

Trending



AGGIE OLYMPIANS Two UC Davis alumni are competing in the 2016 Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro. Seth Weil '11 will be rowing, and Kim Conley '09 will be running. Go Ags!

BEST COLLEGE, BEST COLLEGE TOWN UC Davis [ranked](#) as the ninth public institution and 17th overall on *Money Magazine's* latest list of best colleges. Social media posts about the ranking showed more than 36,000 impressions and 4,588 engagements. *Business Insider* [ranked](#) Davis the sixth best college town in the nation. Two social media posts about the ranking had nearly 10,000 engagements and reached 107,000 viewers.

1 MEDICAL CENTER *US News & World Report* ranked UC Davis Medical Center No. 1 in the Sacramento metropolitan area and among the top 50 hospitals in the country.

Top Stories with media highlights

WEIGHING A BEE Teams of engineering students worked with UC Davis entomologists to build a scale for weighing individual bees as they come and go from a hive. It's part of a project to fully understand how wild bumble bees, which are important pollinators of both crops and wild plants, respond to a changing environment. Capital Public Radio



PIGEONS AND LEAD A new study shows that New York City pigeons can be used to track lead pollution in the city. UC Davis Professor Rebecca Calisi, who carried out the work while at Columbia University, is now pursuing pigeons as pollution monitors in California. *New York Times*, *New York Post*, WNYC, Capital Public Radio

BAD NEWS FOR BULLDOGS The English bulldog is a beloved breed, but plagued by health problems. A study by UC Davis geneticists shows the bulldogs' gene pool has become so restricted by inbreeding that the breed cannot be improved without an infusion of new genes from other dogs.



In addition to coverage from major outlets like BBC, *National Geographic*, *New York Times* and *Washington Post*, Reddit generated 5,600 up-votes and 936 comments.

Institutional highlights



UC DAVIS ADMITS MORE THAN 39K With this year's admitted undergraduate applicants, the university increased its admission of California residents and made progress toward its goal of being designated a Hispanic-Serving Institution.

ECONOMIC ENGINE The Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities designated UC Davis as an Innovation and Economic Prosperity University in recognition of its support of economic development. UC Davis is the first UC campus to join the group of 58 public IEP universities.

RECORD FUNDRAISING YEAR Thanks to the amazing support of alumni, parents, donors and friends, the 2015-16 fiscal year showed a donation total of \$226 million, the largest total raised in a single fiscal year since the university began.

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 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)

Faculty/academics: 4,200

Staff: 15,300

Student employees: 3,600

Living alumni: 240,438

Undergraduate majors: 104

Graduate programs: 96

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

Campus area: 5,300 acres