SUSTAINABILITY IS PART OF UC SAN DIEGO'S INSTITUTIONAL DNA - More than 30 campus structures are equipped with solar panels and more than a dozen buildings are LEED certified; wireless sensors are situated across campus to determine the best time to gain and expend energy; and more than half of the campus community utilizes alternative transportation.

UC SAN DIEGO'S VISITORS TOUR PROGRAM offers free tours to local residents, new faculty and staff, first-time visitors and the general public. These Sunday afternoon tours are led by knowledgeable adult volunteer guides who are eager to show you the most notable features of our beautiful 1,200-acre campus. All public tours are two hours long and begin at 2 p.m. at the Gilman Entrance Information Center. Free parking is available in lot P604.

PROJECTS

Location of instructional and research facilities, as well as necessary campus support facilities, such as housing and parking, is directed by UC San Diego’s Long Range Development Plan (LRDP), which is prepared in response to campus enrollment and population projections. Available on the Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/projects/index.html is the Capital Improvements Status Map which is an interactive map where major campus projects are identified by location and are linked to detailed project information sheets.

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CENTER FOR NOVEL THERAPEUTICS

Located within the 30 acre Science Research Park (SRP) on the UC San Diego East Campus, the Center for Novel Therapeutics (CNT) will promote creation of new and innovative therapeutic treatments through research conducted by UC San Diego investigators and private sector collaborators in shared space. BioMed is leading the development team; Perkins + Willis the building architect and McCarthy will be the contractor for the project. The project proposes the construction of approximately 120,000 gross square feet in a 3-story building. A combination of approximately 550 below grade and surface parking spaces would be provided. The program would include laboratories, bioengineering core facilities, clinical and research support spaces, vivarium, lecture hall, and offices. The project is anticipated to achieve Leadership in Energy Efficiency Design (LEED) Gold rating from the U.S. Green Building Council.

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared for the project. The 45 day public review period is anticipated to begin during the first week of February.

OUTPATIENT PAVILION

Located within the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood, the Outpatient Pavilion will consolidate and centralize several outpatient surgical services and integrate them with diagnostics and physical therapy to support all elements of patient care within the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood. The project would be comprised of approximately 145,000 GSF based on the current program assessment.

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared for the project. The 45 day public review period is anticipated to begin during the middle of February.
UCSD Community Planning Newsletter and Website Information

The newsletter, together with project information sheets and an interactive map of campus projects is available on the UCSD Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu. Visit the website to learn more about campus development with accompanying information on specific projects.

UCSD News

For UCSD News visit http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/

UC San Diego Receives Record 78,056 Freshman and 16,144 Transfer Applications for Fall 2015

The University of California, San Diego has received a record 94,200 freshman and transfer applications for fall 2015. The university had the third highest number of applicants among the University of California campuses. Within the last decade, UC San Diego has consistently been one of the nation’s top five universities to receive the most applications.

UC San Diego received 78,056 freshman applications for fall 2015, up 6.4 percent from last year. Transfer student applications increased by 2.1 percent from 2014, with a total of 16,144 transfer students applying for admission. The mean high school grade point average (GPA) for freshmen is 3.80; and the average SAT Reasoning scores are 599, 647 and 613 respectively for Critical Reading, Math and Writing (up slightly from last year’s applicant SAT scores which were 591, 644 and 607). The average GPA among transfer applicants was from 3.37.

“UC San Diego continues to attract the best and the brightest because of its reputation as one of the top ranked universities in the world, as well as its accessibility and affordability,” said UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla. “Year after year, the academic quality and talent of UC San Diego’s applicants is impressive and inspiring.”

UC San Diego continued to see an increase in diversity among student applicants. At the freshman level, the campus had a 7.9 percent rise of historically underrepresented students for fall 2015, with the largest increase coming from African-American high school seniors (up 13.5 percent compared to last year), followed by Mexican-American (up 7.1 percent) and Latino (up 7 percent) applicants.

“This campus is committed to ensuring students of all backgrounds have access to a UC San Diego education,” said Juan González, vice chancellor for Student Affairs. “More than half of our students receive financial aid, and across the University of California, more than half of all California resident undergraduates continue to pay no systemwide tuition or fees.”

González added that UC San Diego students continue to graduate with lower than the national average student debt. Nearly 90 percent of transfer applicants are from California Community Colleges. This year, UC San Diego had a record number of resident freshman applicants apply for admission, with the largest number coming from Los Angeles (27,273 or 34.9 percent) which was followed by San Francisco (13,216 or 16.9 percent).

The most popular majors chosen by freshman applicants are in social sciences, engineering and biology. Almost 50 percent of UC San Diego’s transfer applications are social science majors. Other selected majors among transfers include engineering and biology. UC San Diego continued to see more women than men among freshman applicants, with 51.8 percent females compared to 46.6 percent males and 1.7 percent of applicants not reporting their gender. This year, more males (54.7 percent) applied as transfers compared to females (44.1 percent).

Overall, the University of California received more applications this year, compared to last year. Data shows that 193,873 students applied for admission to at least one of the nine undergraduate UC campuses—158,146 of them as freshmen and the remainder as transfer students. These combined numbers represent an overall increase in applications of 5.8 percent over fall 2014.