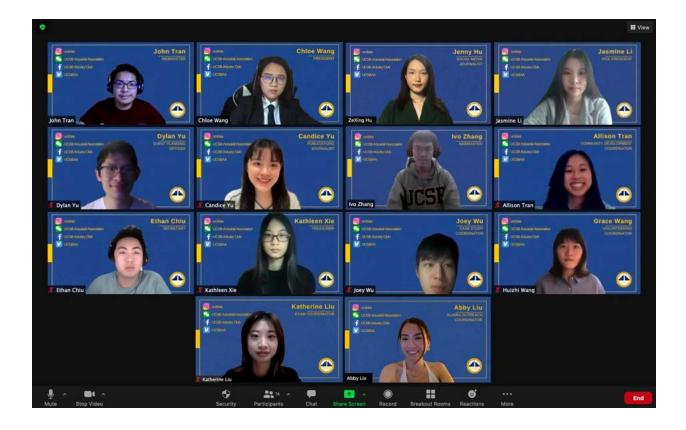
# ACTUARIAL ASSOCIATION FALL 2020 NEWSLETTER





#### **Club Officers**

President: Chloe Wang Vice President: Jasmine Li Secretary: Ethan Chiu Treasurer: Kathleen Xie Director of Technology: Ivo Zhang Director of Technology: John Tran Volunteering Coordinator: Grace Wang Community Development Coordinator: Allison Tran Exam Coordinator: Katherine Liu Alumni & Outreach Coordinator: Abby Liu Case Study Coordinator: Joey Wu Social Media Journalist: Jenny Hu Publication Journalist: Candice Yu Event Planning Officer: Dylan Yu

#### **Quarter Events**

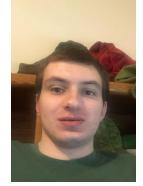
- General Meeting
- Ice Breaker
- Resume Workshop
- Career Fair Info Sessions (23)
- Chatting with Officers
- Mentorship Reveal
- Actuarial Career Path and Course Planning Workshop
- Coffee with Professors
- Case Study Workshop
- Graduate School Info Session
- Beginner and Intermediate Excel Workshop
- Math Motivators Volunteer Program

#### **General Contact Info**

Website: Actuaryclub.pstat.ucsb.edu Email: aa.ucsb@gmail.com Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCma2DQ Pq0vfzklZa0lzpAQ/featured Faculty Undergraduate Advisor: Dr. Hal Pedersen Undergraduate Program Advisor: Christine Epley

#### Member of the Quarter

• Andrew Harris



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# **Events Summary**

# **General Meeting**

During the general meeting, we introduced our club, this year's officer team, and the events we had set up for the fall quarter. In addition, we went over how our 2020 Career Fair will go, what is entailed in our Mentorship Program, and an introduction to what case studies are. The meeting was finished by going through the membership benefits and the actuarial program at UCSB.

# Ice Breaker Event

In the ice breaker event, participants introduced themselves to each other and got to know each other a little more. In the end, the event was concluded by a game of Skribbl.io.

# **Resume Workshop**

This workshop explains how to write a better resume relating to actuarial internships and jobs. We went over two sample resumes from both a hypothetical sophomore and a hypothetical senior. Following the workshop, we had a 1-1 resume critique with professors with many years of experience in the industry.







#### **Company Info Sessions**

Over 20 companies from across the US gave virtual info sessions to our association regarding their company as well as internship and full-time job opportunities. Many companies chose to highlight their company culture and their exam study program. Some companies hosted an open chat session after the presentation and Q&A for members to talk with the company representatives. <u>https://actfair.pstat.ucsb.edu/</u>



# **Chatting with Officers**

A one hour period every week where anyone could drop in and ask general questions relating to the club, the actuarial science major, or about the actuarial profession. At least one, and usually two or more, officers were there to chat.

# <u>Mentorship Reveal</u>

The mentorship program pairs mentees with mentors to help guide them throughout their actuarial path. In this event, the mentorship pairings were revealed, and the mentors and mentees introduced themselves to each other. After getting to know each other, everyone played a game at the end to help bond with their mentor or mentee and other members of the club.

# Actuarial Career Path and Course Planning Workshop

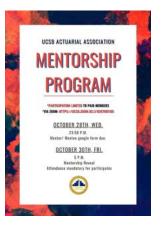
This workshop went over the major sheet for Actuarial Science at UCSB and the path one might take to finish their major, whether students plan on completing the B.S./M.S. program, and whether or not students started college with a high number of AP credits. Many upper-division courses of interest were discussed. The workshop also described the actuarial career path with details on classes related to actuarial exams and VEE credit.

