Welcome to AIMS²(HSI-STEM Grant) Meeting # 66

1 PM- 3 PM
JD 1568
Aug 16, 2018

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New team members

- CSUN Faculty & Staff
    - Prof. Kyle Dewey (Computer Science)
    - Prof. Tzong-Ying (Kay) Hao (Civil Engr.)
    - Prof. Aram Khachatourians (Mech. Engr.)
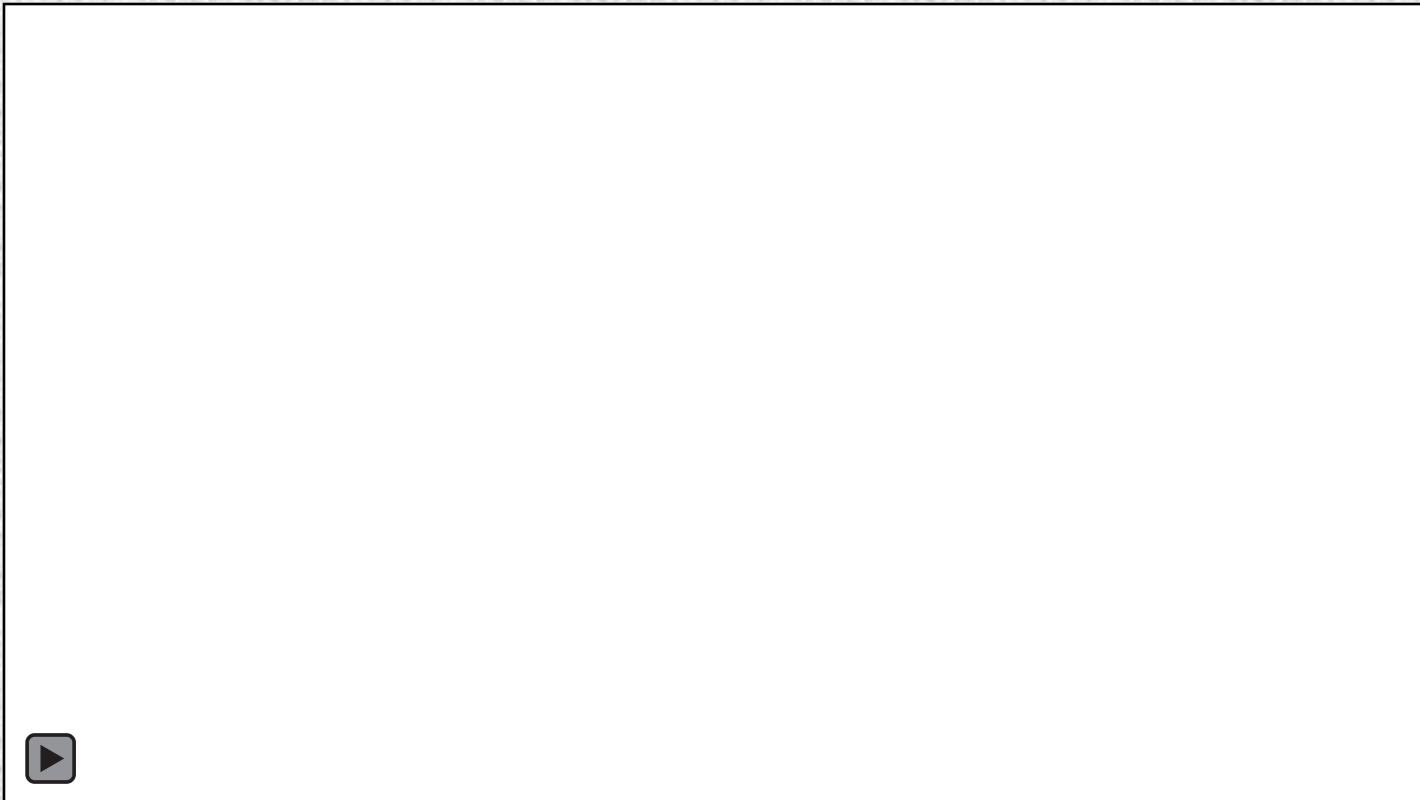   - Mr. Deazell Johnson (CECS SSC)

