



MURIEL STEELE SOCIETY

DECEMBER 2022 EVENTS AND UPDATES

Dear Muriel Steele Society Members,

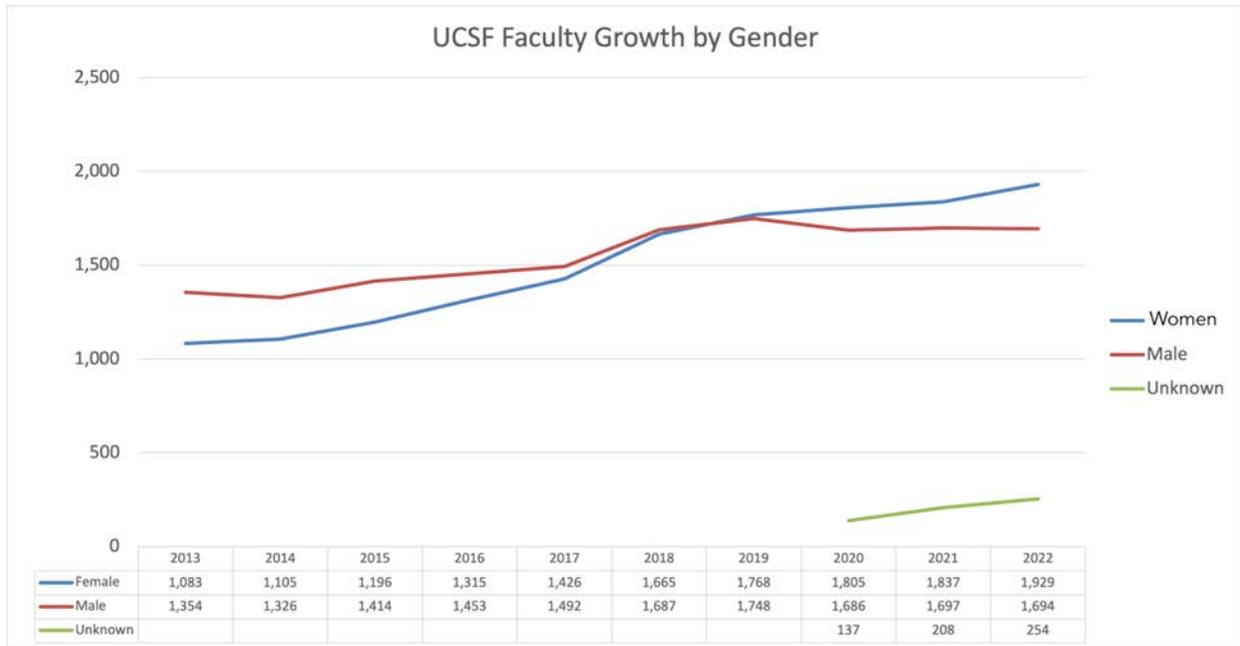
We hope everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving with family, friends, and the ones you love.

As 2022 winds down, we want to recognize the 11 new female surgeons that UCSF and MSS welcomed this past year. We are delighted you are part of the UCSF and MSS:

- Dr. Tina Desai
- Dr. Melissa Coleman
- Dr. Aye Ma
- Dr. Stephanie Lin
- Dr. Amy Fiedler
- Dr. April Mendoza
- Dr. Sarah Cairo
- Dr. Clara Gomez-Sanchez
- Dr. Bao-Quynh Julian
- Dr. Gloria Sue
- Dr. Rochelle Dicker



UCSF continues to grow women faculty. Check out these data from the UCSF Office of Faculty and Academic Affairs:



Fertility-related healthcare can be a very expensive out-of-pocket expense as well as a very trying personal experience.

In this year's open enrollment process, new benefits have been added to help cover the

costs of fertility-related treatments to support faculty and staff in non-Medicare plans. This includes coverage for up to two treatment cycles of **IVF**, **GIFT**, or **ZIFT** at 50% coinsurance. Want more information? Check out other family-friendly resources and programs at [MyFamily.UCSF.edu](https://myfamily.ucsf.edu).



We are excited to share this month's **Spotlight** featuring **Dr. Gomez- Sanchez**, a vascular surgeon at UCSF. Jackie Lin, a

fourth-year UCSF medical student, interviewed Dr. Gomez-Sanchez. To read our prior **MSS Spotlights**, check out the Spotlights page [here](#) on the MSS website.

SPOTLIGHT



UCSF Muriel Steele Society
Department of Surgery

DR. GOMEZ-SANCHEZ

VASCULAR SURGEON

Dr. Gomez-Sanchez is a vascular surgeon at UCSF passionate about addressing healthcare disparities.

What are you most proud of?



Professionally, I'm most proud of the young residents and medical students whom I work with. You get to watch them thrive and grow. When you hear people say "Oh, they're a great resident, and they're nailing it" you feel that deep glow of pride knowing that you played a small part in their development into a confident and competent provider.

DR. GOMEZ-SANCHEZ

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<https://murielsteelesociety.ucsf.edu>



We are so excited to share that our MSS co-chair, Dr. **Lucy Z. Kornblith**, has been appointed as the Department of Surgery inaugural **Director for Gender Equity!**

Dr. Kornblith will provide leadership as she continues to grow the legacy of gender equity within the Department. She will partner with UCSF Health, the UCSF School of Medicine, the University of California, as well as our Vice Chairs of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion, Education and Faculty Affairs, Division Chiefs, and other department leaders to create new pathways, synergies, and platforms to address issues impacting historically marginalized gender identities. Congratulations!

The **MSS Medical Student Committee** hosted two great events: Medical Student-Faculty Meet and Greet and the Gown & Glove Event. Check out the photos from the Gown & Glove Event below. Thank you to event organizers Katie Barnes,



Rachel Wile, Kelsey Ogomori, and Arushi Gulati!



Save The Date

Check your email and the [MSS calendar](#) for exciting upcoming events!



See below for this month's **"From MSS Members"** section. If you have anything you would like to feature (articles, advice, work photos/achievements, family/personal photos/achievements, etc) in this new section of our newsletters, please send an email to themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

Check out our MSS Twitter (@UCSFMSS) and Instagram (@murielsteelesociety_ucsf).

Thanks for reading!
Your **MSS Communications Committee**

From MSS Members



Check out [this interesting article](#) on breastfeeding and 4 women's unique breastfeeding experiences (including a physician!).



The Muriel Steele Society is an inclusive community dedicated to inspiring, supporting, and promoting women surgeons so they can thrive at all stages of their careers. We will be hosting events throughout the year to foster a strong community of allies and to achieve the goal of continued excellence at UCSF.

The Muriel Steele Society is dedicated to diversity, equity, and inclusion of colleagues, trainees, and learners at UCSF and beyond, who identify as women, transgender, and nonbinary in surgical fields. Our overarching goal is to advocate for a culture of belonging - free of bias and discrimination - that is focused on expanding the advancement of all genders and the broader LGBTQ+ community in surgery.

All women surgeons or medical students interested in surgery are included in the society but we recognize that some women may have been inadvertently left out of these emails. Please forward to anyone who you think might like to be included in the MSS. If you are interested in membership, please email us at themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

For more information about the Muriel Steele Society, please visit our [website](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#). See what's coming up next on the [Muriel Steele Society's calendar of events](#).

Have an opportunity or event that you'd like to share with the MSS membership? Email us at themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu.

Want to become more involved with the Muriel Steele Society? We especially welcome women in other surgical departments to join our Executive Council! Email co-chairs Mika Varma (mika.varma@ucsf.edu) or Lucy Kornblith (lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu) for more information.