



Hacks 2024

Adventurer's Ultimate Guidebook

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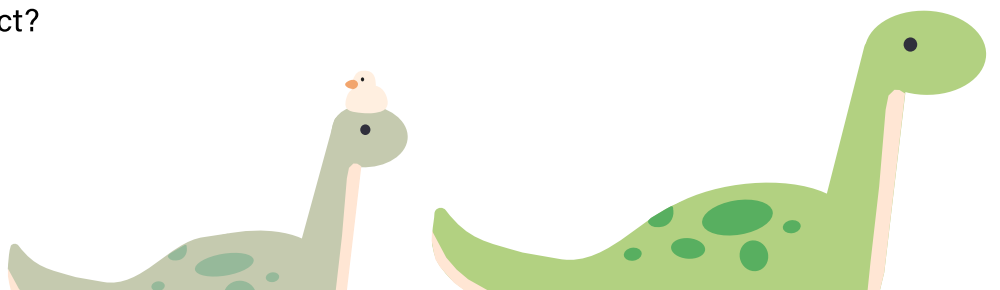
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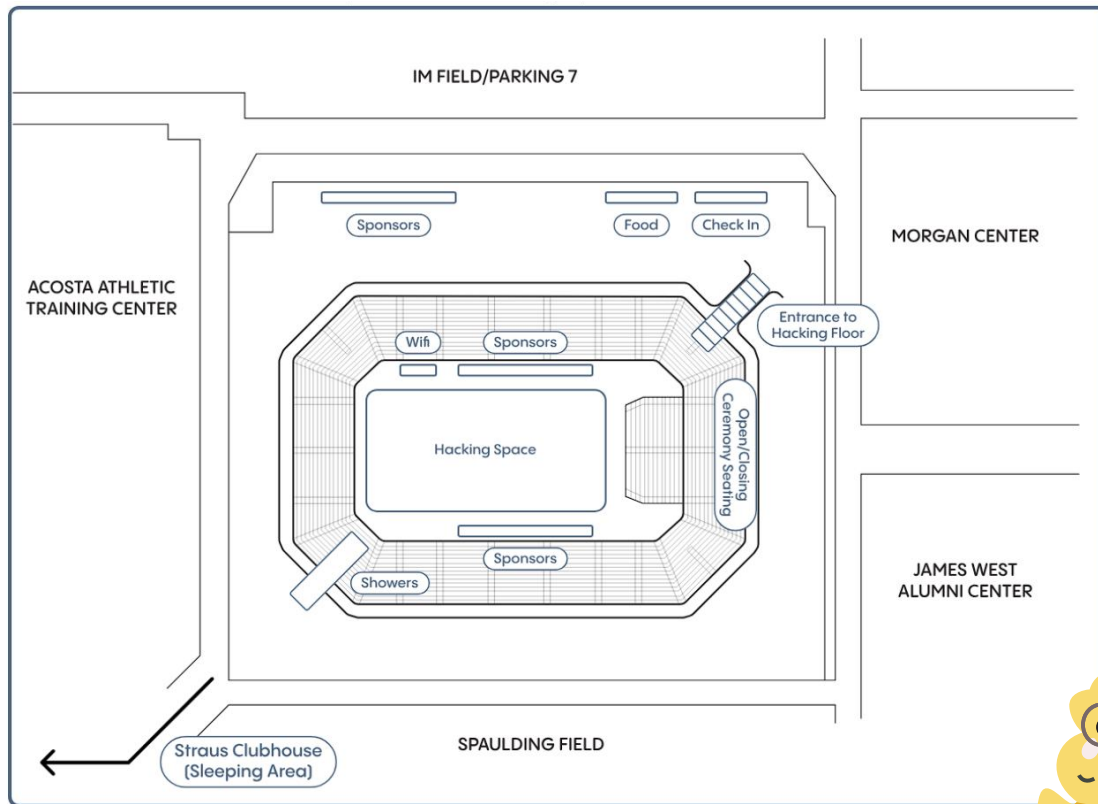
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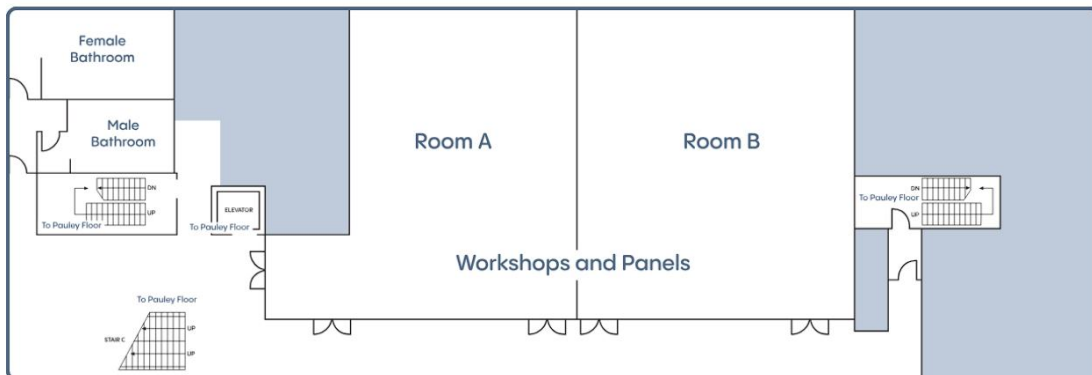
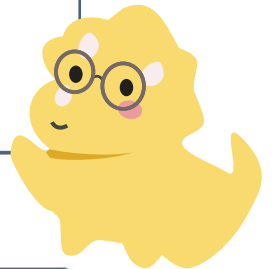
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General Logistics