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2018 Finalist for Examples of Excelencia

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- Summary of External Advisory Committee meeting
- Held on June 7th from 12 Noon – 3 PM
- Attendees: Rupa Dachere, Vaughn Cable, Sunand Bhattacharya, Linda Friedman, Roslyn Soto, Neal Gaborno
- Feedback:
  - Opportunities for students to participate in conferences in the Bay Area
  - Publicize successes widely with partners and community
  - Industry sponsored internships
  - Sustainability of the program/services past grant lifetime

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CSU STEM Summit Panel

- Panelists

Ramesh

Amy

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Meeting Calendar for Fall 2018

- ✓ *Aug 16, 2018*
- *Sep 20, 2018*
- ~~*Oct 18, 2018*~~ *(Canceled)*
- *Nov 08, 2018*
- *Dec 13, 2018*

Monthly meetings above are scheduled from 1 PM – 3 PM in JD 1568.

* AIMS² Orientation Aug 31, 2018 (ExL Commons) 2-4 PM

* Research Symposium Sep 11, 2018 (Grand Salon) 3-7 PM

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And in closing..

Year 1 APR submitted to meet July 25th deadline ☺

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- # Moorpark College – Scarlet Relle

  - We will be recruiting new students into our cohort;

  - I am holding a pre-semester math review sessions for our Statics and Strength of Materials course next Wednesday and Thursday (there are some AIMS students in the course – so this will be for everyone)

  - We are expanding our engineering program by offering Certificates of Achievement in CAD and Mechatronics engineering. This summer I finished creating 3 new courses for the CAD Certificate, currently I am in the process of writing a new course in Electronics for the Mechatronics Certificate. We are hoping to get all these new courses certified this Fall. These certifications, we are hoping, will provide another avenue for all students – AIMS and otherwise – to be able to get high wage jobs or internships while going to school.

  - We are also happy to report that we hired one of your adjunct faculty, Jenny Li, as a full-time professor at Moorpark! Next week I will be meeting with her to help her get up to speed, but she is starting with us now full time.

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Nominees for Peer Mentors

Faculty Mentor	Peer Mentor
A. Alroomi	Alireza Bahmanadi
A. Alroomi	Alexis Sierra
A. Amini	Cristian Mendoza
B. Bavarian	Verania Ceja Franco
B. Bavarian	Jayshawna Jones
B. Bavarian	Ismael Pablo
B. Li	Kerstern Malama
B. Osorno	Joshua Galeno
D. Boyajian	
J. Gandhi	Henry Reed
J. Gandhi	Christina Seeholzer
J. Valdovinos	Omar Vargas
J. Valdovinos	Alan Cruz
R. Jia	Hareth Abdalkarim
T. Zirakian	
V. Pournaghshband	Camrynn Robles-Dilley
V. Pournaghshband	Anthony Ortiz
V. Nandikolla	

Peer Mentors

Hareth	Abdalkarim	Electrical Engineering
Alireza	Bahmanabadi	Construction Management
Alan	Cruz	Mechanical Engineering
Joshua	Galeno	Electrical Engineering
Jayshawna	Jones	Manufacturing Systems Engr
Kerstern	Malama	Manufacturing Systems Engr
Cristian	Mendoza	Electrical Engineering
Anthony	Ortiz	Electrical Engineering
Henry	Reed	Computer Science
Tina	Seeholzer	Mechanical Enginering
Alexis	Sierra	Civil Engineering
Omar	Vargas	Electrical Engineering

Peer Mentoring Program

- Mentors recruited in June (including peer and alumni mentors)
- Peer Mentor contracts signed (by paid peer mentors)
- Training completed in July
- Peer Mentors supported summer workshops as chaperones for lab tours and FTF Design Competition
- Email invitation sent to mentees in Cohorts 1 and 2
- Matching in progress to connect mentors and mentees
- Conversations ongoing
- Issues are flagged for intervention

Activities planned for fall 2018
- Expand mentee pool to include FTF-3 and FTT-3
- Group meetings with Peer Mentors to debrief on general issues faced by cohort

Typical information for follow up

Hi Stacey,

This is an automatic message letting you know about flags from AIMS2 mentor's (mentor) session with AIMS2 Student (student).

