Graduate Student Support Resource Card

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 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: Phil Hopkins, phopkins@caltech.edu
Math: Tom Graber, graber@caltech.edu
Physics: Alan Weinstein, ajw@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, rkpatter@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
Hima Vatti: Title IX Coordinator, hima.vatti@caltech.edu
Billie Dawn Greenblatt: Deputy Title IX Coord. for Students, bgreenbl@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: Tamir Hemo, themo@caltech.edu
TA Fellow for Physics & Astro TA support: Maria Derda, mderda@caltech.edu
Gender Minorities and Women in PMA (GW/PMA): Ivey Davis (idavis@astro.caltech.edu) & Samantha Wu (swu@astro.caltech.edu)

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

Are you still unsure? Contact the Student Programs Office