Here's a more detailed map of the Hacking space and Main Floor



Here's a more detailed map of the Pavilion Club Rooms
(where our workshops and panels will take place!)

When is LA Hacks?

LA Hacks will start on the evening of Friday, April 19th, 2024. It will continue for 36 straight hours until Sunday morning, April 21st, 2024.



Where is LA Hacks?

LA Hacks is in UCLA's Pauley Pavilion (301 Westwood Plaza). Pauley Pavilion will **remain open** throughout the **entire** duration of LA Hacks (we don't kick you out).

How do I get around?

The **only entrance/exit** that you may use is the **Northeast Entrance** by Check-in. There will be security officers at every door of Pauley Pavilion.

Can I re-enter the space?

You **must** keep your wristband on throughout the entire duration of the Hackathon. Lost/torn wristbands will be a huge pain for everyone and may not guarantee re-entry into the space.



Who do I go to for help?

Anyone wearing an LA Hacks organizer shirt (light blue long-sleeves) can help you with event logistics! Feel free to check the [Slack](#) channel **#ask-an-organizer** for common questions others may have asked ahead of you. For technical project help, Mentors will be circulating the floor, so don't be shy!

Where's the schedule?

See our full event schedule at <https://lahacks.com/live/schedule>. It includes all of our events including workshops, panels, food distribution times, and fun events!

Some important events to keep in mind:

Friday, April 19th

2-3:30pm: sponsor check-in

3:30-6pm: hacker check-in and sponsor networking

6-7pm: opening ceremony

7pm: team formation, dinner and hacking begins

Saturday, April 20th

All day hacking and events (including workshops, panels, and fun events)

Sunday April 21st

7am: Hacking Ends and submission period begins

8am: All projects are due - check submissions section for more details

10am-12:30pm: Science Fair Judging

1-2:30pm: Top 5 Live Demos and Closing Ceremony

Wi-Fi

You'll be able to find the Wi-Fi name and password at lahacks.com/live when the event starts.

How do I stay

connected through Slack?

Join our event [Slack](#) to stay updated throughout the hackathon!

What should I pack?

This isn't a complete list, but some suggestions include:

PACKING

YOUR GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID

LAPTOP

CHARGERS

BLANKETS, PILLOWS,
SLEEPING BAGS

JACKETS (IT MIGHT GET COLD)

REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE

TOILETRIES: TOOTHBRUSH, TOOTHPASTE
SHOWER SUPPLIES: SOAP, SHAMPOO,
TOWEL, SHOWER SHOES

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

HEADPHONES

ANY MEDICATIONS

Food + Drinks

When is food being served?