AIMS2 Student email:
AIMS2 Mentor email:

Flag reported on 08/11/2018

Categories of flag: Academic struggles
Response to follow-up question: My mentee is struggling with math courses.

To learn about where these flags come from, [please see this document](#).

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Welcome to the Summer Skills Workshop

S. K. Ramesh, Ph.D.

Project Director and Lead PI of the AIMS^2 Program

Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering

• *AIMS^2 Cohort: Photo Courtesy Armando*

California State University, Northridge Presents

2018

AIMS²

Attract Inspire Mentor and Support Students Skills Workshop
Session 1: July 23ʳᵈ – July 25ᵗʰ, 2018
Freshmen Students Workshop Schedule
Location: University Student Union – Thousand Oaks Room

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Welcome Remarks		**9:00 AM - 10:15 AM** Final Competition
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Ice Breakers Cards to the Sky Exercise	**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM** Campus Tour: Including Library and Engineering Labs	**10:15 AM - 10:45 AM** Students Present Their Project
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM 15-Minute Break		**10:45 AM - 11:00 AM** Competition Results Declared & Recap of Lessons Learned
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM What Is Engineering? Careers in Engineering		**11:00 AM – 11:15 AM** 15-Minute Break
		11:15 AM - 12:00 PM Entrepreneurial Minded Learning
		12:00 PM - 12:15 PM How To Stay Connected In Year 1
12:15 PM - 1:15 PM Lunch	**12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** Lunch	**12:15 PM - 1:00 PM** Lunch/Survey
		1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Focus Groups
1:15 PM - 2:15 PM Growth Mindset	**1:00 PM - 2:15 PM** Team Building Skills	
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM Resources to Succeed at CSUN	**2:15 PM – 2:30 PM** 15-Minute Break	
	2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Engineering Ethics	
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM Closing Remarks for Day 1 Filling Out Surveys	**3:30 PM - 4:00 PM** Closing Remarks for Day 2 Filling Out Surveys	

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Special thanks to all the faculty, staff, and peer mentors

- *Kathleen Pohl, Jimmy Gandhi, Susan Belgrad, Behzad Bavarian, Nazaret Dermendjian, Cindy Cruz, Bruno Osorno, Deazell Johnson, Matt Leitao, Aram Khachatourians, John Valdovinos, Kyle Dewey, Tadeh Zirakhian, Sembiam Rengarajan, Rick Covington, Bob Ryan, Ian Pohl, Armando Tellez, Yolanda Barrett, Nathan Durdella, Christina Mayberry and Library Staff.*
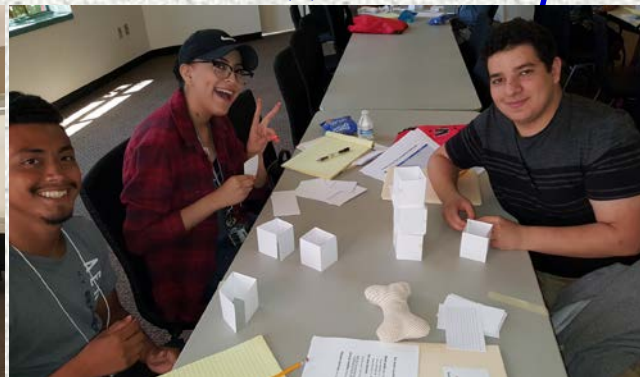
Summer Workshop Statistics

SESSION	Dates	Registered	Attended	%
Freshmen – Session 1	July 23 - 25	61	19	31
Freshmen – Session 2	July 30 – Aug 1	59	35	59
Transfers – Session 1	July 27-28	23	12	52
Transfers – Session 2	Aug 2 - 3	35	17	49
Overall		178	83	47

