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**NATIVE AMERICAN
STUDENT EXPERIENCE**

Spirit of the Tribes 5K is an annual event that honors the Native American spirit and culture, while raising scholarship funds — hosted by UC Riverside's Native American Student Programs (NASP).



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WE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU.

When you attend the University of California, Riverside (UCR), you attend the first campus in the UC system to have an office dedicated to Native American student support. You're on a campus where nearly half of the students are minorities, half qualify as low-income and more than half are the first in their families to go to college.

Doors open here. You can access leadership opportunities, conduct undergraduate research, ignite academic passions and make remarkable contributions right away. You're at a school where students describe their administration as responsive, eager to listen and open to discourse.

Here, you're part of the most talented, driven student body in the world — known for giving back and changing the world. We can't wait to meet you and help you do just that.



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STUDENT PROFILES

“I never thought a university would offer so much to Native American students.”



MADISON GARCIA **(KUMEYAAY)**

Sophomore, Native American Studies

I never thought a university would offer so much to Native American students. ... I knew on my college journey I wanted a community to keep me grounded. So, I took the opportunity on [a trip to a UCR Native book fair] to learn more about the Native origination on campus. I thought this could really be my home away from home, and Native American Student Association (NASA) would be my support system. It made me feel confident in UCR because I think allowing the Indigenous student a space to collaborate, organize, and share is UCR's way of supporting us.

JOSHUA THUNDER LITTLE **(OGLALA LAKOTA)**

Ph.D. Candidate, History

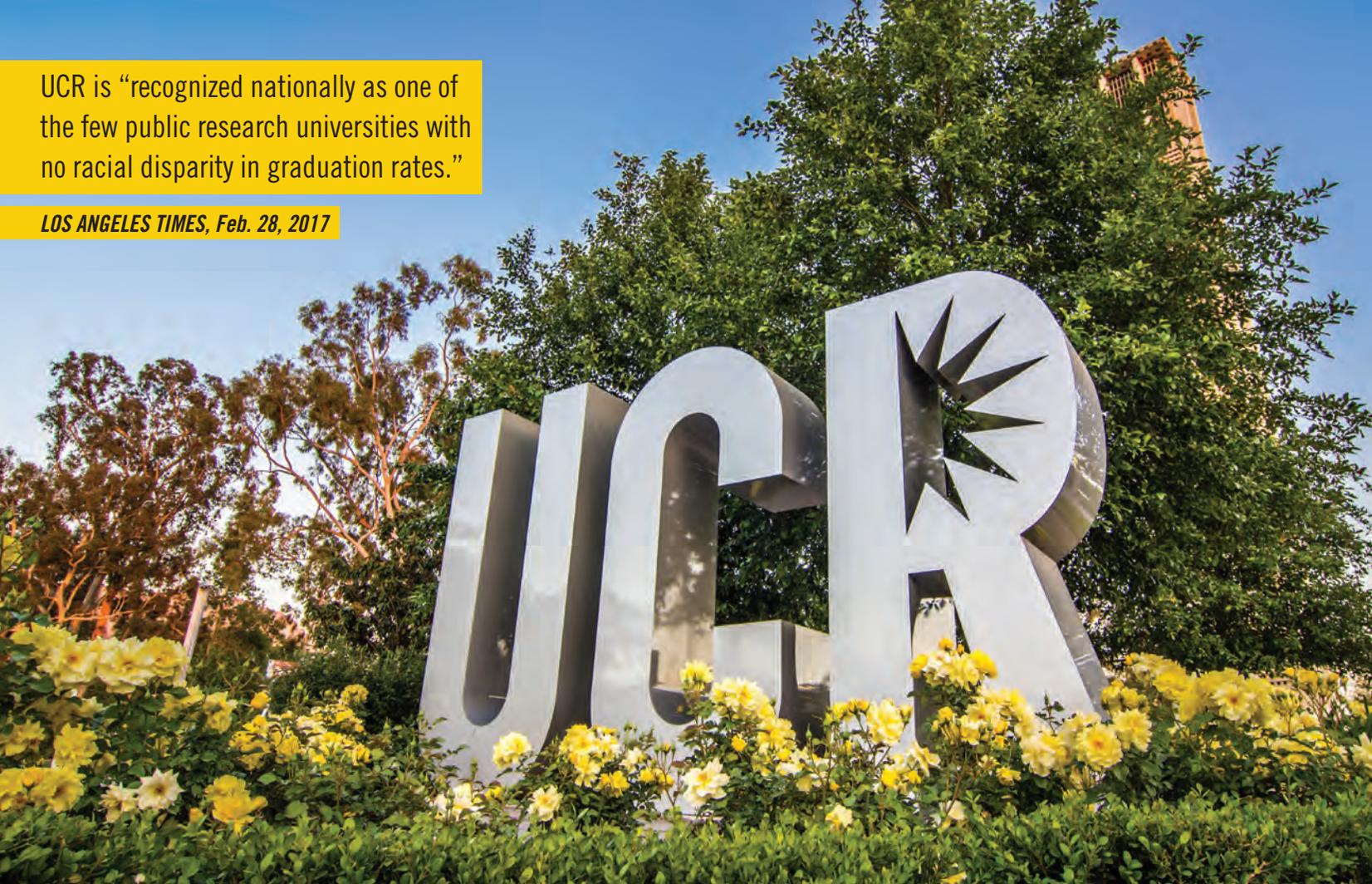
As a Native American student at UCR, I feel respected. I love that UCR is a diverse campus that provides spaces for students to have discussions and learn from each other. I also appreciate the support from Native American Student Programs. I chose UCR because of its majors and the faculty conducting indigenous-based research. I aspire to be a professor of Native American History/Studies and UCR has programs that will help me with my career. UCR is a campus that welcomes everybody and provides a strong sense of community. I have truly enjoyed my time here.



