



California State University SAN MARCOS

Committee for Undergraduate Research (CUGR)

MINUTES

November 14, 2024 · Administration Building 2302 · <https://csusm.zoom.us/j/82869404191>

Attendees:

Jane Kim (Chair), Alison Kreisler, Charles De Leone, Betsy Read, Deanna Schmidt, Deborah Fearheller, Erika Díaz Almeyda, Jimmy Kezos, Kaitlyn Woltz, Kang Du, Kimmie Vanderbilt, Leila Abrous, Matt Schubert, Nahid Majd, Patricia Byrne, Robert Iafe, Sujal Phadke, Sheila Van Metre, Yu Zhang

1. **Welcome!** *Chair Jane Kim called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm*
2. **Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. Kim asked if everyone had a chance to review the agenda. *Agenda reviewed by committee and approved as distributed.*
3. **Approval of the Minutes**
 - a. Kim asked if everyone had a chance to review the October 10, 2024, CUGR minutes. *Minutes were approved as distributed.*
4. **Event Announcements**
 - a. Student Opportunities for presenting their work:
 - [CSUSM Student Poster Showcase](#)
 - Date & Time: Tue, Dec 3, 12-1pm, USU Ballroom
 - Application deadline: Mon, Nov 18, 5pm
 - Faculty/staff can review: 11-11:45am (for classes and CUGR Excellence Award)
 - [CUGR Student Excellence Award](#)
 - Application deadline: Mon, Nov 18, 5pm
 - [CSUSM Symposium on Student Research, Creative Activities, and Innovation](#)
 - February 28, 2025
 - We will need volunteer judges and room moderators – [sign up link](#)
 - Sigma Xi
 - The petition to establish a CSUSM chapter was approved by the Committee on Qualifications and Membership on October 25 and will go to the Board of Directors for approval on November 13, 2024.
 - Robert Iafe and Maya Qaddourah were acknowledged for their contributions.
 - Committee members will reach out to colleagues to see if there are any members on campus.
 - [Goldwater](#) nationwide scholarship supports \$8500 for undergraduates to finish up careers in STEM fields. CSUSM is permitted to put forward 5 students. Campus wide announcement for 11/15 application deadline.
 - [Newsletters | Research | CSUSM](#) OGSR provides important research-related in their monthly newsletters.
5. **Student Poster Showcase**
 - a. Success, growth, and inclusion were highlighted during the discussion.
 - b. Applications will be accepted through InfoReady and will require faculty approval.
 - c. Priority includes Faculty-Mentored RSCA, Upper-Division CUREs, and GEL and to be reflected on website.
 - d. Poster printing locations on campus were discussed.

6. Lecture faculty mentoring of undergraduate research

- a. Dr. Kim reported on the creation of an informational resource document during her term as faculty fellow. This is a living-document and is posted on the CUGR Teams channel.

7. CUGR 2 Year Term Faculty Fellow

- a. Dr. Kim will complete the second year of her 2-year term as CUGR Faculty Fellow this summer.
- b. The next term will begin in summer of 2025 and conclude in May 2027.
- c. Finalize the Call at January 2025 meeting.

8. CUGR Meetings

- a. December 2024 – No meeting scheduled
- b. March 2025 – Will be rescheduled

9. Adjournment

- a. *The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 12:52 pm.*

Next Meeting:

The next CUGR meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2025, from 12:00 – 1:00 pm. The in-person portion of this meeting will be held in ADM 2302.