Estimated total cost for two weeks – Approximately $ 30 K

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- Status of cohort recruitment (FTF-3 and FTT-3)

- List of FTF and FTT with 1,280 students received mid-July

- Approximately 1,000 met minimum eligibility criteria and were invited to complete an online application

- We received 68 applications from FTF and 39 applications from FTT

- Based on my review I am recommending that we invite 43 FTF and 39 FTT to join the program

- They will join the 79 students remaining from Cohorts 1 and 2, for a total of 161 students effective fall 2018

ACTION ITEMS

- New cohort orientation – August 31st

- Where: Extended University Commons

- When: August 31st, 2 PM – 4 PM

- Who : All FTF-3 and FTT-3 students, Faculty, Staff, Peer Mentors

- What: Overview of program, services, and expectations, Announcement of groups, Cohort student contracts

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- Assignment of students by faculty from Cohorts 1, 2, and 3

- If you are a continuing faculty mentor you can expect that returning students in your group from Cohorts 1 and 2 will continue with you in the coming year.

- In addition you can each expect 7-8 new students from FTF-3 and FTT-3, for a total of approx. 15/group per faculty.

- If you are a new faculty mentor you can expect a total of 15/group primarily from FTF-3 and FTT-3. For those inheriting a group from a previous faculty mentor the group size will be adjusted accordingly so you have a total of approximately 15 students for your respective groups.

AIMS2 BTG – Faculty Mentors for First Time Freshman Cohorts 1 and 2 & First Time Transfer Cohorts 1 and 2

First Name	Last Name	Cohort	START	Major	Faculty Mentor
Freddy	Nunez	F-1	FA2016	Computer Engineering	Ali Amini
Luis	Rivera	F-2	FA2017	Computer Engineering	Ali Amini
Miguel	Guerrero	F-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Ali Amini
Christian	Berumen	T-2	FA2017	Computer Engineering	Ali Amini
Cristian	Mendoza	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Ali Amini
Kiran	Joshi	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Ali Amini
Francisco	Oropeza	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Ali Amini
Sophia	Ha	F-1	FA2016	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Alexis	Sierra	F-2	SU2017	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Chanel	Duarte	T-1	FA2016	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Nancy	Cabrera	T-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Mohammad	Seif	T-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Alireza	Bahmanabadi	T-2	FA2017	Construction Management	Anwar Alroomi
Maria	Hernandez	T-2	SU2017	Civil Engineering	Anwar Alroomi
Beau	Iannolo	F-1	FA2016	Manufacturing Systems Engr	Behzad Bavarian
Verania	Ceja Franco	F-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Behzad Bavarian
Victor	Garcia	T-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	Behzad Bavarian
Jayshawna	Jones	T-1	FA2016	Manufacturing Systems Engr	Behzad Bavarian
Mario	Garcia	T-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Behzad Bavarian
Ismael	Pablo	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Behzad Bavarian
Jovani	Iraheta	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Behzad Bavarian
Xochitl	Lopez	F-1	FA2016	Computer Science	Bingbing Li
Christian	Mariscal	F-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Bingbing Li
Evelyn	Mendieta	F-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Bingbing Li
Andres	Gutierrez	F-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Bingbing Li
Janus	King	T-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	Bingbing Li
Kerstern	Malama	T-1	FA2016	Manufacturing Systems Engr	Bingbing Li

