



### Student Housing Apartments News

#### Meet the SHA Coordinator of Apartment Living

**Hilda Aguiar**  
 Hi, I'm Hilda Aguiar, coordinator of apartment living for Student Housing Apartments (SHA). Like you, I am in my first year at UC Davis, and I look forward to sharing new experiences with all of you. I have spent the last 10 years supporting residential students at California State University, Monterey Bay, and most recently UC Merced.

My role is to supervise the community assistant (CA) staff and serve as a resource for the residents of the SHA program. During your transition to UC Davis and the community living experience, the CAs will help you connect with and access campus resources, provide educational and social opportunities and support you in your progress toward graduation.

I look forward to meeting you during [Fall Welcome](#) and celebrating your success here at UC Davis throughout the academic year!

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#### Meet the SHA Community Assistants

You have a lot of information coming at you, and you may be wondering how you'll remember it all. Fall Welcome events, campus resources and involvement in on- and off-campus classes. That's where community assistants (CAs) come in. CAs are undergraduate students who understand having to take it all in. The list in the apartment complexes, plan and facilitate one-on-one and group activities, community-building programs and events. They connect SHA residents with campus resources and help create a positive and productive living environment. CAs are also available to establish roommate agreements and mediate conflicts that may arise.

They'll want to get to know you!

#### Adobe

Hello everyone, my name is Guadalupe Canales, but prefer Lupe. I am a fourth-year transfer student majoring in Chicano studies with a minor in sociology. I am from the city of Orange, located in Orange County. During my free time, I enjoy playing soccer, watching Netflix, working out or just talking long walks. I am part of [UC Davis MEXiA \(Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan\)](#). A fun fact about me is that I came out in the news, and I didn't know until someone messaged me on Facebook and told me he had seen me on television. I transferred to UC Davis in fall 2016 and lived in Arlington Farm, which is part of SHA, and now I live in **Adobe at Evergreen**.



My name is Roberto Gomez. I am a third-year double majoring in psychology and sociology with a social services emphasis. I enjoy playing board games and video games, as well as relaxing and socializing on campus. A fun fact about me is that I was born and raised on the island of Oahu, Hawaii, for 12 years. I am currently living in the **Adobe Apartments** and am excited to be a CA this year.



#### Arlington Farm

Hello! My name is Vanessa Darling, and I am one of your CAs at Arlington Farm. In April 2017 I am a fourth-year majoring in African American and African studies and minoring in human rights. I transferred to UC Davis for the 2016-17 school year and spent my first-year living through SHA in the Lexington Apartments. I am currently helping to start up a Human Rights Union advocacy chapter here at UC Davis, and I also work for the Transfer Opportunity Program housed under Undergraduate Admissions. I have many hobbies that include drawing, painting and anything running and of course watching Netflix. One fun fact about me is that I am a HUGE Spider-Man fan, and I collect Spider-Man memorabilia.



Hello! My name is Mikaela Parker, and I am a third-year psychology major. I have been here at Davis since I was a freshman, and I am very excited to be a CA for the Arlington Farm community. I enjoy painting, cooking and reading and am also a member of Chi Omega, the [Good Club](#) swim team, and several on-campus fellowships. One fun fact about me is that I once was on location for the filming of *The Walking Dead* in Georgia.



#### Colleges at La Rue

Hello incoming transfer students! My name is Andre Brown, and I will be one of the community assistants or CAs at **The Colleges at La Rue** through Student Housing Apartments. I am a fourth-year biochemistry and molecular biology major here at UC Davis, with an interest in going into the medical field. I transferred from Fresno City College in California, and last year was my first year here at Davis. It was no mistake choosing to live in Student Housing Apartments! A fun fact about me is that I like going hiking, mostly in Tahoe or Yosemite. My email is [andbrown@studlife.ucdavis.edu](mailto:andbrown@studlife.ucdavis.edu). Feel free to message me at any time if you have any questions. See you guys soon and get excited for Welcome Week!



Hi, my name is Gavin Ribian. I am a second-year transfer student double majoring in communication and international relations. I will be a CA at **The Colleges at La Rue**. I lived with SHA at West Village last year. My hobbies include learning to cook, trying different cuisines, working out, learning Spanish. A fun fact about me is that I make great fried rice!



#### Lexington Apartments

Hi all! My name is Opal (she/her/hers), and I am excited and privileged to serve as your 2017-18 SHA community assistant staff member at the **Lexington Apartments**. I am a senior and an African studies major with a double minor in sociology and social and ethnic relations. I transferred to UC Davis in 2016 from the San Francisco Bay Area. I lived in the Lexington Apartments last year, so I am excited to welcome you to such a great community. When I am not riding my bike around Davis, I am either spending time with friends, studying, discovering new music on Spotify or reading in my bed with books. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you, and if you see me please say hello! Here's to a great year, folks!



