

## Trending

**'RAD' CAPS** UC Davis students demonstrated their phenomenal creativity by entering a graduation cap decorating contest that yielded 162 entries and 36,595 social media engagements. The winning entry (right) combines humor and sentimentality. Go Ags!

**RAPTOR REHAB** A video about a rehabilitated bald eagle recently released by the UC Davis California Raptor Center had more than 17k views and engagements, including more than 100 shares.

**UC DAVIS 360** A 360-video released on #WorldWaterDay gave 10,000 viewers a unique look at the Bodega Marine Laboratory, including under the water.

**LARGE ANIMAL PET SCANNERS** Social media posts about UC Davis becoming the first place in the world to acquire a PET scanner for horses reached more than 41,000 people.



## Top Stories with media highlights

**13 BILLION LIGHT YEARS AWAY** UC Davis researchers led an international team that used gravitational lensing to obtain snapshots of stars behind a distant galaxy cluster. Physics professor Marusa Bradac said the project “allows us to truly see where no human has seen before.” The work could help scientists explain how the universe evolved. *Daily Mail*



**FELONY CONSEQUENCES** School of Law professor Gabriel J. Chin was quoted in an article about a federal judge in Brooklyn sentencing a woman in a drug case to probation rather than prison, and his work was cited in the judge’s opinion. *New York Times*

**DOCTORS AND GUNS** Dr. Garen Wintemute, director of the UC Davis violence prevention research program and emergency physician, advocates for doctors discussing gun safety with their patients in the same manner as they discuss smoking and other health risks. More than 33,000 people in the U.S. died of gunshot wounds in 2014. *Time*



**NO END FOR “SUDDEN OAK DEATH”** UC Davis, North Carolina State University and the University of Cambridge released a new computer modeling study suggesting the “sudden oak death” epidemic in California is too large and

aggressive to eradicate. UC Davis ecologist Richard C. Cobb said massive tree loss is unavoidable, but “there is still time to avoid the worst possible outcomes” through local management and protection efforts. *Washington Post, Los Angeles Times*

## Institutional highlights

**TOP IN TRANSFERS** UC Davis ranked first in the nation for the share of transfer students entering an undergraduate program, at 37 percent, which includes a high proportion of veterans and low-income, first-generation and nontraditional students. *Washington Post*

**LIFELONG DRIVE TO LEARN** Animal science student Lucydalila Cedillo is the top graduating senior at UC Davis and this year’s University Medal recipient. Cedillo, who grew up in East Los Angeles in a home without books, will pursue a doctoral degree at Harvard and a career as a professor.



An anonymous donor’s gift established the University Medal in 1965 to recognize a graduating senior for excellence in undergraduate studies, outstanding community service and the promise of future scholarship and contributions to society.

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT HOST** Imagining America: Artists and Scholars in Public Life, a civic-engagement consortium of more than 100 academic institutions and cultural organizations, will move its national headquarters from Syracuse University to UC Davis in the summer of 2017.

# Distinctions in Brief

## 21ST CENTURY UNIVERSITY

- **Leads** the world in **veterinary medicine** and 1st in the nation and **2nd in the world** in **agriculture and forestry**. (QS World University Rankings 2016)
- **Leading sustainable institution** with numerous innovative programs and accolades—ranked third internationally and second in the U.S. (*GreenMetric World University Ranking* 2015)
- Leader in **energy research** with more than 100 faculty engaged in renewable energy, biofuels, efficiency, hydrogen pathways, transportation and lighting technology.
- 9 interdisciplinary **Organized Research Units** combine their expertise to study cancer, the environment, health care and numerous other interdisciplinary topics.
- At the forefront of **identifying and controlling diseases**, our experts in human health, veterinary medicine and agriculture impact critical **One Health** issues such as avian flu, and Zika and West Nile viruses.
- Student Health Services program ranked **first in the nation**. (*Princeton Review* 2015)

## 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 \$51,700, and experienced alumni earn \$94,600.
- In 2014-15, UC Davis brought in a **record \$786 million in sponsored research**, filed 229 records of invention and 210 patent applications, issued 57 licenses for UC Davis technology, and helped to establish 13 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 **more than 6,800 teachers for our schools' classrooms**, and the Graduate School of Management has prepared nearly **3,500 business leaders**.
- UC Davis offers the only veterinary school in the UC system and the **only public veterinary school in California**.
- UC Davis Health System serves a **33-county area composed of 6 million residents**. It includes the region's only

Level 1 trauma center, NCI-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**.

- UC Davis' Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital cares for **50,000 small and large animals each year**.
- The School of Law offers **community legal support** in immigration, prison law, civil rights litigation and family protection.
- Last year, UC Davis Extension served students **in all 50 states and 115 countries** via more than 62,000 enrollments.
- 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**.
- Second among top U.S. colleges doing the most for **low-income students**. (*New York Times* 2015)
- Top-ranked UC and No. 62 nationally in **alumni earnings** above expectation. (*The Economist* 2015)
- Top-ranked UC in **value** added to student earnings 10 years after enrollment. (Brookings Institute 2015)
- In 2014-15, 56 percent of California resident undergraduates at UC Davis received **enough gift aid to fully cover their base tuition and fees**. 41 percent of our undergraduates are Pell Grant recipients, and **44 percent of students awarded baccalaureate degrees in 2014-15 did not take on student debt**.
- Key campus services and events are **run by students**, including the Unitrans bus system, Coffee House and Picnic Day.
- More than 1,350 UC Davis Study Abroad students **in more than 40 countries**—and on every continent—gain an international perspective.
- The Internship and Career Center is one of the **largest academic internship programs in the country**.

- UC Davis is highly ranked among the **most racially and ethnically diverse** large national research universities by *U.S. News & World Report* and ranks **9th among leading institutions hosting international scholars** (Institute of International Education 2014/15).
- Aggie athletes are **high academic achievers**. Nine UC Davis athletic teams posted the **highest NCAA Graduation Success Rates** in their respective conferences in 2015.

## The Numbers

- **1st** in the world in veterinary medicine (QS World University Rankings 2016)
- **2nd** in the world in agriculture and forestry (QS World University Rankings 2016)
- **3rd** in the world in ecology and the environment (*U.S. News & World Report*)
- **7th** among public universities and **27th** among public and private universities (*The Best Colleges' Top 50 Colleges and Universities in America* for 2016)
- **11th** 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)
- **16th** in the ranking of American universities based on contributions to society (*Washington Monthly* 2015)
- UC Davis Medical Center and UC Davis Children's Hospital consistently rank among the nation's **top 50 hospitals** (*U.S. News & World Report*)

**Research funding:** \$786 million in 2014-15

**Private support:** \$184 million in 2014-15

**Total endowment fund** reached \$1 billion in 2015

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

**Student enrollment:** 36,104 (fall 2015)

**Living alumni:** 238,167

**Undergraduate majors:** 104

**Graduate programs:** 96

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

**Campus area:** 5,300 acres