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**NEWSLETTER**

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***WELCOME INTERNS***

**Jason Tso** – Jason is an Economics major at the University of California, Berkeley. Expected to graduate in 2023, Jason is the Assistant Director of the Criminal Justice Committee at the CAL American Civil Liberties Union. He is also an Assistant Director Intern and Caseworker at the ASUC Student Legal Clinic. He has gained experience working as the United States Section Staff Writer at the Berkeley Political Review writing non-partisan articles discussing current Supreme Court Cases. Jason's passion for education is exemplified by his completion of over 21 college level courses and a 4-part Masters Level Program on International Law through EdX and Coursera.

**Anna Aguilar** – Anna is an undergraduate student at the University of Texas at El Paso. Expecting to graduate in 2023 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering, she is a dedicated student who has made the Dean's list every semester of college. As the Engineering Ambassador, she coordinates events for the UTEP College of Engineering, organizes UTEP Engineering week, and was director for the FIRST Lego League Jr. She also has extensive volunteer experience as the Ninjaner Volunteer Coordinator at UTEP. She gained experience from her position as a Super Capes Coordinator at the Chick-Fil-A Leader Academy and was also a Golf Coach at the Lone Star Golf Club. She mastered her organization and preparation skills as a Summer School Teachers Assistant at Eastwood Heights Elementary School.

**Jacob Whitney** – Jacob is a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Candidate at the Burnell College of Osteopathic Medicine in Las Cruces, New Mexico. With a BS in Allied Health Sciences with a Concentration in Health Sciences from the University of Connecticut, Jacob has volunteered at the University of Connecticut's MedLife as well as at UMASS Memorial Center's Emergency Department. He also has experience as an ER Scribe at Cape Cod Hospital. He was a Research Assistant at both the University of Connecticut's Korey Stringer Institute Mission Heat Lab and the University of Connecticut's Department of Nutrition.

**Neomie Noelle Hinanay** – Neomie is a Legal Studies Major at the University of California, Berkeley. Expecting to graduate in 2021, she was an Undergraduate Research Assistant for the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology, where she surveyed and researched the intersectionality of individual rights and intellectual property. She also represents UC Berkeley as a Campus Ambassador for the Visitor & Parent Services department. She gained valuable experience as a Course Facilitator in UC Berkeley's DeCal Program by planning lessons and facilitating student engagement with the material. Neomie sharpened her planning and organization skills as a Youth Ministry Leader at St. Joseph Church, as well as the Head Writing Tutor at De Anza High School.

**Megha Nagaram** – Megha is a senior at Mountain House High School and will be graduating early. A member of the school board honor roll, she is an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction and has been awarded a Degree of Distinction by the National Speech and Debate Association. She participated in her school's Mock Trial Team and Student Council. Captaining the Debate Team, she championed the United Nation's Public Policy Forum in 2020. She worked as a Fellow for both the California Democratic Party as well as a Congressional Campaign. She also tutors local children and worked as a Teaching Assistant for her local native language school.

**Alejandro González** – Alejandro has recently graduated from the University of Texas, El Paso with a BS in Mechanical Engineering with an accelerated MSME program. A state champion in Network Design and a dedicated student on the Dean's List, he has participated in several UTEP professional mechanical engineering organizations. He has gained valuable experience and knowledge through serving as a Dynamics Lab Assistant at UTEP. Alejandro has spearheaded revenue increase as the manager of La Estrella Meat Market in El Paso. He mastered hardware and server maintenance, network security, and website and database creation as a computer technician in the Clint Independent School District.

**Griffin Oritti** – Griffin is a third-year Economics major at Santa Clara University, with a minor in Political Science. He takes on many roles as a dedicated member of his communities both in Ohio and California. In San José, he volunteers and plans activities for kids at the Boys and Girls Club of Silicon Valley, Edenvale Chapter. Additionally, he works as a lifeguard and Aquatics Team Member at the Central YMCA of Silicon Valley. In Ohio, he also serves as an Aquatics Staff Member of the Cleveland Racquet Club in Pepper Pike, where he ensures member safety and assisted in timing and recording of race results for club meets. Griffin had been nominated for the Santa Clara University Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honors Society, and has been on the Dean's List.

**Sufang Tan** – Sufang is a recent Economics graduate from the University of California, Berkeley, with a minor in Data Science. Sufang first got her AS in Accounting in Skyline College of San Bruno. As a Student Ambassador of Skyline College, she organized pre-orientation meetings to inform prospective high school students about the community college track. She also held weekly study sessions to assist her peers as a Supplemental Instructor. During her time at Berkeley, she was an Undergraduate Research Assistant for the Economics department. Sufang also partook in the Education Practitioner Innovation of China, where she organized the schedule and connected with Ed- Tech companies slotted to participate in the project.

**Erika Hsu** – Erika is a Political Science Major, Intended Data Science Minor at the University of California, Berkeley. She was a Political Columnist at News Media Startup, pitching 750-1,000 words and producing one article per week concentrating on topical national and international news areas. At Berkeley Political Review, Erika researched pitches and wrote original long-form articles of 1,500 words that focus on housing and climate change in California. She currently performs as an Office Manager at ASUC Student Legal Clinic, where she interacts with clients, completes dense tax forms, and has relevant coursework in financial and managerial accounting. She received the Best Marketing Skills of the semester for best social media engagement at UC Berkeley Resident Hall Association, where she served as the Vice President of Marketing for five months.