Hi, my name is AKA Diesel! I am a community assistant for students at the **Lexington Apartments**. Last year I transferred to UC Davis from Chabot Community College in Hayward and was lucky enough to room at the Lux through SHA. I am currently in my senior year, completing my BA in psychology as an minor in English and education. I love books, baking, nature, my family, traveling, and motorcycling.

Fun Fact: this summer I was able to do a literature [summer abroad program](#) in Oxford, England, called *Poetry to Fantasy*. I got to read classics like *Harry Potter*, *Lord of the Rings*, *Narnia*, *The Golden Compass*, and *Alice in Wonderland* and *poorly* geek out for a full four weeks. It was a blast!



#### Primero Grove

Hi, my name is Jernan Krieban. I am a senior majoring in neurobiology, physiology, and behavior. I transferred to UC Davis, and last year I lived in **Primero Grove-Macazilla**. In my free time, I enjoy doing photography, crocheting and watching Netflix. I also enjoy doing my nails on a weekly to bi-weekly basis. I have an online blog for my nail art collections that I update frequently. On campus, I am involved in the leadership certification program offered by the [Center for Leadership Learning](#).



Hello! My name is Madison Ryan Connolly, and I am a community assistant for the **Primero Grove** apartments. This is a junior majoring in animal science, but transferred to UC Davis as a sophomore from Colorado State University. Last year I lived in SHA at the West Village apartments, so I am very familiar with how student housing works and the type of living conditions we will all be involved in. Outside of school and work, I am a self-declared athlete and consider myself a long-distance runner. I am a part of the run club here at UC Davis, and I have completed in multiple half-marathon races around California. Another fun fact about myself is that I grew up on a small farm and learned how to grow and sell produce that is 100 percent organic! If you have any questions about the school, life, running, food, Halloween, or need advice, feel free to email me at [mconnreb@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mconnreb@ucdavis.edu).



Hello, my name is Jose Medina. I am a fourth-year political science major. I am the CA at **Primero Grove**. I was the CA for West Village last year, and I lived in Arlington Farm during my second year at UC Davis through Student Housing Apartments. I am interested in research and that is why I participate in the [UC Davis Undergraduate Research Conference](#) every spring quarter. Fun facts about myself are that I love to travel, and I am a fan of Star Wars. My hobby would have to be playing billiards. I hope you have an excellent first year at Davis and I look forward to helping you have a memorable school year!



#### West Village

Hello everyone, my name is Manny Gomez, and I am a fourth-year managerial economics major with a double minor in Chicano studies and astronomy management. I will be one of the community assistants for **West Village**. I live in the Ramble complex, I am from the San Francisco Bay Area and am a San Francisco Giants and Golden State Warriors fan, so if you ever want to watch their games with me, feel free to let me know. A fun fact about myself is that I have never broken a bone. I look forward to meeting you all!



Hello everyone, my name is Adam Ataman, and I am going to be a community assistant at **West Village** this school year. I transferred to UC Davis last fall from Fresno, California, and lived in SHA at West Village during this time. I am a fourth-year applied statistics major with emphasis in economics and technology management. My hobbies and interests include board games, cycling, recreational sports, going to the pool, watching Davis and involvement in various clubs. A fun fact about myself is that I enjoy The Simpsons television show and have collected too much of their merchandise to count. I look forward to meeting you all.



#### Sustainability



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- September 13** **New Reality** Student Orientation, 8 AM-2 PM, Multipurpose Room, Student Community Center
- September 23-24** **Maxwell** Weekend
- September 25** **College of Engineering's Transfer Student** Welcome, noon, Ghaus Hall
- September 27** **Fall Welcome for Transfer Students and Lab Research Fair**, 5-7 PM, Life Sciences Courtyard
- September 27** **Student Recruitment and Retention Center** Open House, noon-2 PM, Student Community Center
- September 28** **Transfer Fall** Welcome, 4-6 PM, ARC Bathrooms
- September 30** **Introduction to Davis Day**, 9:00 AM-5 PM, Multipurpose Room, Student Community Center
- October 3** **Transfer Take-Off** Meet and Greet, 4-6 PM, Multipurpose Room, Student Community Center



#### Fall Welcome

##### UC DAVIS RESOURCE FAIR



**Domestic Subsidies** to see [Fall Welcome](#) event schedules, resources and more! Use redeem code [aggiewelcome2017](#)

#### Which will you choose?



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Join a [Fall-Year Aggie Connection \(FAC\)](#) to connect with other first-year students and peer mentors. Each Connection has a list of 25 students and Connections are grouped into categories based on shared interest or theme.

#### Quick Links

- Quarter Dates and Deadlines
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- Student Housing and Dining Services Calendar
- Aggie Reader Archive
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