EMERGENCY PLAN: TSUNAMIS
A step-by-step guide on Tsunami disaster management for UCSB students.

IN EVENT OF A TSUNAMI WARNING
- Get to high ground as far inland as possible
- Listen to emergency information and alerts
- Evacuate immediately and do not use Hwy 217 due to its low elevation
- Learn the signs: earthquake, loud roar from the ocean, unusual ocean behavior, sudden rise or draining of ocean floor

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW
- Familiarize yourself with your local tsunami risks
- Establish evacuation routes from your home and workplace
- Pick shelters 100 feet or more above sea level or at least one mile inland
- Sign up for your community’s warning system through The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

WHAT YOU CAN DO DURING
- If there are natural signs of tsunami, listen to authorities but do not wait for tsunami warnings and evacuation orders
- Remain outside of tsunami hazard zones unless directed otherwise
- Leave immediately if told to do so; evacuation routes are marked by a wave with an arrow in the direction of higher ground
- If in water, grab onto anything that floats
- If in a boat, head towards the direction of waves to sea, if in harbor, head inland

WHAT YOU CAN DO AFTER
- Monitor local alerts for available shelter locations and areas to avoid
- Do not touch electrical equipment if wet or are standing in water
- Document property damage with photos for insurance
- Use texting or social media to communicate with family as phone systems may be down

RESOURCES
Tsunami Readiness  Tsunami Terminology  Tsunami Evacuation Map

Refer to UCSB Campus e-mails and homepage at www.ucsb.edu for further information.