## OTHER BENEFITS

## Block Scheduling

Your PEERS counselor assist you with enrolling in your core Math and Science courses in your freshman year. As a result, all PEERS members are enrolled in the same lecture and workshops.

## Undergraduate Research

You are encouraged to engage in undergraduate research. And we provide you with assistance in identifying appropriate faculty mentors and obtaining financial support for research.



You will have the opportunity to participate in various career panels and networking events.



## Academic Advancement Program

As a PEERS student you will be automatically enrolled in AAP. Having access to academic advising, peer learning (tutoring), and a host of other opportunities to promote academic excellence. Visit aap.ucla.edu for details.

## PEERS Team

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## Eligibility & Applying to PEERS

Strong interest in Science and Math Careers

Experienced social or environmental barriers that might affect your academic experience or performance Low Income

First Generation

\*Special consideration is given to applicants who background may impact their retention and graduation. Please include this information in your application.

Apply online Deadline: Sunday, April 20, 2020 Contact Information: peers@lifesci.ucla.edu



# PEERS

#### PROGRAM FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND RESEARCH IN THE SCIENCES

PEERS requires hard work, the benefits you gain will make the program a worthwhile and rewarding experience. Let us help you make your years at UCLA challenging, satisfying and fun!

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http://sciences.ugresearch.ucla.edu/peers/

Undergraduate Education UCLA Research Centers

## What is PEERS

PEERS is a 2-year program for outstanding students, like you, who are committed to academic excellence and want to pursue careers in the life or physical sciences.

PEERS faculty and staff work with you to develop a strong foundation in the sciences so that you are positioned to achieve your educational, personal, and career goals. PEERS will expand your horizons considerably during your first two years at UCLA, helping you navigate the campus and explore the diversity of science career options.



## What can PEERS do for you?

The aim is to provide you with a close knit community and prepare you to graduate from UCLA with an excellent understanding of your chosen field. By participating and taking advantage of the opportunities we offer, you will succeed as a science major. Specifically, students in PFFRS:

Earn higher grades in Math & Science courses

✓ Maintain an overall higher GPA

Engage in Undergraduate Research

✓ Graduate Faster

Become a part of an exclusive, diverse, and supportive learning community

## PEERS Counseling

PEERS provides unique access to holistic academic advising that is personalized and tailored to your individual goals. As a participants you will be assigned a PEERS counselor that you are required to meet with each guarter. Where you can talk about any of the following topics:

Course Planning + Enrollment Adding/Dropping Courses Changing Majors + Career Development Personal Development + Social Life Research and Fellowship Opportunities **Campus Resources** 



### Freshman & Sophomore Seminars

PEERS offers two exclusive and mandatory seminar courses each Fall guarter. The Freshman Seminar is designed to help you transition into the rigorous UCLA academic environment and introduce you to various campus resources. The Sophomore Seminar exposes you to careers in science, in addition to preparing you to join a research lab and help identify programs that will fund you to do research!



# **Collaborative Learning** Workshop

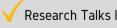
Workshops are an integral component of PEERS. Each workshop meets twice per week and is led by an advanced graduate student who guides you through the learning process. PEERS workshops are: Supportive Learning Environments, Low Stress, and 1 Unit pass/no pass





## **Special Events**

Through PEERS you will receive unparalleled exclusive access and insight into UCLA research community.



Research Talks led by UCLA faculty

Information Sessions on Scholarships and Fellowship opportunities

Poster Sessions

