Update for Community Groups – February 2010

Please note the underlined text in the electronic version of this update contains active links that provide additional information on the subject matter.

The official third week registration report for Winter Quarter, 2010 reveals a total of 28,821 students at UC San Diego of which 23,027 are undergraduates.

PROJECTS

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

Construction on the following projects is underway:
- Cardiovascular Center and Thornton Hospital Expansion
- Health Sciences Graduate Housing
- Muir College Apartments
- Revelle College Apartments
- Southwest Fisheries Science Center
- North Campus Landscape Wedge Phase IV

UPCOMING PROJECTS

In the next few months, several projects will have increased activity:
- University House – Public Scoping Period (including hearing) for Environmental Impact Report for proposed rehabilitation
- East Campus Bed Tower – Public Hearing for Draft Environmental Impact Report

Details will be provided in this monthly update as well as at the Community Planning website.

SANFORD CONSORTIUM FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE (SCRM)

Construction has started on the Sanford Consortium for Regenerative Medicine. A formal groundbreaking is scheduled for late March.

Serving as a hub of innovative multidisciplinary programs that will advance stem cell research and education, this non-profit, public benefit corporation is formed by the Burnham Institute for Medical Research, the Salk Institute for Biological Studies, The Scripps Research Institute, and UC San Diego. The project comprises 135,000 gross square feet and is located west of North Torrey Pines Road, adjacent to the Torrey Pines Gliderport. The building will house core facilities of a quality and scope more substantial than could be supported by any SCRM member alone including robotics, disease modeling, imaging, and protein and nucleic acid facilities. Construction is slated for completion in December 2011.
NEWS

UCSD COMMUNITY PLANNING WEBSITE INFORMATION

The second issue of the Newsletter and project information sheets along with an interactive map of campus projects is available on the UCSD Community Planning website http://commplan.ucsd.edu. Visit the website to learn more about campus development with accompanying information on specific projects.

UCSD NEWS

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

UC SAN DIEGO RECEIVES RECORD NUMBER OF FRESHMAN AND TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

UC San Diego is one of the top three University of California campuses that received the highest number of applications, 48,073 freshman applications for Fall 2010, up 1,101 applicants, or 2.3 percent, from the previous year with a mean high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.78. The 14,286 transfer student applications continued to show an increase to 3,102 students or 27.7 percent from 2009, reflecting a record number of applications from both transfer and freshman.

Mae Brown, assistant vice chancellor for Admissions and Enrollment Services, attributes the record number of applications to the university's excellent faculty, students, academic programs, national reputation and incredible location. UC San Diego is ranked the 7th best public university in the nation by U.S. News and World Report and has been named the “hottest” institution to study science by Newsweek. UC San Diego also was recently ranked the “best value” university in California, according to the list of 100 best values in public colleges and universities by Kiplinger’s Personal Finance magazine.

The most popular majors chosen by freshman applicants are biology, chemistry, psychology, economics and political science. In addition to those majors, communication is a popular field of study for transfer applicants.

The UC system received an increase in applications from both freshmen and transfers. Approximately 100,320 (up 2.4 percent) freshmen and 33,709 (up 17.5 percent) transfer students applied for Fall 2010.

Read more at http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/newsrel/general/01-10Apps.asp