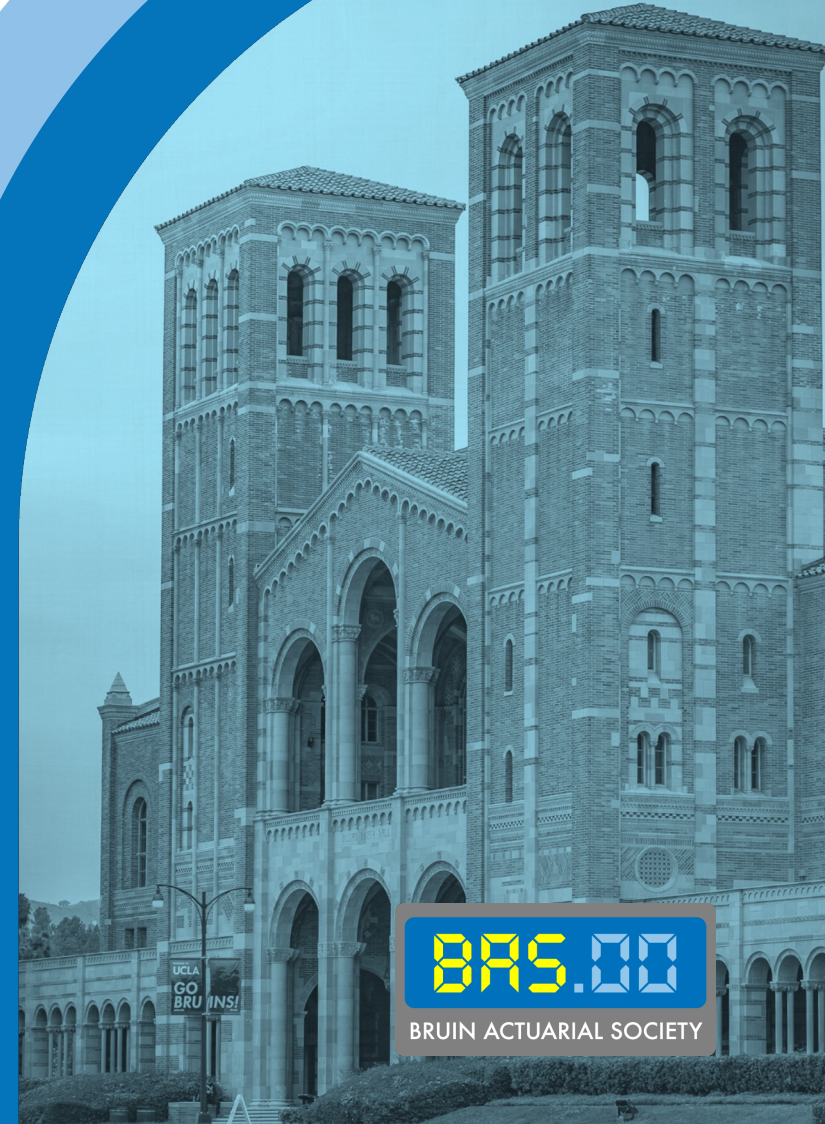
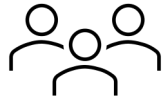


FIRST GENERAL MEETING

September 24, 2026



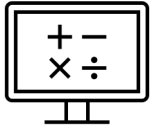
AGENDA



Meet the Officers



Actuarial Exams



What is an Actuary?



Joining BAS



BAS Events



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Relevant Majors & Minors



18th Annual Career Fair



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MEET THE OFFICERS





Class: Senior

- Spring 2027

Exams: P, FM

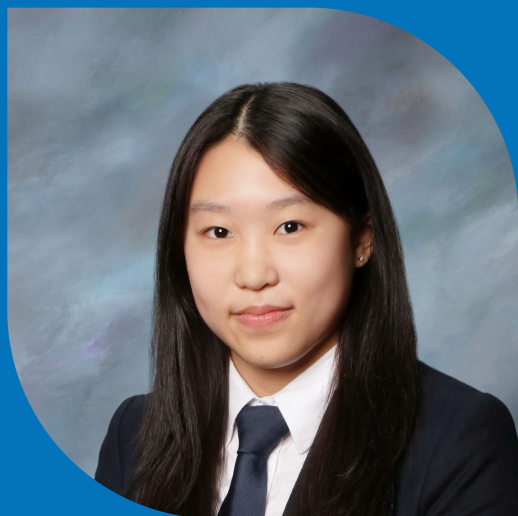
Hometown:
Brazil + China

ISABEL VEIT

BAS Co-President

- **Majors:**
 - Financial Actuarial Mathematics
 - Global Studies
- **Actuarial Experience:**
 - CAS Student Summer Program
 - OLA Rising Leaders Program
 - Aetna Actuarial Intern
 - Corebridge Financial Actuarial Intern





