FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Welcome to the University of California, Irvine. As a UC student, you have access to resources that extend across our campus, throughout our state, and beyond. This catalogue will serve as an invaluable guide to enhancing your UC Irvine experience.

UCI combines the strengths of a major research university with the bounty of an incomparable Southern California location. Over four remarkable decades, we have become internationally recognized for efforts that are improving lives through research and discovery, fostering excellence in scholarship and teaching, and engaging and enriching the community.

UCI is among the fastest-growing campuses in the UC system. Increasingly a first-choice campus for students, UCI attracts record numbers of undergraduate applications each year and admits freshmen with highly competitive academic profiles.

Newly launched programs in public health and nursing science are expanding our educational role in these and other fields critical to California’s health and prosperity. This year, under the leadership of renowned constitutional law scholar Erwin Chemerinsky, our new law school welcomes its first class this fall.

UCI is a center for quality education and is consistently ranked among the nation’s best universities. Achievements in the sciences, arts, humanities, medicine, and management have garnered top 50 national rankings for more than 40 academic programs. Three UCI researchers have won Nobel Prizes—two in chemistry and one in physics.

UCI reaches beyond the classroom and laboratory to help solve societal issues and support human development. We are a hub for stem cell research, a trailblazer in understanding global warming, and a leader in the fight against breast cancer. Our nationally ranked medical center in Orange serves as Orange County’s only Level I trauma center, and we recently opened a new state-of-the-art university hospital that will further strengthen medical care for the region’s citizens.

A major intellectual and cultural center, UCI offers numerous public activities and events. The Chancellor’s Distinguished Fellows Series brings renowned speakers to campus, including Dr. Richard Carmona, Seventeenth Surgeon General of the United States; Dianne Pinderhughes, expert on race relations in America; and Vicente Fox, former president of Mexico. The Claire Trevor School of the Arts and the School of Humanities produce engaging and entertaining cultural programs, while UCI’s Anteater athletes have won more than two dozen national championships.

UCI is benefiting the community and the world in countless ways through its scholarly, scientific, creative, and economic contributions. Orange County’s largest employer, UCI generates an annual economic impact on the county of $4.2 billion. We have implemented a strategic plan that will ensure the campus continues to inspire excellence as it fulfills its research, teaching, and public service missions in the decades ahead.

These accomplishments depend on our commitment to a set of core values: respect, intellectual curiosity, commitment, integrity, empathy, appreciation, and fun. These values allow people to transcend limitations and create something greater than themselves. I am proud that—at UCI—we live these values every day.

I encourage you to take advantage of all that UCI has to offer. I look forward to seeing you on campus and to being a part of this very important time in your life.

Sincerely,

Michael V. Drake, M.D.
Chancellor
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