Enthusiastic Students Revive the Biomedical Engineering Society at UC Irvine

A group of enthusiastic and highly motivated undergraduate students have recently revived the student chapter of the Biomedical Engineering Society at UC Irvine. Led by current chapter president Karen Liu, a third year BME undergraduate, the group has been holding meeting assembly dinners at the BME department’s new conference room in Natural Sciences II. These events have broken from industry and academia, with the objective of bringing biomedical engineering to the students and diverse career opportunities available. Many students have been attending to hear experts report, food, conversation, networking, and exploring possible career paths.

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