

# November Newsletter: Society For Biomaterials at UCLA



December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5PM in Engineering V 5101

SFB Monthly Meeting

*Graduate Student Seminar Series*

Presenters: Jonathan Lam from Tatiana Segura's Lab and Andrew Aijian from Robin Garrell's Lab

Join us for our second set of presentations from graduate students conducting biomaterials related research. This month features talks from Jonathan Lam, who will talk about biomaterials used for hydrogels and its application to his own research, and Andrew Aijian, who will talk about his work on droplet microfluidics. This meeting is co-sponsored by EGSA and will have free FOOD!

## Important Notices

### Abstract Submission for National SFB Meeting

**Due Date: November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

Meeting Date: April 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Boston, Massachusetts

Any full time student should apply for the Student Travel Achievement Recognitions (STAR) award. Awardees will receive a certificate and monetary award of \$250. Apply by checking the STAR Award application box during the abstract submission. The website will open shortly for abstract submission.

**Undergraduates:** If you are a Junior or Senior who does biomaterials research, apply for the C. William Hall Scholarship. Application packet due **December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012**. Awardees receive all expenses paid trip to the Annual SFB Meeting in Boston (includes airfare, hotel, registration and meals).

Members whose abstracts are accepted will have an opportunity to practice their oral or poster presentations with the student chapter during the April monthly meeting.

## Happenings & Opportunities

### Want to get involved?

Committees can be formed to support the goals of SFB. The officers encourage members to form committees based on their interests. These can include an outreach, speaker recruitment, special projects, fund generation, social events, etc. Propose a committee in writing to the officers ([uclasfb@gmail.com](mailto:uclasfb@gmail.com)) to get approval to pitch your idea at a monthly meeting.

### Want to speak at a monthly meeting?

Email Helena Chia ([helenachia@gmail.com](mailto:helenachia@gmail.com)). Highly encourage anyone who is published

### What's happening?

We are excited to announce that we are formally recognized as student group by UCLA. We are now eligible to apply for funding from GSA and EGSA for our group's activities!

## Recap from November Monthly Meeting

November's meeting featured a guest presentation from Dr. Lynne Jones (past SFB President, Associate Professor at Johns Hopkins) who spoke about biomaterials and careers in the government, academia, and industry. The presentation included advice on finding mentors, and networking as well as her *7 Habits of Highly Effective Bioengineers*, including #5: Be the Best at What You Do; and #6: Time Management (specifically, be in the moment and focus 100%, whether at work or having fun).