#### CISE UNDERGRADUATE NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023

NO. 50

SUMMER FUN!



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### ALTASEA SCIENCE RESEARCH INSTITUTE FIELD TRIP

Thursday, June 29, 2023 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**ATTN GPS SCHOLARS:** Join us this summer as we visit the AltaSea Science Research Institute in San Pedro, CA. You will have an opportunity to network with scientists from USC Kelp Lab, Underwater Robotics on the Ocean Research Barge, UCLA Carbon Capture Lab, AltaSea Conservancy, Holdfast Aquaculture, R-CAM Technologies Marine-powered Energy, and the Science Research Library.

Transportation is provided. Space is limited.



#### RSVP HERE

#### CISE NEWS

Thank you to everyone who made STEAMiA 2023 a great success. "Team work makes the dream work", and this event definitely felt like a dream for everyone who participated. Check out some of our pictures from this event:







Help us in sending our beloved TTS Advisor, Beatriz Perez, positive vibes as she leaves us this summer to welcome her sweet baby boy! We will miss you Beatriz! If you wish to send Beatriz blessings during this time email her at bperez63@csudh.edu.



STAY IN THE LOOP about the phenomenal events happening on campus by checking out the "Events" section on your torolink.

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#### FOR UPDATES AND REMINDERS OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS!









#### ACADEMIC CORNER

#### CSUDH ACADEMIC DEADLINES YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT:

May 30-July 7 Summer Session I

June 1-7 Late Registration and Add/Drop Session I - fees due at time of registration

#### PLEASE REFER TO THE 2022-2023 ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR MORE IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR



Happy birthday to our Scholars who were born in June, may your special day be full of love, laughter, and yummy cake.

#### **GPS SCHOLARS**

Anthony M. R. June 02

Rosendo A. June 04

Nathan K. June 04

Yiromy D. O. June 05

Angel A. C. June 08 Joselyn G. S. June 09

Angel R. R. June 10

> Kevin F. June 11

Santa M. June 17

Rykiia M. G. June 25

#### **STEM Scholars**

Kasey P. June 10

Laura R. June 26

# WELLNESS

## **TOP 10** Summer Health Tips



#### DRINK WATER

Water helps prevent illness, keeps your bones and muscles healthy, helps maintain your weight and best of all, water fuels your activities throughout the day!



EAT FRESH Reserve a place

Reserve a place on your plate every meal for fresh produce and you're sure to reap the tasty rewards.



#### TRANSFORM ACTIVITIES INTO EXERCISE

Activities like going to the zoo or visiting a park can become exercise if you use the stairs, take the long route or add stretches and strengthening exercises along the way!



#### LIFESTYLE MODIFICATION

The summer is a great time to try a new exercise routine, kick-start a new healthy eating plan and quit smoking.



#### SEE YOUR DOCTOR

Schedule an appointment for a check-up to make sure pain or injury doesn't sideline you this summer.



#### STAY SHADY

Try to limit your time in the direct sunshine between 10am and 4pm, and always wear sunscreen, a hat and sunglasses.



#### PLAN A PERSONAL VACATION

A vacation to get away from it all is a must this summer. Take some 'you' time this summer to relax and rejuvenate.



#### DISCONNECT

Disconnect from the internet, put down those smart phones and see a world without selfies, hashtags and videos.



#### **SLEEP WELL**

Getting enough quality sleep at the right times can help protect your mental and physical health, safety and quality of life.



#### STAY COOL

When it's hot, do what you can to stay cool! Go swimming at your neighborhood pool and visit local air-conditioned attractions.



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Day 1	Day 2	Day 3 Malia lawara da	Day 1	Day 5
Make a list of goals for the month	Sit outside and meditate	Make lemonade or lemon water. Sip slowly + savor	Go on a hike or nature walk	Spend time in water or sprinklers!
Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Water guns bubbles sidewalk chalk	Have a picnic or take your lunch in the park	Unplug from technology for the day	Intentionally drink 8+ cups of water today	Make a fruit salad
Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15
Go out for ice cream	Relax to the sounds of nature	Body love! Wear what makes you feel pretty	listen to your favorite summer songs	Ask yourself "What do I need today?"
Day 16	Day 17	Day 18	Day 19	Day 20
Wake up early and watch the sunrise	Make your own popsicles	Eat watermelon or your fav summer fruit	Take a nap in the middle of the day	Make plans to visit a Farmer's Market
Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24	Day 25
Roast marshmallows/ make smores	Have a BBQ	Stay inside + read your fav book	Try squirt gun painting Get creative!	Take tons of pictures today
Day 26	Day 27	Day 28	Day 29	Day 30
Outside Yoga practice or simple stretches	What do you need to walk away from?	Do a bit of re- organizing	Write something beautiful	Go stargazing (Delta Aquarid meteor shower)
Day 31 Revist your goals from Day 1	Use the hashtag #summerselfcare			
	For more self-care challenges visit BlessingManifesting.com			



#### 5 TIPS FOR SUMMERTIME MENTAL HEALTH

 Don't compare your summer to others
Do the things you love, not the things you think you "should" love

3. Wear what feels most comfortable

4. Realize it's okay to be happy and it's okat to be sad

5. Remember: Summer is just a season!





# SPECIAL RECOGNITION

We want to recognize and congratulate our GPS Scholars who earned above a 3.0 GPA this spring 2023 OR in their first year at CSU Dominguez Hills. This is a huge accomplishment and we are beyond proud!

