Trending

**UNITS TURNS 50** ASUCD recreated the original 1967 Unitrans bus dedication ceremony to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first two double-deckers arriving on campus. An Instagram video post from the event yielded 31,891 impressions and more than 3,800 engagements, likes and comments.

**VERY POPULAR SCIENCE** A Facebook live stream of a Nov. 9 Popular Science “Innovators of Tomorrow” event hosted by UC Davis at the Mondavi Center had 11,281 video views and nearly 2,000 clicks and engagements. The event included presentations by high school innovators and a lively panel discussion with Chancellor May, Jackie Birdsall, Toyota Motor North America senior engineer, and Ross Fubini, Village Global co-founder and partner.

Top Stories with media highlights

**GUN VIOLENCE** UC Davis experts were featured in multiple stories about recent mass shootings. For example, legal expert Kelly Behre commented on domestic violence issues related to the Northern California shooting in a Los Angeles Times story that was also picked up by the San Diego Union, Post Gazette and Africa News.


**DACA UNCERTAINTY** Public Radio International called on UC Davis experts in its piece on the emotional experiences of immigrants living under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) uncertainty. Sociologist Caitlin Patler, student Karla Ornelas, and Kevin Johnson, dean of the School of Law, commented for the story. PRI, Marketplace, National Public Radio.

**DECEPTIVE RESILIENCE** Professor of evolution and ecology Brian Gaylord co-authored a study that found natural habitats to be vital in helping plants and animals resist increasing heat stresses and suggested species may appear deceptively resilient to climate change. Newsweek, San Francisco Chronicle, International Business Times.

Institutional Highlights

**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL** The women’s basketball team had its best start (7-0) in its Division I history. Go Aggies!

**GUNROCK LAGER** UC Davis rolled out a new beer, Gunrock Lager, a fitting celebration of our leadership role in brewing science and education. The light-bodied American lager is on sale at select Athletics events and Sudwerk Brewery, with more locations coming soon.

**BIKING BRAVO** For the second time, UC Davis was named a Platinum Bicycle Friendly University by the League of American Bicyclists. A tweet about our biking leadership garnered more than 10,000 impressions and 726 engagements and retweets.

**GLOBAL AGGIES** UC Davis celebrated International Education Week, Nov. 13-17, with more than 20 activities facilitated by Global Affairs, including cultural workshops, information sessions, entertainment and other social events.
Distinctions in Brief

In 2015-16, 57 percent of our California resident undergraduates received enough gift aid to fully cover their base tuition and fees, and 47 percent of students awarded baccalaureate degrees did not take on student debt.

UC Davis graduates more California alumni 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.

UC Davis contributes more than $8.1 billion each year to the California economy. (Economic & Planning Systems Inc. 2015)

Our students, faculty and staff volunteer more than 600,000 hours of community service per year.

UC Davis is highly ranked among the most diverse large national research universities by U.S. News & World Report. Our community benefits from hundreds of programs and clubs that support diversity and inclusion.

In fall 2016, more than 44 percent of entering undergraduates at UC Davis were first-generation college students.

UC Davis Study Abroad students gain an international perspective in more than 40 countries each year.

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.

The School of Education has prepared 7,700 teachers for California classrooms, and the Graduate School of Management has prepared 4,000 business leaders.

The College of Letters and Science is home to UC Davis’s 14 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and 17 Guggenheim Fellows.

UC Davis Extension serves 58,000 students in all 50 states and 100 countries in more than 3,000 courses a year.

UC Davis Health serves a 33-county area and 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.

In 2016–17, UC Davis filed 294 records of invention and 170 patent applications, issued 108 license agreements and helped establish 14 startups.

The Internship and Career Center typically facilitates 10,000 internship opportunities in a year.

Half of our undergraduates engage in hands-on research or creative projects beyond the classroom.

Aggie athletes are high academic achievers: eight UC Davis athletic teams posted the highest NCAA Graduation Success Rates in a multiyear average reported in 2017.

The Rankings

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 & World Report)

1st in the nation and 2nd in the world in agriculture (QS World University Rankings; U.S. News & World Report)

1st among best value colleges for women in STEM (Forbes)

1st among top 100 producers of minority graduate degrees in biological and biomedical sciences (Diverse Issues in Higher Education)

3rd among top U.S. colleges doing the most for low-income students (New York Times College Access Index)

4th most international public institution in the U.S. (Times Higher Education)

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)

7th in the world in ecology and the environment (U.S. News & World Report)

12th 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)

UC Davis Medical Center and UC Davis Children’s Hospital consistently rank among the nation’s top 50 hospitals (U.S. News & World Report)

BY THE NUMBERS: Research funding: $783 million in 2016–17 • Private support: $250 million in 2016–17 • Colleges/Schools: 4 colleges (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, Letters and Science); 6 professional schools (Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Nursing, Veterinary Medicine) • Student enrollment: 38,371 (fall 2017) • Faculty/academics: 4,736 • Staff: 17,272 • Student employees: 9,690 • Living alumni: 250,000 • Undergraduate majors: 102 • Graduate programs: 99 • Intercollegiate sports: 23 (14 women’s, 9 men’s) • Campus area: 5,300 acres

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