

Over the course of the past year, the Underwater Robotics at Berkeley team has been working more towards being an active part of our community than ever before. Our activities over the past year have included elementary school visits, university tours for high school robotics teams, and several tabling on-campus tabling events!

Our earliest activity of this school year was getting to participate in the Engineering and Robotics Day at our local Rosa Parks Elementary School. We got to show off our AUV, Tardigrade, to several classes at Rosa Parks and hosted Q&A sessions with each class where we got to tell the kids about building Tardigrade, the Robosub competition, and university life.

Not long after, we also got the opportunity to bring the Temple City High's SeaPerch team all the way from southern California to get an engineering-focused tour of the UC Berkeley Campus. This event included helping the team organize their trip, directing them to local transportation services and food joints, helping the students schedule additional more general tours, and of course, answering any questions ranging from how we do our robotics to what being a UC Berkeley is like.

And, over the course of the whole school year, we participated in several UC Berkeley tabling events to welcome new students to campus and recruit new members! These events included Calapalooza (our student involvement day), Cal Day to welcome incoming freshmen, Golden Bear Welcome to welcome incoming transfer students, Golden Bear Orientation, and PREP/TPREP which helps new students get ready to join the UC Berkeley community!

As we go into next year, and as the team continues to grow, we hope to do even more of these outreach events, including participating in STEM and STEAM fairs, visiting more local schools, and of course, showing our school spirit by tabling as much as we can.