



University of California, Irvine Colony of Theta Tau Chapter Petition



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University of California, Irvine Colony of Theta Tau
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Irvine, CA 92697-5125
1/5/2013

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Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity
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Austin, TX 78701

Dear Brothers,

It is with great pleasure to humbly present our colony's petition for chapter status before you on behalf of my brothers. Since our installation on June 25, 2011, our colony has tirelessly worked to improve ourselves as an organization, as individuals, and as members of Theta Tau.

The months following our colony's installation was filled with fervent preparation for our first rush week and our first pledge class in the coming fall. During rush, the brothers of our colony successfully expressed their passion about Theta Tau to prospective engineering students, resulting in a large and highly motivated pledge class. Integrating the new brothers into our colony brought renewed ambitions to achieve chapter status within Theta Tau. As our colony grew, we became an integral part of the engineering community on our campus, hosting events which benefitted and improved not just our brothers, but also our peers.

Our participation in Regional Conferences, National Conventions, and chapter visits is a cornerstone to our colony's growth. The vast majority of our structure is based upon the guidance and help from other chapters, learning from their mistakes and mimicking their successes. This strong bond with brothers from other chapters and colonies has helped to keep our colony motivated and quickly achieving any goals we set for ourselves.

As the Founding Regent, I could not have asked for a better group of brothers to help and support me on our journey to chapter status. I'm extremely proud of what my brothers have achieved since our installation and how willing they are to step up and take responsibility to further the growth of our colony. If we are granted chapter status, I know that our members will only be inspired to achieve more and uphold the reputation of Theta Tau as being the foremost engineering fraternity.

Sincerely,



Richard Staebler
Regent
University of California, Irvine Colony of Theta Tau

We, the members of University of California, Irvine Colony of Theta Tau do hereby petition the Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity for chapter status.

We, the undersigned, are all currently enrolled in the UC Irvine School of Engineering and are all pursuing degrees in engineering at the time of initiation. We have no affiliated with any organization competitive with Theta Tau and have met all of the membership requirements, and the UC Irvine Colony has met all of the requirements necessary to become a chapter.

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| 1.  | 3.  | 4.  | 5.  |
| Richard Staebler | Jonathan Wong | Jacqueline Kim | Sarah Leung |
| 7.  | 12.  | 14.  | 15.  |
| Amy Nguyen | Jonathan Turcios | Bryan Le | Charles Chiang |
| 16.  | 17.  | 18.  | 20.  |
| Chynna Velasco | Elliot Huang | Eric Wengert | Jack Zhai |
| 22.  | 23.  | 24.  | 26.  |
| Matthew Vera | Michelle Mueller | Nazneen Pashutanizadeh | Patrick Sy |
| 27.  | 28.  | 29.  | 30.  |
| Siddharthan Selvasekar | Walter Hsieh | Allison Ramirez | Andrew Kin |
| 31.  | 32.  | 33.  | 34.  |
| Andrew Toledo | Ben Halbach | Dustin Vo | Eddie Kwan |
| 35.  | 36.  | 37.  | 38.  |
| Evan Coombs | Gabrielle Abdon | Jasper Wang | Kelly Inceiong |
| 39.  | 40.  | 41.  | 42.  |
| Kevin Huynh | Larab Saeed | Shan Kim | Ya Thao |
| 43.  | | | |
| Yijao Jo Wang | | | |

Member Profiles

Founding Fathers

1. Richard Staebler

- *Positions Held:* Regent
- *Hometown:* Clovis, CA
- *Major:* Aerospace Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 2.50
- *Campus Activities:* Engineering Student Council, Society of Women Engineers
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3. Jonathan Wong

- *Positions Held:* Corresponding Secretary
- *Hometown:* San Francisco, CA
- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering and Materials Science Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2013
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- *Campus Activities:* None
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4. Jacqueline Kim

- *Positions Held:* Treasurer
- *Hometown:* Upland, CA
- *Major:* Civil Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2013
- *Current GPA:* 3.00
- *Campus Activities:* Engineering Student Council
- *Email:* Jacquejk@uci.edu



5. Sarah Leung

- *Positions Held:* Scribe, Director of New Member Education
- *Hometown:* Cerritos, CA
- *Major:* Civil Engineering
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7. Amy Nguyen

- *Positions Held:* Director of Fundraising, Director of Community Service
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- *Major:* Earth System Science
- *Graduation Date:* Dec 2013
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- *Campus Activities:* None
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12. Jonathan Turcios

- *Positions Held:* Director of Website Development
- *Hometown:* Montclair, CA
- *Major:* Electrical Engineering
- *Minor:* Mathematics
- *Graduation Date:* June 2013
- *Current GPA:* 3.13
- *Campus Activities:* Engineering Student Council
- *Email:* jturcios411@gmail.com



