Student Support and Advocacy

PMA STUDENT PROGRAMS OFFICE
Nam K. Ung: Director of Student Programs, namung@caltech.edu
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The SPO provides overall student support and advocacy for the Division. We are here for your personal wellbeing, put on programs, consult on challenging situations, help you navigate sensitive conversations with faculty, etc. If you need support in these areas, or are unsure about who to seek out, contact us.

Department Concerns

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
Astronomy: Andrew Howard, ahoward@caltech.edu
Math: Tom Graber, graber@caltech.edu
Physics: David Hsieh, dhsieh@caltech.edu

The Executive Officer oversees the administration and affairs of your department. You may seek EOs out for individual support and for option-wide concerns.

Academic Advising

UNDERGRADUATE DEANS’ OFFICE
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Kristin Weyman: Associate Dean, kweyman@caltech.edu

YOUR FACULTY OPTION ADVISER
UNDERGRADUATE OPTION REPRESENTATIVES
Astronomy: Lynne Hillenbrand, lah@astro.caltech.edu
Math: Elena Mantovan, mantovan@caltech.edu
Physics: Jason Alicea, aliceaj@caltech.edu

The UG Deans are available to discuss academic concerns, personal well-being, community issues, or plans after Caltech. Your option adviser can provide guidance on courses, research opportunities, and career planning. The UG Option Rep is available to address questions about academic policy, substitutions for option requirements, and leads on research (i.e., who is doing research related to your interest) for SURF, work-study, or other opportunities.

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Discrimination and Harassment

EQUITY AND TITLE IX OFFICE
https://titleix.caltech.edu/

Hima Vatti: Title IX Coordinator, hima.vatti@caltech.edu

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Peer Support and Involvement

Undergraduate Student Advisory Board: Nam & Belen
Gender Minorities and Women* in PMA (GWnPMA): Ivey Davis (idavis@astro.caltech.edu) & Samantha Wu (scwu@astro.caltech.edu)
Math Club: Brian Yang (bbyang@caltech.edu)
Physics Club: Aditi Venkatesh (avenkate@caltech.edu) and Gabby Dituri (gdituri@caltech.edu)

PMA houses a number of student organizations that provide programming, education, and engagement.

Are you still unsure? Contact a member of the Student Programs Office listed above.