

CAHSSA Proposal Writing Retreat
UCLA Lake Arrowhead Conference Center
May 5-8, 2026
AGENDA (subject to adjustments)



May 5, 2026

| Time | Event | Location |
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| 4:00 | Check In | Lodge Reception |
| 5:00-6:30 | Reception and Workshop 1: Shifting Your Funding Strategies in Shifting Funding Landscapes and Retreat Goal Setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly Hapke, PhD, Director of Research Development, UC Irvine Inés Casillas, PhD, Professor and Chair, Chicana and Chicano Studies and Director of the Chicano Studies Institute, UC Santa Barbara | Iris |
| 6:30-8:00 | Dinner | Lodge Dining Room |

May 6, 2026

| Time | Event | Location |
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| 7:00-8:00 | Optional early riser writing session or morning walk | Writing meets in Iris. Walk meets at the outdoor fire pit. |
| 8:00-9:00 | Breakfast | Lodge Dining Room |
| 9:00-10:15 | Writing Session # 1 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 10:15-10:30 | Break Encouraged | |
| 10:30-12:00 | Writing Session # 2 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch | Lodge Dining Room |
| 1:00-1:30 | Optional Workshop 2: Identifying Your Project Significance and Contribution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barbara Endemaño Walker, PhD, Director of Strategic Research Initiatives, UC Santa Barbara | Iris |
| 1:00-2:45 | Writing Session # 3 | Iris, your chalet, or outside seating areas |
| 1:30-3:00 | Office Hours with Mentors* Signup sheets will be open prior to the retreat | Skyview, outside, the Tavern |
| 2:45-3:00 | Break Encouraged | |
| 3:00-4:30 | Writing Session # 4 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 6:30-8:00 | Dinner | Lodge Dining Room |

May 7, 2026

| Time | Event | Location |
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| 7:00-8:00 | optional early riser writing session or morning walk | Writing meets in Iris. Walk meets at the outdoor fire pit. |
| 8:00-9:00 | Breakfast | Lodge Dining Room |
| 9:00-10:15 | Writing Session # 5 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 10:15-10:30 | Break Encouraged | |
| 10:30-12:00 | Writing Session # 6 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch | Lodge Dining Room |
| 1:00-1:30 | Optional Workshop 3: Describing Qualitative and Quantitative Methods Effectively in Your Proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly Hapke, PhD, Director of Research Development, UC Irvine | Iris |
| 1:00-2:45 | Writing Session # 7 | Iris, your chalet, or outside seating areas |
| 1:30-3:00 | Office Hours with Mentors* Signup sheets will be open prior to the retreat | Skyview, outside, the Tavern |
| 2:45-3:00 | Break Encouraged | |
| 3:00-4:30 | Writing Session # 8 | Iris, your chalet, Skyview, or outside seating areas |
| 6:30-8:00 | Dinner | Lodge Dining Room |

May 8, 2026

| Time | Event | Location |
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| 7:00-8:00 | optional early riser writing session or morning walk | Writing meets in Iris. Walk meets at the outdoor fire pit. |
| 8:00-9:00 | Breakfast | Lodge Dining Room |
| 9:00-9:30 | Closing Session: Planning Your Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inés Casillas, PhD, Professor and Chair, Chicana and Chicano Studies and Director of the Chicano Studies Institute, UC Santa Barbara | Iris |
| 9:30-10:00 | Writing Session # 9 | Iris, your chalet, or outside seating areas |
| 10:30-11:00 | Check out by 11 am and departures - boxed lunches | Iris |

***Mentors:**

- Inés Casillas, PhD, Professor and Chair, Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies and Director of the Chicano Studies Institute, UC Santa Barbara
- Holly Hapke, PhD, Director of Research Development, UC Irvine
- Billy Wagner, PhD, Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology and Executive Director, Social Science Research & Instructional Council of the CSU
- Barbara Endemaño Walker, PhD, Director of Strategic Research Initiatives, UC Santa Barbara