

UC SANTA CRUZ

**OUR
VOICES
WILL DEFINE
THE CENTURY**

YEAR FOUNDED

1965

2,000 ACRES

OVERLOOKING SCENIC MONTEREY BAY

74

UNDERGRADUATE
MAJORS

66

GRADUATE
PROGRAMS



93%

CALIFORNIA
RESIDENTS
(Undergraduates)

2%

INTERNATIONAL

5%

OUT-OF-STATE

17,312

UNDERGRADUATES

1,861

GRADUATE STUDENTS

31%

FIRST-
GENERATION
UNDERGRADS

2

Additional Campuses

- Silicon Valley Campus, Santa Clara
- Coastal Science Campus, Santa Cruz

7

Natural Reserves provide living
labs for hands-on learning

R1

Carnegie Classification

Indicating very high research activity

150,000+

NUMBER OF UCSC ALUMNI

Excellence with impact

A global research university, UC Santa Cruz is part of the world's most celebrated system of public higher education and stands among the most renowned institutions of higher learning. Leading at the intersection of innovation and social justice, UCSC faculty and students conduct transformative research and scholarship that serves society.

RANKED...

- 1ST** in the nation for racial and gender diversity in leadership. *2022 Women's Power Gap Initiative*
- 5TH** in game/simulation development programs in the nation. *2024 U.S. News and World Report*
- 12TH** among top public colleges for high-paying jobs in tech. *2024 Burning Glass Institute*
- 12TH** for excellence in undergraduate teaching among national public universities. *2025 U.S. News and World Report*
- TOP 15** among public universities in the nation for students focused on making an impact on the world. *2024 Princeton Review*
- 18TH** for universities with the greatest social mobility. *2025 U.S. News and World Report*

**GREEN
COLLEGE
HONOR ROLL**
*2023 Princeton
Review*

**"INTERNATIONAL"
AWARD**
*recognizing leadership
in international
student education*
**COLLEGES OF
DISTINCTION,
2025**

FACULTY HONORS

1 Nobel Laureate
16 members, National
Academy of Sciences
29 members, American
Academy of Arts and
Sciences
46 fellows, American
Association for the
Advancement of Science

ALUMNI HONORS

10 winners of
12 Pulitzer Prizes
7 MacArthur
'Genius' Awards

MEMBERSHIPS

Association of American
Universities (AAU)
Association of Pacific
Rim Universities

Hispanic-Serving
Institution (HSI)

Alliance of Hispanic
Serving Research
Universities

Asian American &
Native American Pacific
Islander-Serving
Institution
(AANAPISI)