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Please enjoy our video showcasing UCEAP students sharing
Season's Greetings from around the world.



UCEAP & Sweden Celebrate 50 Years

(Pictured left to right: Michelle Ariga, Jenny Lin, Yutang Lin, Alexaner Ekman, Caroline Runeus, Bianca Blake, Robert Resnick)

On October 22, more than 150 UCEAP alumni and friends came together for a reunion at the Fowler Museum at UCLA. The reception recognized 50 years of study abroad exchange with Lund University in Sweden. Hsiu-Zu Ho, UCEAP Associate Dean and Eva Wiberg, Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Lund University, spoke about the value of international education and the impact of the partnership between UCEAP and Lund University. Lund University Foundation Board Member Robert Resnick (Sweden 1971-72) shared stories from his time abroad and encouraged attendees to join the celebrations in Sweden. Event photos available [here](#).

Join us April 5-8, 2017 for a series of 50th [anniversary events](#). We look forward to seeing you again soon!



Prof. Randy Schekman meets UCEAP Guardian Scholar Tiara Francisco in Edinburgh

UCEAP is excited to introduce the [Guardian Scholar Fund](#), a program that supports former foster youth who are pursuing their dreams of study abroad with UCEAP. The first recipient, Tiara Francisco, is a UCSB transfer student in psychology and is planning to pursue a master's degree in social work. Tiara is spending the year in Scotland, at the University of Edinburgh. On November 9, Tiara and other UC students had the opportunity to meet Nobel laureate and [2016 Linda Dutton Distinguished Alumni Award](#) recipient Prof. Randy Schekman (UK 1968-69) while he was at the University of Edinburgh receiving an honorary degree.

"[T]his experience is helping me set a great example for the children I hope to work with in my future career. I can show them they can take charge and accomplish their dreams, despite what they have been through in their lives. I would like to teach them that where you come from does not predict how far you can go." - Tiara Francisco, 2016 Guardian Scholars Fund recipient.

Unlike most college students, Guardian Scholars do not have families on whom they can rely for simple things that other students take for granted, like a place to store their belongings while abroad.

As an alumnus and friend of UCEAP, please consider supporting students like Tiara by donating to the [Guardian Scholars Fund](#). Any gift will make a difference - your participation is what's important! All gifts to the UC Regents are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Make your gift and [support Tiara today!](#)



Alumni Update: Paul Chitlik (Madrid 1967-68)

UCEAP alumnus [Paul Chitlik](#) is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Screenwriting at Loyola Marymount University and has had a successful career as a screenwriter, producer and director for all the major networks and studios. This year, he has taken on a new role as faculty director, leading a group of nine LMU students on their own study abroad journey in Hungary.

"My experience in Spain with UCEAP gave me lifelong tools for living, including the acquisition of another language which has helped me professionally and personally. I never thought I would have the chance to be a "Professor Blanco" (the director of the Madrid program when I was there), but it has been a great experience." [Continue Reading](#).

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UCEAP is pleased to announce the winners of the 2015-16 Internship Awards. The Internship Awards program recognizes exceptional students who have completed internships while on UCEAP. The 2015-16 winners are Tatiana Ferreyra- Brazil (UC Berkeley), Jaqueline Puliatti- Ghana (UC Santa Cruz), Cian Cardenas- China (UC Santa Cruz), Hannah Stroud- Spain (UC San Diego), and Dahhee Kim- Italy (UCLA). [Read more](#).



Share your story! The first 25 people who [submit their alumni story](#) will receive a UCEAP t-shirt! Your story of your time abroad with UCEAP may be featured on our blog and in a future newsletter! T-shirts are also available for purchase for \$20, which includes a \$10 donation to the [UCEAP Guardian Scholars Fund](#).



UCEAP is sad to note the passing of our colleague, Carmen Tapia, on September 7, 2016 at the age of 91. Carmen was a staff member at the Systemwide Office from 1989 – 2007, and held various roles in that time. In her writing and her work she focused on her passion for human rights and dignity for all people. [Continue Reading](#).



Join our team! The UCEAP Australia and New Zealand office is recruiting for a [Resident Director](#). Visit [career opportunities](#) for a complete listing.

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8 **Save the Date - Lund University, Sweden Reunion, April 2017** [Save the Date](#) for a reunion in Sweden as we celebrate 50 years of student exchange with Lund University. Events will take place April 5-8, 2017. All alumni are invited. Contact your fellow alumni and plan a reunion in Sweden!

UCEAP has a powerful and expanding network of 100,000 alumni in every field and every corner of the world. Whether you want to take the next step in your career or simply catch up with old friends, you'll find many ways to reach out, link up, and join the conversation. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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