



Awards Ceremony

February 9, 2019
Berkeley, California

***“There is a single light of science,
and to brighten it anywhere
is to brighten it everywhere.”***

Isaac Asimov

Welcome to GGSO!

We are thrilled to have everyone here for the third annual Golden Gate Science Olympiad Invitational! We hope you have had a great day so far.

Three years ago, there were no university-run Science Olympiad Invitationals on the West Coast. A group of Stanford and Berkeley students resolved to change this. They envisioned an accessible tournament where students all over the West (and the East!) would have the chance to compete and enjoy science together. The result was the Golden Gate Invitational.

After their first year, and with graduation on the horizon, they mentored a new group of tournament directors who would take up the mantle. Now, it is our chance to continue the Golden Gate tradition. Science Olympiad ignited in all of us a love for science and served as the crucible in which so many lifelong friendships were forged. We are honored to have the chance to bring GGSO to life and inspire scientific curiosity in others. Now sit back, relax, and enjoy celebrating your great accomplishments here today!

All the best,

Sarah Gurev and Kevin Meng, Executive Directors 2019

Awards Schedule

- 5:30 PM** **Pauley Ballroom in MLK** opens for teams. Due to space constraints, chairs are reserved for competitors only. Check the seating chart for your team's seating.
- 5:45 PM** **Intermission Orchestra** performance.
- 6:00 PM** Opening words from the GGSO team.
- 6:05 PM** Keynote Speaker, **Joshua Hug**.
- 6:20 PM** Guest Speaker, **Dustin Schroeder**.
- 6:30 PM** Event and team awards announced.
- 7:30 PM** Awards ceremony ends. Coaches will be able to pick up tournament exams and score sheets from **Tilden in MLK**.

Dr. Dustin Schroeder is an Assistant Professor of Geophysics and Electrical Engineering (by courtesy) at Stanford University. His research focuses on the interplay between subglacial water, continental ice sheets, and sea level rise, especially using geophysical radar remote sensing techniques. He also chairs the National Science Olympiad Earth and Space Science Committee.

Dr. Joshua Hug is an Assistant Teaching Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) at UC Berkeley. He teaches some of the largest computer science and data science courses at Berkeley, including Data Structures and Principles and Techniques of Data Science. He also conducts computer science education research. In 2017, he won the Diane S. McEntyre Award for Excellence in Teaching Computer Science.

Introducing the

GGSO Executive Board

Colin Barber	UC Berkeley PhD Program, Microbiology
Sarah Gurev	Stanford 2020, Computer Science
Faith Harron	Stanford 2021, Mechanical Engineering
Valerie Hsieh	UC Berkeley 2020, Physics and German
Amy Jiang	UC Berkeley 2022
Kathryn Li	UC Berkeley 2020, Molecular and Cell Biology
Kevin Meng	UC Berkeley 2020, Psychology and Economics
Matthew Tang	UC Berkeley 2022, EECS
Emily Wen	Stanford 2022
Allison Yao	UC Berkeley 2021, MEB and Psychology
Kelly Yu	UC Berkeley 2021, Economics
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