Alpha Class

14. Bryan Le

- *Positions Held:* Director of Public Relations
- *Hometown:* Temple City, CA
- *Major:* Chemical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
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- *Campus Activities:* Jodaiko, Tomo No Kai, UCI Dragon Boat
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15. Charles Chiang

- *Positions Held:* Vice Regent, Director of Professional Development
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- *Major:* Civil Engineering
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- *Current GPA:* 3.02
- *Campus Activities:* None
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16. Chynna Velasco

- *Positions Held:* None
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- *Major:* Computer Science Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
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- *Campus Activities:* None
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17. Elliot Huang

- *Positions Held:* Director of Public Relations
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- *Major:* Civil Engineering
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18. Eric Wengert

- *Positions Held:* Director of Recruitment
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- *Current GPA:* 3.39
- *Campus Activities:* None
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20. Jack Zhai

- *Positions Held:* Treasurer, Director of Brotherhood
- *Hometown:* Chino Hills, CA
- *Major:* Environmental Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.00
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* jzhai009@gmail.com



22. Matthew Vera

- *Positions Held:* Director of New Member Education, Director of Alumni Relations
- *Hometown:* San Jose, CA
- *Major:* Civil Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2013
- *Current GPA:* 3.56
- *Campus Activities:* Tomo No Kai
- *Email:* Matttvera@gmail.com



23. Michelle Mueller

- *Positions Held:* Director of Brotherhood
- *Hometown:* Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- *Major:* Chemical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.00
- *Campus Activities:* None
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24. Nazneen Pashutanizadeh

- *Positions Held:* Director of Recruitment
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- *Campus Activities:* Multidisciplinary Design Program
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26. Patrick Sy

- *Positions Held:* Director of Professional Development
- *Hometown:* Chula Vista, CA
- *Major:* Chemical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.75
- *Campus Activities:* Fusion, UCI Rocket Project
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27. Siddharthan Selvasekar

- *Positions Held:* Director of Community Service
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- *Major:* Chemical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 3.08
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* sidselva@gmail.com



28. Walter Hsieh

- *Positions Held:* Director of Chapter History and Brother Involvement
- *Hometown:* Chino Hills, CA
- *Major:* Aerospace Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.78
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* xwalterhsiehx@gmail.com



Beta Class

29. Allison Ramirez

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Sacramento, CA
- *Major:* Aerospace Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.50
- *Campus Activities:* ASUCI, Anteater Express
- *Email:* allisonjramirez@gmail.com



30. Andrew Kin

- *Positions Held:* Director of Fundraising
- *Hometown:* Fremont, CA
- *Major:* Civil Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 2.45
- *Campus Activities:* Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, America Society of Civil Engineers
- *Email:* andrewleekin@gmail.com



31. Andrew Toledo

- *Positions Held:* None
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- *Major:* Computer Engineer
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.45
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* actoledo10@gmail.com



32. Ben Halbach

- *Positions Held:* None
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- *Major:* Civil Engineering
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- *Current GPA:* 3.15
- *Campus Activities:* American Society of Civil Engineers
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33. Dustin Vo

- *Positions Held:* None
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- *Major:* Environmental Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 3.12
- *Campus Activities:* None
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34. Eddie Kwan

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Hacienda Heights, CA
- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 3.45
- *Campus Activities:* Circle K International, American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- *Email:* eelkwan@gmail.com



35. Evan Coombs

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Santa Rosa, CA
- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.55
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* coombs.evan@gmail.com



36. Gabrielle Abdon

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Rancho Santa Margarita, CA
- *Major:* Civil Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 3.00
- *Campus Activities:* Engineering Student Council, Earthquake Engineering Research Institute - Seismic Design Team, American Society of Civil Engineers, Kababayan
- *Email:* gabrielleabdon@gmail.com



37. Jasper Wang

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* South Pasadena, CA
- *Major:* Undecided Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.52
- *Campus Activities:* UCI Dragon Boat
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38. Kelly Inciong

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Mission Viejo, CA
- *Major:* Computer Engineering
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- *Current GPA:* 2.72
- *Campus Activities:* Kababayan
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39. Kevin Huynh

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* San Jose, CA
- *Major:* Computer Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 2.60
- *Campus Activities:* Engineering Student Council
- *Email:* kevinhh@uci.edu



40. Laraib Saeed

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Elk Grove, CA
- *Major:* Mathematics
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 2.70
- *Campus Activities:* None
- *Email:* laraib.saeed@gmail.com



41. Shan Kim

- *Positions Held:* None
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- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.10
- *Campus Activities:* Liberty in North Korea, Korean-American Campus Mission
- *Email:* shanwkim@gmail.com



