available at:

<http://www.dos.uci.edu/conduct/students/code-of-student-conduct.php>.

Policy on Sexual Harassment

The University of California is committed to creating and maintaining a community in which all persons who participate in University programs and activities can work together in an atmosphere free of all forms of harassment, exploitation, or intimidation, including sexual. Specifically, every member of the University community should be aware that the University is strongly opposed to sexual harassment and that such behavior is prohibited both by law and by University policy. It is the intention of the University to take whatever action may be needed to prevent, correct, and, if

necessary, discipline behavior which violates this policy. The UCI Sexual Harassment policy is available at:

<http://www.oeod.uci.edu/sho/>.

Policy on Academic Honesty

The policy on academic honesty and its consequences is available at

<http://www.editor.uci.edu/catalogue/appx/appx.2.htm#academic>.

Students are expected to become familiar with this policy. Students who fail to uphold their fundamental academic obligation are subject to consequences that might range from lowering a grade to campus-wide sanctions, up to and including dismissal. Examples of conduct that fall under the aegis of the policy on academic honesty include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, stealing of exams, falsifying the record of their work, or collusion in such dishonest activities.

Resolving Grievances, Campus Ombudsman

UCI provides a campus Ombudsman to respond to grievances by clarifying issues, making referrals; and providing a confidential, impartial and informal setting for mediation, dispute resolution or conflict negotiation. The office is located in room 205 of the Multipurpose Science & Technology Building; telephone 949-824-7256. For more information see this URL on the web:

<http://www.ombuds.uci.edu/>.

Graduate Student Organizations

Associated Graduate Students (AGS)

The Associated Graduate Students, an unincorporated association of the state of California, is the recognized graduate student government association at the University of California, Irvine. It represents nearly 5,000 graduate and professional students to the campus and system wide administration. Information about this organization is available at: <http://www.ags.uci.edu/>.

Cross Cultural Center – International Clubs

The Cross Cultural Center at UCI is dedicated to creating and maintaining a socially just campus, fostering the cultural identities within our community and providing opportunities for intellectual exchange, student leadership development and community engagement. Information about this organization and a list of programs available through the Cross Cultural Center is available at: <http://www.ccc.uci.edu/>.