

Olympic Games - Medical School Style



Christina Kopriva and Lance Chapman holding the Golden Stethoscope trophy.

Students from medical schools throughout southern California gathered this past fall for the first annual Medical School Olympics. Hosted by USC, the events started early Saturday morning with basketball and ultimate frisbee and continued on through the day with soccer, flag football, volleyball, a 5K run and bowling.

The David Geffen School of Medicine had a strong showing with 67 students attending. The team won basketball, soccer and ultimate frisbee. Second year medical student Christina Kopriva won the bowling tournament and first year medical student Yermie Cohen achieved in the top time of 15:43 minutes in the 5K run. UCLA's team was the overall weekend champion and brought home the Golden Stethoscope trophy.

The games were created to build camaraderie among medical students from UCLA, Western University, UC San Diego and UC Irvine, in hopes of fostering further collaboration. The events provided students a great study break and an opportunity to socialize. The second annual event will be hosted by UCLA medical school students later this year.



Medical School Olympics 2010 UCLA Medical Student Basketball Team