

## Trending



**ARRIVAL BUZZ** Along with a host of local news outlets interviewing Chancellor May in August (shown here with his wife, LeShelle, on the set of CBS' "Good Day Sacramento"), the social media community showed its excitement. For example, his Q&A session on Facebook Live reached 151,672 people and generated nearly 30,000 video views and engagements.

**REDDIT AMA** Cell biologist Paul Knoepfler's "Ask Me Anything" on CRISPR, stem cells and brain cancer research generated 12,245 upvotes and 1,252 comments.

**'DOG-TORATES'** An Instagram post celebrating our love of dogs on National Dog Day drew more than 5,500 engagements and reached 26,735 viewers.

## Top Stories with media highlights



**SOLAR CONNECTIONS** Among millions thrilled by the Aug. 21 solar eclipse, physicist Matt Richter explained its science on television, civil engineer Holly Oldroyd took part in an experiment on atmospheric fluxes, and astrophysicist Joe Biello experienced his first total eclipse. *ABC10, Wall Street Journal, Idahostatesman.com*

**GROUNDBREAKING TREATMENT** Bulldog puppies were the first patients to benefit from a new treatment for spina bifida using a combination of stem cells and surgery. Pediatric surgeon Diana Farmer with Beverly Sturges, Dori Borjesson and colleagues from the School of Veterinary Medicine hope to achieve the same results in children. *Sacramento Bee, VetTimes.co.uk*

**CHEESE AND SKULLS** The invention of farming, especially dairy products, influenced the shape of human skulls, concluded anthropologists Tim Weaver and David Katz after measuring hundreds of skulls from communities of foragers and early farmers. *Telegraph.co.uk, Futurity.org*

**STATE OF THE LAKE** The Tahoe Environmental Research Center released its annual State of the Lake report, warning that intense seasonal changes threaten the lake. *SF Gate.com, KNPR, Sacramento Bee*

**TEACHING CALIFORNIA** The California Historical Society will work with our California History-Social Science Project to develop the **state-funded Teaching California** curriculum. One recommendation is to remove the mission model project for fourth-graders. *San Francisco Chronicle, Sacramento Bee*

Mission projects could be replaced with richer and broader curricula



## Institutional highlights

### DOING GOOD WELL

*Washington Monthly* ranked UC Davis ninth overall among national universities for contributions to the public good. We also ranked eighth in the criterion for promoting social mobility.

**RISING STARS** Fifteen early-career faculty members in a wide variety of disciplines were named 2017 Hellman Fellows in recognition of their potential for great academic distinction.

### WINNING DESIGNS

Chancellor and Mrs. May will draw upon all six of the ideas entered in the recent design contest for decorating the public rooms in the Chancellor's Residence.

# Go-getters, change makers, problem solvers

Founded in 1905, 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 enrich life. We rank among the world's best.

## Distinctions in Brief

In 2015-16, **57 percent of our California resident undergraduates received enough aid to fully cover their base tuition and fees**, and **47 percent** of students awarded baccalaureate degrees **did not take on student debt**.

**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**.

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 *US 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 Study Abroad students gain an **international perspective** 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**.

The College of Letters and Science is home to **17 Guggenheim Fellows in eight disciplines**.

UC Davis Extension serves **58,000 students in all 50 states** and **100 countries** in **more than 3,000 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 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 establish **14 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**; eight UC Davis athletic teams posted the **highest NCAA Graduation Success Rates** in their respective conferences in 2017.

## The Rankings

**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 & 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*)

**3rd** among top U.S. colleges doing the most for low-income students (*New York Times College Access Index 2017*)

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

**4th** most international public institution in the U.S. (*Times Higher Education 2017*)

**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** 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*)

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:** \$760 million in 2015–16 • **Private support:** \$250 million in 2016-17 • **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:** 37,395 (fall 2016) • **Faculty/academics:** 4,200 • **Staff:** 15,300 • **Student employees:** 3,600 • **Living alumni:** 250,000 • **Undergraduate majors:** 104 • **Graduate programs:** 99 • **Intercollegiate sports:** 23 (14 women's, 9 men's) • **Campus area:** 5,300 acres

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