OPPORTUNITIES ON CAMPUS

UCLA VOLUNTEER CENTER (http://volunteer.ucla.edu/)
Established in 2009 by Chancellor Gene Block, the UCLA Volunteer Center helps students find ways that they can contribute to the UCLA community and the community at large. UCLA Volunteer Day, held during Welcome Week in Fall Quarter, gives new Bruins the opportunity to participate in their first volunteer activities at UCLA.

UCLA COMMUNITY PROGRAMS (www.communityprograms.ucla.edu/CSP.html)
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS: PROMOTING SOCIAL JUSTICE THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- Youth Empowerment Services
- Health Empowerment Services
- Community Empowerment Services

List of Community Service Projects (www.communityprograms.ucla.edu/Contact_list.html)

ADVANCING CAREERS IN ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE (ACES)
The mission of ACES is to improve and increase underprivileged and underrepresented students understanding and awareness of the math, science and engineering fields. ACES strives to assist these young students in all areas of academics, while placing particular emphasis on our volunteers areas of study. (Retrieved December 15, 2009, from http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/sgweb/details_frame.asp?OrgID=334)
FOR INFORMATION: soles@seas.ucla.edu, (310) 794-9004

AFRICAN EDUCATION PROJECT (AEP)
AEP is a student-initiated motivational community empowerment program designed to assist inner-city youth in the basic academic principles of math, English, and science. African culture and history is the central axis around which AEP operates. AEP founded and operates Uhuru Saturday School. Other activities include field trips, visits to elementary through senior high schools, UCLA tours, etc.
FOR INFORMATION: africankids@hotmail.com, (310) 794-9004
WEBSITE: www.communityprograms.ucla.edu/Contact_list.html

BLACK HYPERTENSION PROJECT
The goal of this project is to inform the Black community about hypertension, its causes, and remedies. To carry out this goal, Black Hypertension recruits and trains students to provide screening and education about high blood pressure, its causes and effects. Through this project, students are given an opportunity to be involved in the health care issues of the Black community, which will serve to empower the community.
FOR INFORMATION: uclabhp@ucla.edu

BLACK-LATINO AIDS PROJECT (BLAIDS)
The aim of BLAIDS is to increase knowledge and understanding and to prevent the spread of AIDS in the community. Primary to this project is to breakdown the misconception of AIDS, as a "white, male, homosexual disease." BLAIDS disseminates vital information in the Black and Latino/a communities. Volunteers are trained and assigned to various sites in Pacoima, Downtown, East, and South Central L.A. Educational pamphlets and condoms (where allowed) are distributed, and counseling is provided.
FOR INFORMATION: uclablaisds@yahoo.com
ADDRESS: UCLA Community Service Office, 220 Westwood Plaza, Suite 106E, Los Angeles, CA 90024
WEBSITE: http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/blaisds
OTHER ON-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES (partial list)

Student Groups at UCLA (www.studentgroups.ucla.edu)

AMIGOS DE UCLA
Formerly Amigos del Barrio, the oldest tutorial project in the Community Service Commission, targets multicultural schools that are predominantly Chicano/Latino. Knowledge of Spanish, while helpful, is not necessary for the volunteers. Amigos seeks to enrich the lives of over 300 elementary school children each year. UCLA volunteers visit one of two elementary schools each week, Pio Pico in Central Los Angeles or Selma Avenue in Hollywood. For the first hour, UCLA students conduct in-class, small group tutoring in kindergarten through sixth grade classrooms. The other hour and a half is spent after school with a designated class each quarter. Approximately half the time is devoted to assisting the children with homework, while the remainder of the period is for an arts-and-crafts program with a multicultural emphasis. The children who participate after school have an opportunity to go on a field trip to UCLA and thus learn first-hand about the possibility of higher education.

FOR INFORMATION: AmigosOffice@yahoo.com
LOCATION: 408 Kerckhoff Hall, 330 Westwood Plaza

ASIAN AMERICAN TUTORIAL PROJECT (AATP)
The Asian American Tutorial Project, formerly known as the Asian Education Project, has gone to Castelar Elementary School in Chinatown since 1969 to tutor immigrant children in the hopes of providing them with the skills and guidance necessary to assimilate into mainstream society and to gain access to a higher education. As the largest and second oldest member of UCLA's Community Service Commission (CSC), AATP has been at the forefront of the movement to meet the pressing educational needs of the immigrant youth population of the Chinatown community. Annually, AATP has a pool of approximately 200 tutors from UCLA, USC, and Occidental College who provide tutorial and mentoring services every Saturday morning to the students of Castelar Elementary. Although the majority of the community we serve is of Chinese ancestry, our tutors hail from all corners of the world. AATP welcomes anyone to join who is dedicated and loves kids. We guarantee this to be a truly rewarding experience not only for your tutee, but for yourself as well. So check out the Asian American Tutorial Project today!

