Uncrewed Aerial Systems @ UCLA

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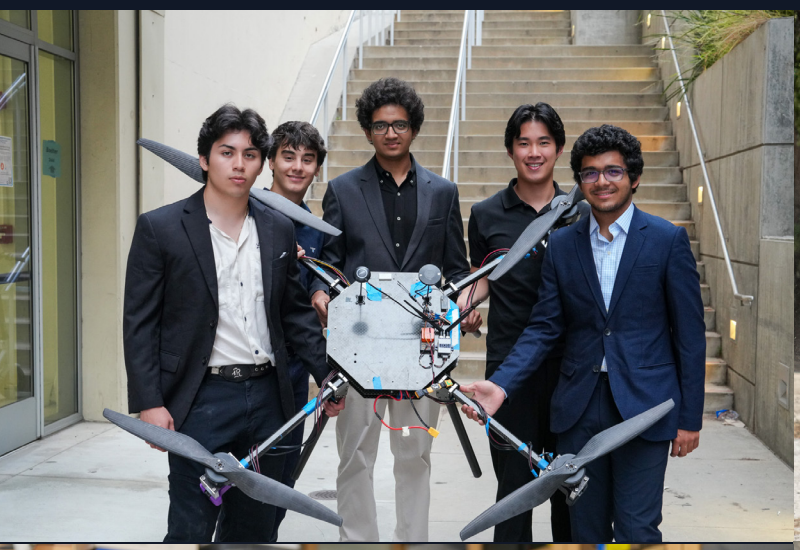


Sponsorship Proposal 2024-25

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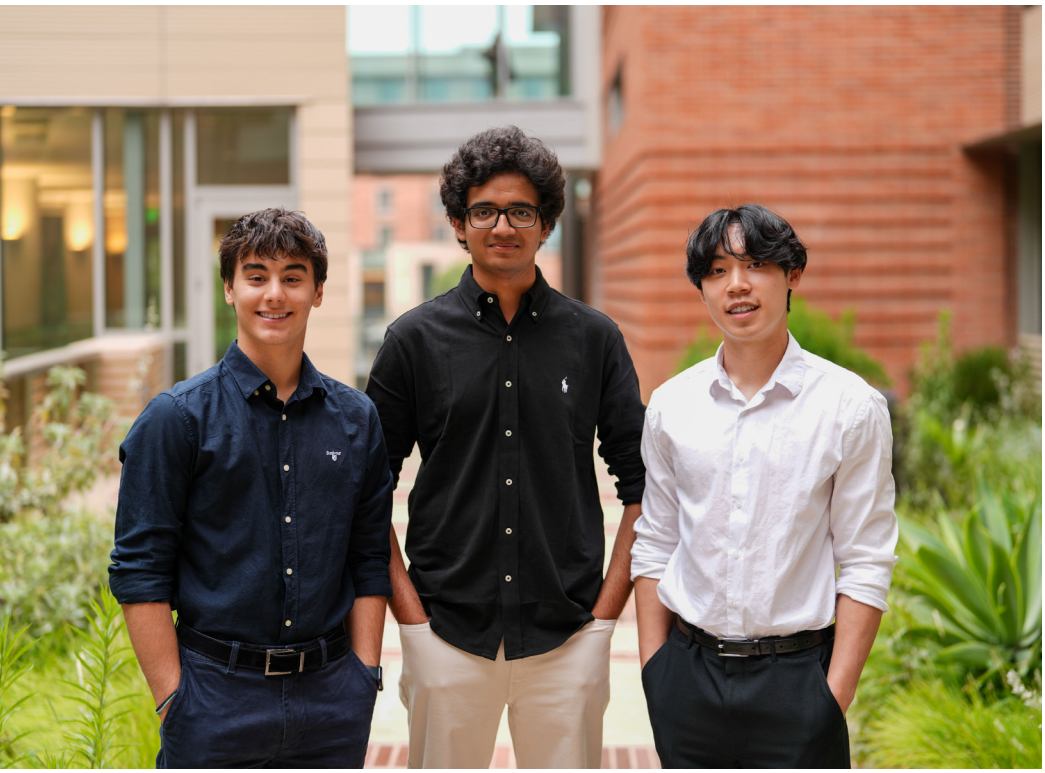
FROM THE EXEC'S DESK

Dear prospective sponsor,

I am Kush Agarwal, president of UAS@UCLA for the 2024-25 school year. I want to extend our deepest gratitude on behalf of our executive community and our team for making time to read our proposal and considering partnering with us. We are UCLA's premier aerial robotics team with years of experience with autonomous drones and planes. Our technical subteams cover various aerospace, mechanical, electrical and computer science disciplines. We design our frames, create and maintain software for communication, develop algorithms for target detection and identification, create mechanisms for various in-air missions and a lot more. Our growing team of UCLA undergraduates help us propel us to achieve our goal every year.

