

CHICANX/LATINX STUDENT EXPERIENCE

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DEAR FUTURE HIGHLANDERS,



A couple of decades ago, I was where you are today. Deciding where to go to college can feel daunting, especially if you're the first in your family to go. That was my experience, but I had the *ganas* and the love and support of family, teachers, and mentors to encourage me. Now I encourage *you* to make the decision to come to UCR!

Why UCR? For me, it was important to go to a place where I saw others like me and I could find a sense of *familia*. UCR offers this, plus many programs and opportunities to help you thrive intellectually and academically.

My colleagues and I are nationally and internationally recognized for our cutting-edge research and creative work. We celebrate and are committed to our diversity. Most importantly, we are committed to our students and their success. UCR is more than an institution. We are a *comunidad*.

Milagros Peña,

Dean of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences



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STUDENT PROFILES

“What I love and admire about UCR is the people.”



RUBYD OLVERA

Class of 2018, Sociology

I'm the oldest of three, and my mother also attends school, so I still have many responsibilities at home. I chose UCR because it was close to home, but far enough away to leave room for independence and a full college experience! What I love and admire about UCR is the people. I found home with the people in PODER (Providing, Opportunities, Dreams and Education in Riverside). In response to the political climate around the undocumented community, the students, staff and faculty in PODER have really empowered me and provided me with a safe space to succeed at UCR and beyond.

STEVEN CABRAL BALLESTEROS

Class of 2019, Sociology

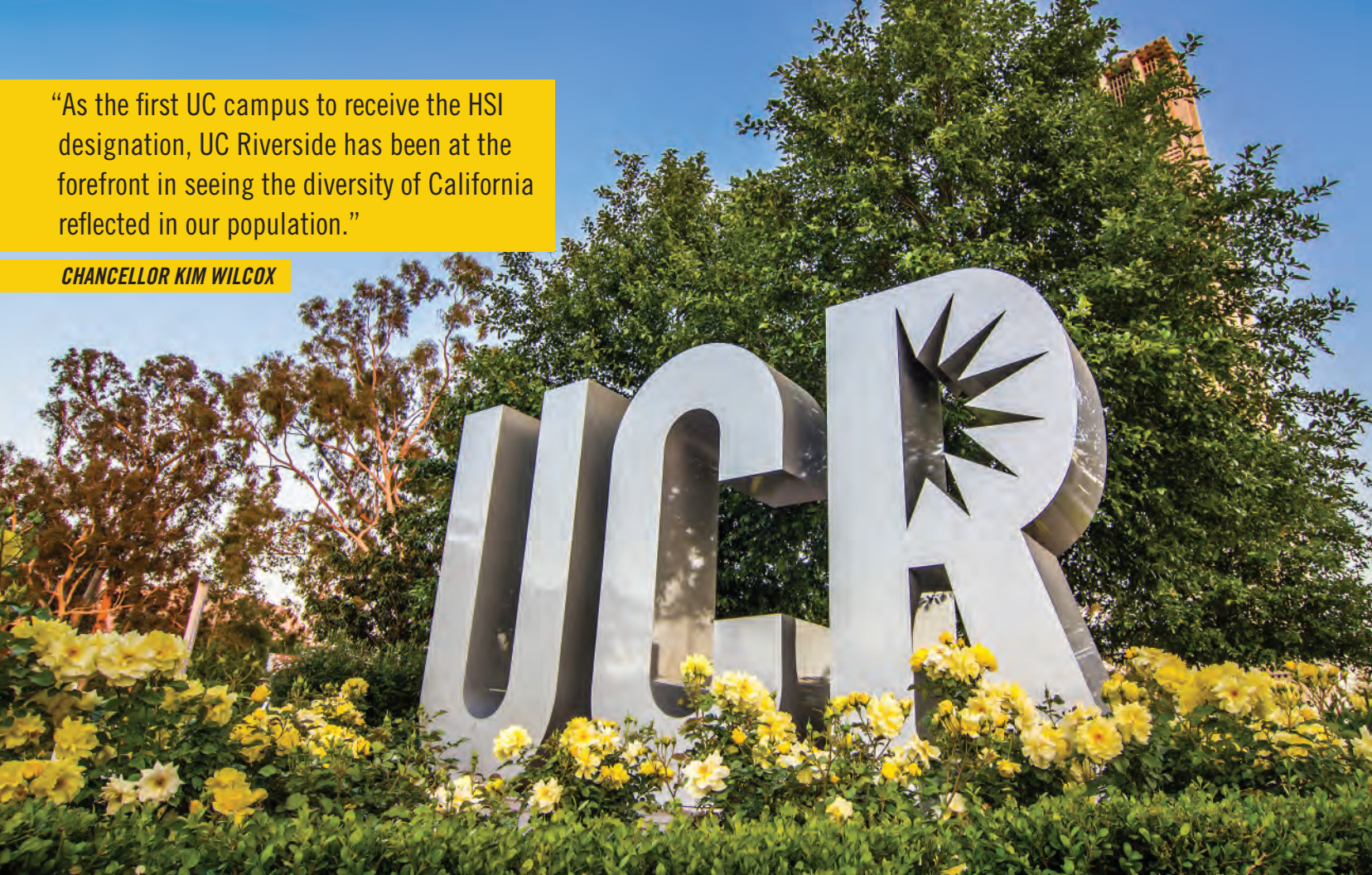
To be a Chicano student at UCR is like being at home. I don't feel like I left my family, because at UCR, everyone is kind and welcoming. I love it! UCR may not be the biggest campus, but it's one of the most diverse universities in the UC system. They offer many great programs, and fun and exciting events throughout the year. I chose UCR over all my other options because of their willingness to assist me in accomplishing my academic goals. When you visit UCR, stop by the Chicano Student Programs office! Everyone would love to meet you and greet you as a new prospective student here at UCR!