Class: Senior

- Spring 2027

Exams: P, FM, MAS-I

Hometown:
Vancouver, Canada

RAINIE YANG

BAS Co-President

- **Majors:**
 - Financial Actuarial Mathematics
 - Statistics & Data Science
- **Minors:**
 - Specialization in Computing
 - Digital Humanities
- **Actuarial Experience:**
 - CAS Student Summer Program
 - Abacus Actuaries Student Program
 - WTW Actuarial Intern





Class: Junior

- Spring 2028

Exams: P, FM

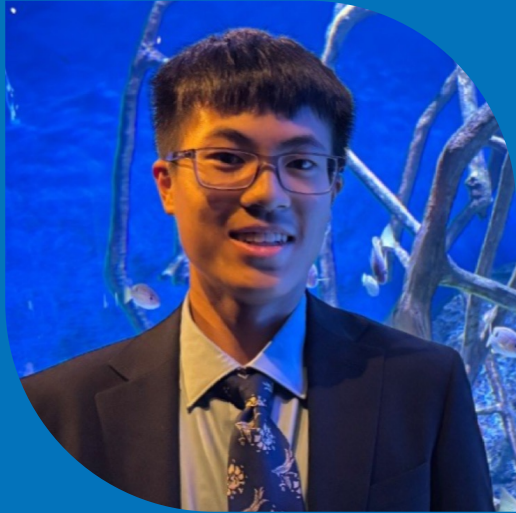
Hometown:
Sacramento, CA

BRYSON DEMAIN

BAS Vice President

- **Majors:**
 - Financial Actuarial Mathematics
 - Statistics & Data Science
- **Minor:**
 - Specialization in Computing
- **Actuarial Experience:**
 - CAS Student Summer Program
 - Liberty Mutual Actuarial Intern





Class: Sophomore

- Spring 2028

Exams: P

Hometown:
La Verne, CA

JAYDEN LEUNG

BAS Director of Finance

- Major:
 - Applied Mathematics
- Minor:
 - Specialization in Computing
- Actuarial Experience:
 - CAS Student Summer Program





Class: Sophomore

- Spring 2029

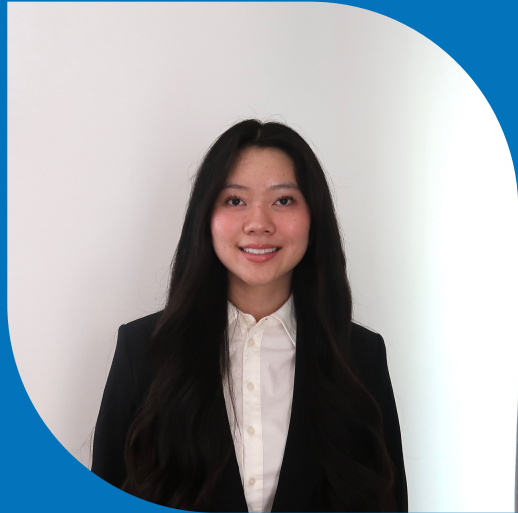
Hometown:
Tehachapi, CA

ANERI MISTRY

BAS Director of External Outreach

- Major:
 - Applied Mathematics
- Minor:
 - Specialization in Computing
- Actuarial Experience:
 - CAS Student Summer Program





Class: Sophomore

- Spring 2029

Hometown:
Los Angeles, CA

JANELLE YU

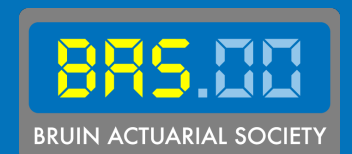
BAS Director of Internal Outreach

- Major:
 - Financial Actuarial Mathematics
- Actuarial Experience:
 - CAS P&C Actuarial Essentials Program



02

WHAT IS AN ACTUARY?