See our event schedule [here](#).

What's on the menu?

{LA HACKS MENU}

{FRIDAY DINNER}

Paneer Makhani
Vegetable Biryani (Vegan)
Mix Naan

{SATURDAY BREAKFAST}

Cheerios, Frosted Flakes,
Cinnamon Toast Crunch

Milk (2%), Soy Milk
(Vegan)

{SATURDAY LUNCH}

Falafel Pita Sandwich
(Vegan)
Chicken Pita Sandwich
Kofta Pita Sandwich

{SATURDAY DINNER}

Caesar Salad
Caprese Chicken Pasta
Sundried Tomato Pasta
Grilled Vegetable Pasta
(Vegan)

{SUNDAY BREAKFAST}

An assortment of Noah's Bagels
(Vegan options available)
Noah's Schmear (cream cheeses)
Smucker's Jams (Vegan)



Snacks

Where can I find snacks?

Snacks can be found at a designated snack table on the Pauley Pavilion floor (where hacking takes place). If you need assistance in locating the snack table, feel free to flag down an organizer or a volunteer!

Allergies:

- In case you have any concerns, be sure to check with the organizer about allergies.
- **Insomnia Cookies** (our midnight snack that will be served at the Upper Concourse on Friday night and Saturday night) **have NUTS in them.**

Where can I get food?

All meals will be served on the **Upper Concourse** of Pauley (where you checked-in from!)

I have allergies.

Oh no! Our food should have no nuts (except for Insomnia Cookies), but be sure to check with an organizer if you're unsure.

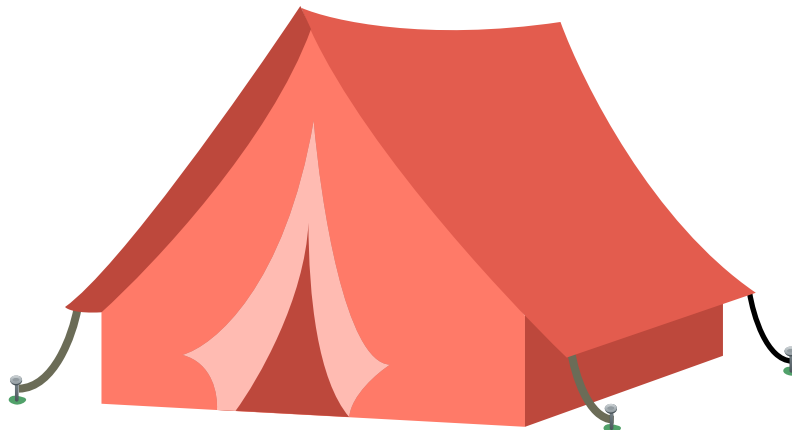
Do I have to pay for food?

No! Meals are included. But feel free to explore Westwood and all of its many good eats!

Sleep

Where do I sleep?

You can find the sleeping area on the map above! Note that our sleeping area is first come first serve and if it is full you will have to find an area within our venue. We will not be providing sleeping materials so please bring your own!



Minors/Waivers

Does a parent need to come to drop me off/pick me up if I am under 18?

Yes. Parents or legal guardians must be there to check in and check out the participant. Minors will have different colored wristbands.

Minors will not be allowed to leave Pauley Pavillion.



Buses

Where would the bus pick up and drop us off?

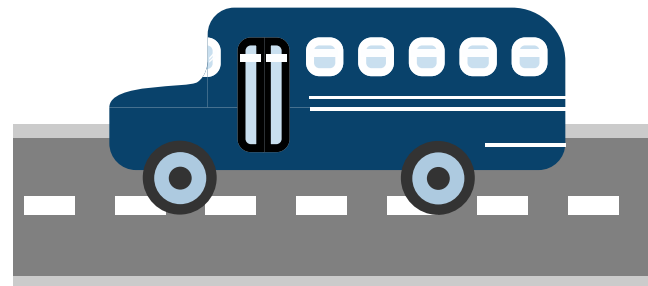
Transportation to UCLA will be provided for students from UCI and UCSD. Buses will arrive at UCLA at 408 Westwood Plaza. Buses will leave from UCLA at 408 Westwood Plaza.