This year, we aim to train new members, develop deeper connections with the industry, and conduct technical workshops and social events in a bid to equip our members with valuable skills and resources which would be helpful when they set foot in the industry. To help achieve our goals, we would deeply appreciate any monetary or material help. This document outlines some of the work we do and our upcoming plans. We would love to connect with you to explore more ways in which you can help us.

Regards,
UAS@UCLA Executive Committee



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MEET THE TEAM

UAS is a diverse organization with people of all years and various engineering disciplines, which provides opportunities for our members to develop their skills in an intersectional context. UAS has experience building large-scale drones for both mission-driven competitions as well as for grant-funded research projects, many of which involved autonomous flight. From manufacturing carbon fiber airframes, writing and testing new flight control software, fabricating drones of all sizes for different applications, UAS provides the means to explore all aspects of aerial robotics and to challenge today's limits on the capabilities of drones.

WHAT WE DO

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UAS has also worked on AVIATA, a system capable of carrying payloads in the air indefinitely. To do this, we used a drone swarm to hold a central frame supporting the payload, allowing us to swap individual drones in and out whenever they run low on battery. Our proposal had been accepted by the NASA Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate (ARMD) in the University Student Research Challenge (USRC). The upcoming year, we plan to engage in similar research projects, working on harnessing and implementing cutting edge drone technology in different and unique use cases. Led by a team of passionate drone enthusiasts, we hope to introduce everyone to the exciting world of drone technology. Uncrewed Aerial Systems (UAS) is the premier undergraduate aerial robotics team at UCLA. Our student team is involved in the full system development process of building drones, from initial design to prototyping, manufacturing, and flying them.

AVIATA
NASA funded competition

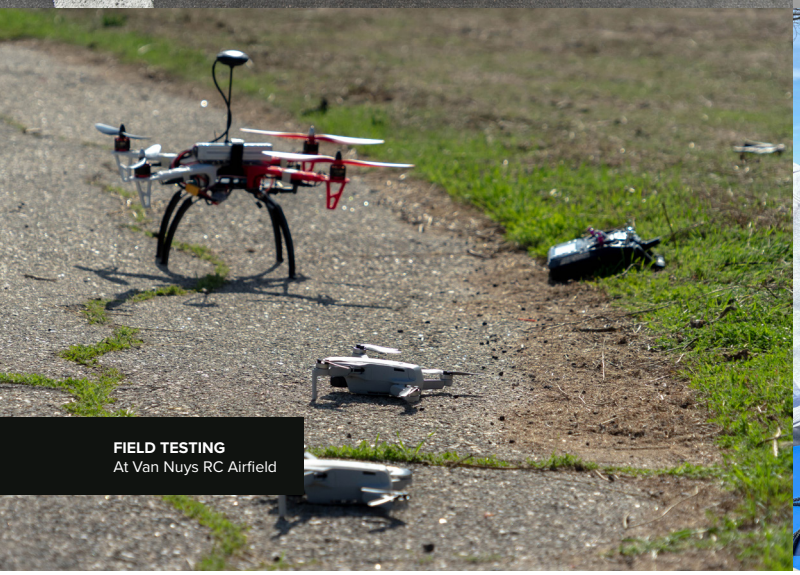
LAB
Shared lab space

VERITASIUM
Derek with our drone

WORKSHOP
FPV drone building

AVIATA
Closeup of our AVIATA drone

SPINNY
Flagship drone



FIELD TESTING
At Van Nuys RC Airfield

FLYDAY
Final drone checks

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UPCOMING PLANS

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EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT
AUVSI SUAS	**$3000**
Member Training & Workshops	**$3000**
Research	**$5000**
Laboratory	**$3000**
Total	**$14000**

SPONSORSHIP DETAILS

GOLD ($2000+)	SILVER ($1000-$2000)	BRONZE ($500-$1000)
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