

Commencement

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

May 20, 2026



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IN MEMORY OF
PETER SUTHER
1840 - 1888



Chair's Note

Dear graduates, families, and guests,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Department of Geography's 2026 commencement ceremony. Today we celebrate the hard work, dedication, and achievements of our remarkable graduates. It is a joy to witness your growth and success, and we are proud to honor you on this special day. We hope this ceremony will be a memorable experience for all of you, and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Congratulations, graduates!

Desiree Fields

Chair and Associate Professor

Department of Geography

Geography Commencement

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 | 10:00 A.M. PST

GREETINGS & CONGRATULATIONS

Desiree Fields
Department Chair and Associate Professor

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. Veena Dubal
Professor of Law at the UC Irvine School of Law
General Counsel for the American Association of University Professors

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL STUDENT AWARDS

CONFERRING OF DOCTORAL DEGREES

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADDRESS

Ethan Radley Bungay
Catherine Lucinda Arcaris

CONFERRING OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

PRESENTATION OF STUDENTS

RECEPTION



student awards

LUCILLE MCCLISH OBERLANDER AWARD

Yiwen Hu

CARTOGRAPHY AWARD

Zachary Thorpe

DAVID A. ROSE AWARD

Sophia Meyers

JAMES J. PARSONS AWARD

Jacqueline Canchola-Martinez

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

Alondra Garcia Sifuentes

DEPARTMENTAL CITATION AWARD

Angelina Springer

doctor of philosophy

Fall 2025

Dr. Christopher Roland Theiss

*Subglacial Quarrying Erosion: Insights From Fracture Growth
Models and Field Observations*

Committee Chair: Kurt Cuffey

Spring 2026

Dr. Kendrick Manymules

Shí Naashá: Land and Sovereignty in the Navajo Nation

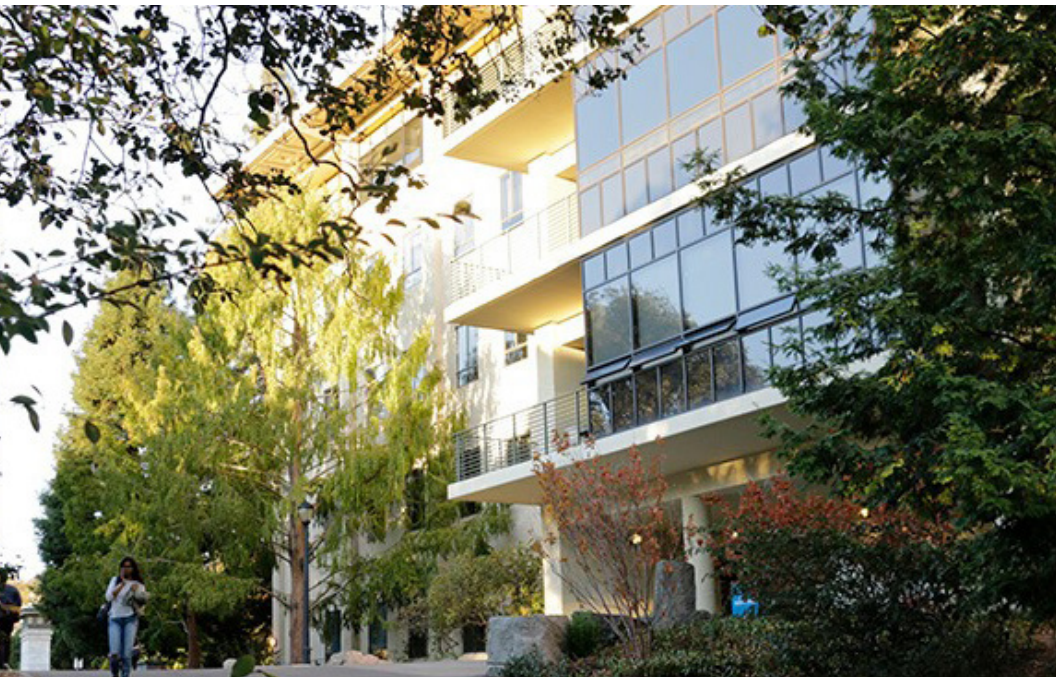
Committee Chair: Jake Kosek

Summer 2026

Dr. Xander Lenc

*Terra Carcer: Landscape Drift, Racialization, and the Ecology
of the American Prison*

Committee Chair: Jake Kosek



bachelor of arts

Fall 2025

Sheree Brewster 🏰
Teddy Cleek
Elizabeth Fiske 🏰 🐻
Maya Dale 🐻
Jinghan Jiang 🏰 🐻
Eden Lange 🏰 🐻
Sebastian Magana 🏰 🐻
Dan Nguyen
Angelina Springer 🏰 🐻 🎓
Julius Weisberg 🐻

Spring 2026

Jonas Abrams 🏰
Katia Elisabeth Anderson 🐻
Matthew Andrews
Catherine Lucinda Arcaris 🏰
Kaaya Kaur Batra 🏰
Gabriela Camacho
Jacqueline Canchola-Martinez 🏰 🐻
Thomas Chang
Rui Chen 🐻
Andy Choi 🏰 🐻

Alyssa Nicole Cunningham
Barkus 🏰
Gracie Dai
Avery Louise Davis 🏰
Cole Garrett Davis
Mariel Del Rosario 🐻
Julia Ebrahimi
Robin Eubank 🏰 🐻 🎓
Emily Farley 🏰
Edward Fuller III 🏰
Amy Furlonger
Alondra Garcia Sifuentes 🐻 🎓
Daniel Guzman
Cole Haddock
Laila Hamidi 🏰 🎓
Maya Howard 🐻
Yiwen Hu 🐻
Seth Johnson
Isaac Klein 🏰
Joseph Loring
Michael Anthony Martinez
Valenzuela 🏰 🐻

bachelor of arts

Spring 2026, cont.

Bruno McDarrah 
Sophia Meyers 
Arfa Momin  
Ella Monteleone
Benjamin Obersovszky-Szeghy
Jack Openshaw 
Yujiro Ota
Antonio Pacheco 
Raymond Peterson
Mia Hsu Puzzo 
Via Ruiz
Cole Skillern 
Opal Smith
Jozelle Solatorio
Ayla Su
Zachary Thorpe 
Jayson Troupe
Eloise Elizabeth Weir
Evan Wiersma
Lauren Winkel 
Dasha Yurkevich 
Loulou Ziegler   

Summer 2026

Ethan Radley Bungay  
Erendida Covarrubias Corona
Zoë Davin
Calla Duffield 
Allyn Matheson  
Henry Carlo Reichardt Pullara  
Olivia Rizzo 
Zarghona Skandari
Wayne Wu 

Fall 2026

Neha Agarwal
Aaron Chin
Ronnique Racilis Currie 
Ryan Davis
Catherine Devlin 
Johann Gatty
Ronnie Guerrero
Amar Khalilollahi
Matthew Leeflang
Laura Liu  
Dana McMillan 
Derek “DJ” Cazares Murchison
Rich Richel
Alexis Velasco