# **Coffee with Professors**

A virtual informal chat with Professors Raya Feldman, Ian Duncan, and Janet Duncan with 30-minute rotations between the professors. Students were able to get to know these professors more and ask for advice or about the professor's experiences.



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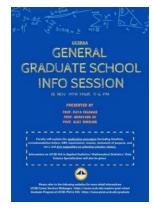


# **Case Study Workshop**

This event introduced the association to case studies in general and prepared us for the case competitions coming later in our school year. The presentation included an in-depth breakdown of the previous year's competition, including what questions might be asked and what tasks to complete, as well as the winning team's report and thought process. 2021 UCLA Case Study Kickoff: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zA6dPifXt5s</u>

#### **Graduate School Info Session**

An event providing information about applying to graduate school, especially in statistical areas. Topics included the difference between Masters and Ph.D., reasons to continue education as opposed to working in the industry, and the criteria for creating a competitive application.



#### **Beginner and Intermediate Excel Workshop**

Two-part event. The first workshop covered basic excel concepts, such as the general layout, using cell references with different locks, formatting, creating charts, and basic excel functions. In the second workshop, we went over vlookup, index and match, pivot tables, and the solver tool. The workshops included a small project where attendees could make calculations and manipulations on a large table of data.

Beginner Excel Workshop: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10IgPML9gI4</u> Intermediate Excel Workshop: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RFbUKu4Mhns</u>



#### Math Motivators Volunteer Program

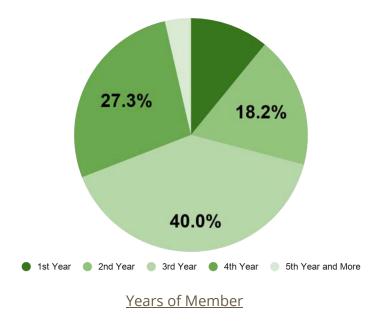
Math Motivators is a program for math-oriented college students (as well as actuaries and other professionals) to tutor underserved high school and middle school students who are not able to afford private tutoring. The program is funded by the Actuarial Foundation. For UCSB, the program will start in the Winter Quarter and focus on a high school in the Isla Vista community. Program Info Session:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eDNsXFlyriY

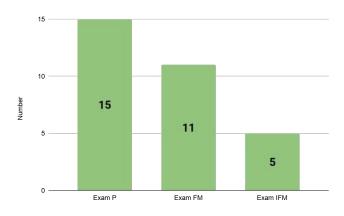


# **Statistics**

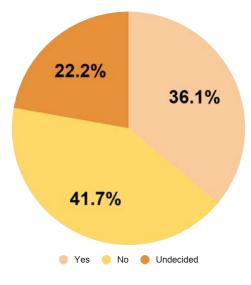
I. Club Membership



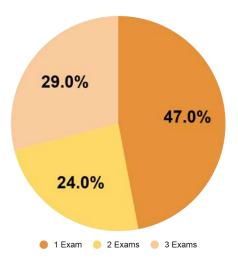
#### II. Actuarial Exams



- Total exams passed in 2020: 31
- Exams passed in Fall: 14
- Avg. exams passed: 0.86

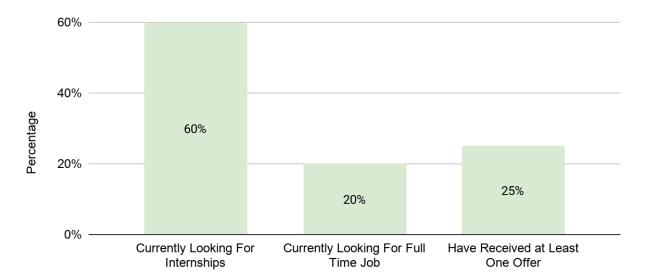


#### Number of Members Planning to go to Graduate School



#### **III. Actuarial Recruitment**

A. Overall rescuitment status



#### B. Companies Our Members Work For

- Aon; Farmers; Munich; Nationwide; Oliver Wyman; Optum; Pacific Life; Tencent

#### IV. Fall 2020 Events Summary

MORE THAN

<u>35</u>

EVENTS WERE HELD IN FALL

# <u>77</u>

MEMBERS PARTICIPATE MORE THAN ONE EVENT