



Bruin Professionals Update

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Hi BP Members,

Thank you for your support and contributions during this unprecedented time. We hope you and your families are staying safe and we so appreciate your patience as we are all making transitions in our work and personal lives. Bruin Professionals hopes to alleviate some of your stresses by providing virtual chapter meetings and events for the time being, so we can still foster Commerce, Camaraderie, and Community with our fellow Bruins. Please read this email thoroughly and [email me](#) if you have any questions.

ZOOM Meetings. Bruin Professionals will be transitioning to virtual meetings in April (and possibly beyond) via ZOOM. It is **essential to RSVP** to each meeting you would like to attend, so you can receive the meeting information promptly. All meetings in April will be free.

New to ZOOM? I've created a [ZOOM Resource Center](#) on the BP website. You can find it in the QuickLinks section (right side) of the BP Home Page. The ZOOM Resource center has instructions on downloading ZOOM, participating in meetings, and troubleshooting tips. I will be on almost every ZOOM chapter meeting to help with the technical side if anyone has trouble. This is a learning curve for all of us and I'm confident we can make this work. I will also be creating a video tutorial on the participant side of ZOOM. I encourage you all to watch the video and look at the documents before your meetings. You can even create a free account on ZOOM and test out the settings.

Membership Dues. We understand the current world events may be affecting your business. If you would like to defer your dues payment, we will of course happily accommodate that request. We know there are bigger things to worry about during these uncharted times. But if you are in the position to pay your dues and support the Bruin Professionals community, we would greatly appreciate it. In the background, BP is a small business too, solely supported by membership dues from the 240 passionate Bruin members.

Scholarship News. If you haven't heard, BP endowed its first UCLA Scholarship! We will now be able to give deserving UCLA students a scholarship each year starting in the Fall 2020. Thank you to our BP members for helping us achieve this goal.

Again, thank you for your patience as we continue to adapt to our evolving environment. Stay safe and Go Bruins!

Warmly,

Leah Malecha, Membership Coordinator