



## Congratulations Orange Section CPF Scholarship Winners

Following an intensely competitive scholarship contest across California, the California Planning Foundation (CPF) is delighted to announce that the following students from the Orange Section have been honored with scholarship awards:

### 2023 CPF Scholarships in the Orange Section

**Joshua Baehr**  
*Orange Section Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Angel Castro**  
*Richard H. Weaver Memorial Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Nancy Delgado**  
*Donald Bradley Public Health Planning Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Cindy Flaro**  
*Frank Wein Memorial Scholarship*  
California State University, Fullerton  
Master of Public Administration

**Michael Greenberg**  
*Orange Section Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Sonia Ho**  
*VCS Environmental Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Nicole Larson**  
*David Wilcox Memorial Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Genesis Maldonado**  
*M-Group Diversity Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning



UCI student scholarship winners at the 2023 APA California Conference: Planning at the Crossroads

**Christopher Martinez**  
*Distinguished Diversity in Planning Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Max McNally**  
*California Planning Roundtable Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Morris Mills**  
*Outstanding Student Runner-up Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Chouatong Mouavangsou**  
*Virginia Viado Memorial Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Kathy Tran**  
*Carol Barrett Planning Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

**Natasha Mara Victa**  
*Stanley R. Hoffman Memorial Scholarship*  
UC Irvine - Master of Urban & Regional Planning

CPF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization established by the California Chapter of the American Planning Association. Each year, APA Orange Section generously contributes thousands of dollars to sustain the annual scholarship program. These funds are raised through the dedicated efforts of our local members and partners, including the annual golf tournament jointly hosted by PDAOC, APA, and ICC-OC. The scholarship program benefits exceptional students enrolled in professional degree programs within Orange County. Additionally, we're thrilled to announce that for the first time, the Orange Section has more scholarship recipients than any other local Section in the California Chapter. A hearty congratulations to UC Irvine and to all of this year's distinguished scholarship winners!

## 2024 OC-APA Election Nominations

We have openings on our Board of Directors and are looking for passionate, engaged members! Joining the Board is a great way to contribute to the planning profession, expand your professional network, and develop leadership and organizational skills. Elected positions serve a two-year term and requires a vote by the APA membership.

### Elected Positions - Two-Year Terms (2024 & 2025)

- Section Director (\*must have previously served on the APA Board)
- Vice Director for Membership & Marketing
- Vice Director for Professional Development

For questions, please email Tamara Campbell at [tcampbell@civicsolutions.com](mailto:tcampbell@civicsolutions.com)

**Deadline to submit your nomination:**  
**Sunday, November 26, 2023.**



ELECTION NOMINATION FORM

## LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER

### 2023 CEQA Essentials Workshop

An Introduction & Intermediate Level Training Workshop

Friday, November 3, 2023 | 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

City of Huntington Beach, Council Chambers  
2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, 92648

The Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) invites you to register for the CEQA Essentials Workshop. This workshop provides a basic understanding of the fundamentals of the California Environmental Quality Act and the State Guidelines, and includes intermediate-level practice pointers and case studies.

This workshop features a curriculum developed specifically for people involved in the environmental review process, including consultants, regulators, applicants, or industry professionals, and will benefit those new to the field as well as mid-level practicing professionals.



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## UC Irvine MURP Admissions Information Sessions



The Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) program is a two-year professional degree program, fully accredited by the Planning Accreditation Board (PAB), with an "exemplary record" of curriculum, teaching, and services in our most recent accreditation review. UCI's MURP is consistently ranked as one of the nation's top professional planning programs. We are currently ranked #1 in student diversity and #14 overall in the nation. We educate aspiring planning professionals to develop and implement equitable strategies to address complex challenges within a diverse society, translate planning knowledge to improve well-being, and engage communities to build a just and sustainable future.

UCI is currently accepting applications for Fall 2024 admissions. If you are interested in the program, you are invited to attend one of our upcoming MURP Information Sessions. Please see session offerings below and click on the registration link for the Information Session you are interested in attending.



### MURP Virtual Information Session

Wednesday, November 15, 2023  
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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### MURP Virtual Information Session

Wednesday, December 6, 2023  
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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If you have any questions about the program or upcoming Information Sessions, please reach out to Professor Nicholas Marantz, Program Director, at [nmarantz@uci.edu](mailto:nmarantz@uci.edu) or Jorge Padilla, MURP Assistant Director, at [j.padilla@uci.edu](mailto:j.padilla@uci.edu).



APA Members are encouraged to participate in a short 5-minute survey to shape the future of our professional organization. This survey aims to assess and enhance our current nominations process and annual Orange Section awards event. We want to ensure exceptional planning work – by individuals and organizations – is being recognized locally, so even if you have not submitted a nomination in recent years, we encourage all members to participate! Member feedback will directly contribute to the planning and organization of next year's awards program.

TAKE THE SURVEY

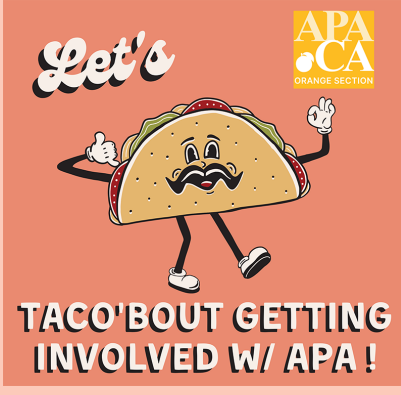
### Want to Learn More About Volunteer Opportunities?

## An Exclusive Dinner with the OC-APA Board

Thursday, November 16 | 6:00 pm | Irvine

Curious about stepping into a leadership position within APA? Eager to contribute to the planning community in Orange County but not sure where to begin? Join us for an intimate dinner with APA Orange Section's Board of Directors. This is your chance to gain valuable insights from current Board members, learn about the exciting volunteer opportunities available for 2024, and network in a relaxed atmosphere.

Space is limited! To secure your spot, please RSVP with our Section Director, Stephanie Tomaino, at [director@oc-apa.org](mailto:director@oc-apa.org).



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