WHAT IS AN ACTUARY?

- Business professionals who measure and manage financial risk
- **Go-to-answer:** Actuaries use advanced mathematical and statistical models to put a price tag on risk
- Actuaries provide data-driven insights and keep businesses safe by calculating the cost of uncertain future events



WHY BECOME AN ACTUARY?

- Straight-forward career projection
 - Advance through your career by taking employer-funded exams
 - Salary increases & bonuses with passed exams and more experience
- You get to work with numbers to quantify risk
 - Especially for those of you who are quantitatively inclined and would like to have a career where you can apply your analytical rigor!
- The industry is developing fast and increasing in competitiveness
 - Insurers are aggressively competing for premiums – this leads to more innovative products that offers coverage, as well as ROI to offset impact of inflation
 - This could be interesting if you have an entrepreneurial side



Things to learn from the actuarial mindset ^{2015-05-14f}

Clarifying the choice

What to focus on;
Scope, priority



Imagining the future

... without getting too attached to one



Evaluating the possibilities

present value
risk
discount rate

Understanding my discount rate

different timeframes
and decisions; time preference



Evaluating intangibles

Hedons?
Utilons?



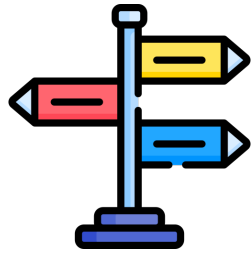
Researching and adjusting odds

1.2 → Understanding odds ratios

Considering other people's reasoning

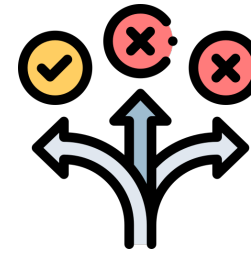
time preference, liquidity, priorities

WHERE DO ACTUARIES WORK?



Major Lines of Business

- Property & Casualty
- Life
- Health & Benefits
- Retirement
- Reinsurance



Non-Traditional Tracks

- Catastrophe Modeling
- Investment Management
- Quantitative Analytics
- Software
- Data Mining



03

BAS EVENTS



WHAT BAS OFFERS



Fall 2026

- Career Fair
- Firm Info Sessions



Winter 2027

- Case Competition
- Alumni Career Panel



Spring 2027

- Spring Recruitment Bootcamp
- Spring Banquet



CAREER FAIR

- We will be hosting an in-person Career Fair
- **Date:** Tuesday, October 6, 2026
- **Time:** 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
- **Location:** Bruin Reception Room
- All students, including freshmen and transfers, are strongly encouraged to attend and network with firm representatives!



CASE COMPETITION

- Team up with BAS members to gain professional experience through a practical problem written by professionals!
- Rotations between actuarial tracks
 - Life/Retirement
 - **Health**
 - P&C



SPRING EVENTS

Spring Recruitment Bootcamp

- A selective, application-based workshop series that is aimed at providing support for those with upcoming summer internships and programs!

Spring Banquet

- Speak to firm representatives over dinner celebrating the school year!



YEAR-ROUND WORKSHOPS

Technical Skills

- Expand your skill set with R, Excel, and VBA workshops!
- Join introductory workshops to learn about different insurance LoBs

Professional Development

- Learn more about resume crafting, interviewing, exam prep, and other soft skills that help you stand out from the crowd



MORE EVENTS!

- Additionally, we offer:
 - Dinner with An Actuary
 - Alumni Career Panel
 - Firm Info Sessions
 - Exam Prep Providers Workshop
 - Coaching Actuaries with raffle for a free subscription!
 - Actuarial Presentations (topics about the industry prepared and presented by practicing actuaries)
 - Mentorship Program
 - Resume Critique/Mock Interviews



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RELEVANT MAJORS & MINORS



FAM PRE-MAJOR

MATH

31A

31B

32A

32B

33A

33B

One of 11, 42, 61, 70

PIC

10A

10B or 16A

ECON

1

2

11

MGMT

1A

FAM MAJOR

MATH

115A

131A

177

170E

170S

178A

178B

178C

179

174E*

*(ECON 141 OR STATS C183 also
accepted)

Two upper division electives from:

MATH 106-199

ECON 101-199

STATS 100C

OTHER RELEVANT MAJORS

Major	Requirements (Excluding Pre-Major)
Mathematics	12 pure math courses
Applied Mathematics	12 applied math courses
Mathematics of Computation	14 math and computer science courses
Mathematics/Economics	14 math and economics courses
Data Theory	16 math and statistics courses
Statistics and Data Science	13 statistics courses, including a capstone project
Business Economics	10 economics and management courses

RELEVANT MINORS

Employers look for students with quantitative backgrounds. If your major is not as quantitative, it is a good idea to supplement it with a math-related minor.

