

UCLA Radiology Residency Program

Congratulate Chief Residents for AY 2022-2023!



2022-2023 Chief Residents:

Puja Shahrouki, MD, Natalie Cain, MD, MPH, Tiffany Yu, MD, and Tyler Callese, MD

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Natalie Cain, MD, MPH

Natalie is from the greatest city on Earth (Chicago). Prior to starting residency at UCLA, she lived in Miami for 9 years enjoying the tropical lifestyle from college to internship year. It was at that time that she realized she could never return to the greatest and coldest city on Earth. Before starting medical school at the University of Miami, she lived in Ecuador for one year carrying out epidemiologic research on Chagas disease. She also learned how to salsa dance and ate the best coastal ceviche anyone could ask for (sorry, Peruvian-cuisine lovers)! Currently, her life revolves around her two cats, blossom and buttercup, and her yoga mat (preferably oceanside). She is very excited to work alongside Tiffany, Puja, and Tyler, and to have the opportunity to be an advocate for her peers. She hopes to continue to improve the already excellent residency in order to keep up with today's evolving world. Her goals as chief are to provide a healthy outlet for mindfulness and work-life balance among her co-residents through safe social gatherings, beach outings, resident and faculty happy hours, and group wellness activities. Happy residents, happy program director!

Puja Shahrouki, MD

Puja was born and raised in Gothenburg, Sweden. He attended University of Gothenburg for medical school, where he was awarded the Swedish Society of Medicine's Best Medical Thesis Award and Anders Wall Scholarship for Sweden's Young Scientist of the Year. After graduating, Puja spent a year working on cardiovascular imaging research at UCLA. Following a transitional year internship at MetroWest Medical Center, a teaching hospital of Tufts, Puja returned to UCLA as a diagnostic radiology resident. Following residency, he plans to pursue a fellowship in neuroradiology. Puja is deeply honored to accept the role as chief resident, and looks forward to working with Natalie, Tiffany, and Tyler as co-chiefs. As chief, he hopes to support resident education and facilitate resident participation in research.

Tyler Callese, MD

Tyler is from Chicago, Illinois. He attended Middlebury College where he rowed on the crew team and studied biochemistry and economics. He attended medical school at Wake Forest School of Medicine where he was active in research and medical education. He completed his surgery internship at UCLA and is currently an integrated interventional radiology resident. Tyler lives in Hermosa Beach with his wife, Olivia, who is an OB/GYN physician, and their two boxers, Bruce and Tallulah. Tyler is an avid skier taking every opportunity possible to head to the mountains. He is a cyclist, triathlete and a lifelong beginner surfer. Tyler is honored to have the opportunity to serve as chief resident and to continue to promote the clinical and learning environment at UCLA.

Tiffany Yu, MD

Tiffany was born and raised in the greater Washington, DC metropolitan area. She studied finance at University of Maryland, and then worked as a management consultant for (too many) years before deciding to change careers to pursue medicine. She completed a one-year career changer post baccalaureate premedical program at Johns Hopkins, and then attended the University of Maryland School of Medicine where she was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha and Gold Humanism Honor Societies. After living within a 50-mile radius of DC her entire life, she decided to see what the craze over Southern California was all about and is so grateful that UCLA gave her the opportunity to train as a radiology resident. She and her husband love living in LA and she is looking forward to spending her last year of residency as chief resident. Tiffany is humbled to have been chosen as chief resident and will try very hard to keep up with her amazing co-chiefs and support the residents the best that she can. After residency, she is looking forward to completing her last year of training as a breast imaging fellow.

