ALUMNI UPDATE

Greetings Alumni!

Thank you all for the overwhelmingly positive response we received from our first alumni newsletter issue. Hearing from so many of you was incredibly rewarding and emphasized the importance of building a strong QLS alumni network. Since our first edition, we have been privileged to welcome many more alumni back to our campus and receive some exciting new updates from our alumni community. Please enjoy this latest issue including some photo highlights from our annual Winter Alumni Luncheon. We look forward to hearing back from more of our alumni members soon!



ALUMNI STORIES

QUARRY LANE ALUMNI IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Tyler Lu ('19)

Currently Attending: Brown University

It's been really busy, intense, and fun. I am very fortunate to be so far away from home and instantly welcomed into the Bruno family. The swim team is a very close-knit group and they have become my family away from home. The freshman swim class is comprised of seven men and the whole team has 30. So, we are really like a big family. We train, eat, travel, study, and basically do everything together. It's a special bond and something I didn't quite anticipate. It was overwhelming at the beginning of the school year. Being at a new school for the first time since Quarry Lane was exciting and nerve-wracking. I am so fortunate to have an excellent academic advisor and there is so much support here at Brown in terms of faculty, teachers assistance, and alumni. That's the best part! I know I can always turn to someone for help or guidance. The professors are extremely hands-on and have an open door policy, which is similar to Quarry Lane.



The hardest part has been being far from home and not being able to see my sister, Sydney, but overall I feel that I have adjusted well. She can't miss her swim training but at least one of my parents has attended every swim meet so far this year. Being so far, I know it takes a lot to fly six hours for a two-hour meet and then turn around to go home. It has been great that they have gotten to know all the families out here and build their new community base. All of the parents here are super involved so they fit right in. The best part of college has really been just being here at Brown! The first couple months, I would walk to class or practice, and there was an overwhelming emotion of knowing that I made it this far and just being here. It's a great feeling and something I am thankful for all the time. Almost everyone I talk to here share the same gratitude for this place. I hope you all are doing well and enjoying the warm California weather!

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Throughout the years, Quarry Lane alumni have come back to the familiar hallways of Quarry Lane for a variety of reasons. Whether it's as a guest speaker for graduation, an admissions event, or just to visit your beloved teachers; we love welcoming our alumni back on campus. Some recent alumni visitors have included: **Kamya Arora ('14)**, Barnard College of Columbia University graduate and 2019 commencement speaker; **Justina Lee ('19)**, current Stanford University undergraduate student and guest alumni speaker at our Open House; and **Allen Abbott ('18)**, current undergraduate student at the University of Chicago who visited with Mr. Zabrowski's business students. If you are interested in visiting and/or participating as a guest speaker at one of our events, please email alumni@quarrylane.org. We would love to welcome you back!

Got an idea?

Want to get involved?

We're open to additional alumni activities. Please reach out to Alumni Relations with your ideas at: alumni@quarrylane.org

ALUMNI LUNCHEON

This year, we were thrilled to welcome a number of QLS alumni on campus for the annual Winter Alumni Luncheon. Members from the Class of 2010 through 2019 attended the event where they caught up with each other, as well as a few of their favorite QLS teachers!















Diana Sam ('19)

Currently Attending: University of California, Berkeley

My college experience at UC Berkeley has definitely been one filled with excitement, fear, and great expectation for what the future holds. Initially, I had believed that the transition would be strenuous and hard for me to handle. However, the transition was extremely smooth and an incredible experience. In the dorms, you get to meet so many amazing new people that you are going to spend the upcoming year with. Living in the dorms has helped me get to know many people from diverse backgrounds. UC Berkeley is known for its challenging academics and demanding skills that are required to succeed here. Despite it being challenging, I have been able to excel here. Taking the International Baccalaureate program has given me the study skills I need to succeed here. I love the environment as it pushes me to do my absolute best and work my hardest. This experience has been an immense blessing and learning experience for me, and I am looking forward to seeing what the rest of this journey holds.

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Yu Fu ('14)

Graduated: University of California, Los Angeles (BA)
Parsons School of Design (MA)

I've recently received my master degree from Parsons School of Design and started an internship at the Guggenheim Museum recently as a graphic designer. I'm working on their upcoming exhibition, along with some of their marketing and events. I'm learning a lot through it so far and having a lot of fun. I would be happy to share some insight with any current QLS high school students—especially those who might be interested in art, design, etc. and/or those who want to learn more about UCLA or Parsons!



ALUMNI UPDATES



Congratulations to QLS alumnus, **Allen Abbott** ('18), for his recent participation in the World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research (WINR) academic conference which was held in Lund, Sweden. He, along with his classmate and coauthor, presented his paper on changes in social welfare programs in the Nordic states. In addition, Allen was one of the only undergraduates to present at the conference. Allen was a guest speaker for Mr. Zabrowski's business class earlier this semester. During his visit, he spoke to the students about international trade and trade policies, as well as the impact of changing exchange rates on the greater overall economy.

ALUMNI LUNCHEON continued...





2019 Alumni Luncheon attendees included:

Ahana Sen (18)
Keya Vijapure (19)
Aaron Denton (19)
Nikita Laungani (19)
Justina Lee (19)
Nishant Nair (19)
Faisal Haamed (19)
Raghav Narasimhan (19)
Ryota Hashimoto (19)
Juan Carlos Ponce (12)

Laura Weber (*10)
Parker Newton (*10)
Bora Gursel (*19)
Sehaj Sethi (*19)
Diana Sam (*19)
Suha Imran (*19)
Raza Aziz (*19)
Jennifer Mazoros (*19)
Jackie Chan (*19)

WELCOME CLASS OF 2019 ALUMNI!



Welcome to the newest members of the Quarry Lane alumni community—the QLS Class of 2019! Quarry Lane celebrated their graduation on June 1st, 2019. Take a peek at where some of our newest alumni members headed to this past fall and keep your eye out for a fellow Cougar near you!*

Brown University
Columbia University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara

University of California, Santa Cruz Chapman University Dominican University of California University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Loyola Marymount University McGill University New York University Pennsylvania State University Pepperdine University University of Pittsburgh Purdue University Reed College Stanford University Syracuse University University of Washington

*Please note, this is not a complete matriculation list for the Class of 2019.



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