Trending

**SUPER CORN**

Distinguished professor of plant sciences Alan Bennett and a multidisciplinary team of researchers published a revolutionary discovery: an Indigenous variety of Mexican corn that can fix nitrogen from the atmosphere instead of requiring synthetic fertilizers. Social media posts about the news generated 6,946 engagements as well as 11,312 views of Snapchat and Instagram stories. USA Today, Smithsonian Magazine, ModernFarmer.com, ScientificAmerican.com, The Atlantic

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**AGGIE SQUARE** UC Davis and Kindred Healthcare announced the first major project for Aggie Square: a rehabilitation hospital at the Sacramento campus. Posts on UC Davis and executive social media channels generated 79,580 impressions and 7,328 engagements. The #AggieSquare hashtag was used 45 times on Twitter, pushing the live press event trending in the Sacramento area. The Davis Enterprise, Sacramento Business Journal, The Sacramento Bee

**BEST COLLEGE** Social media posts celebrating Money magazine ranking UC Davis the eighth “Best College” among U.S. public universities reached more than 128,000 viewers and yielded 9,266 engagements.

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**LAKE TAHOE** The UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center released the annual State of the Lake report, noting a long-term warming trend and a threat to the lake’s clarity. The Tahoe Weekly, The Fresno Bee, VCStar.com

**FIRE IMPACT** As wildfires continue to rage in California, UC Davis researchers investigating the impacts on air quality and forest habitat drew national attention. NPR, CNBC, Reno Gazette Journal


**NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY** The California History Project at UC Davis oversaw revisions to the state’s K–12 history curriculum to better reflect the contributions of Native Americans. The Mercury News

**TRADE EXPERTISE** Economist and distinguished professor Daniel Sumner continues to be widely quoted on agriculture tariffs and trade issues. San Francisco Chronicle, Marketplace, ThePacker.com

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**GLOBAL COLLABORATION** UC Davis joined Universitas 21, an international network of research-intensive universities committed to internationalization and multinational collaboration.

**STARTUP RECORD** The university enabled the foundation of 16 commercial companies — an all-time high — during the fiscal year ending June 30.

**GENEROUS SUPPORT** During the 2017–18 fiscal year, UC Davis raised more than $230 million from 36,645 donors and saw an 8.37 percent increase in the number of total gifts given.

**FIRES** Multiple UC Davis crews were instrumental in fighting the Carr Fire in Redding, California, and the Ferguson Fire near Yosemite National Park.
Go-getters, change makers, problem solvers

Opened in 1908, UC Davis is the most academically comprehensive university on the West Coast. We’re known for working across disciplines to solve the world’s most pressing problems and for our commitment to artistic and cultural expression.

What drives us

We empower a dynamic educational experience. We discover and innovate. We foster a diverse and inclusive community. We advance the condition of health. We nourish and feed the world. We protect and sustain the environment. We champion curiosity. We rank among the world’s best.

Distinctions in Brief

In 2016–17, 56 percent of our California resident undergraduates received enough gift aid to fully cover their base tuition and fees, and 51 percent of students awarded baccalaureate degrees did not take on student debt.

UC Davis graduates more California alumni than any other UC campus. One in every 230 Californians is a UC Davis alum. Recent alumni earn a median annual salary of $56,300, and experienced alumni earn $94,600.

UC Davis contributes more than $8.1 billion each year to the California economy. (Economic & Planning Systems Inc. 2015)

Our students, faculty and staff volunteer more than 600,000 hours of community service per year.

UC Davis is highly ranked among the most diverse large national research universities by U.S. News & World Report. Our community benefits from hundreds of programs and clubs that support diversity and inclusion.

In fall 2016, more than 44 percent of entering undergraduates at UC Davis were first-generation college students.

UC Davis is home to international students and scholars from more than 110 countries, and UC Davis Study Abroad students gain international perspectives in more than 40 countries each year.

The School of Law has the only “majority-minority” faculty of any leading American law school and offers community legal support in immigration, prison law, civil rights litigation and family protection.

The School of Education has prepared 7,700 teachers for California classrooms, and the Graduate School of Management has prepared 4,000 business leaders at campuses in Davis, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Ramon.

The College of Letters and Science is home to UC Davis’ 17 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and 38 Guggenheim fellows.

The Division of Continuing and Professional Education serves 62,000 students in all 50 states and 100 countries in more than 4,000 courses a year.

UC Davis Health serves a 33-county area and includes the region’s only Level I adult and pediatric trauma centers, National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer center, comprehensive full-service children’s hospital, transplant services, heart and vascular centers, institute for neurodevelopmental disorders, and a world-renowned telemedicine network.

In 2016–17, UC Davis filed 294 records of invention and 170 patent applications, negotiated 108 license agreements. In 2017–18, UC Davis helped establish 16 startups.

The Internship and Career Center typically facilitates 10,000 internship opportunities in a year.

Half of our undergraduates engage in hands-on research or creative projects beyond the classroom.

Aggie athletes are high academic achievers: 10 UC Davis athletic teams posted the highest multi year NCAA Academic Performance Report scores in their leagues (2013–2017).

The Rankings

1st in the world in veterinary science (QS World University Rankings)
1st in the world in agricultural economics and policy (Center for World University Rankings)
1st in the world in plant and animal programs (U.S. News & World Report)
1st in the nation and 2nd in the world in agriculture (QS World University Rankings; U.S. News & World Report)
1st among best value colleges for women in STEM (Forbes)
1st among top 100 producers of minority graduate degrees in biological and biomedical sciences (Diverse Issues in Higher Education)
3rd greenest university in the world (GreenMetric World University Rankings)
3rd among top U.S. colleges doing the most for low-income students (The New York Times College Access Index)
4th most international public institution in the U.S. (Times Higher Education)
5th best public university in the nation (The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education)
7th in the world in ecology and the environment (U.S. News & World Report)
10th among best medical schools in the nation for primary care (U.S. News & World Report)
10th among U.S. universities for research, social mobility and public service contributions (Washington Monthly)
12th among public universities nationwide (U.S. News & World Report)
14th in research funding among U.S. ranked public universities (National Science Foundation)
One of 15 public four-year colleges with high graduation rates leading to high incomes (College Scorecard, U.S. Department of Education)
46th among best nursing schools in the nation for master’s degrees (U.S. News & World Report)
UC Davis Medical Center and UC Davis Children’s Hospital consistently rank among the nation’s top 50 hospitals (U.S. News & World Report)

BY THE NUMBERS: Research funding: $783 million in 2016–17 • Private support: $230 million in 2017–18 • Colleges/Schools: 4 colleges (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, Letters and Science); 6 professional schools (Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Nursing, Veterinary Medicine) • Student enrollment: 38,371 (fall 2017) • Faculty/academics: 4,736 • Staff: 17,272 • Student employees: 9,690 • Living alumni: 250,000 • Undergraduate majors: 102 • Graduate programs: 96 • Intercollegiate sports: 25 (16 women’s, 9 men’s) • Campus area: 5,300 acres

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