MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING
Wed. JULY 24. 12:30 PM. LKSC 4TH FLOOR

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Agenda

1. Review of SBSA's purpose and role in the Biosciences
2. New leadership introductions
3. Previous SBSA events
4. Upcoming SBSA events
5. Summary of approved summer program proposals
6. Karuna
7. Update on the July School of Medicine Faculty Senate Meeting
8. LKSC 4th floor accessibility updates (new badge reader and balcony access)
9. Update on holistic admissions
10. Open floor for questions and input
SBSA’s mission

- It is the belief of the Stanford Biosciences Student Association (SBSA) that each Stanford graduate student is valuable and is capable of realizing a self-defined vision of success.

- The mission of SBSA is to empower Biosciences graduate students to make the most of our graduate experience by building a united community, promoting student wellness and happiness, facilitating student-run programs, and advancing student interests.
What we do

- Monthly meetings
  - Venue to discuss graduate issues in the Biosciences
- Program proposals
  - Fund student-run proposals to improve graduate life
- Social Events
  - Happy hours, BBQs, holiday parties, movie nights, etc.
  - 1st year POWR camping trip
- Home Program Representatives
  - Represent the different Biosciences home programs by voting on program proposals and assisting in social events
- Mentorship
  - Pair 1st years with upper year students to help with the transition to graduate school
  - NSF and NDSEG fellowship assistance
- Advocacy
  - SBSA leadership advocates for Bioscience students in OGE, CGAP, SoM faculty senate, and GSC
SBBA Officers 2019-2020

**Exec Board**

**Co-Presidents** - Lucy Xu and Brooks Benard  
**Vice President** - Jason Rodencal  
**Financial Officer** - Josh Eggold  
**Communications Officer** - Candace Liu  
**CGAP Representative** - Julie Ko

**Special Chairs**

**Social Chair** - Edel McCrea  
**First year Mentorship Chair** - Alyssa Benjamin, Diego Almanza, Brenda Velasco  
**Fellowship Mentoring Chair** - Hayley Raquer, Meagan Hamblin  
**Camping Trip Coordinator** - Tyler Benster, Alvin Han  
**Orientation/Recruitment Chair** - Frank Buquicchio  
**Alumni Liaison/SOAR Chair** - Jack Silberstein, Monica Nesselbush  
**Wellness Chair** - Brittany Flowers

**Home Program Reps**

**Biochemistry** - Stephanie Kabeche  
**Bioengineering** - Nina Horowitz  
**Biology – CMOB** - Alex Adams  
**Biology – Eco Evo** - Priscilla San Juan  
**Biomedical Informatics** -  
**Biophysics** - Bryce Bagley  
**Cancer Biology** - Diego Almanza  
**Chemical and Systems Biology** - Nalin Ratnayeke  
**Developmental Biology** - Vy Nguyen  
**Genetics** - Pagé Goddard, Daniel Cotter  
**Immunology** - Frank Buquicchio  
**MCP** - Suzanna Bennett  
**M&I** - Alvin Han  
**Neurosciences** - Tyler Benster, Avery Krieger  
**Stem Cell Biology** - Julien Roth  
**Health Research and Policy** - Tara Templin  
**Epidemiology and Clinical Research**  
**Structural Biology**
Recent SBSA Events

May 21  Fieldwork Research Ethics  Suzanne Ou
May 23  SBSA Spring BBQ  Brooks Benard
May 31  GRAMS  Niki Goularte
June 7+26  Interdisciplinary Journal Club  Nasa Sinnott-Armstrong and Hannah Moots
June 21  Summer Program Proposals Review  HPRs and Jason Rodenca
June 26+27  Debate Viewing  Stanford Science Policy Group
July 16  ADVANCE diversity resource mixer  Brooks Benard and Lucy Xu
July 16  School of Medicine faculty senate meeting  Brooks Benard and Lucy Xu
July 20  Summer Games Social event  Noah Greenwald
Upcoming SBSA events

July 26  ADVANCE/SBSA joint happy hour - (5-7pm, LKSC lawn)
        Edel McCrea

July 29  GRAMS - (2:15-5:15pm, The Terraces in Los Altos)
        Niki Goularte

July 30 & 31  Science Policy Bites hosts a Democratic debate viewing event - (5-7pm Bass 122)
        Roshni Patel

August 4  SBSA leadership retreat
        Lawrence Bai and Julie Ko
## Summer Program Proposals

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<td>SBSA Summer Sports</td>
<td>Fun games and drinks in the summer sun with fellow bioscientists</td>
<td>July 20th</td>
<td>Willis Lounge, Rains</td>
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<td>Science Policy Bites</td>
<td>A forum for the Stanford scientific community to discuss policy issues that impact or are informed by science</td>
<td>July 30-31, September 12-13</td>
<td>Bass 122</td>
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<td>Food for SARA Office Hours!</td>
<td>SARA provides invaluable support around sexual assault and relationship abuse</td>
<td>First event was June 27th but ongoing, uncertain of exact dates</td>
<td>SoM D-CORE</td>
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<td>Community Discussion on Promoting Diversity in the Biosciences</td>
<td>Dr. Kelly Ramirez, a biologist at the Netherlands Institute for Ecology and pioneer in efforts to diversify science</td>
<td>October 27th</td>
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<td>At the intersection of art + science: a watercolor workshop with David Goodsell</td>
<td>Two 12-person workshops where you learn to draw your own science-themed watercolor</td>
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The wellbeing platform that takes a community data-driven approach to diagnosing and reversing the student mental health crisis in higher education.

Join summer pilot by texting “Karuna” to (855) 340-9055

Goals of this summer pilot:

○ Gather a summer baseline for comparison once we launch to the broader student body this fall.

○ Refine and improve the experience of using Karuna on a daily basis based on your feedback.

○ Develop individual and community wellbeing reports that help you understand your wellbeing, get insights from your peers and activate a shift in the way students and the administration prioritize and support student wellbeing.
July SoM Faculty Senate meeting

- Paul King, president and CEO of Lucile Packard Children’s hospital
  - Vision of pediatrics at Stanford
- David Entwistle, president and CEO of Stanford Healthcare
  - Update on the new hospital
  - Cost of medicine in CA
- David Drover
  - Faculty senate bylaws
LKSC 4th floor accessibility update

- Balcony access
  - Currently locked after 8pm
  - Proposed event-specific access request
- Badge reader for graduate room
  - We have a grad room!
  - Issues with being locked out
  - Officially approved
  - New students will be added but current students who want access will need to submit a request
Holistic Admissions Mini-Course Fall 2019

- Mini-course has been approved--Hurray!
- **Fall 2019: Dec 2nd, 4th, 9th, 11th (Mon, Wed) from 3pm-6pm**
  - Just two weeks, 4 workshops!
- Please be on the lookout for a **student survey** on essential graduate student traits & current state of admissions processes in the Biosciences
- **Meeting notes:**
  - Send survey to faculty to determine faculty priorities?
  - BioAIMS Advocacy Chair Maria will talk to students and faculty from each home program
  - Diversity stats - more effort to hire data scientists because other schools are doing it
  - Inter-school cooperation opportunity (similar to tax scare)
Open floor for questions/input