Keep eye on the mail for a little surprise from GPS!

Aaliyah Ansari | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Aaron Demesa | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Adrian Calero | Biology Alden G. Duarte-Vasquez | Computer Science Alejandro G. Morales | Computer Science Alexandra Dones | Computer Tech: Homeland Security Angie Luna | Mathematics: Education Anthony Chavez | Computer Science Bernice Kwakyewaa Asiedu | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Brittany Herrera | Chemistry Bryan Diaz | Computer Science Carolina Garnica | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Chelsea N. Delgado | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Christian Salazar | Computer Science Dylan Regis | Computer Science Eduardo Yepez | Computer Science Emily Del Cid | Computer Science Eric Magallanes | Biology Giovanni Cabrera | Computer Science Irene Vazquez | Mathematics Education Jacqueline Alvarado | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Jeremy Cabrera | Computer Science Jerry Salinas | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Joan Sanchez | Computer Science Joel Castro | Computer Science Joseph Vargas | Phy: Electrical Engineering Karen M. Sauceda | Computer Science Katie Zelaya | Microbiology Kyara D. Wise | Mathematics Education Leila Jovel | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Leslie Chavarria | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Lisandro Herrera Galvez | Biochemistry Maynor Mendieta | Computer Science Melissa N. Torres | Computer Science Michael J. Valderrama | Computer Science Moises Lima Martinez | Computer Science Nathan Kit | Biology Pablo Conde | Computer Science Paige Smith | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Paul Ngwoke | Computer Science Pedro Avalos | Biology Ricardo D. Gaeta | Computer Science Rykiia M. Grier | Biology Sergio Perez | Computer Science Simone Walker | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Sofia Parson | Biology: Cellular and Molecular Victor Gonzalez | Computer Science Victor Marin | Computer Science



Attention GPS Biology Majors and folks who enjoy speaking with scientists! Get ready to network with some of the 40 scientists at the AltaSea Research Institute. These biotech companies and higher ed scientists are looking forward to meeting us!

**RSVP HERE** 

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#### ABOUT ALTASEA

AltaSea brings distinguished climate and marine scientists and engineers together to conduct breakthrough research and discover solutions to food and energy supply, climate change, and ocean exploration.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

Expect to network with scientists from companies and universities. Highlights: USC Kelp Sustainability Lab, R-CAM Technologies Marinepowered Energy, UCLA Carbon Culture Lab, Holdfast Aquaculture, The Science Research Library, and Underwater Robotics teams on the Ocean Research Barge.

Thursday June 29, 2023 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in San Pedro

SPACE IS LIMITED! **RSVP TODAY!** 

RSVP HERE

Visit the AltaSea website for more information https://altasea.org/our-future-is-blue/

If you have any questions, contact Maria Dien at mdien@csudh.edu | 310.243.2057

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Are you great at interviewing? Or... could you benefit from a method to improve your interview performance?

Yes? Then read on to learn some wisdom from Austin Belcak, the founder of Cultivated Culture. Austin has a passion for helping folks land jobs they love without traditional experience, AND he's a STEM grad in biology.

- I. Two big Mistakes in Interviews
  - 1. Only speaking about their own backgrounds (without tying anything to the company)
  - 2. Not including any measurable outcomes or value in their answers If you solve for these? You'll win more job offers.
- II. The 4-Part Answer Framework
  - 1. Call out the company's goals / challenges
  - 2. Set the stakes for your example
  - 3. Walk through your solution process
  - 4. Share real, measurable outcomes

Let's break down each one.

III. Call out Goals

Every answer you give should start by:

- 1. Mentioning the research you did before the call
- 2. Calling out the company's big goals / challenges
- 3. Tying an example from your past to that specific goal or challenge.

#### EXAMPLE:

In preparation for this conversation, I listened to [CEO]'s interview on the NextLevel Podcast. I also spoke to 3 people on the team and analyzed 100+ customer reviews.

My understanding is that the team's largest challenge is [X]. With that in mind, i'd like to share an example from my time at [company] where I helped them overcome [x] challenge.