Minor	Requirements (Excluding those necessary to declare the minor)
Mathematics (if not a math major)	5 upper-division math courses
Specialization in Computing (if not a Math of Computation major)	7 PIC and math courses
Accounting	7 management courses
Statistics and Data Science	6 statistics courses



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ACTUARIAL EXAMS



ACTUARIAL EXAMS

- Actuaries do not need to go to graduate school to progress in their career
 - No more student debt 😊
- Instead, they pass a series of professional exams, eventually ending up with a certification called FSA or FCAS (equivalent to CFA qualification)
 - ~10 exams total
- Completing all exams can take about 7-10 years for most
 - Associate Level → Fellowship Level



ACTUARIAL QUALIFICATIONS



- There are two main organizations that provide actuarial qualifications, which are the SOA and CAS
- They both require the same preliminary exams
 - **Probability** (SOA Exam P and CAS Exam 1)
 - **Financial Mathematics** (SOA Exam FM and CAS Exam 2)
- After that, the exams differ by the organizations by their respective specialty



MORE DETAILS

- Firms typically require at least one passed exam for internship and full-time positions
 - However, note that it doesn't mean that more exams passed = better!
 - You need to balance it with TECHNICAL SKILLS and WORK EXPERIENCE
- Preliminary exams are 2.5 - 3 hours and are all multiple choice
 - Recommended study time is 100 hours per hour of exam (250-300 hours)
- UCLA offers courses that covers the syllabus of the actuarial exams
 - MATH 170E → Covers Exam P/Exam 1
 - MATH 177 → Covers Exam FM/Exam 2
 - MATH 178A/B → Covers Exam FAM
 - MATH 178C → Covers Exam SRM



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JOINING BAS



MEMBERSHIP

- **Anybody** can attend our workshops.
- All majors and years are welcome!
- No application
 - General members need to sign up to the mailing list
 - Paid members must fill out an additional form
- No time commitment or attendance requirements
- Even if you decide this career isn't for you, you will still be able to benefit from our **resume, interviewing, and technical skills** workshops!



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

General Member Benefits

- Access to all workshops
 - Professional development
 - Technical skills
- Mentorship program
- Firm information sessions and networking
- Presentations by experienced actuaries
- Exam prep discounts

Paid Member Benefits

- All of the general member benefits
- Access to major events
 - Career Fair
 - Case Competition
 - Spring Recruitment Bootcamp
 - Spring Banquet
- Dinners with an Actuary (small group dinners with actuaries)
- Emails about job openings
- Free BAS t-shirt

Annual Fee (2026-2027): \$30



HOW TO JOIN

- To become a general member,
- Join our mailing list here:



- Click “Join group” to subscribe
- You may need to sign in to Google first

- To also become a paid member,
- Fill out our paid membership form here:



- The form contains payment details via Venmo or cash



BAS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Bruin Actuarial Society is a professional organization. We want to maintain our strong reputation.
- We expect our members (both paid and general) to abide by a set of professional standards. In turn, you can expect us to uphold our duties as officers and represent BAS professionally.
- Recruiters tend to think highly of UCLA FAM majors and BAS members. Let's maintain such.





Introduction

As members of Bruin Actuarial Society, all students, alumni, and officers are responsible for maintaining the highest ethical standards.

Purpose

It is our commitment to use the highest ethical and professional standards as the basis of all decisions. We are each accountable for our own actions and are collectively responsible for upholding standards of behavior.

Accountability

As members of Bruin Actuarial Society and students at University of California, Los Angeles, you are expected to be honest with yourself and accountable for what you say and do.



- BAS Code of Conduct (Abridged)



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Rules

Your attendance is expected at all events to which you RSVP. If you must cancel an RSVP, you must do so by email with at least 24 hours' notice.

