Dinners with Anteaters - Alumni in Education
Wednesday, May 20, 6-7 p.m. PDT

Chelsea Gomes ‘18
School Age Teacher at KinderCare

Chelsea graduated from UCI in 2018 as an Education Sciences and Sociology major. As a student, she was involved in the Student Alumni Association, BREA, and Math CEO. She also spent her free time volunteering at Kid & Works and worked at the Bren Events Center. Since graduating, she’s been working as a School-Age Teacher at KinderCare while also pursuing a Masters in Educational Counseling.

Goran Matijasevic, M.S. ’85, MBA, Ph.D. ’92
Executive Director of Chief Executive Roundtable at UCI
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Goran Matijasevic is Executive Director of the UCI Chief Executive Roundtable where he oversees and advances research collaborations and strategic initiatives and also serves as UCI ambassador, establishing partnerships and opportunities that serve to enhance community connections across all campus interdisciplinary fields. Previously, he was director of research development at the UCI Henry Samueli School of Engineering. Prior to UCI, he worked in research development manager positions at two electronics start-ups. Goran received his MBA from Pepperdine University and his Ph.D. degree from UCI in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Jon Rawlings ‘11, MBA
Associate Director of Development at USC
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Jon Rawlings graduated from UCI in 2011 with a B.A. in Psychology. During his time at UCI, he was involved in several organizations including the Student Alumni Association, Sports Business Association, and UCI Care-a-thon. After graduating, he worked in radio for two years, selling syndicated programming. He eventually went back to school to earn his MBA from USC. Currently he works as a fundraiser at USC.
Magdalena Villalba ’96, M.A. ’99
High School Teacher at Fullerton Joint High School District (FJUHSD)

Magdalena graduated from UCI with a major in Spanish Literature and a minor in Latin American Studies in ‘96. While working on her MA in Spanish at UCI (’99), she began teaching undergrad Spanish classes at UCI and at Golden West College as adjunct faculty. She then continued her studies at CSUF earning her Teaching Credential in ‘03 and her Administrative Credential and an MS in Education in ‘07. She has worked as a School Community Facilitator in Newport Mesa Unified and student taught in Spanish and English Language Development (ELD) in Tustin Unified. For the past 17 years, she has worked in FJUHSD as a teacher, swim coach, ELD coordinator, dean, and union leader.