42. Ya Thao

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Stockton, CA
- *Major:* Biomedical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2015
- *Current GPA:* 2.27
- *Campus Activities:* Hmong Student Association
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43. Yijao Jo Wang

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Jinan, China
- *Major:* Biomedical Engineering
- *Graduation Date:* June 2014
- *Current GPA:* 3.18
- *Campus Activities:* None
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Alumni

6. Terence Leung

- *Positions Held:* Director of New Member Education
- *Hometown:* Daly City, CA
- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering

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9. Christopher Louie

- *Positions Held:* Historian
- *Hometown:* San Francisco, CA
- *Major:* Mechanical Engineering

Signature: _____



11. Jeffrey Go

- *Positions Held:* Director of New Member Education
- *Hometown:* Daly City, CA
- *Major:* Biomedical Engineering

Signature: _____



19. Howard Liu

- *Positions Held:* None
- *Hometown:* Rowland Heights, CA
- *Major:* Business

Signature: _____



Gamma Class Pledges



From left to right: Jessica Kao, Casey Carter, Amelia Meyer, Nicolas Kurtz, Connie Phan

Not pictured: Ashley Robinson, Divya Bajaj

History of UCI

Founded in 1965, the University of California, Irvine combines the strengths of a major research university with the bounty of an incomparable Southern California location. UCI's unyielding commitment to rigorous academics, cutting-edge research, and leadership and character development makes the campus a driving force for innovation and discovery that serves our local, national and global communities in many ways.

With nearly 28,000 students, 1,100 faculty members and 9,000 staff, UCI is among the most dynamic campuses in the University of California system. Increasingly a first-choice campus for students, UCI ranks among the top U.S. universities in the number of undergraduate applications and continues to admit freshmen with highly competitive academic profiles. Orange County's second-largest employer, UCI generates an annual economic impact on the county of \$4 billion.

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS & RESEARCH

UCI fosters the passionate and enthusiastic expansion of knowledge through quality education. Graduates are equipped with the tools of analysis, expression and cultural understanding necessary for leadership in today's world.

Consistently ranked among the nation's best universities – public and private – UCI excels in a broad range of fields, garnering national recognition for many schools, departments and programs. Three UCI researchers have won Nobel Prizes – two in chemistry and one in physics.

The university is noted for its top-rated research and graduate programs, extensive commitment to undergraduate education, and growing number of professional schools and programs of academic and social significance. Recent additions include public health, pharmaceutical sciences and nursing science programs, as well as a new School of Law that graduated its first students in 2012.

A PRIME RESOURCE FOR THE COMMUNITY

UCI's students, faculty and staff reach beyond the classrooms and laboratories to address social issues and improve the human condition. UC Irvine Medical Center, Orange County's only university hospital, recently opened a world-class facility, UC Irvine Douglas Hospital, housing the latest technologies and strengthening UCI's ability to provide specialized medical and surgical treatments to the region's citizens.

A major intellectual and cultural center, UCI engages the community through many public activities and events. Renowned individuals speaking on campus include Nobel Peace Prize winner His Holiness the XIV Dalai Lama, British industrialist and Virgin Unite founder Sir Richard Branson, and Academy Award winner and United Nations Messenger of Peace Charlize Theron.

FUELING GROWTH & PROSPERITY

In 2010-11, the university invested \$110 million in capital construction projects, with additional upgrades under way or in the planning stages. Extramural funding – money coming from outside sources, including federal and state agencies, industry contracts and private foundations in support of UCI research – totaled \$331 million in 2010-11.

Underscoring strong community support, private giving to UCI reached \$103 million in 2010-11. With an endowment valued at \$301 million as of June 30, 2011, the University of California, Irvine Foundation spearheads private fundraising efforts for the campus and, with the assistance of alumni and community leaders, helps ensure UCI's future as a world-class research university.

UCI benefits the community and the world in countless ways through its scholarly, scientific, creative and economic contributions. With an eye toward the campus's 50th anniversary celebration in 2015, UCI now has embarked on a \$1 billion fundraising campaign to support the campus's continued excellence in research, teaching and public service.*

History of The Henry Samueli School of Engineering

Founded in 1965, The Henry Samueli School of Engineering at the University of California, Irvine is at the forefront of education and research in the engineering disciplines that will shape the future of the nation and the world. With rapidly expanding academic programs and a growing number of faculty and students, the Samueli School is becoming a powerhouse for innovative engineering education and the development of tomorrow's advanced technologies. Through an integrative and cross-disciplinary educational experience that blends fundamentals, research and hands-on experience, we train future leaders in the engineering profession. Working in partnership with state and federal agencies and industry, the School promotes the transfer of research to applications that benefit society. The School's faculty members are scholars and leaders in their disciplines and have achieved world wide honors and recognition for their pioneering research and dedicated teaching. More than a third of our faculty members are Fellows in professional societies and 10 have been elected as members of the National Academies.

