

# Anastasia Papadeas

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## Education

AUGUST 2016 - JUNE 2020

**Graduate of John Marshall High School, Los Angeles, CA**

SEPTEMBER 2020 - JUNE 2024

**University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)**

*Bachelor of Arts - B.A Geography/Environmental Studies, Conservation Biology Minor*

## Experience

JANUARY 2024 - PRESENT

**FOCUS North America, Hybrid**

*Youth Equipped to Serve Intern*

- Working to bring the YES mission to my community through an individualized project designed to meet a local need.
- Produced and communicated educational resources and practical solutions to "green" parishes and foster stewardship for creation. Examining Orthodox Christian perspectives on creation and ecology.

OCTOBER 2023 - MARCH 2024

**UCLA Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science, Los Angeles, CA**

*Middle School Curriculum Developer - Food Systems, Climate, Health*

- Develop an environmental education curriculum on the intersectionality of food, climate change, and human health.
- Teach lessons I developed to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders at Saint Anne School in Santa Monica, CA.

JANUARY 2024- MARCH 2024

**UCLA Sustainability Action Research (SAR), Los Angeles, CA**

*Student Researcher: Plastic Policy Investigation*

- Participate in a student-initiated, student-designed, student-facilitated research program offered through the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability (IoES).
- Partner with a campus stakeholder to evaluate compliance with UCLA's Single-Use Plastic Policy across campus.

OCTOBER 2021 - MARCH 2024

**UCLA Farmers Market, Los Angeles, CA**

*Programming Committee Director*

- Schedule tablers for the bi-weekly farmers market in Bruin Plaza that serves to provide fresh, local, and affordable produce to UCLA students.
- Create, release, and monitor a quarterly tabling application.
- Outreach to organizations on campus.
- Lead weekly club meetings and develop a timeline of activities.
- Plan fundraisers and internal/external socials.

APRIL 2022 - MARCH 2024

**UCLA Recreation, Los Angeles, CA**

*Operations Assistant*

- First point of contact for all customers and patrons entering the UCLA Sunset Canyon Recreation Center.
- Create a friendly and welcoming environment and provide patrons with excellent customer service.
- Ensure the safety and satisfaction of patrons through general supervision of the facility, completing all opening and closing procedures, addressing maintenance concerns, setting up / striking events, and enforcing all University and Departmental policies.

JULY 2023-AUGUST 2023

**Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco Summer Camp, St. Nicholas Ranch, Dunlap, CA**

*Support Staff Member and Camp Counselor*

- Mentored and supervised teenagers as they participated in activities at sleep-away camp.
- Fostered a Christian environment in which campers could grow in their faith.
- Developed skills in leadership, management and supervision, problem-solving and conflict resolution, teamwork, and program development.

JUNE 2023 - JULY 8 2023

**Wildlands Studies, Hawaii**

*Student Researcher*

- Spent two weeks on the Big Island of Hawaii with Wildland Studies collecting field data on marine coastal ecosystems.
- Connected with local conservation groups to address management challenges, conducted surveys along transects, and completed population counts of species to monitor coral reef ecosystem structure and function.
- Designed and communicated a research project based on data.
- Developed skills in field observation, research methodologies, data collection, and data interpretation.

SEPTEMBER 2022 - JUNE 2023

**UCLA Mildred E. Mathias Botanical Garden, Los Angeles, CA**

*Student Researcher and Volunteer at the UCLA Herbarium*

- Conducted and communicated a small independent research project based on my interest in the flora of Mediterranean ecosystems and their medicinal properties.
- Worked hands-on, exploring the world of plants through the library of dried, pressed specimens.
- Assignments included creating, mounting, and databasing plant specimens.

JANUARY 2022 - JUNE 2023

**UCLA Coastalong Music and Sustainability Festival, Los Angeles, CA**  
*Sustainability Fair Committee Member*

- Scheduled tablers for the annual Coastalong 100% bike-powered music and sustainability festival at UCLA.
- Coordinated giveaways with brands and vendors.

AUGUST 2018 - JANUARY 2020

**TreePeople, Los Angeles, CA**  
*President and Founder of the TreePeople Eco Club at JMHS*

- Worked with TreePeople staff and my peers to make a greener and more water-secure high school campus.
- Organized campus beautification and mulch distribution events.
- Led weekly club meetings and developed a timeline of activities.
- Met regularly with school administrators.

## Activities and Societies

### **John Marshall High School, Los Angeles**

Activities and Societies: Varsity Swim (Co-Captain), Cross Country, TreePeople Eco Club President & Founder, Link Crew (Leader), Los Feliz Neighborhood Council (Youth Representative)

### **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)**

Activities and Societies: UCLA Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF), UCLA Farmers Market, Westwood Food Co-Op, UCLA Coastalong Festival, UCLA Club Triathlon

### **Saint Sophia Cathedral, Los Angeles**

Activities and Societies: Greek Dance (2019-2020), Hellenic Academy (2007-2014), Saint Sophia Camp Counselor (2021)

## Awards

John S. Sakellaris Scholarship, Saint Sophia Cathedral (For College/ Post Graduate Students, Awarded 2023)

Angelo L. Pappas Scholarship, Saint Sophia Cathedral (For Graduating High School Seniors, Awarded 2020)

Mackenzie Foundation Scholarship, John Marshall High School (For Community Engagement, Awarded 2020)

## Skills

Interpersonal Skills • Time Management • Leadership • Curriculum Development • Time Management • Geographic Information Systems (GIS) • Cultural Awareness • Data Collection • Data Interpretation • Field Observation • Research Methodologies

## Licenses & Certifications

CPR/AED/First Aid - American Red Cross

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