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As a classroom instructor, research mentor, and administrator, her top priority is to serve and support students. She has been engaged in a broad set of activities associated with graduate education at UCSD, including academic success, financial support, and faculty/student mentoring. She engages with departments, programs, and campus partners to advocate for graduate students and postdoctoral scholars.

Judy Kim is a southern California native. She ventured to Boston and earned her BS degree in Chemistry and MS degree in Earth and Atmospheric Sciences from MIT. She returned to California to earn her PhD degree in Chemistry from the University of California Berkeley and moved back to SoCal to pursue postdoctoral studies at Caltech. In 2005, she joined the faculty at the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at UC San Diego, where she has built a research program in biophysical chemistry and spectroscopy. Throughout her career at UC San Diego, she served various roles in support of students, such as Vice Chair of Undergraduate and Graduate Education in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry as well as member of the Academic Senate Educational Policy Committee. In 2018, she joined the leadership team in the Division of Graduate Education and Postdoctoral Affairs (GEPA) as Associate Dean, then served as Interim Dean for a year before being appointed Dean in July, 2025.