Focused Research

The School is equipped with excellent experimental facilities and a state-of-the-art computational infrastructure, occupying nearly 295,000 assignable square feet. It offers numerous research centers, institutes and facilities, including the Center for Pervasive Communications and Computing, The Edwards Lifesciences Center for Advanced Cardiovascular Technology, the Integrated Nanosystems Research Facility, the National Fuel Cell Research Center, the UC Irvine Combustion Lab, the Center for Embedded Computer Systems, the Center for Hydrometeorology and Remote Sensing, the Laboratory for Fluorescence Dynamics, the Center for Advanced Monitoring and Damage Inspection, the Center for Engineering Science in Design, and the Micro/Nano Fluidics Fundamentals Focus Center.

The School's faculty is also active in the Institute of Transportation Studies, the Networked Systems Center, the Beckman Laser Institute and Medical Clinic, the Urban Water Research Center, and the Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center. In addition, the School is an integral part of the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Calit2), one of four Institutes for Science and Innovation within the University of California.

With 2,579 undergraduate students and 720 graduate students, the Samueli School includes the following departments:

The Department of Biomedical Engineering offers a broad array of exciting research and training opportunities with world-renowned researchers. Engineering focus areas include biomedical photonics/optoelectronics, biomedical nano- and microscale systems/fabrication, biomedical computation/modeling, and tissue engineering. These technology areas intersect with clinical areas of focus such as cardiovascular disease, the nervous system, cancer, and ophthalmology. Included in these opportunities are major campus research centers at the Beckman Laser Institute (biophotonics), the Edwards Lifesciences Center for Advanced Cardiovascular Technology

(ELCACT), the Chao Family Cancer Center, the Integrated Nanosystems Research Facility, the Laboratory of Fluorescence Dynamics, and the Micro/nano Fluidics Fundamentals Focus (MF3) Center. Because of its interdisciplinary nature, biomedical engineering attracts students with a variety of backgrounds.

The Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science focuses research efforts in several areas. Chemical engineering activities concentrate in two areas: biotechnology and biomolecular engineering, which includes protein expression, metabolic engineering, bioreactor engineering, protein engineering, cell and tissue engineering, biomaterials, colloids, and drug delivery; and, transport phenomena, which includes fluid, heat and mass transport in biological systems; laser-induced transport processes with applications in microfluidics, biology, and medicine; transport of biological particles (i.e. viruses, bacteria, protozoa) through environmental systems.

Materials science areas include: synthesis, mechanical behavior, and characterization of advanced nanostructured materials; ceramics and sol-gel processing; device packaging and manufacturing; electronic and optical materials; lightweight structures and multifunctional materials; microbiological corrosion of metals and alloys; biomaterials; polymers and related nanotechnology and nanocomposites; creep and superplasticity; fuel cell and energy related system materials; device physics; and, coatings and multilayers.

The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering focuses on a wide range of scientific and engineering challenges involving civil infrastructure, natural resources, and their interactions. The Department strives to address these challenges with the development and application of emerging information technologies such as microsensors, satellite-based remote sensing, and simulation methodologies, by promoting a systems approach to analysis and design, and by building on scientific and engineering fundamentals in the areas of structural engineering, transportation engineering, and environmental engineering.

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science is creating state-of-the-art technologies in computer science and engineering, computer system design, information theory, broadband communication systems, high-speed analog and digital circuit design, signal and image processing, electromagnetics, photonics, high-efficiency power electronic circuits, and alternative energy power generation. The department includes more than 20 research groups focused on areas as diverse as embedded systems, micro-electro-mechanical systems and nanotechnology, communication systems, machine intelligence, bio-chips, and neural and soft computing.

The Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering focuses on the areas of combustion, flow physics, turbulence, energy and propulsion; environmental analysis; control, dynamics and guidance; robotics and automation; aerospace structures; and manufacturing and materials processing, including micro-electro-mechanical systems. The department is home to excellent experimental and computational facilities, including a robotics and automation laboratory, a biomechatronics laboratory, a micro-electro-mechanical systems laboratory, combustion and fuel-cell laboratories, a high Reynolds number mixing facility, a supersonic flow facility, and a large, low-speed wind tunnel.

