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CAREERS DAY

February 29, 2020

The career day is a significant annual event in OCLBASA. The objective of this event is to provide students with a statistical background that facilitates a connection between their academic pursuits and potential professional endeavors in the future.

This year, there were 33 attendees and 18 mock interviewers. Three categories of mock interviews were offered: Biomedical statistics, Business analytics and Data science. During the in-person mock interview, each student acted as the role of the preferred category for 25 mins; the interviewer reviewed their resume and helps student to learn how to answer difficult questions, develop interview strategies, improve communication skills and reduce stress before an actual job interview. Students really benefitted significantly and responded actively to take as much mock interview as possible. The invited speaker was Jason Wilson, Associate Professor of Statistics from Biola University for this specifically day. The topic is "A Big Data Story: Major League Baseball Quality of Pitch and the Industry's Surprise Reaction".

The concerns of the health and because of the spreading of COVID-19, some exhibitors and students cannot attend the meeting. Compared with the Career Day in the past five years, there was a considerably decrease of attendance. Therefore, a summary teleconference was organized by Jeen Liu, vice President Professional Affairs, to collect suggestions and feedback from board members. Currently more students interested in Data Science and the cluster of expertise in biomedical field. we will match resources with demand in the future events.

There were near 15 universities, companies and institutions to set up exhibitions for this event, Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Ivanti Inc., Science & Engineering Fair, Spectrum including Pharmaceuticals, Biola University ,UC Riverside Department of Statistics, UCLA biostatistics, CSU Fullerton Mathematics, UCSB Actuarial Science, UCSD Biostatistics, Edwards Life Sciences, USC School of Medicine, etc. we appreciated exhibitors& interviewers, campus coordinators and chapter volunteers for your generously contribution to Career Day. Wish to meet you in the 2021 Career Day.

























2020 Orange County Biostatistics Symposium

From: Gajanan Bhat, PhD, Chair, 2020 Orange County Biostatistics Symposium

As you have seen from the previous email from the Symposium Committee that the 2020 Orange County Biostatistics Symposium has been postponed from the current date of 13-14 March due to concerns about COVID-19 virus epidemic. We are happy to announce that the 2020 OC Biostatistics Symposium will be conducted on Friday/Saturday, 16/17 October 2020. Please note the following information for the rescheduled Symposium:

- 1. Location: Same location as originally scheduled, Allergan Auditorium and Theater, 2525 Dupont Drive, Irvine, CA
- 2. Date: Friday/Saturday, 16-17 October 2020
- 3. Registration: Your registrations will be automatically moved to the new Symposium date. There is no action necessary.
- 4. Program Schedule: The entire program with the list of speakers and topics will be moved to the rescheduled dates. If a speaker is unable to attend, the presentation slot will be substituted with a new speaker/topic.

We look forward to conducting this event in October 2020 and make this event productive and successful.

Sincerely

2020 Orange County Biostatistics Symposium Committee

COMING EVENT

After cautiously accessing the risk effects of the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic and its impact on the timing and schedule of the events conducted in 2020 by OCLBASA, OCLBASA Committee has cancelled some events in the coming a few months until further announcement:

OCLBASA Q1 Meeting-----CANCEL

April 3, 2020 Duck Club, Irvine, CA

High School Statistics Poster Competition------CANCEL

April 4, 2020 Chapman University, Orange, CA

ASA DataFest 2020-----CANCEL

May 1-3, 2020

Chapman University, Orange, CA

https://www.chapman.edu/scst/conferences-and-events/datafest.aspx?utm_source=Schmid-

SLDS 2020 -----CANCEL

May 27-29, 2020

Newport Beach, CA

Due to the ongoing widespread COVID19 pandemic, we regret to announce that the SLDS 2020 conference can't proceed as originally scheduled. We are cancelling the in-person conference and the associated short courses and social events that would have taken place in Irvine, California, May 27-29, 2020.

In the coming weeks, ASA will be processing refunds for registrants. Please give the organizers time to handle this high volume of administrative tasks due to the cancellation of many of our professional activities. Thank you for your understanding at this challenging time.

For more info click

here: asaslds.github.io/SLDS2020

