

The [UC San Diego Postdoctoral Association](#) (PDA) is proud to share some of its accomplishments from 2014-2015. Looking forward to another successful year with a new Board and our many passionate volunteers. We hope that you will join us!

- Launched our [Ambassador Program](#) to help incoming postdocs transition to life at UC San Diego.
- Established a [Departmental Representative Program](#) to increase diversity and representation in our organization beyond the biomedical sciences.
- Earned postdoc representation on [campus-wide committees](#), which address quality of life issues such as childcare, transportation, and sustainability.
- Diversified our popular [Exposure to Industry Program](#) site-visits to local biotechs.
- Organized our 2nd Annual Postdoc Research Symposium with over 100 presenters and \$2000 in research awards. [Submit your abstract](#) for this year's upcoming event!
- Co-organized [Open Mic Nights](#) with fellow Postdoc Associations on Torrey Pines Mesa, where postdocs present their research to academic and industry judges. Sign up for this fall and meet potential recruiters.
- Hosted our annual [New Year's Networking Event](#) with over 75 industry guests and 300+ postdocs.
- Expanded our [Alumni Spotlights](#) and [Faculty Spotlights](#).
- Published our [Postdoc Survival Guide](#) with our curated list of resources and practical advice.
- Expanded our internet presence on various social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#). Connect with us today!
- Introduced monthly themed Open Forums with guest leaders from across the university to strengthen our programming and access existing resources for postdocs.
- Participated in the resource fair/ice cream social organized by our partner, the Office of Postdoctoral and Visiting Scholars Affairs ([OPVSA](#)) as part of Postdoc Appreciation Month.
- Sponsored a special happy hour at a local brewery with our fellow Postdoc Associations.
- Organized our [2nd Annual STEM Career Symposium](#) with 140 attendees, 35 professionals and 2 new panel topics.
- Introduced ourselves to 50+ Departmental and Divisional Chairs to increase our visibility campus-wide.
- Welcomed hundreds of new postdocs at [Postdoc Orientation](#).
- Organized our annual Vendor Show with over 40 vendors, free lunch, and drawings for prizes. [Register here](#) for this year's event on August 5th!
- Partnered with the [International Center](#) to host our very first Open House with opportunities to win tickets to local cultural sites.
- Organized our first [Science Communication Series](#), incorporating access to the [One-Button Studio](#), to prepare postdocs for the annual Research Symposium and their future job or conference talks.

- [Your 2014-2015 Executive Board](#)

How do I get involved? Contact: ucsdpda@gmail.com

How do I stay connected? Sign up for the [postdoc listserv](#).