Cooperative Partnerships

The school's corporate affiliates programs and other alliances with industry offer a vital connection to the future by providing an avenue for the continuous flow of new information, and access to a pool of new engineering talent. Membership in these groups enables corporations to mine the wealth of resources available at the school.**

*Source: www.uci.edu

**Source: www.eng.uci.edu/about

History of UC Irvine Colony of Theta Tau

Throughout winter quarter of the 2010-2011 school year, Alex Staebler, Arshitha Vaidhyanathan, and Jonathan Wong considered the idea of creating a legacy at the University of California, Irvine for future engineers. After some discussion, it was decided that the networking and professional development opportunities offered through existing clubs, fraternities, and sororities were lacking, especially for a campus as large as UC Irvine.

Around that time, Alex stumbled upon Theta Tau while looking for ways to improve professional development at UC Irvine. March 22, 2011 marks the day Alex reached out to Theta Tau's Central Office to explore the possibilities of establishing Theta Tau at UC Irvine. Michael Abraham responded promptly and after a few days of correspondence, it was determined that Alex, Arshitha, and Jonathan would persuade and inspire nine other UC Irvine engineers to join in on the vision they had for a legacy at UC Irvine.

The next Monday, during the first week of Spring quarter, the first meeting was held between the founding fathers. March 28, 2011 established that Alex, Arshitha, and Jonathan were not the only ones who had heard of Theta Tau and had a vision for a professional development organization at UC Irvine. Sarah Leung, sister to Alan Leung (a founder of UC San Diego's Epsilon Delta chapter) reassured the founders that it was possible to build a colony of Theta Tau at UC Irvine and that Theta Tau represented something that we all were looking for.

Michael Abraham was contacted and UCI Theta Tau was referred to Vinay Reddy for the purpose of setting up an informational meeting with the founding class. During dinner on April 15, 2011, the founding class was solidified into the 12 Founders, all of whom share the same vision for the establishment of a Theta Tau colony at UC Irvine. The 12 Founders instated were: Alex Staebler, Clever Tan, Jonathan Wong, Jacqueline Kim, Sarah Leung, Terence Leung, Amy Nguyen, Arshitha Vaidhyanathan, Christopher Louie, Dhivya Sridhar, Jeffrey Go, and Jonathan Turcios.

On April 23, 2011, Vinay Reddy, Alex Ma, Steven Choi, and Xander White visited UCI Theta Tau and met with the founding class. After a lengthy lunch and an informational meeting, the founding class was more inspired than ever to establish Theta Tau at UC Irvine and begin the process of becoming a colony.

The following Monday, the first official meeting occurred. Elections were held and officers were chosen. To this day, the Founding fathers have worked vigorously to write the Constitution and design a pledge process. After a hugely successful Fall Rush, UCI Theta Tau had 20 pledges for their Alpha Class. Over the next 8 weeks of the Fall quarter, the Alpha Class grew as a class and learned to rely on their fellow brothers. At the end of the quarter, 16 Alphas remained, determined to be initiated as Colony members after the long winter break.

UCI Theta Tau's Alpha Class was initiated January 12, 2012 and immediately was called upon to fill officer positions which had been vacant since the founding of the Colony. Over the course of

the winter quarter, the Founding and Alpha Class worked in harmony to put on a multitude of events to benefit the engineering community at UCI and to also help the brothers of the Colony become better students.

Through skillful advertising and effective recruitment practices, the members of the UCI Theta Tau Colony jumped into Spring Quarter Rush with an enthusiasm matched by the large number of Rush attendees. Following a successful week of recruitment, the Brothers of the Colony chose 17 engineering students to begin the pledge process as the Beta Class. During the 8 weeks of pledge, lessons learned by the Founding Class during Alpha Class pledge were implemented and shown to have a positive impact upon the Beta Class pledges.

On June 9, 2012, the 15 remaining Beta Class pledges were initiated into the UCI Colony of Theta Tau a week before the Brothers of the Colony proudly congratulated their first two graduating members, Terence Leung and Jeffrey Go.

Throughout the summer, the Brothers worked to integrate the Beta Class into active membership and solidify the successful practices learned thus far. Three members attended the National Convention in Boston, MA and returned to the Colony with a multitude of materials and ideas which will improve the efficiency and communication of the Colony as a whole.