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

LOS ANGELES TIMES, Feb. 28, 2017





FIRST IN THE UC

We are proud to be the first University of California campus to have an office dedicated to American Indian student support (and one of only a few in the system). Since 1980, Native American Student Programs (NASP) has supported American Indian students through peer mentors programs, leadership opportunities, outreach and more.

Learn more at nasp.ucr.edu

WE RANK HIGH IN WHAT MATTERS.

#3 in the nation for producing the most altruistic/community-service-minded students — Pillrs.com, 2017

#13 best university in the West — *Money Magazine*
Best Colleges for Your Money 2018

#28 in the nation based on social mobility, research and service — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#32 best college in America — *Money Magazine* Best Colleges for Your Money 2018

Top 100 safest colleges in the nation

— *Alarms.org*, 2017

America's fastest rising ranked university

— *U.S. News & World Report* 2019
Best College Rankings

One of America's Best Value Colleges

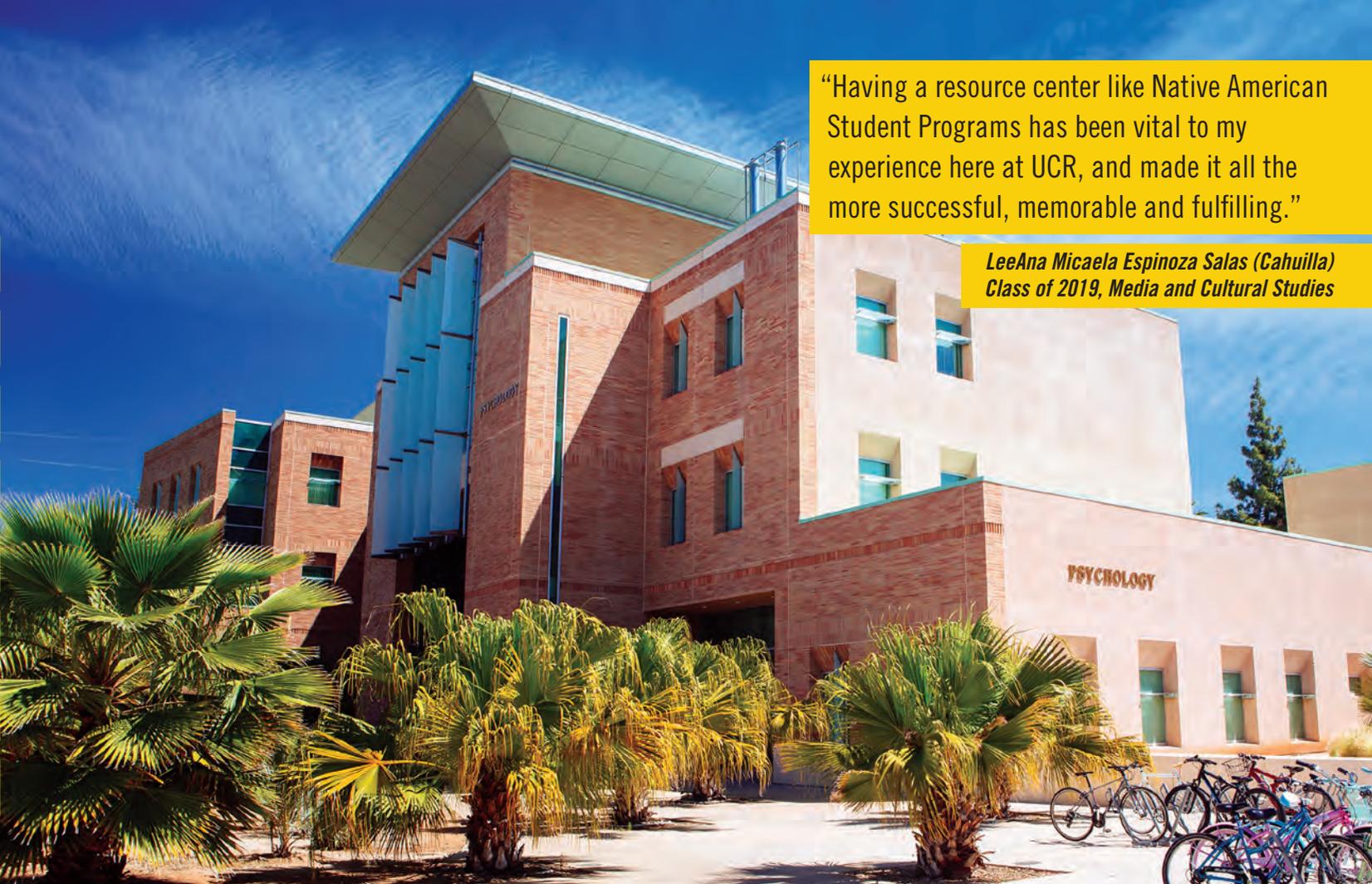
— *Forbes America's Best Value Colleges* 2018

#35 best public school in the country — *U.S. News & World Report*
2019 Best College Rankings

#40 in the nation for faculty receiving significant awards — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#60 in the nation for faculty in national academies — *Washington Monthly* 2018 College Guide and Rankings

#85 best national university — *U.S. News & World Report*
2019 Best College Rankings



“Having a resource center like Native American Student Programs has been vital to my experience here at UCR, and made it all the more successful, memorable and fulfilling.”

*LeeAna Micaela Espinoza Salas (Gahuilla)
Class of 2019, Media and Cultural Studies*

WORK CLOSELY WITH BRILLIANT FACULTY.



**Kimberly Norris Guerrero
(Colville, Salish-Kootenai, Cherokee)**

*Assistant Professor of Theatre, Film and
Digital Production*

Guerrero is an actor, writer, director and founding member of the award-winning indigenous filmmaking team The StyleHorse Collective. She has many acting credits to her name including “The Cherokee Word for Water” (named the best Indian film of the last 40 years by the American Indian Film Institute), “Seinfeld,” and the Tony Award-winning “August: Osage County” which she performed on Broadway and in London and Australia.



