

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPPORT RESOURCE CARD



Student Support and Advocacy

PMA STUDENT PROGRAMS OFFICE

Nam K. Ung: Director of Student Programs, namung@caltech.edu

Mika Walton: Graduate Affairs Coordinator, mika.walton@caltech.edu

Belen Maria: UG Affairs & Course Coordinator, belenmh@caltech.edu

The SPO provides overall student support and advocacy for the Division. We put on programs, facilitate your funding and payroll, track and support your academic progress, assist with petitions and leaves, 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 Support

GRADUATE OPTION REPRESENTATIVES

Astronomy: Lynne Hillenbrand, lah@astro.caltech.edu

Math: David Conlon, dconlon@caltech.edu

Physics: Ryan Patterson, rbpatter@caltech.edu

Your first point of contact for academic advising is your academic (Physics GIs) and/or research adviser (those who have one). Those without an adviser may seek the Graduate Option Rep for academic support. The Graduate Option Rep also provides guidance on questions or exceptions on policy, academic milestones, and petitions.



Discrimination and Harassment

EQUITY AND TITLE IX OFFICE

<https://titleix.caltech.edu/>

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

Equity & Title IX addresses issues of unlawful discrimination and harassment on the basis of race, national origin, ethnicity, sex, pregnancy, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, and other individual characteristics protected by federal and state law. Unlawful discrimination and harassment encompass racial harassment, sexual and gender-based harassment, and sexual misconduct. *You may always go to Nam Ung or your EO for confidential guidance.*



Peer Support and Involvement

Graduate Student Advisory Board: Nam & Mika

TA Fellow for Math TA support: Elliott Gesteau, egesteau@caltech.edu

TA Fellow for Physics & Astro TA support: Maria Derda, mderda@caltech.edu

Gender Minorities and Women in PMA (GWiPMA): Ivey Davis (idavis@astro.caltech.edu) & Samantha Wu (scwu@astro.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.



Division of Physics, Mathematics & Astronomy
California Institute of Technology