

Who can apply:

Professor Wesel typically seeks one new doctoral student each year to the Communication Systems Lab (CSL). Applicants with strong interests in probability, communications, and mathematics are welcome to contact Professor Wesel. Professor Wesel seeks a diverse research team and welcomes both women and men as well as students from any country and with any religious or ethnic background. Applicants need not have completed an MS degree.

At this time, Professor Wesel limits undergraduate participation in his research to UCLA undergraduates and community college students who are planning to transfer to UCLA. International students seeking undergraduate research internships are not considered at this time because the focus is on providing research opportunities for UCLA undergraduate students.

How to Apply:

UCLA undergraduates and master's students are encouraged to contact Professor Wesel at any time to express their interest in joining his research group. The most effective strategy for undergraduates is to visit Professor Wesel during his quarterly undergraduate advising hours and send an email with their resume and unofficial transcript prior to arriving at the advising meeting. Look at this page and the UCLA Undergraduate Research Portal or specific opportunities for research, but undergraduates are welcome to apply even when no specific opportunity is posted.

It is most useful to reach out by email during the month of January (or early February at the latest) and use the subject line "Graduate Student Application to UCLA CSL". Please include a resume and an unofficial transcript from your university. Let Professor Wesel know what your interests are and why the CSL is a good fit.

Final Remarks:

Finally, note that while it is an excellent idea to reach out to professors such as Professor Wesel to find your home at UCLA for doctoral studies, admissions decisions are ultimately made by the ECE department not by Professor Wesel, so notification of admissions as well as the requirements and rubrics for graduate admission are the purview of the UCLA ECE Department and the UCLA Graduate Division rather than Professor Wesel.