Wesley Y. Leonard (Miami)

*Assistant Professor of Ethnic Studies/Native
American Studies*

Leonard examines the social factors entwined with Native American language endangerment and reclamation. As a citizen of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, he has focused on the reclamation of his tribal nation’s language, myaamia, once labeled “extinct,” but actually widely used by the Miami people. He is interested in developing culturally appropriate ways of applying tools of linguistics for reclaiming sleeping languages.

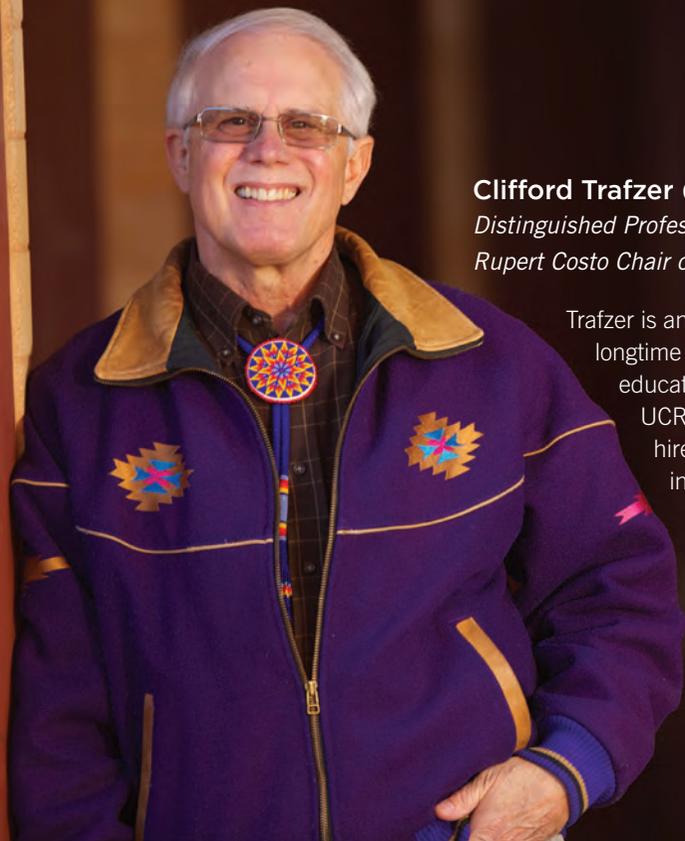


Gerald Clarke (Cahuilla)

*Assistant Professor of Ethnic Studies/Native
American Studies*

Clarke’s powerful artwork appears throughout the United States and is included in several prominent museum collections including the Autry Museum of the American West and the Heard Museum. He served on the Cahuilla Tribal Council as vice chairman and as the Southern California representative to the California Association of Tribal Governments. He says that working with his hands keeps him sane and that he uses his art to express the passion, pain and reverence he feels as a contemporary Native person.

**UCR has more Native American
faculty members than any other UC.**



Clifford Trafzer (Wyandot-German)

Distinguished Professor of History

Rupert Costo Chair of American Indian Affairs

Trafzer is an award-winning writer and longtime advocate of American Indian education. He has played a key role at UCR in working with administration to hire more Native faculty, create an intertribal community college (in development) and build one of the best interdisciplinary Native American Studies programs in the world.

YOU CAN'T STUDY ALL THE TIME!

ATHLETICS/STUDENT LIFE

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Mallory Marcus (Cahuilla) achieved a new career high in 2016 with 0.88 digs per set (and nine digs in one match). Marcus is also a skilled bird dancer and participated with her parents in a blessing ceremony for the California Center for Native Nations.



