New Quarterly Newsletter
You spoke and we listened. During the MBIDP Town Hall meeting it was voiced that a newsletter would be helpful to keep students informed of important events and updates. We would also like to highlight your accomplishments to share amongst your peers. In the later half of each quarter we’ll send out a call for accomplishments of papers, awards, presentations, etc. We encourage you all to share these with us as they occur!

Updated MBIDP Handbooks!!!
This Fall the MBIDP Handbook was revamped and updated to include recent program changes. We’ve separated the sections on student and campus resources into two documents to make the information more accessible. Both our Graduate Student Handbook and the MBIDP Graduate Student Resources document are available on our website.

Need funding for a conference?
UCLA Graduate Division offers new and continuing doctoral candidates up to $1000 in reimbursements throughout their degree program. This may be used in part or whole, as long as candidates meet the eligibility requirements listed on their website.

Updated MBIDP Cohort
Congratulations to all who Advanced to Candidacy this quarter:
Weixian Deng – Plath and Wohlschlegel Lab
Xuchen Hu – Young Lab
Lauren Thurlow – T. Johnson Lab
Tsotne Chitiashvili – Plath and Clark Lab
Preston Crowell – Goldstein Lab
Michael Emami – Spencer Lab
Gloria Hernandez – Iruela-Arispe Lab
Matt Lowe – Clark Lab
Tran Do – Modlin Lab
Anchiev Feng – Smale Lab
Jiayan Zhang – Zhou Lab
Jiaji Yu – Yang Lab
Feiyang Ma – Pellegrini Lab
Xinyuan Chen – Black Lab
Sandy Alvarez – Butler Lab

Upcoming dates and deadlines
MBIDP Recruitment
January 17–19
February 7–9
Dissertation Year Fellowship
due February 27, 2019
NIH NRSA Fellowships
due April 8, 2019
MBI Retreat
September 27–29

- REMINDERS -
FIRST YEARS:
WINTER ROTATION FORMS DUE JANUARY 11, 2019
FOURTH YEARS:
HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR MIDSTREAM EVALUATION?
FIFTH YEARS:
HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR ANNUAL COMMITTEE MEETING?

Congratulations to:
Raquel Aragón – recipient of the HHMI Gilliam Graduate Fellowship, June 2018, Publication in Cell Stem Cell


Jiayan Zhang – Publication in PLOS Pathogens

Zhu Si[], Jiayan Zhang[], Sakar Shivakoti, Ivo Atanasov, Chang–Lu Tao, Wong H. Hui, Xuekui Yu, Guo–Qiang Bi, Z. Hong Zhou. 2018 ([]These authors contributed equally to this work.)
Different functional states of fusion protein gB revealed on human cytomegalovirus by cryo electron tomography with Volta phase plate PLOS Pathogens,EMID:3ac93dc67b2cda8