Providing false information on resumes or during interviews is strictly prohibited.

Direct questions and concerns to the Bruin Actuarial Society email address, even if you have officers' personal contact information.

Interact with the firm representatives professionally.

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- BAS Code of Conduct (Abridged)

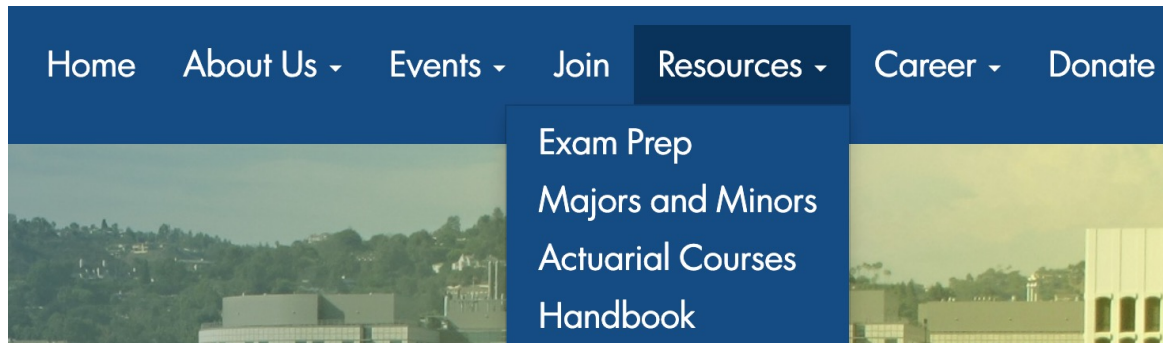
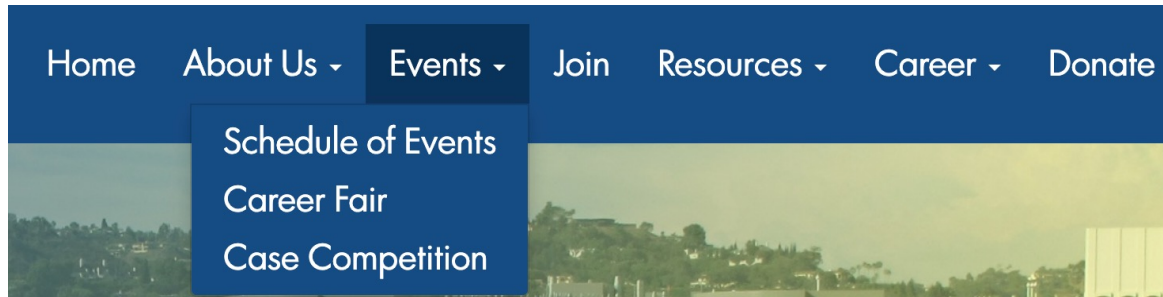


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BAS WEBSITE



WEBSITE



- **Schedule of Events:** check all our upcoming events and slides to previous workshops
- **Majors and Minors:** includes a list of actuarial exams, VEEs, and UCLA actuarial courses
- **Handbook:** our overview for interviewing, writing resumes, taking actuarial exams, etc.



WEBSITE

Add BAS Google Calendar

Tentative Calendar

Note: Dates and times are tentative and subject to change. Please refer to our Schedule of Events at the bottom of the page for more details. All times listed are in Pacific Time.

Today

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September 2026

Month

MON 31	TUE Sep 1	WED 2	THU 3	FRI 4	SAT 5	SUN 6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 • 11am [BAS] EAF Tabling	23	24 • 6pm [BAS] First General Me	25 • 8pm [BAS] Resume Critique	26 • 8pm [BAS] Resume Book Su	27
28 • 6pm [BAS] Career Fair Prep	29 • 6pm [BAS] Career Fair Prep	30	Oct 1	2	3	4

BAS Member Calendar

Events shown in time zone: (GMT-07:00) Pacific Time - Los Angeles

Add to Google Calendar

Google Calendar



09/24/26
↑ click here

WEBSITE

Fall Quarter Schedule of Events

First General Meeting

Thursday, September 25, 2025



Welcome to the Bruin Actuarial Society! Our first meeting will be Thursday, 9/25 at 6 PM PDT. During the meeting, we will discuss the actuarial career, BAS events, relevant majors and minors, actuarial exams, and more. We will conclude by presenting key information about the upcoming events and deadlines. After the presentation, there will be time to ask questions and speak with the officers. We look forward to meeting everyone!

