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As usual, there's more! Scroll down and starting reading.

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## Baskin Engineering welcomes 6 new faculty members



## Top Stories

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- Tue Dec 11, 6pm: [Startup Monterey Bay Tech Meetup](#), 656 Broadway, Seaside.
- Tue Dec 11, 6pm: [Monterey Bay Information Technologists Meetup](#), Pacific Grove.



- Wed Dec 12, 5:30pm: [Santa Cruz County AgTech Meetup](#) at 318 Union St., Watsonville.
- Thu Dec 13, 6pm: [Monterey Makers - Making Stuff Meetup](#), Pacific Grove.
- Tue Dec 18, 6pm: [Santa Cruz WordPress Meetup](#) at Cruzio.
- Wed Dec 19, 6:30pm: [Santa Cruz Bitcoin & Cryptocurrency Meetup](#) at NextSpace.

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