The university’s third annual All Campus Graduation Celebration will be held at 6:30 p.m., Friday, June 11 on the RIMAC Field with a key-note speech from former UC San Diego student and co-founder of the nonprofit organization Invisible Children, Laren Poole. This year 7,673 students are scheduled to receive diplomas during 11 separate commencement ceremonies May 29 to June 13 on the UC San Diego campus with Chancellor Marye Anne Fox speaking at all 11 ceremonies.

PROJECTS

RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

NORTH CAMPUS WEDGE PHASE IV
The recently completed Wedge Phase IV Open Space Project is located in the North Campus Neighborhood and improves pedestrian linkages between North Campus Housing and Eleanor Roosevelt College. This project provides landscaped open spaces that are visible from North Torrey Pines Road. The development of the “Wedge” landscape feature is in place of an asphalt parking area and provides aesthetic sustainable landscape enhancements and a break in the presence of structures along the street.

COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) FACILITY
Located in the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood, this recently completed project consists of a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station adjacent to the East Campus Utility Plant. Consistent with UC San Diego’s goal of becoming a state-of-the-art carbon-neutral campus that embraces facility designs and maximizes “green” operations, this facility will help the campus meet important University of California environmental sustainability policies, which include Federal and State legislation mandates that require the use of cleaner fuels and less polluting vehicles. The campus will now be able to fuel its current fleet of CNG shuttle buses on-campus as well as expand the fleet to include more CNG-fueled buses and other CNG compatible vehicles.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

EAST CAMPUS BED TOWER – THE JACOBS MEDICAL CENTER AT UC SAN DIEGO
The Jacobs Medical Center, a 10-story, 470,000 gross square foot (gsf) facility adjacent to UC San Diego Health System’s Thornton Hospital will bring approximately 245 inpatient beds to UCSD’s East Campus. It will include four hospitals in one location, the existing Thornton Hospital plus three new specialty hospitals: Cancer Hospital, Hospital for Women & Infants and Hospital for Advanced Surgery

The Jacobs Medical Center’s unique environment will integrate basic science, technology, and clinical research with health care delivery to improve the lives of patients.

The project also includes a helipad, 64,000 renovated gsf of existing hospital space and construction of a new central utility plant (36,000 gsf) to support the hospital. More information about the project is available at http://www.health.ucsd.edu/jacobs/index.html

The public review period on the East Campus Bed Tower project extends through June 11, 2010. The Notice of Completion (NOC) and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is available at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/environmental/pub_notice.html
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NEWS

UCSD COMMUNITY PLANNING NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE INFORMATION

The Spring 2010 issue of the newsletter with a focus on Health Sciences, together with project information sheets and 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/

RADY SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT PHASE 2 BREAKS GROUND

A challenge gift from Ernest Rady led to a $5 million gift from Wells Fargo Bank, allowing the expansion of the Rady School campus to commence. The building which will be named Wells Fargo Hall broke ground last month. Building funds come from a public and private partnership. The new construction will be a five-story structure that connects with the existing Otterson Hall on four levels. It will complete the interior courtyard constructed as part of the earlier project with pedestrian walkways, landscaping and an outdoor seating area.

The 295-seat auditorium in the new building will be named in recognition of the generous support of Betty and Dr. J Robert Beyster.

This project will accommodate faculty and students in the Masters of Business Administration (MBA) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programs as well as continuing professional education for the business community. The expansion will add 80,000 gross square feet including additional classrooms, an open class laboratory, faculty and administrative offices, conference rooms, the auditorium, and student work and study area. Occupancy is planned for summer 2012.

“This expansion further demonstrates the commitment of the San Diego business community and our donors to building a world-class business school in San Diego,” said Rady School Dean Robert S. Sullivan. “The expansion of our facilities will allow us to continue to develop more management talent, recruit additional faculty and introduce new programs.”

The Rady School of Management at UC San Diego educates global leaders for innovation-driven organizations, which transform the world, and push the boundaries of industry, using new techniques and technologies to change the way business is done. A professional school within one of the top-ranked institutions in the U.S. for higher education and research, the Rady School offers a Full-Time MBA program, a FlexMBA program for working professionals, a Ph.D. program, and undergraduate and executive education courses.

ENGINEERING BUILDING UNIT IV (STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND ENGINEERING) RESTARTS CONSTRUCTION

The sale in March of $5.9 billion in State of California general-obligation bonds enabled the restart of construction of the $83.3 million Engineering Building Unit IV building, among other projects, to resume. “The students who come here and the state economy will be the ultimate beneficiaries because these programs will be training the kind of engineering and business leaders California desperately needs to prosper in the 21st century” said Gary Matthews, UC San Diego’s Vice Chancellor of Resource Management and Planning.

Engineering Building Unit IV will be a four-story 169,000 gross square foot energy-efficient structure with office and laboratory space and will house structural engineers, nano-engineers and visual artists. Consistent with the interdisciplinary philosophy of UC San Diego, this project will enable interactions among faculty and students who engage in design and materials and structures of large art work with those who focus on the design and materials and structures found in buildings and other engineered structures. The facility will merge the areas of advanced materials testing with scientific visualization. The building is located at the intersection of Voigt Drive and Lyman Avenue, and is expected to be completed by early 2013.