“To be a Chicano student at UCR is like being at home.”

“As the first UC campus to receive the HSI designation, UC Riverside has been at the forefront in seeing the diversity of California reflected in our population.”

CHANCELLOR KIM WILCOX



FIRST IN THE UC

We are proud to be the first UC to be named a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) way back in 2008! Today, more than 40 percent of UCR students identify as Chicanx/Latinx.



WE RANK HIGH IN WHAT MATTERS.

#1 top performer on social mobility in the nation –
U.S. News & World Report 2020 Best Colleges

#2 in the nation for performance of students receiving Pell Grants – *Washington Monthly 2019 College Guide and Rankings*

#12 best college for your money in the nation –
Money Magazine, 2019

#27 best value college in America – *Forbes, 2019*

#28 best college for your money potential in California – *PayScale 2019–20 College Salary Report*

#31 for sustainability practices in the nation – *The Princeton Review 2019 Top 50 Green Colleges*

UCR ranks among the best global universities.
– *U.S. News & World Report, 2020*

UCR is in the top quarter of all ranked world universities.
– *Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2020*





UCR is “recognized nationally as one of the few public research universities with no racial disparity in graduation rates.”

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WORK CLOSELY WITH BRILLIANT FACULTY.



Alfredo Mirandé

*Distinguished Professor of Sociology
and Ethnic Studies*

Mirandé's research interests include Chicano sociology; masculinity; constitutional law; civil rights; and the relationship among law, race, class, and gender. He has published numerous journal articles on sociology, law, and ethnic studies, and is the author of nine books. Mirandé is a member of the California Bar and has a small, largely pro bono law practice that specializes in criminal law and employment discrimination.



Cati de los Ríos

Assistant Professor of Education, Society, and Culture

De los Ríos' research interests include Chicana/Latina adolescents' critical readings of corridos, multimodal and translingual literacies, youth community organizing, and civic literacy practices in secondary ethnic studies classrooms. She has a long history of community organizing for K–12 ethnic studies efforts nationwide.



Jennifer Nájera

Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies

Nájera's research interests include immigration from Mexico, the education of Latinx students, and grassroots social movements. Her current research project explores the intersections between activism and education among undocumented students at UCR.

Louie Rodriguez



*Interim Dean and Professor,
Graduate School of Education*

Rodriguez's research interests include urban schooling, students' voices in education, Participatory Action Research (PAR), and using school culture to boost engagement, particularly among Latinx students and other youth of color. A lifelong advocate for Latinx students, he was named Outstanding Latino Faculty by the American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education (AAHHE) in 2015.

