

## Trending



**HONORING OUR FALLEN SOLDIERS** UC Davis unveiled a Gold Star Aggies Wall to honor its war casualties in the newly remodeled Memorial Union. A [live video](#) of the annual Memorial Day ceremony and dedication of the wall on May 25 reached nearly 100,000 viewers.

**TOP 10 BEST VALUE** Social media posts about *Forbes* ranking UC Davis among the Top 10 Best Value Colleges in America had more than 200,000 impressions and 6,500 engagements.

**BIKE LOVERS** [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) posts



celebrating our cycling culture and National Bike Month reached

more than 115,000 viewers and had 7,100 engagements.

## Top Stories with media highlights



### **CLIMATE IMPACTING LAKE**

**TAHOE** A news release about the annual report on Lake Tahoe's clarity from the UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center generated over 200 news items in local, regional, national and international media. *The New York Times*, *Daily Mail*, KCRA

**NEW PLANETARY OBJECT** Planetary scientist Sarah Stewart and Harvard graduate student Simon Lock proposed a new type of planetary object: a hot, spinning donut of vaporized rock called a synestia. *Nature*, *New Scientist*, Gizmodo.com

**FISH EXTINCTION** UC Davis researchers participated in a report on the future of California's native salmon and trout, which found that about half of these fish species could be extinct within 50 years. NPR, KCRA



**MYSTERY SOLVED** In 2015, remodeling contractors in San Francisco found a small coffin with the body of a girl aged about 2. Anthropologist Jelmer Eerkens has helped identify the girl as Edith Cook, who died in 1876 and was buried in a cemetery that was later moved. *Los Angeles Times*, KTVU

## Institutional highlights



### **CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2017!**

Commencements for more than 9,000 students earning undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees began last month and continue through June 18. Our 250,000th living alum will graduate this spring.

**FULBRIGHT GRANTS** Seven UC Davis students and alumni have been awarded Fulbright grants and will travel to three continents as cultural ambassadors.

### **SUPPORTING LOW-INCOME STUDENTS**

UC Davis ranks third in *The New York Times*' latest College Access Index, which measures U.S. colleges based on their commitment to economic diversity. A Facebook [post](#) about the ranking reached more than 107,000 users and engaged 3,400.

**DESIGN CONTEST** Chancellor-designate Gary May and LeShelle May launched a contest inviting students to design two public rooms in the Chancellor's Residence.

# Distinctions in Brief

## 21ST CENTURY UNIVERSITY

**Nine** interdisciplinary **Organized Research Units** combine their expertise to study cancer, the environment, health care and numerous other topics.

Leader in **energy research** with more than **100 faculty** engaged in renewable energy, biofuels, efficiency, hydrogen pathways, transportation and lighting technology.

At the forefront of **identifying and controlling diseases**, our experts in human health, veterinary medicine and agriculture address critical **One Health** issues such as avian flu, and Zika and West Nile viruses.

## IMPACTING CALIFORNIA AND THE WORLD

UC Davis educates **more California undergraduates than any other UC campus**; one in every 204 Californians is a UC Davis alum.

Recent alumni earn a median annual salary of **\$56,400**, and experienced alumni earn **\$94,600**.

In 2015–16, UC Davis brought in **\$760 million in sponsored research**, filed **230 records of invention** and **240 patent applications**, issued **51 licenses for technology** and helped to establish **14 startups**.

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

The **School of Education** has prepared **7,700 teachers** for California classrooms, and the Graduate School of Management has prepared **4,000 business leaders**.

UC Davis Health serves a **33-county area with 6 million residents**. It 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**.

The School of Law offers **community legal support** in immigration, prison law, civil rights litigation and family protection.

UC Davis Extension serves **58,000**

**students in all 50 states and 100 countries** in more than **3,000 courses a year**.

UC Davis students, faculty and staff **volunteer more than 600,000 hours of community service** each year.

## A COMPREHENSIVE, AFFORDABLE EDUCATION

Leader in interdisciplinary study, offering nearly 100 graduate programs and more than 100 academic majors. **Nearly 40 percent of our undergraduate students participate in hands-on research**.

**Third among top U.S. colleges** doing the most for low-income students. (*New York Times* 2017)

**Top-ranked UC and No. 62 nationally** in alumni earnings above expectation. (*The Economist* 2015)

In 2015–16, **57 percent of California resident undergraduates** at UC Davis received enough gift aid to **fully cover** their base tuition and fees. **40 percent of our undergraduates** are Pell Grant recipients, and **47 percent of students** awarded baccalaureate degrees in 2015–16 **did not take on student debt**.

Key campus services and events are **run by students** such as the Unitrans bus system and Picnic Day.

Each year more **than 1,350 UC Davis Study Abroad students** gain an international perspective in **more than 40 countries** and diverse areas of study.

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

UC Davis is the **fourth most international public university in the U.S.**, according to *Times Higher Education*, and is ranked **11th among institutions hosting international scholars** by the Institute of International Education.

**UC Davis is highly ranked** among the **most racially and ethnically diverse** large national research universities by *U.S. News and World Report*.

**Aggie athletes** are high academic achievers. **Eight UC Davis athletic teams** posted the **highest NCAA Graduation Success Rates** in their respective conferences in 2017.

## The Numbers

**1st** in the world for sustainability (*GreenMetric World University Ranking*)

**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 and World Report*)

**1st** in the nation and 2nd in the world in agriculture (*QS World University Rankings; U.S. News and World Report*)

**1st** among best value colleges for women in STEM (*Forbes*)

**4th** in the world in ecology and the environment (*U.S. News and World Report*)

**6th** best public university in the nation (*Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education*)

**7th** among public universities and **27th** among public and private universities (*The Best Colleges' Top 50 Colleges and Universities in America*)

**10th** in the ranking of American universities based on contributions to society (*Washington Monthly*)

**10th** among public universities nationwide (*U.S. News and 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)

UC Davis Medical Center and UC Davis Children's Hospital consistently rank among the nation's **top 50 hospitals** (*U.S. News and World Report*)

**Research funding:** \$760 million in 2015–16

**Private support:** \$226 million in 2015–16

**Colleges/Schools:** **4 colleges** (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, Letters and Science); **6 professional schools** (Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, Nursing)

**Student enrollment:** 37,395 (fall 2016)

**Faculty/academics:** 4,200

**Staff:** 15,300

**Student employees:** 3,600

**Living alumni:** 241,299

**Undergraduate majors:** 104

**Graduate programs:** 99

**Intercollegiate sports:** 23 (14 women's, 9 men's)

**Campus area:** 5,300 acres