FOR INFORMATION: aatp.fun@gmail.com or lu_anna_87@yahoo.com (Anna Lu, Recruitment Director)
LOCATION: 408 Kerckhoff Hall, 330 Westwood Plaza
http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/aatp/

ASIAN PACIFIC HEALTH CORPS (APHC)
APHC is a student-initiated project aimed at addressing the growing problems faced by the lower socio-economic Asian and Pacific Islander communities in L.A. The project works through community-based organizations, informing people of health care issues and providing screenings in hypertension, hyperglycemia, and nutrition. In addition, APHC presents to high school and university students, encouraging them to enter health care professions and acting as a support group.

FOR INFORMATION: aphc@ucla.edu, (310) 825-0068
LOCATION: Student Activities Center, 220 Westwood Plaza, Suite 106E

BARRIO YOUTH ALTERNATIVES
Barrio Youth Alternatives is a student-propelled project designed to capture the interest of youths. Primarily from South Central Los Angeles, the youth are exposed to alternatives in life-styles and to educational opportunities. These youths are considered high risk individuals who, for various
reasons, are or may be likely become involved in gang activities or drop out of school. BAYA works with Jefferson High School and Lincoln Middle School offering tutorials and mentorships, recreational events, field trips, and cultural enrichment forums.

FOR INFORMATION: baya@ucla.edu
LOCATION: Student Activities Center, 220 Westwood Plaza, Suite 106C
WEBSITE: http://www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&viewas=0&gid=2200620606

BEST BUDDIES AT UCLA
Best Buddies aims to build friendships between people with developmental disabilities and college volunteers. This is done by pairing a UCLA volunteer with a young adult who is developmentally disabled. The UCLA volunteer is required to visit the Buddy at least twice a month for the entire academic year. Group outings where the entire Best Buddies chapter comes together are held twice a quarter. Through these friendships, Best Buddies strives to eliminate the common stereotype that individuals hold of people with developmental disabilities. Only through interaction can we learn that individuals with developmental disabilities are people like you and me.

FOR INFORMATION: bestbuddiesucla@gmail.com
LOCATION: 407 Kerckhoff Hall, 308 Westwood Plaza

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMISSION
The Commission at UCLA represents over twenty different community service projects working in different areas of Los Angeles. These projects recruit between 2,000 and 3,000 students each year, making CSC the largest student-run, student-initiated community service organization in the nation. For information: 408 Kerckhoff Hall; (310) 825-2333, http://students.asucla.ucla.edu/csc/Fhome.html.

COMMUNITY-UNIVERSITY ENRICHMENT IN THE SCHOOLS
This program matches UCLA tutors with junior high school tutees. Tutors also participate in seminars and workshops designed to enhance their knowledge of topics related to the educational environment. The UCLA Departments of Education and Psychology provide academic credit to participating students. For information: Community Service Commission, 408 Kerckhoff Hall, (310) 825-2333.

BRUIN CORPS
Bruin Corps is an initiative to provide synergy between community-service and service-learning efforts, enabling those involved to build collaborations and partnerships to enhance their effectiveness in pursuing and performing community service. BruinCorps programs aim to foster an ethic of lifelong service. Currently, the programs coordinated by BruinCorps include UCLA America Reads, Jumpstart Los Angeles, the SPpartnership Program, and Americorp.

FOR INFORMATION: (310 794-5686
LOCATION: Student Activities Center, 220 Westwood Plaza, Suite B-28
WEBSITE: http://www.bruincorps.ucla.edu/aboutbr.htm

BRUIN LEADERS PROJECT
Bruin Leaders Project is a seminar-based, participatory program in which UCLA undergraduates are challenged to develop their strengths and skills as collaborative leaders. The Social Change Model of Leadership, a collaborative, values-based understanding of the leadership, informs the theory and values on which the Project is based. The Bruin Leaders Project provides accessible, effective leadership training for students, and offers a student-friendly means to learn of and participate in leadership development opportunities throughout the University. The Project envisions a campus environment in which leadership is understood as a collaborative process based upon respect and the valuing of difference, and also envisions a seamless, cohesive framework within which campus-based leadership opportunities are organized and presented to students. The Project features a Core Curriculum of three required seminars, and an Elective Curriculum of dozens of additional seminars. Students who complete the Core Curriculum and at least four seminars from the Elective Curriculum will be awarded a Bruin Leaders Certificate.
Those students who engage in regular community service may substitute this service for one of the four elective seminars.

FOR INFORMATION: blp@ucla.edu, (310) 206-5071
LOCATION: 105 Kerckhoff Hall

BRUIN PARTNERS
Bruin Partners is a mentoring program that works with students in the Los Angeles Unified School District. Approximately 100 students from Stoner Avenue Elementary, Braddock Elementary, and Marina del Rey Middle School form one-on-one relationships with 100 UCLA student volunteers. Volunteers travel weekly to the Mar Vista area to work with their student. Both students and volunteers are asked to begin their relationship at the beginning of the student's fifth grade year and continue it through the end of the student's sixth grade year. During the two-year relationship volunteers seek to educate, motivate, and empower the students of the community who are more susceptible to losing academic motivation and/or self esteem, affiliate with gangs, and eventually drop out of school. Mentors seek to form a bond with the student that will help him/her through the difficult transition from elementary school to middle school.

FOR INFORMATION: joinbp@usaccsc.org, (310) 825-2333
LOCATION: 408 Kerckhoff Hall, 330 Westwood Plaza