XÓCHITL C. CHÁVEZ

Assistant Professor of Music

First-Generation UC Graduate

First Chicanx Ladder-Track Faculty Member,
UCR Department of Music

My success is the result of the *platicas* (talks) and *echar la mano* (mentorship) that I received from women-of-color scholars and UC programs. I'm grateful for that support and believe in practicing *echando la mano* and *platicar* to assist UCR students in their journeys today. UCR professors are known not only for their cutting-edge research, but also for being exceptional mentors. If this is your first time away from home, your family or your comfort zone — *no sufres en silencio*. Don't be afraid to ask for help. We are here to help you succeed.



YOU CAN'T STUDY ALL THE TIME!

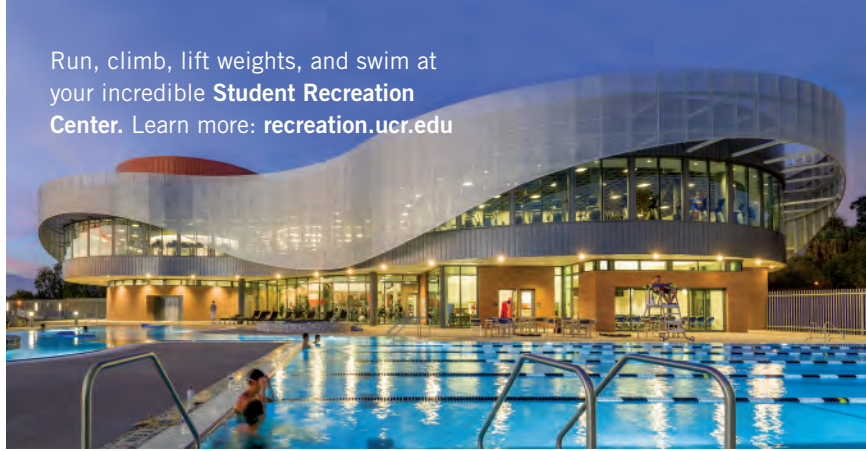
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Midfielder Romario Lomeli finished his UCR career as the Highlanders' assists leader and also led the team in goals in 2016.



Lambda Theta Nu host an altar honoring loved ones during the annual Día de los Muertos nooner.

Packed events, big-time athletics, and crazy-fun concerts electrify student life at UCR. Learn more: rside.ucr.edu
gohighlanders.ucr.edu



Run, climb, lift weights, and swim at your incredible **Student Recreation Center**. Learn more: recreation.ucr.edu



Listen to **KUCR-FM 88.3** Friday nights for **Radio Aztlan**, our award-winning Chicana/Latinx program. The first of its kind in the UC, its student, staff, and community leader DJs have aired interviews, news, and música Chicana for more than 25 years. Check out their music festival each April. Learn more: kucr.org

A CAMPUS OF FIRSTS



1st UC to have a Chicano chancellor (Tomás Rivera, 1979)

1st UC with a Chicana/Latina radio show

1st UC to be recognized as a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI)



1st UC to host a family orientation in Spanish (Orientación Familiar)

1st UC to have a Chicana/Latina graduation ceremony

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE

Founded in 1954

Part of the prestigious University of California system

Located in Riverside, CA

Top 10 “Coolest Cities” in the U.S. (Forbes)

Top 10 “Fastest-Growing Economies” in the U.S. (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

23,000+ students

1,200 park-like acres

277 sunny days per year



HOUSING

LIVE IN PURE SUNSHINE

When you live at UCR, you're within driving distance of the best beaches, mountains, deserts, and cities in Southern California. Explore UCR! Schedule a tour (or take a virtual one): visit.ucr.edu



MUNDO

ÚNETE A MUNDO THEME HALL

Live in Únete a Mundo Theme Hall and connect with fellow Chicana/Latinx students who share your goals. Attend exclusive networking events, workshops, hall dinners, and field trips.

Additional theme halls and living-learning communities are Stonewall, Gender-Inclusive, Markaz, Pan-African Theme Hall (PATH), Honors, CHASS, Egnuity, SiMS, and Pre-Business.