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Chase	Gould	T-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Bingbing Li
Sergio	Amaro	T-2	SP2017	Mechanical Engineering	Bingbing Li
Beatriz	Acuna	F-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Nattaphol	Yahuafai	F-2	SU2017	Computer Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Sopuruchukwu	Udeh	F-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Froilan	Campos	T-1	FA2016	Computer Science	Bruno Osorno
Fernando	Becerra	T-2	FA2017	Computer Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Roobina	Deravanesian	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Jose	Torres	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Bruno Osorno
Luis	Landeros	F-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Armando	Herrera	F-2	FA2017	Computer Science	John Valdovinos
Alan	Cruz	F-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Omar	Vargas	T-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Emily	Hwang	T-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Aaron	Nolasco	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Sean	Keegan	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Tina	Seeholzer	T-2		Mechanical Engineering	John Valdovinos
Ronald Andreile	Eleazar	F-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	David Boyajian
Adam	Martinez	F-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	David Boyajian
Andrew	Langwald	F-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	David Boyajian
Jessica	Opinion	T-1	*FA2016	Civil Engineering	David Boyajian
Nebiyou	Meshesha	T-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	David Boyajian
Jeffrey	Portillo	T-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	David Boyajian
Martin	Arjon-Ramirez	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	David Boyajian
Uriel	Castillo	F-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Jimmy Gandhi
Eileen	Quiroz	F-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Jimmy Gandhi
Teny	Shahjahanian	F-2	FA2017	Engineering Management	Jimmy Gandhi
Joshua	Galeno	T-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	Jimmy Gandhi
Eduardo	Caceres	T-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Jimmy Gandhi
Cristian	Gutierrez	T-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Jimmy Gandhi
Albert	Liwag	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Jimmy Gandhi
John	Morgan	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Jimmy Gandhi
Ashley	Bermudez	F-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Ruting Jia

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Ruben	Menchaca	F-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Ruting Jia
Hareth	Abdalkarim	T-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	Ruting Jia
Timothy	Vallarta	T-2	FA2017	Computer Engineering	Ruting Jia
Michael	Diaz	T-2	FA2017	Electrical Engineering	Ruting Jia
Carlos	Perla	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Ruting Jia
Ritchie	Zelaya	F-1	FA2016	Computer Science	Tadeh Zirakian
Anthony	Rangel	F-2	FA2017	Computer Science	Tadeh Zirakian
Levi	Velasquez	F-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
Ivan	Garcia	T-1	FA2016	Computer Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
David	Nelson	T-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
Cruz	Reyes Cruz	T-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
Jesse	Bermudez	T-2	SP2017	Mechanical Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
Nathan	Mota	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Tadeh Zirakian
Samuel	Ochoa	F-1	FA2016	Electrical Engineering	Vahab Pournagshband
Kavya	Manohar	F-2	FA2017	Computer information technology	Vahab Pournagshband
Camrynn	RoblesDilley	F-2	SU2017	Computer Science	Vahab Pournagshband
Rocio	Zavala	F-2	SU2017	Mechanical Engineering	Vahab Pournagshband
Daniel	Mora	T-1	FA2016	Computer Information Technology	Vahab Pournagshband
Angelica	Estrada	T-2	FA2017	Civil Engineering	Vahab Pournagshband
Justina	Chapman	T-2	FA2017	Computer Information Technology	Vahab Pournagshband
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Kevin	Chavez	T-1	FA2016	Mechanical Engineering	Vidya Nandikolla
Trung	Nguyen	T-2	FA2016	Computer Science	Vidya Nandikolla
Jesus	Alvarado	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Vidya Nandikolla
Marcelo-Rodel	Carlos	T-2	FA2017	Mechanical Engineering	Vidya Nandikolla

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- Peer Tutors and Research Assistants for fall 2018

- Review list of spring 2018 peer tutors and inform Stacey/Deazell of any changes updates ASAP

http://www.ecs.csun.edu/aims2/student-resources/peer-tutors-spring-2018/

- Submit Research Project Abstracts for work to be performed during Fall 2018 – Spring 2019 (deadline August 31, 2018)

http://www.ecs.csun.edu/aims2/student-resources/research-internships/

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Research Symposium

- 3 PM – 4 PM Poster Session
- 4 PM – 7 PM Presentations
- Audience: All cohort students from CSUN and partner campuses, their families, faculty, staff, students from CSUN and CCC partners
- By now you should have shared the templates for posters and oral presentations w/students so they are prepared.
- Practice to stay within time limits (10 mins)
- Mentors introduce their students/project (2 mins or less) and moderate Q&A (3 mins or less)
- PrinPosters (please work w/Stacey/Deazell)

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