



Trending



THE BUDWEISER CLYDESDALES visited campus, generating excitement and activity. A Facebook [post](#) about their visit reached 175,646 viewers and had more than 66,000 video views and engagements.

SACRAMENTO MAYOR and UC Davis alumnus Darrell Steinberg and a delegation visited with Chancellor-Designate Gary S. May at Georgia Tech. Steinberg [tweeted](#) that Tech Square can be a model for collaboration between UC Davis and Sacramento.

THE ANNUAL grad cap contest reached more than 252,000 viewers and generated 309,842 engagements on social media.

A FACEBOOK POST about in-coming 18-year-old Ph.D. student Nkechinyere Chidi-Ogbolu reached 105,136 viewers and had more than 4,000 engagements.

Top Stories with media highlights

DNA REPLICATION, UP CLOSE Professor Steve Kowalczykowski's lab in the College of Biological Sciences used videos of the growth of single pieces of DNA to make new discoveries about DNA replication, the fundamental process of life on Earth. *Newsweek*, *Mashable.com*, *Science Friday*



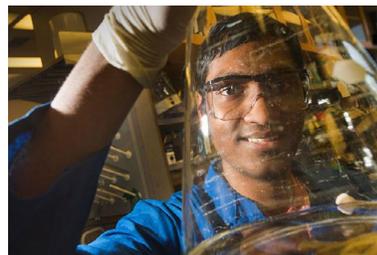
VOLCANIC 'BLACK BOX' The magma under volcanoes that causes eruptions is more like a solid snow cone than a pit of molten rock, according

to volcanologist Kari Cooper and colleagues. Their study of crystals from eruption debris around New Zealand's Mount Tarawera could give insight into when a volcano is becoming dangerous. *Cosmos*, *Stuff.co.nz*, *International Business Times*, *Daily Express*

OLDEST KNOWN HUMANS Anthropologist Teresa Steele was part of a team that discovered human fossils in Morocco that push back the known origin of modern humans by 100,000 years. Steele studied animal bones from the site, showing that our ancestors ate a variety of game including gazelle, zebra and wildebeest. *CBS*, *Daily Express*, *The Independent*

Institutional highlights

UNIVERSITY MEDALIST Srujan Koppurapu, who earned two



degrees in three years, received the 2017 University Medal in recognition of excellence in undergraduate studies, outstanding community service and the promise of future contributions to society.

HIGHEST HONORS The late William J. "Bill" Chancellor, professor emeritus of biological and agricultural engineering, and alumnus and businessman Bruce Edwards were honored with the prestigious [UC Davis Medal](#).

INNOVATORS Interim Chancellor Ralph J. Hexter named Lara Downes, artist in residence at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, and Jorge Dubcovsky, distinguished professor of plant sciences, as the [2017 Innovators of the Year](#).

PEDIATRIC LEADERS *U.S. News and World Report* ranked UC Davis Children's Hospital in five pediatric specialties in the 2017-18 [Best Children's Hospitals](#) rankings.

NEW VENTURES *Techwire.net* and local media covered the Graduate School of Management's annual Big Bang! Business Competition, where teams of inventors competed for more than \$60,000 in awards.

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 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 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.

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* College Access Index 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: 250,000

Undergraduate majors: 104

Graduate programs: 99

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

Campus area: 5,300 acres