Is the bus free?

Yes, but we will request a \$10 deposit to confirm your spot. You will receive your deposit back in full after checking in to the bus, checking in to the Hackathon, submitting a project, and checking in to the return bus.

Who can we reach out to for travel questions?

Each school (UCI and UCSD) will have a designated Bus Coordinator on your bus whom you can contact about bus times. You can also check with us in **#ask-an-organizer** on [Slack](#) for other questions. **There will not be any travel reimbursements this year.**



Parking

Will there be any parking for those who don't travel by bus?

Hackers do not get parking. If you have parked in a campus lot and are a HACKER, you will be charged by UCLA parking accordingly.

Judges and panelists will receive parking! Parking codes will be sent out via email before your arrival.

Mentors

What do mentors do?

Mentors are responsible for assisting hackers with **technical troubleshooting** of their projects and serve as guides to help hackers ideate projects or bring their ideas to life. Our diverse team of mentors comprises students and industry professionals who share a passion for hacking and innovation.



Rules

What are the rules for projects?

1. Each team can have a maximum of 4 members.
2. Teams should be made up exclusively of students who are not organizers, judges, sponsors, or in any other privileged position at the event.
3. All work on a project should be done at the hackathon.
 - Pre-existing work may be used provided that it is open source.
 - If a team chooses to add new features to an existing project, this will be permitted. However, teams must explicitly state which features were developed during the hackathon, and judges will only consider new functionality or features added during the hackathon in determining the winners.
 - Note that ideation and planning is allowed and encouraged to be done before the event but all coding and building must take place during hacking hours.
4. Teams must stop hacking once the time is up, at 7am (PDT), Sunday, April 21st (all teams are given a one-hour submission period from 7 - 8 am, which is designed for teams to complete Devpost requirements).
5. Teams can be disqualified from the competition at the organizers' discretion. Reasons may include but are not limited to: breaking the Competition Rules, breaking the Code of Conduct, or other unsporting behavior.
6. Teams can cross-submit their project to LA Hacks, provided that it was only worked on during the LA Hacks hacking time period.
7. All hackers must participate in-person and at least one member of your team must be in-person to present to judges from 10am-12:30pm on Sunday April 21st.

Tracks, Company Challenges, and Prizes

What tracks are there to hack for? What do we get if we win?

We'll have four tracks this year with their prizes listed below. You can find more information about each at lahacks.com:

Good to Go

- ★ 1st Place: Mayan Hammocks

Touch Grass

- ★ 1st Place: Camelbak Backpacks AND Lego Flowers

Touch Screen

- ★ 1st Place: Keychron K6 Pro Keyboard

Code Green

- ★ 1st Place: Eco-Friendly Tote Bag AND Owala Water Bottle



What about company challenges?

We have 6 company challenges this year from our amazing sponsors. You can find out more about each challenge at lahacks.com/live/resources. Each company and their prize is listed below.

Intel Company Challenge

- ★ 1st Place: \$2500 Intel® Developer Cloud credits + Lenovo AI PC per person
- ★ 2nd Place: \$1000 Intel® Developer Cloud credit per person
- ★ 3rd Place: \$500 Intel® Developer Cloud credit per person

Fetch AI Company Challenge

All three winning teams receive the following

- ★ 2k in cash
- ★ Interview with CEO and Founder Humayun Sheikh
- ★ Feature on Fetch Social Media