-Richard Staebler

Professional Development

February 13, 2012: Resume Workshop with RBF Consulting

April 10, 2012: Question & Answer Session with General Electric

April 23, 2012: Information Night with Garmin

October 10, 2012: Question & Answer Session with Orange County Engineering Council

October 10, 2012: Dean of Engineering Townhall Meeting

October 25, 2012: Presentation by Dr. Terence Savas

October 29, 2012: Information Session with Arista Networks

November 6, 2012: Presentation by Dr. David Reinkensmeyer

November 15, 2012: Presentation by Dr. Charles Bucknam



4/10/12: General Electric



4/23/12: Garmin Info Night

Service

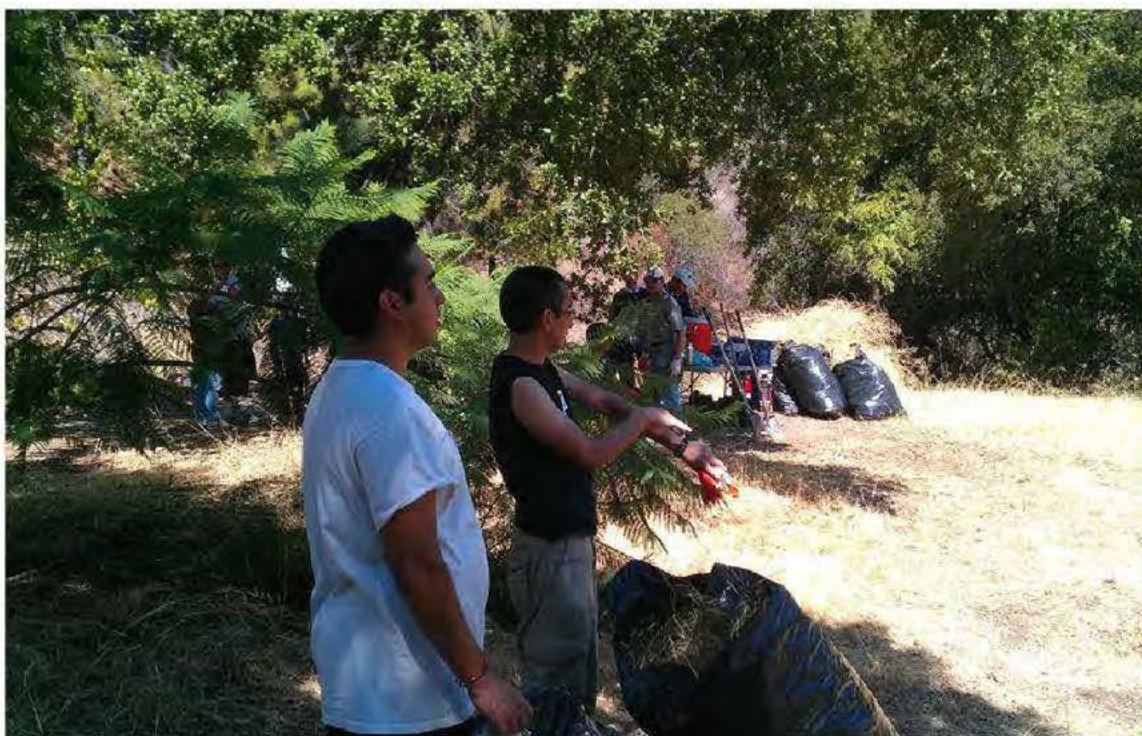
November 5, 2011: California Science Center Pumpkin Launch
January 30, 2012 - April 9, 2012: Tutoring at Vista Verde Elementary
February 21, 2012: 'Sink or Swim' E-Week event
February 23, 2012: High School Shadow Day
April 28, 2012: Gladiator Rock n' Run
May 6, 2012: OC Marathon
June 28, 2012 & September 1, 2012: Huntington Beach Clean-up
June 29, 2012: Long Beach Dragonboat Race
August 24, 2012: Letter Writing for Veterans and Active Duty Servicemen
September 9, 2012: Earthroot's Nature Project
November 10, 2012: California Science Center Pumpkin Launch
November 14, 2012: Canned Food Drive



2/21/12: 'Sink or Swim' E-week Event



4/28/12: Gladiator Rock n' Run



9/9/12: Earthroot's Nature Project

Brotherhood

January 10, 2012: Christmas Party
January 20, 2012: Engineering Student Organization Ice Skating
January 30, 2012: Wooden Letter Construction
February 4, 2012: Paintballing with Epsilon Delta
March 10, 2012: Winter Retreat – Morongo, Cabazon, CA
April 14, 2012: Downtown Disney
May 2, 2012: Dinner at Souplantation
June 25, 2012: Beach Hangout
July 1, 2012: Laser Tag
August 18, 2012: Summer Retreat – Big Bear, CA
October 13, 2012: Saturday Beach Day
November 6, 2012: Intramural 3-man Basketball Tournament
November 22, 2012: Thanksgiving Potluck
November 27, 2012: Intramural Volleyball Playoffs
November 28, 2012: Bowling Night
December 7, 2012: Christmas Dinner



1/20/12: ESO Ice Skating



2/4/12: Paintballing with Epsilon Delta



11/28/12: Bowling Night

Chapter Visits



Omicron Gamma, 2011



Epsilon Delta, 2011



Fall 2011 Regionals, Chi



Reno Colony, 2011



Spring 2012 Regionals, Epsilon Delta



UCR Colony, 2012



Summer 2012 Theta Tau National
Convention



Fall 2012 Regionals, Delta Gamma



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January 9, 2013

Dear Brothers,

I am eager to announce that University of California - Irvine will be applying for their chapter petition. I have been keeping in constant touch with Richard Staebler and Jonathan Wong closely to start the Chapter process of Irvine which has grown to over 30 active participants.