Location: Kaplan 169

Date: Thu., Sep. 25

Time: 6 PM PDT

Dress Code: Casual

[Click here](#) to see the deck

Career Fair Prep and Resume Workshop (Virtual)

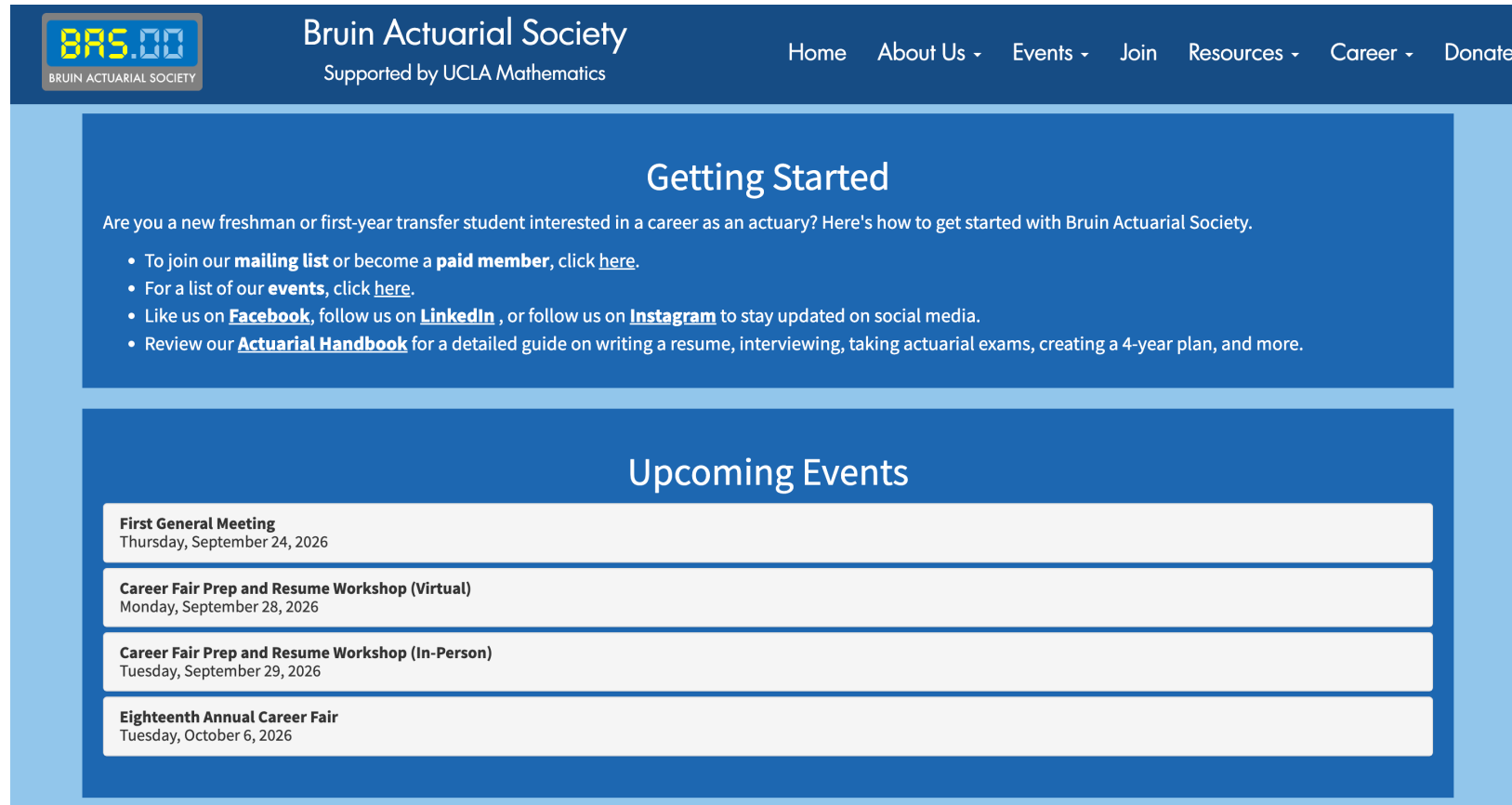
Monday, September 29, 2025

Career Fair Prep and Resume Workshop (In-Person)

