Spring Into Summer
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As spring quarter blossoms, summer becomes a hot topic for many students and staff working with our slugs. An important question is asked, “Why Summer Session?”

Extra Mile Awards
In November 2016, the Division launched the Extra Mile Awards, intended to recognize the contributions of staff throughout the year. Employees receive certificates for each nomination and are eligible to receive a $25 Amazon gift card quarterly. To date, the Division has handed out 83
certificates! Congratulations go out to the Colleges, Registrar’s Office and the Educational Partnership Center (EPC). These three areas account for 65 percent of the awards with 20, 19, and 15 certificates respectively. To nominate someone for an Extra Mile Award, please [click here].

Spring Spotlight
Spring Spotlight takes place April 7-15 for admitted students and their families. The Spotlight is intended to help students and families determine if UC Santa Cruz is the right fit for them. The program for the Spotlight includes Admissions presentations and daily student-led walking tours, in addition to an overview of the academic, residential, and student-life experience at UC Santa Cruz. More information can be found on the [Admissions web site](#), which includes a [schedule of events](#).

Winter Advising Forum
In March, the Office of Campus Advising Coordination hosted its annual Winter Advising Forum. This year’s theme was UCSC Advising: Riding the Waves of Change. The forum had 107 attendees and offered workshops on topics such as online advising tools, inclusive advising, student success and service learning, and navigating and supporting international students. Information from the forum has been posted online and can be [found here](#).

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