From my past experience in re-birth/re-construction at Zeta, Kappa, Epsilon, Epsilon Delta Chapter and Columbia Colony, I can consult that Irvine Colony has one of the best support system to be successful as a Theta Tau Chapter.

I assure you they have a systematized structure within the organization along with quality members who are ambitious to continue its path of becoming a family of Theta Tau. The knit connected school atmosphere and the motivated student body only supplement future growth of Theta Tau Chapter of University of California - Irvine

With the assistance of Lana Nguyen (E Alumni) I ensure from my previous congregation with the colony members at University of California – Irvine will have a strict local policy along with its strong fraternal fellowship to sustain its membership at any given circumstances. Therefore I write this recommendation to accept them to our National Fraternity system.

In H & T,

Steven Choi (Z' 989)



THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

January 7, 2013

Brothers,

I am writing to you on behalf of the University of California, Irvine Colony in their petition to become a chapter of our fraternity of Theta Tau.

The colony at University of California, Irvine has been, from the start, a group of highly motivated students who has worked hard at realizing the wonderful potentials of brotherhood, professionalism, service, and engineering. Their members have infused the aforementioned aspects of our fraternity with the fresh excitement and vigor of a newly lit flame. They have brought their energy and passion for Theta Tau's causes to their school and communities, showing that they can not only thrive as an effective organization, but can also perform their duties as members of their community and profession at a level which all chapters of Theta Tau strive for.

They have also shown an intense interest and humility when it comes to furthering the development of their organization. Being that Epsilon Delta Chapter is only an hour away, the University of California, Irvine Colony, has repeatedly sought our advice and opinions on both their internal and external policies. They have also strived to connect themselves with many of their other chapters nearby and have already made a reputable name for themselves all over our region. This willingness to look to others for their own betterment convinces me that have the makings of a great chapter. The Colony at University of California, Irvine has shown their ability to be both contributing members to their own organization as well to the many chapters surrounding them, an ability that I believe shows they are destined for success.

It has never been a better time for growth of Theta Tau in California. Our chapters are all so close to each other and the potential for external support is enormous. Members of Theta Tau from California are spread all over our state, with many coming from the same hometowns. University of California, Irvine, has already contributed to this network and as I see it, will continue to do so in ways that can only make our fraternity stronger.

I highly recommend the approval of the Colony at University of California, Irvine's petition, and truly look forward to their installation as a chapter of Theta Tau.

In H & T,

Christopher Lam
EΔ, #5, XX!ZZ!



THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

Omicron Gamma OF

The University of California, Davis

January 2013

Dear Brothers,

I would like to extend to you my recommendation for the University of California, Irvine colony of Theta Tau for chapter status.

I make this recommendation based on my relationship and continuous interactions with the UCI colony since their certification in June 2011. I have seen the colony grow and improve in all aspects over the past year and a half, growth which asserts that they are ready for chapter status. Each of the members' brotherhood and passion for Theta Tau is evident from all interactions we have had since first meeting them at their colony certification. The colony has always made an effort to attend events with other colonies and chapters, such as regional conferences and national events. Not only are the colony members amiable guests, they are also gracious hosts, proved by chapter's first visit, when they housed us for their certification without having ever met us prior, and by subsequent visits by our members thereafter, where colony members once again opened their homes to us and planned activities for us to partake in together.

The colony's presence on campus and in the Irvine community is a positive force which not only adds to the reputation of the Fraternity, but also enriches the engineering student population, as evidenced by their 9 professional development events, 12 community service events, and 16 brotherhood events just this past year.

I am continually impressed by the UCI colony's devotion to Theta Tau and all for which it stands. In the short time that they have been a colony, they have proven that they have the necessary tools and drive required to be a chapter of Theta Tau. There is no doubt I have that they would make an excellent chapter and a worthy addition to our Fraternity.

I wholeheartedly recommend that the University of California, Irvine colony of Theta Tau be approved for chapter status, and I look forward to their installation.

In H&T,

Kimberly Rovai
OF 92 XX! YY! WW!



THETA TAU
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

January 2013

Dear Brothers of Theta Tau,

It is my pleasure to recommend the Theta Tau Colony of University of California, Irvine for membership into our Fraternity of Theta Tau.