BE A PART OF THE UCR *FAMILIA!*



ORGANIZATIONS AND EVENTS

Chicano Student Programs (CSP) csp.ucr.edu

As one of the first professionally staffed offices in the UC devoted to Chicano/Latino student services, CSP has been supporting UCR students for nearly 50 years. It will connect you to everything from leadership opportunities and peer mentor support, to textbook lending and grad school prep.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Visit csp.ucr.edu to see all of the Chicano/Latino student organizations you can join at UCR!

SERVICES

¡ADELANTE! Success Series

Chicano Link Peer Mentor Program

Chicano/Latino Student Orientation

Community Outreach

Computer Lab and Meeting Rooms

Counseling/Retention

Cultural Empowerment/Identity Development

Graduate School Preparation

Lending Library

Nuestra Cosa Newspaper

Personal Growth & Development

Radio Aztlan

Scholarships & Internships

Student Leadership Development

Textbook Loan Program

Undocumented Student Resource Guide

Volunteer Opportunities

EVENTS

¡ADELANTE! Success Series

César E. Chávez 5K Run/Walk

Chicano/Latino Bienvenida

Chicano/Latino Graduation Ceremony

Cinco de Mayo Noon

Día de los Muertos Celebration

Noche Cultural

Poesía Peligrosa

¡Presente! Conference

Radio Aztlan Music Festival

Semana de la Mujer

Semana de la Raza

Únete A MUNDO Theme Hall

“It’s beautiful to be Chicano/Latino at UCR. There are many programs to not only help you succeed, but to also help you explore what it means to be Chicano/Latino and the intersectionality among us.”

Rubyd Olvera, Class of 2018, Sociology





WE SEE YOU. WE HEAR YOU. WE SUPPORT YOU.

From our historic Ethnic & Gender Programs, to our forward-thinking Student Health & Wellness Services — you have a safety net at UCR. So many people are here for you, ready to be your advocates, your encouragers, your listeners, and your guides.

Ethnic & Gender Programs

African Student Programs	asp.ucr.edu
Asian Pacific Student Programs	apsp.ucr.edu
Chicano Student Programs	csp.ucr.edu
LGBT Resource Center	out.ucr.edu
Middle Eastern Student Center	mesc.ucr.edu
Native American Student Programs	nasp.ucr.edu
Undocumented Student Programs	usp.ucr.edu
Women's Resource Center	wrc.ucr.edu

More Student Support Services

Academic Resource Center (ARC)	arc.ucr.edu
Career Center	careers.ucr.edu
Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)	counseling.ucr.edu
Education Abroad	ea.ucr.edu
Highlander One-Stop Shop (HOSS)	hoss.ucr.edu
International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO)	internationalscholars.ucr.edu
New Student Programs	studentlife.ucr.edu/ welcome-new-highlanders
R'Pantry	go.ucr.edu/rpantry
Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC)	sdrc.ucr.edu
Student Health Services (SHS)	studenthealth.ucr.edu
Student Recreation Center (SRC)	recreation.ucr.edu
University Honors	honors.ucr.edu
Veterans Services	veterans.ucr.edu
The Well	well.ucr.edu

APPLYING IS EASY.

First-Year Students

Admission Requirements

- 15 completed “a-g” high school courses
- GPA of 3.0 or higher (3.4 out-of-state) in “a-g” (grades C or above)
- Scores from ACT with Writing, SAT or SAT with Essay. SAT Subject Tests are optional.
- Learn more about the “a-g” requirements at hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist.

Transfer Students

Admission Requirements

- 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units with minimum 2.4 GPA (2.8 out-of-state). (Some majors require a higher GPA.) 14 semester (21 quarter) units may be Pass/Not Pass.
- Completed (with C's or better) **UC Seven Course Pattern**: two English, one math, four from two of: arts/humanities, social/behavioral science, physical/biological science. Classes must be transferable and at least three semester (four to five quarter) units. Use uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu to track your progress.

