



5TH ANNUAL
**GRAD
SLAM**

UCLA

**FINAL COMPETITION
& CELEBRATORY RECEPTION**

MARCH 13, 2019 | CNSI AUDITORIUM

HOSTS

Robin L. Garrell

*Vice Provost for GRADUATE EDUCATION
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Professor, CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY*

Michael Skiles

*President, UCLA GRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
Graduate Chair, UC COUNCIL OF STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTS
Ph.D. Candidate, PHILOSOPHY*

SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

GUEST ARRIVAL
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

WELCOME BY DEAN/VICE PROVOST ROBIN L. GARRELL
3-MINUTE FINALIST PRESENTATIONS
INTERMISSION
 AUDIENCE CHOICE VOTING
 VIP JUDGING PANEL TABULATIONS
AWARDS CEREMONY

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

CELEBRATORY RECEPTION

MEET OUR JUDGES

Melany De La Cruz-Viesca

*Assistant Director
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Cindy Fan

*Vice Provost
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES & GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT*

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*Clinical Professor of Medicine
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*Cabinet Member
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PRESENTATION ORDER



Aleksandr Gorin

Designing an HIV Vaccine

IMMUNOLOGY



Allison Daly

Your Immune System, Your Best Friend or Worst Enemy?

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY



Emily Towner

*Curiosity and Learning:
Curiosity Did Not Kill The Cat*

SOCIAL SCIENCES



Samantha Morse

A Dreadful History

ENGLISH



Xiaofei Lin

*Deciphering the Immune
System Code*

BIOCHEMISTRY



Allyson Terry

*Securing the Health of Organ
Transplant Recipients*

PHARMACOLOGY



Alexander Sercel

Recharging the Batteries of Life

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY



Eunjoo An

*Shouldn't We All be Practicing
Mindfulness?*

NURSING



Karime Parodi Ambel

*Bias Against Women Victims of
Sexual Assault in the Chilean
Legal System*

SPANISH



Joseph Friedman

Ending Medical Segregation in LA

MEDICINE



Nyasha Maforo

*At The Heart of Duchenne
Muscular Dystrophy*

BIOMEDICAL PHYSICS