Google Company Challenge

- ★ 1st Place: 3k in cash
- ★ 2nd Place: 1.5k in cash
- ★ 3rd Place: 500 in cash

PSTC Company Challenge

- ★ 1st Place: PS5's

Infosys Company Challenge

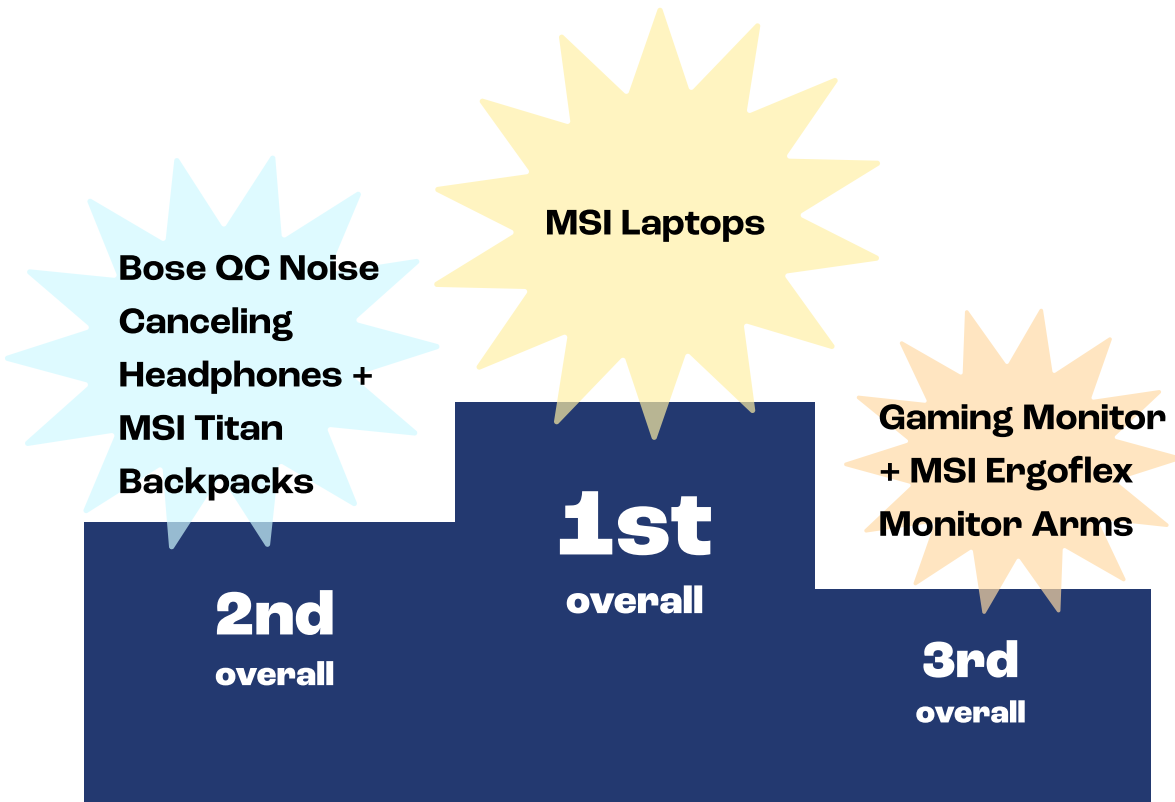
- ★ 1st Place: JBL Headphones and fast-track consideration for Infosys's summer internship

Reflex Company Challenge

- ★ 1st Place: 1k in cash

What about overall prizes?

You can find the overall prizes listed below! Note: you will not be considered for a track prize if you win an overall prize



Submissions

How do I submit my project?

Project submission HOUR is from 7 AM to 8 AM on Sunday, but you are welcome to submit anytime before as well! **Each project must have ONE submission on our [DevPost](#).**

Devpost fields may require a while to fill out, so be sure to leave yourselves AMPLE time to upload images/videos and other files. We recommend at least an hour to fill it out. We require a 5 minute video for our devpost! Please make sure you allot enough time for this. If you need inspiration, here is a submission from a winning team last year: <https://devpost.com/software/people2vec>.

For more help, flag down an organizer or refer to **#ask-an-organizer** in our **Slack**.

Late submissions will **not** be accepted.

