Update for Community Groups – September 2015

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About UC San Diego - The University of California, San Diego is a student-centered, research-focused, service-oriented public university that provides opportunity for all. Recognized as one of the top 15 research universities worldwide, a culture of collaboration sparks discoveries that advance society and drive economic impact. Our students, who learn from Nobel laureates, MacArthur fellows and National Academy members, are committed to public service. For the fourth consecutive year, UC San Diego has been ranked first in the nation based on research, civic engagement and social mobility. We are one campus with multiple pillars of excellence, a top ten public university that is transforming lives, shaping new disciplines and advancing the frontiers of knowledge. Learn more at www.ucsd.edu.

The University of California, San Diego fall quarter begins on Monday, September 21st 2015 and ends on Saturday, December 12th 2015.

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.

PROJECTS IN PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION

Alex G Spanos Training Facility Expansion
Biological and Physical Sciences Building
Center for Novel Therapeutics
Computer Science and Engineering
Clinical and Translational Research Institute - CTRI
East Campus Parking Structure II
I-5/Gilman Drive Bridge
Graduate and Professional Student and Mixed Use Housing
Outpatient Pavilion
Satellite Utilities Plant
Southwest Fisheries Science Center Building D
Jacobs Medical Center - UC San Diego
UC SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY PLANNING NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE INFORMATION

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

UC SAN DIEGO NEWS

For UC SAN DIEGO News visit [http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/](http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/)

UC SAN DIEGO IS SIERRA MAGAZINE’S 7TH COOLEST SCHOOL IN NATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS

Article Courtesy: Christine Clark

CAMPUS RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY FOR ITS COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT, REDUCING WATER USE SIGNIFICANTLY, ADDRESSING CLIMATE ISSUES AND ENCOURAGING ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

The University of California, San Diego has been named the 7th “Coolest School” by Sierra magazine, climbing 10 spots from last year in the publication’s annual ranking of America’s greenest colleges. Sierra magazine is a publication of the Sierra Club, the oldest and largest environmental group in the U.S.

“It is an honor to be recognized as one of the nation’s top colleges for our commitment to protect the environment,” said UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla. “Sustainability is part of our institutional DNA, imparted to us by UC San Diego’s early scientists like Roger Revelle, one of the university’s founders and a pioneer of climate change research. We have built upon their legacy to become a living laboratory of sustainable solutions that benefit our local and global communities.”

According to the editors at Sierra magazine, factors that helped schools like UC San Diego land in the top 10 included having dining halls that serve organic and local foods; waste systems that divert trash from landfills; transportation options that keep students and staff out of cars; academic programs that are heavily eco-focused; and strong methods to conserve water and energy.

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As California continues to suffer from one of the worst droughts on record, a key UC San Diego sustainability initiative is water conservation, which editors at Sierra noted. “Since 2009, the campus has reduced its water use by more than 30 million gallons a year, and in the last year has recycled 400,000 gallons,” they wrote. At UC San Diego, all new landscaping uses drought-tolerant plants (pictured left). Photo by Erik Jepsen/UC San Diego Publications

There are many eco-groups on campus, including Aquaholics Anonymous, which hosts water-saving competitions in the dorms.”

Other eco-friendly accomplishments at UC San Diego highlighted by Sierra magazine include encouraging campus commuters to use alternative transportation options such as public transit, carpools, vanpools, bikes, car sharing, ride matching, campus shuttles and more. The university was recently recognized with a Diamond Award from the San Diego Association of Government (SANDAG) for making strides to promote alternative commute choices in the workplace.

For additional information visit [sustain.ucsd.edu](http://sustain.ucsd.edu).