

## Trending



**MAKING THE GRADE WITH SKI RUNS** A story on a study of abandoned ski slopes saw dozens of media hits and had the highest engagement of any story we've tracked to date, with nearly 732,000 views and an average of 3:30 spent on the page. The study found that when runs are graded they show little future recovery, even 40 years after abandonment. *San Francisco Chronicle*, Reddit

**2016 PREDICTIONS** A collection of researcher predictions on immigration, the Supreme Court, the environment and other topics earned national and local coverage, thousands of hits on social media and more than 60,000 homepage views. Facebook yielded 38,462 views and over 2,000 users clicked to the full BuzzFeed article. McClatchy also carried a national story that leaned heavily on economist Giovanni Peri's predictions on Mexican and Chinese immigration.

**DR. BENNET OMALU** The new movie *Concussion* is bringing a lot of attention to UC Davis Health System professor Bennet Omalu. For example, Will Smith reflected on playing him in a recent KCET piece, and our tweet about it was viewed 8 times more than any other UC Davis tweet.

## Top Stories with Media Highlights



**TREATING EAR TUMORS HELPS ENDANGERED FOXES** Roughly half of adult foxes from California's Catalina Island examined between 2001 and 2008 had tumors in their ears, with about two-thirds of those malignant, according to a UC Davis study published in the journal *PLOS ONE*. Treatment is helping save the foxes and their numbers are now up to more than 1,700. *Associated Press*

throughout the world quoted Dr. Garen Wintemute, director of the UC Davis Violence Prevention Research Program and one of the leading experts in the world on gun violence. *Public Radio International*, *Los Angeles Times*

UC Davis terrorism experts were also quoted in dozens of stories, and Karima Bennoune, School of Law professor, authored a blog in the *Huffington Post* on the mass shooting.



**LEGENDARY SUGAR PINE'S GENOME SEQUENCED** A research team led by UC Davis scientists has sequenced the genome of California's legendary sugar pine. At 10 times the size of the human genome, it is the largest ever sequenced for any organism and is expected to provide valuable information that may help preserve the iconic but imperiled tree. *Daily Mail*



### **GUN VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM**

UC Davis lent expertise in health care, gun violence and terrorism after a mass shooting in

San Bernardino at a holiday party for county workers. Hundreds of stories

## Institutional Highlights

### **CHANCELLOR'S FELLOWS**

Chancellor Katehi announced a new class of Chancellor's Fellows, a donor-supported program that pays huge dividends. The philanthropic contribution over the last 15 years has been \$2.45 million to assist our younger faculty members with their research, and they have received \$528 million in grants and awards after being named Chancellor's Fellows.

### **CALIFORNIA UNDERGRADUATE LEADER**

For years UC Davis has educated more California undergraduates than any other UC campus. 2015 enrollment totals showed nearly 25,000 UC Davis undergraduates from California—about 2,000 more than the next highest total at UCLA. A record high of 86,041 prospective students have applied to study at UC Davis for fall 2016; about 80 percent of freshman applicants are California residents.

# Distinctions in Brief

## 21ST CENTURY UNIVERSITY

- Leads the world in agricultural and environmental sciences and veterinary medicine; UC Davis is one of only four institutions with two programs ranked No. 1 globally. (*QS World University Rankings* 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, healthcare and numerous other cross-disciplinary topics.
- Leading **sustainable** institution with numerous innovative programs and accolades—ranked fourth internationally and first 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 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 mean 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 **\$6.9 billion** each year to the California economy. (*Center for Strategic Economic Research* 2011)
- 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). Forty-three 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* 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

### RANKINGS

- **1st** in the world in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences and Veterinary Medicine (*QS World University Rankings* 2015)
- **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 **top 50** hospitals nationally. (*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 the Betty Irene Moore School of 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