

Trending



FAN FAVORITE

The UC Davis Facebook page fan base surpassed **90,000** a couple of days before our Instagram followers topped **20,000**. We're the No. 3 UC campus on both platforms and close behind Berkeley in terms of Instagram likes.

BUILDING PRIDE Featuring giant posters of seven unique Aggies, the [Bainer Hall wall installation](#) has engaged campus audiences with the “One of a Kind, Like You” campaign introduced this fall. Only weeks in, we’ve had about **7,000** views of the campaign video on Facebook and YouTube and more than **1,000** profile views on the campaign website.

Top Stories



OCEAN POLLUTION UC Davis research on the effects of people on our oceans, including fish and human health, was covered nationwide via *Popular Science*, CNN and other outlets. A UC Davis study with Hasanuddin University in Indonesia showed roughly a quarter of the fish sampled from fish markets in California and Indonesia contained human-made debris in their guts. Another study published by Chelsea Rochman, featured on CNN, showed that 8 trillion microbeads, plastic microspheres widely used in cosmetics and personal care products, pollute U.S. aquatic habitats daily.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND WILDFIRES UC Davis researchers contributed to a report on the split-personality nature of Southern California wildfires, describing two distinct wildfire regimes: those driven by offshore Santa Ana winds and non-Santa Ana fires that result primarily from hot, dry conditions. (*Bloomberg Business*)



SOCIAL MEDIA EFFECT ON TEENS Robert Faris, UC Davis associate professor of sociology, was one of two experts who joined CNN’s Anderson Cooper for the special report, “Being 13: Inside the Secret World of Teens.” The episode of *Anderson Cooper 360* focused on a research project in which Faris and other youth aggression experts followed more than 200 eighth-graders throughout the country on social media—with the students’ permission—tracking their conversations. The study found, among other things, that social media contributes to teens feeling left out of social situations, and that teens use social media purposely to exclude others.

Institutional Highlights

PETS AND FIRE Stories on the Veterinary Medicine Clinic that saved pets injured in the recent California fires were covered nationally, spurred donations and received more than 11K shares on the SVM Facebook page.



RANKINGS UC Davis was recently ranked second among top U.S. colleges doing the most for low-income students (*New York Times* “College Access Index” 2015) and sixth among universities with the most students hired by top companies in and around Silicon Valley (*Business Insider* 2015).

INITIATIVES Hundreds gathered on Sept. 22 in the Mondavi Center’s Jackson Hall for the annual UC Davis Convocation, where Chancellor Katehi discussed the vision for the University of the 21st Century. Highlights included an overview of the strategic framework for the next two decades as well as how UC Davis will focus on diversity and realize new and progressive learning paradigms. Other speakers included Rep. Doris Matsui of Sacramento; Michael Lairmore, dean, School of Veterinary Medicine; André Knoesen, chair, Academic Senate; and Harris Lewin, vice chancellor, Office of Research.

Distinctions in Brief

21ST CENTURY UNIVERSITY

- Leads the world in **agricultural and environmental sciences** and **veterinary medicine**
- Tied for 1st among public research universities producing the most U.S. **Fulbright scholars**
- Leader in **energy research** with more than 100 faculty engaged in renewable energy, biofuels, efficiency, hydrogen pathways, transportation and lighting technology
- **12 interdisciplinary** Organized Research Units combine their expertise to study cancer, the environment, healthcare and numerous other cross-disciplinary topics.
- Leading **sustainable** institution with numerous innovative programs and accolades—ranked 4th internationally and 1st in the U.S. (*GreenMetric World University Ranking* 2014)
- At the forefront of identifying and controlling diseases, our experts in human health, veterinary medicine and agriculture impact critical **One Health** issues like avian flu and West Nile virus.
- **Student Health Services** program ranked 1st in the world

IMPACTING CALIFORNIA AND THE WORLD

- UC Davis educates **more California undergraduates** than any other UC campus; **one in every 250** Californians is a UC Davis alum. Our alumni earn a mean annual salary of \$93,100—twice the California average
- In 2014-15, UC Davis brought in a record \$780 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 **\$3 billion** each year to the California economy and returns \$5 for every state dollar received. (Center for Strategic Economic Research 2011)

- The School of Education has prepared more than **6,000 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.
- The UC Davis Health System serves **33 counties and 6 million residents** and includes the region's only Level 1 trauma center, NCI-designated cancer center, comprehensive children's hospital, transplant services, vascular center, 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.
- UC Davis Extension has more than 60,000 enrollments each year, making it the **second largest extension** in the UC system.
- UC Davis students, faculty and staff volunteer more than **half a million 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**
- More than half of all undergraduate students participate in **hands-on research**.
- 2nd among top U.S. colleges **doing the most for low-income students** (*New York Times* 2015). 43 percent of our undergraduates are Pell Grant recipients and 44 percent of our students awarded a baccalaureate degree in 2013-14 did not take on student debt.
- Key campus services and events are **run by students**: Unitrans bus system, Coffee House, Picnic Day and more.

- 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*.

The Numbers

RANKINGS

- **10th** in the ranking of American universities based on contributions to society (*Washington Monthly*)
- **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 4-year colleges with high graduation rates leading to high incomes (*College Scorecard*, U.S. Department of Education)
- **7th** among public universities and 27th among public and private universities (*The Best Colleges' Top 50 Colleges and Universities in America* for 2016)
- Medical Center consistently ranked among the **top 50** hospitals in the U.S. (*U.S. News & World Report*)

Research funding: \$780 million in 2014-15

Private support: \$184 million in 2014-15

Colleges/Schools: Four colleges (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, Letters and Science); six professional schools (Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing).

Student enrollment: 35,415 (fall 2014)

Living alumni: 231,297

Undergraduate majors: 104

Graduate programs: 96

Intercollegiate sports: 27 (15 women's, 12 men's)

Campus area: 5,300 acres