Tuesday, September 30, 2025



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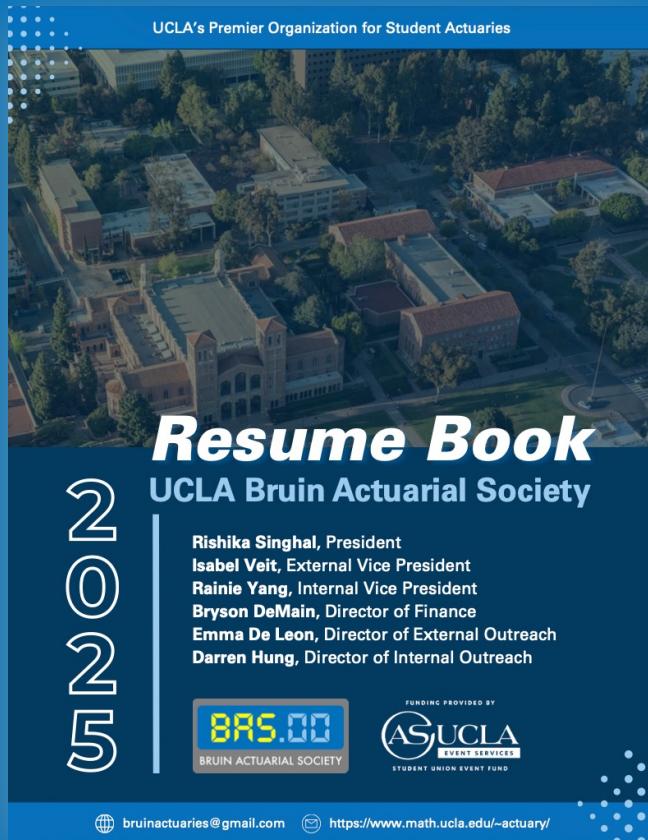
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18th ANNUAL CAREER FAIR



BAS RESUME BOOK

- The resume book is sent to all firms participating in the Career Fair – a great way to get your name out early!
- If you are interested in having your resume included, please submit your resume [here](#) by Saturday, 9/26 at 8 PM PDT
- You DO NOT need to submit to the resume book to attend the Career Fair
- If you submit your resume by 8 PM on Friday, 9/25 we will let you know if we are unable to include your resume in the resume book by 12 PM on Saturday, 9/26 so you can have a chance to resubmit



18th ANNUAL CAREER FAIR

- Tuesday, October 6th at UCLA's Bruin Reception Room
 - 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
- This is one of our most important events of the academic year
- Learn more about firms in different Lines of Business
 - We have 16 firms attending – a record high since the pandemic!
- This is a chance to recruit for internship and full-time positions
 - This is a great chance for firm representatives to remember you, even if you are not recruiting this year



HOW TO ATTEND?

- Become a paid member of BAS by filling out this [form](#) by **Friday, October 2nd at 11:59 PM**
- Attend 1 of our **MANDATORY** Career Fair Preparation Workshop
 - Session 1: Monday, September 28th at 6:00 PM via Zoom
 - Session 2: Tuesday, September 29th at 6:00 PM at MS 6627
- There will be an optional Resume Workshop after in-person workshop on 9/29 starting at 7:00 PM
- Please dress **Business Professional** at the Career Fair!

BAS Paid Member Form



Career Fair RSVP Form



KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Engaging in BAS events is the best way to **professionally develop** yourself (as an aspiring actuary) so that you can **hit the ground running** when you join the industry
- There are multiple career paths that you can embark on with an actuarial education and background
- Join our mailing list and follow our Instagram to keep up to date!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Resume Critique Deadline 9/25 @ 8PM PDT
- Resume Book Submission Deadline 9/26 @ 8PM PDT
- Career Fair Prep & Resume Workshops – MANDATORY FOR CAREER FAIR ATTENDEES!
 - 9/28 @ 6PM PDT (online)
 - 9/29 @ 6PM PDT (MS 6627)
- Career Fair 10/6 from 6:00-8:30PM @ Bruin Reception Room



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THANK YOU!

Any questions?