#### I. Set the Stakes (risk)

What did you stand to gain or lose? Would a major client cancel? Would a delay cost the company millions? Use real numbers and set real stakes (risk) to build tension.

EXAMPLE:

Two years ago, a client signed on to pilot a \$10M deal. We didn't find out that they were upgrading the websites for their entire brand portfolio until after the deal was done.

Their current platform didn't allow us to capture data that was crucial to our value prop (90% of what we sold them).

At our 3 month check-in the client told us we had to deliver useful data in the next month or they would take their business elsewhere and the \$10M deal would be done.

I. Share the Results

Finally, wrap up with the results you drove.

The BIGGER the BETTER. (Use real numbers / quantify results)

Don't stop at only one result if possible. Instead, try to tie as many positive outcomes to your work as possible.



#### **COMPTON COLLEGE CORNER**

Compton College/SEE-LA Weekly Farmers' Market Wednesdays | 3:00-7:30 PM Open to the Public Compton College - Tartar Village

MORE INFORMATION

MObile Food Pantry Tuesday, June 13 | 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Open to the Public Parking Lot F- Enter on Greenleaf Blvd. between Santa Fe. Ave. and Long Beach Blvd.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND ME IN JUNE?

Summer is just around the corner and we know all of you worked extra hard this semester, therefore you all deserve a nice, fun, and relaxing summer break. Whether you are off or still have to work this summer we advise you take some days to yourself to recharge and recover. Therefore, like always we have listed some fun places to check out with loved ones this summer! We know accessibility to some of the fun events we have previously posted for you are not always accessible to everyone. Especially for the individuals that rely on public transportation. That is why for this month's segment we wanted to showcase places that are accessible both by car AND public transportation so that this summer everyone can have a day to themselves, so get your TAP card ready and check out these local places everyone can enjoy. Have a safe and amazing summer!

Do you rely on public transportation but are unaware of the benefits of a TAP card? Or know where to get your own? Email either Karina Pantaleon (kpantaleon@csudh.edu) or Daniela Rivera (driveramartinez@csi3.org) so that we can help you process and receive your own TAP bus pass.

If you have already taken advantage of your student TAP card you can be saving even more! Click HERE to sign up for the Low Income Fare is Easy (LIFE) program which based on your income for eligibility you can receive 90 extra free transportation days. There you can find the online application and more information you may need.

A TAP card is a perfect way to get around your city this summer if you rely on public transportation. The following cities offer free transportation via their transit systems:

Angels Flight Railway Baldwin Park - Transit Beach Cities Transit Carson Circuit - Compton Renaissance Transit System - Culver CityBus Foothill Transit - Gardena GTRANS - Huntington Park Transit Unlimited Long Beach Transit - Metro Montebello Bus Lines - Monterey Park Spirit Bus Norwalk Transit - Pasadena Transit - Santa Monica Big Blue Bus

#### **Torrance Transit**

Now that you have your TAP card ready to go Google Maps is a simple and effective way to travel using public transportation. Simply search your desired destination and click on the "Bus" icon instead of the car and receive updated bus stop times, drop off stops, and more so that you can arrive at your destination safely and on time.

Check out our list below of local and public transportation places available so that you and anyone in your family and friends group can visit and have fun! Please keep in mind that these places are found within Carson, Los Angeles, Gardena, Torrance, and surrounding cities only, public transportation times may vary, please plan accordingly.

#### HERMOSA BEACH

It isn't summer time without a trip to the beach! Grab your swimsuit and sun screen and enjoy a day out by the ocean.

Cost: Free Location: Hermosa Beach Car Trip Time: 31 mins Bus Trip Time: ~ 57 mins

START YOUR JOURNEY

#### EL DORADO NATURE CENTER

This large natural reserve center is home to trails of all levels for anyone seeking to relax out in nature. Located in the middle of our urban jungle it is a wonderful place to unwind.

Cost: Free Location: 7550 E Spring St, Long Beach, CA 90815 Car Trip Time: 21 mins Bus Trip Time: 1 hr 20 mins

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#### EARL BURNS MILLER JAPANESE GARDEN

Visit this unique Japanese garden that is home to several ponds of Koi fish to pet and relax by. Sometimes they host Yoga classes so make sure you check their website to see what events you can take advantage of.

Cost: Free but Reservations are required Click Here Location: Earl Warren Dr, Long Beach, CA 90840 Car Trip Time: 22 mins Bus Trip Time: 1hr 20mins

START YOUR JOURNEY

#### GOLF N' STUFF

Have fun mini golfing through some picturesque settings while also enjoying arcade games and a few carnival games.

Cost: Depends on the activity you choose Location: 10555 Firestone Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650 Car Trip Time: 21 mins Bus Trip Time: 1hr 20mins

START YOUR JOURNEY

#### HILLTOP PARK

Grab a picnic blanket and your favorite food and relax while watching the sunset at the top of Hilltop Park.

