Congratulations to Allison Daly & Alex Sercel who both made it to the final rounds of the UCLA Grad Slam Competition! Both are competing, tomorrow Wednesday, March 13 from 5:00 – 7:30pm, in the CNS1 auditorium.

Nature, 568


Meaghan Valliere - Vallière MA, Korman TP, Woodall NB, Baker D, Bowie JU. 2019 A cell−free platform for the prenylation of natural products and application to cannabinoid production Nature Communications, 10, 565.

- REMINDERS -

**FIRST YEARS:**
**SPRING ROTATION FORMS DUE**
**APRIL 11, 2019**

**FOURTH YEARS:**
**HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR MIDSTREAM EVALUATION?**

**FIFTH YEARS:**
**- HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR ANNUAL COMMITTEE MEETING?**
**- HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR PREDEFENSE MEETING WITH ASHLEY?**

**Upcoming dates and deadlines:**

**Funding:**
**DYF due**
**March 15, 2019**

**Bloomberg Data Science Ph.D. Fellowship due**
**March 31, 2019**

**Filing Fee deadline**
**April 2, 2019**

**NIH Fellowships (F31-Diversity, F33 NRSA, F31 NCI NRSA) due**
**April 8, 2019**

**Whitcome Training Fellowship due**
**July 22, 2019**

**Events:**
**Annual MBI/Amgen Workshop**
**March 27-29, 2019**
**Registration now open!**

**To participate in the 2019 Commencement ceremony you must file by May 31, 2019**

**MBI Retreat**
**September 27-29**

**Updated MBIDP Handbooks!**
Last 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 are available on our website.

**Travel Awards for Conferences/Metings**
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. For all MBIDP students who have Advanced and are presenting at a conference/meeting, you may apply for MBIDP travel funding, one quarter prior to the event, see the MBIDP handbook for more details.

**Internal Training Grants Openings Soon!**
Internal training grant deadlines will most likely open in May and their submission deadline will be 2 to 3 weeks thereafter, so be prepared! Available training grants include:
* Biomedical Big Data Training Grant
* Cardiovascular Scientist Training
* Chemistry Biology Interface Training
* Dermatology Scientist Training Program
* Gastroenterology
* Interdisciplinary Training in Virology and Gene Therapy
* Multidisciplinary Training in Microbial Pathogenesis
* Muscle Cell Biology, Pathophysiology and Therapeutics
* Regenerative musculoskeletal medicine Training Program
* Research training in Cellular and Molecular Biology
* Training in Developmental Hematology
* Training in Molecular Toxicology
* Translational AIDS and Viral Pathogenesis Training
* Tumor Cell Biology Training Grant
* Tumor Immunology Institutional TG
* Vascular Biology Training Grant
* Vision Research Training Grant