Through many discussions and interactions, I have discovered that the University of California, Irvine Colony demonstrates all of the attributes that any chapter should exhibit and more. The Colony continues to enhance our Fraternity by their determination to thrive for success. They have displayed exceptional professionalism in the way they interact with each other and other brothers of Theta Tau. Since their initiation as a colony, they have already greatly contributed to their community. Most importantly, one of the most essential aspects that I see in this group is true brotherhood, within their own group and towards brothers of other colonies and chapters. The Colony members have always made an effort to attend Theta Tau events and bond with other colonies and chapters, such as at regional conferences, the national Leadership Academy, and the National Convention.

The Colony of University of California, Irvine has demonstrated that it can function as a successful Theta Tau chapter of the Western Region. With motivated members, this Theta Tau Colony is driven to accomplish many activities and events throughout the year, which show their dedication to all aspects of Theta Tau: professional growth, service, and enduring brotherhood.

I am impressed with their enthusiasm and the efforts of each member. I have no doubt that the University of California, Irvine Colony will continue to succeed in the upcoming years and be a valuable asset to Theta Tau. I strongly recommend the approval of their petition for chapter status.

In H and T,

Tammy Y. Wang
OF 116 XX! WW! VV!

02 May 2012

Brothers,

I recommend Theta Tau Colony at University of California, Irvine for a speedy chapter installment when requested. The members of this colony have displayed both fraternal fellowship and professionalism of the highest quality.

On my trip to Irvine, I decided to see the University. I reached out by email to see if there were any brothers attending UCI. To my surprise there was a colony and immediately members replied to me. These engineering students described to me their individual meanings of Theta Tau and the importance it has for each of them. They demonstrated the fraternal bond that all the Theta Tau chapters instill and the fun that comes with it. They also host many professional events which include leading engineering companies. By doing so, they demonstrated the leadership necessary to be great engineers.

In this letter I would like to thank those that I have met on my trip to Irvine. They are as follow.

Charles Chiang
Sarah Leung
Terence Leung
Howard Liu
Christopher Louie
Alex Staebler
Jonathan Wong

I am happy to call Theta Tau Colony at University of California, Irvine and its members my friends but also my brothers. And I will continue to call them my brothers with a successful chapter installment. Theta Tau Colony at University of California, Irvine has my full backing and I wish them the best.

In H&T,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Derek Lam', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Derek Lam
Electrical Engineering, BSE
Arizona State University
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THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

Omicron Gamma OΓ

The University of California, Davis

August 9, 2012

Dear Brothers,

I have been associated with the UC Irvine Colony since its inception in 2011. They are a very motivated group with vast potential. Brotherhood and professionalism are very apparent when interacting with the group. I have high expectations for what they will accomplish and provide for our national fraternity.

UC Irvine's academic track record rivals the most prestigious universities in our nation. It will be an obvious asset to include such an accomplished engineering institution into our exclusive network. Additionally, their presence in Southern California will have a beneficial impact to the western expansion and University of California expansion efforts.

With that said, I fully endorse the acceptance of UC Irvine as a chapter of Theta Tau.

In H&T,

Vinay Reddy OG 22


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Dear Theta Tau Brothers,

I am writing to give my unqualified support to promote the UCI Theta Tau colony to chapter/fraternity status. While my professional travel and obligations have, unfortunately, prevented me from being as fully involved with this delightful colony (and their weekly meetings and other activities) as I have wanted and would have liked, from what I have seen and experienced, this is a first rate group that clearly is ready for fraternity status.

What I like is their enthusiasm for Theta Tau and its principles as manifested by their participation in regional and national conventions, as well as their visiting other chapters. I must say, when I have been able to join the UCI group in events, such as for lunches or formal dinners for the initiation of new classes, it has brought back fond memories of the comradery of Beta during our strongest years. What I have liked about this UCI group starting from their initial discussions is their pragmatism where, in searching for an avenue to develop something strong and new for the UCI engineering students, they did research and centered on Theta Tau and its principles.

Without question and from everything I have seen, they have more than lived up to the highest standards of our fraternity with their professional, service, social, brotherhood, and personal activities. Comparing this UCI group with my Beta chapter during the time that is acknowledged as being Beta's strongest period (and, this is the same Beta alumni group, with which I am affiliated, that is providing leadership and working to reestablish Beta), I view this UCI group as being comparable with the potential of being even better. That is a high compliment!

As a personal note, let me tell you how delightful it is to walk to work and see students wearing Theta Tau jackets and sweatshirts! It brings back fond memories. (Indeed, and as you know, I sent to the Theta Tau Central Office a couple of pictures of the UCI's actives who were working on recruiting new members last September.)

In H&T,

Donald G. Saari, Beta #847 (1959-62)