Cost: Free Location: 2351 Dawson Ave, Signal Hill, CA 90755 Car Trip Time: 19 mins Bus Trip Time: 1hr 14mins

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#### **RANCHO LOS CERRITOS**

Another relaxing place, this time a historical landmark located in los cerritos. This historical building is an architectural marvel from which you can visit its gardens and fountains on a sunny day.

Cost: Free Location: Rancho Los Cerritos, 4600 Virginia Rd, Long Beach, CA 90807 Car Trip Time: 16 mins Bus Trip Time: 1hr 16min

#### K-1 SPEED INDOOR GO KARTS

Grab your helmet and enjoy some speeding thrills with some indoor go karting.

Cost: 1 race \$27 Location: 19038 S Vermont Ave, Gardena, CA 90248 Car Trip Time: 9 min Bus Trip Time: 13min

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#### URTH CAFE

Grab some delicious, healthy, and organic food. Urth cafe has many vegetarian and vegan options, usually hosting locations in the northern Los Angeles area; a new location has opened closer to CSUDH, check them out.

Cost: varies

Location: Urth Caffe South Bay, 4940 W 147th St, Hawthorne, CA 90250 Car Trip Time: 19 min Bus Trip Time: 1hr

#### LAB FIVE SOCCER

Grab your sneakers and take advantage of lab five's indoor and outdoor soccer fields. You can join any existing teams or do your own thing with friends, either way enjoy some healthy exercise just a few minutes away!

Cost: Depends on the reams or fields you play in Location: 14000 Halldale Ave, Gardena, CA 90249 Car Trip Time: 17 mins Bust Trip Times: 47 mins

#### SPLASH! LA MIRADA BUCCANEER BAY WATER PARK

Cool off this summer at La Mirada's own Buccaneer water park! Home to water slides, wave pools, and a lazy river it's a perfect place to cool off and have fun this summer close to home!

Cost: \$20 for a day pass, prices may vary Location: 13806 La Mirada Blvd, La Mirada, CA 90638 Car Trip Times: 40min Bus Trip Times: 1 hr 10min

#### JOHN'S INCREDIBLE PIZZA

Feed your inner child some fun and pizza at the same time! Home to arcade games, fair rides, pizza, drinks, and prizes make sure you add this to your summer to do list!

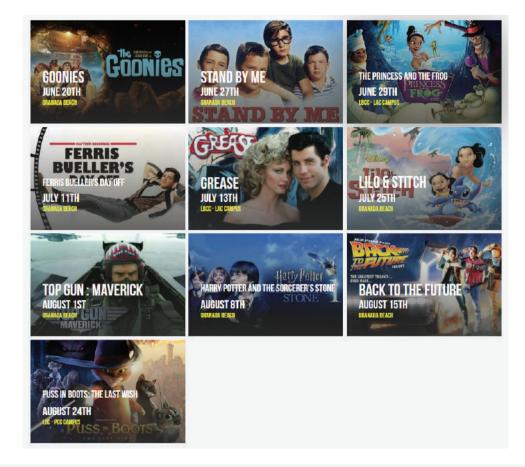
Cost: Varies Location: 506 Carson Town Center N, Carson, CA 90745 Car Trip Times: 9 mins Bus Trip Times: 37 mins

#### MOONLIGHT MOVIES AT THE BEACH

Perfect time to catch a movie at the beach for FREE with loved ones and friends. All movies start at sunset (8pm-8:30PM) Local food trucks and Kettle corn vendors will be onsite; BYOF (Bring Your Own Food) is also welcomed. Alcohol is prohibited. Free Parking after 6pm at all locations. Parking is limited, first come first serve. Please allow yourself 10-15 mins for parking.

Cost: Free Location: Granada Beach & Long Beach City College

Movie Schedule



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#### VENICE BEACH EARTH DAY CLEAN UP

Want to contribute something for this year's earth day and have fun at the beach? Members of the Los Angeles community are getting together to set up a beach cleanup for Venice Beach while participating in raffles and scavenger hunts! So bring your own gloves, trash picker, and reusable water bottle and join in on this opportunity to add to your resume while helping our planet. Meetup will be near Lifeguard Tower #19, look for the blue tent!

Cost: Free Location: Venice Beach Rentals 2100-1 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, CA 90291 Date/Time: April 22nd, 2023; 10am-12pm

START YOUR JOURNEY

#### CSUDH EARTH DAY FESTIVAL

Join CSUDH at their annual Earth Day festival! This is their 16th annual Earth Day festival full of food.

#### **CISE UNDERGRADUATE TEAM** MAY YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, OR NEED ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR DESIGNATED PROGRAM ADVISOR.

#### **GUIDED PATHWAYS FOR STEM | GPS**



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