

UC Campuses Ranked Among Best Universities in the Nation and World

Multiple university rankings were recently released, and several University of California campuses were among the highest ranked universities in the nation.

There are many ways in which the University of California delivers on its mission for the people of California. For every dollar the state invests in a student's higher education, the state's economy receives a \$3 net return on investment. And now, recently released rankings suggest that the people of California have never gotten a better [return on their investment](#) in the University of California. The University of California scored highly in several recently released college rankings.

"The University of California is the premier public university system in the world," said UC President Mark G. Yudof. "These rankings indicate the breadth of quality throughout the UC system."

[Shanghai Jiao Tong University Academic Ranking of World Universities 2008](#)

The Institute of Higher Education at Shanghai Jiao Tong University in China publishes rankings of universities internationally. The rankings are based on several indicators of academic or research performance, including major international awards won by alumni or staff, highly cited researchers, articles published in selected top journals and articles indexed by major citation indexes. In the 2008 rankings, **seven UC campuses ranked among the top 50 in the world**, public and private.

UC Berkeley (3)
UCLA (13)
UC San Diego (14)
UC San Francisco (18)
UC Santa Barbara (36)
UC Irvine (46)
UC Davis (48)

[U.S. News & World Report America's Best Colleges 2009](#)

UC Berkeley remains the No. 1 public university in the country as ranked by U.S. News & World Report in the magazine's 2009 America's Best Colleges guide. Six UC campuses ranked among the top 15 public national universities and three UC campuses made the magazine's "up-and-coming schools" list - UC Riverside, UC Irvine and UC San Diego.

[PayScale.com College Salary Report](#)

PayScale, a Seattle-based firm that provides global online compensation data, measured U.S. colleges by how much their alumni earn. [UC Berkeley](#) ranked as the top public university and No. 12 overall in the College Salary Report. **Among public colleges, UC had five campuses in the top 10 and six in the top 15: UC Berkeley (1), UCLA (3), UC San Diego (3), UC Davis (6), UC Irvine (8), UC Santa Barbara (14).**

[The Princeton Review Best Colleges 2009 Edition](#)

The Princeton Review, a New York-based education services company also known for its test-prep courses, released its annual college guide that asked 120,000 students at 368 top colleges to rate their schools on dozens of topics and report on their experiences. **The Top 10 Best Value Public Colleges included three UC campuses: UC Berkeley (5), UC San Diego (6), and UC Santa Cruz (7).**