- Use assist.org to find out if your classes will transfer and see the prerequisites and minimum GPA for your major (all transferable coursework will be taken into account).
- Did you know that by meeting certain requirements you can guarantee your transfer admission to UCR?
Learn more: go.ucr.edu/tag

How to Apply (All Students)

1. Gather transcripts, test scores, income, Social Security number (if applicable), payment method, and activities and achievements notes.
2. Answer the personal insight questions.
3. Complete the UC application starting Aug 1. Submit it Nov. 1–30. You may apply to waive the \$70 fee.
4. Print your receipt and watch for an email about how to access your MyUCR admission portal account — the fastest way to check your admission status.

Learn more:
admissions.ucr.edu

TURN YOUR PASSION INTO YOUR PROFESSION.

Choose from more than 100 majors, four colleges, and three graduate schools — including the newest medical school in the UC system.

Find your program: admissions.ucr.edu/academics

WE CARE ABOUT YOUR DREAMS, NOT YOUR WALLET.

Every student, regardless of income, who dreams big and works hard should be able to graduate from the greatest public university system in the world. That's why we will do everything we can to help you pay for school.

Apply for financial aid no matter what.

Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year at fafsa.ed.gov by March 2 to qualify for aid. If you're an undocumented California resident, complete the California Dream Act Application at dream.csac.ca.gov by the March 2 deadline. If you attended high school or community college in California, make sure your school completes your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form so you can qualify for the Cal Grant.

It costs less than you think.

At UCR, about 91.2% of undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid, and about 70% of those who receive aid have their full fees covered by grants and/or scholarships — funds that don't need to be paid back! Visit go.ucr.edu/estimate to see what aid you could qualify for at UCR.

Tuition, Cost and Fees.

UCR's undergraduate tuition and fees are \$15,565* — nonresident students pay additional fees. See a breakdown of UCR's cost for all populations: admissions.ucr.edu/cost

**Tuition, fees, and charges are estimates based on currently approved amounts. These figures may not be final. Actual tuition, fees, and charges are subject to change by the Regents of the University of California and could be affected by State funding reductions. Accordingly, final approved levels (and a student's final balance due) may differ from the amounts shown.*

Please Note: Some or all instruction for all or part of academic year 2020–21 may be delivered remotely. Tuition and mandatory fees have been set regardless of the method of instruction and will not be refunded in the event instruction occurs remotely for any part of the academic year.

See how affordable a UC degree can be!
admissions.ucr.edu/cost

WAYS TO PAY

If you qualify, the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan covers **100% of your systemwide tuition and fees!**
Learn more: universityofcalifornia.edu/blueandgold

If you qualify, the Middle Class Scholarship covers **up to 40% of your systemwide tuition and fees.**
Learn more: csac.ca.gov/mcs.asp

Complete a FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov and a GPA form at csac.ca.gov to apply for the most aid.

Dreamers: If you are an undocumented student, you may complete a CA Dream Act application at dream.csac.ca.gov and a GPA form at csac.ca.gov to apply for the most aid.

You are automatically considered for scholarships when you apply to UCR, including the Regents' Scholarship and UCR Achievement Scholarship for out-of-state students.

Learn more about UCR scholarship opportunities:
finaid.ucr.edu/scholarships

See scholarships and internships specifically for Chicane/Latine students: csp.ucr.edu

▶ Learn more about how to pay for school without going into debt: financialaid.ucr.edu

DATES & DEADLINES

Aug. 1 Access the UC Application.

Oct. 1 Access the FAFSA (or CA Dream Act application) and GPA form.

Nov. 1-30 Submit your UC Application.

Nov. 30 Deadline to submit your UC Application.

March 1 Admission notification begins.

March 2 Deadline to submit your FAFSA (or CA Dream Act application) and GPA form.

April 2 Deadline to submit additional financial aid documents (tax forms etc.), if selected for verification.

May 1 **First-Year Students:** Deadline to submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR).

June 1 **Transfer Students:** Deadline to submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR).

July 1 Deadline to send your transcripts.

July 15 Deadline to send your test scores.

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 [csp_ucr](https://www.instagram.com/csp_ucr)

Funded by a National Council of the Arts grant in 1975, Chano Gonzalez created this mural for Chicano Student Programs (CSP) to represent the history of Raza students. When CSP relocated, the UCR community protested to save the mural. They were successful, and today, the remaining 10 original panels live at CSP.





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