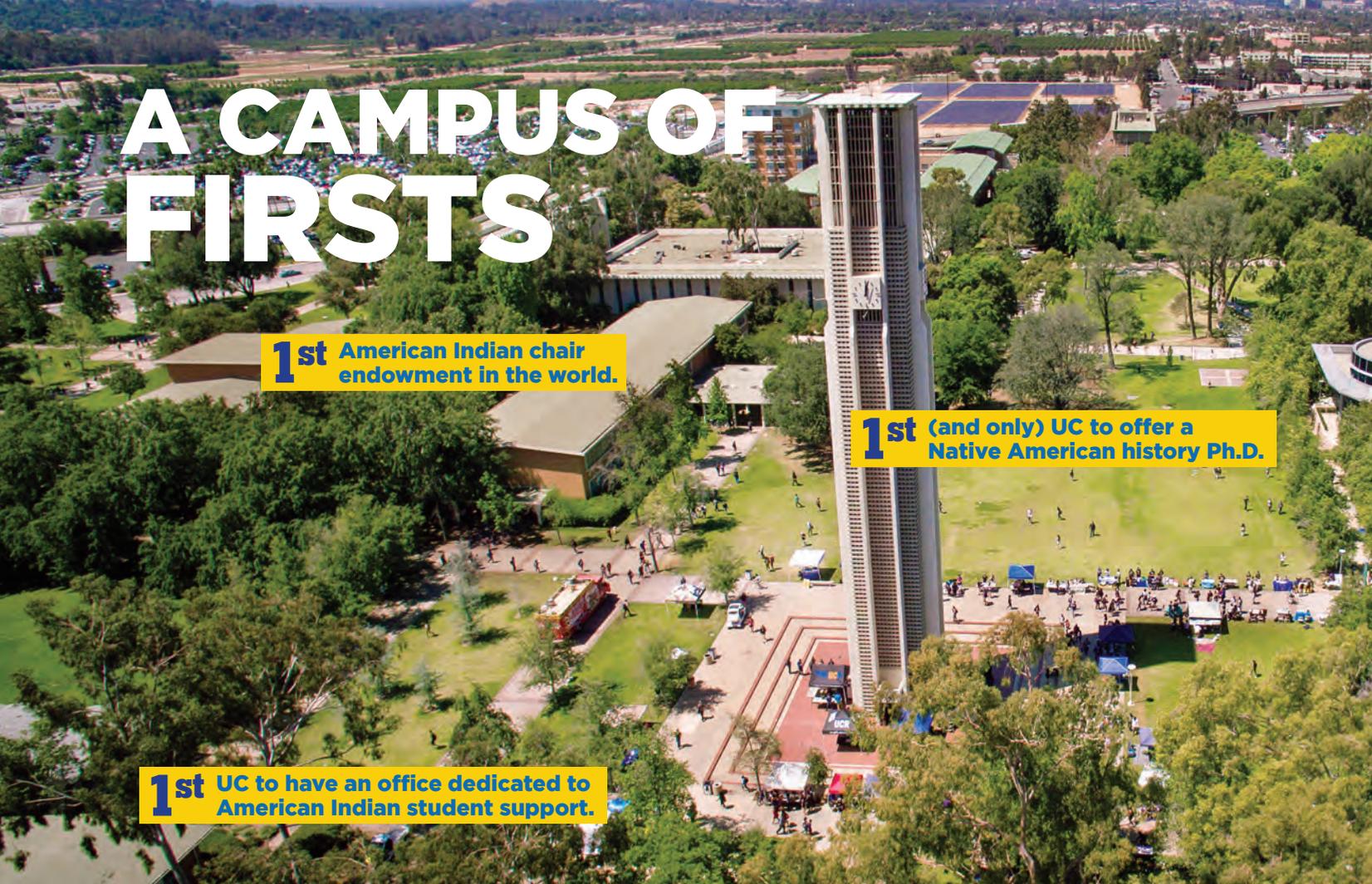


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A CAMPUS OF FIRSTS



1st American Indian chair
endowment in the world.

1st (and only) UC to offer a
Native American history Ph.D.

1st UC to have an office dedicated to
American Indian student support.



1st UC to have 15+ Native American faculty members.

1st university with a graduate from a California reservation.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE

Founded in 1954

Part of the prestigious University of California system

Located in Riverside, California (60 miles east of Los Angeles)

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

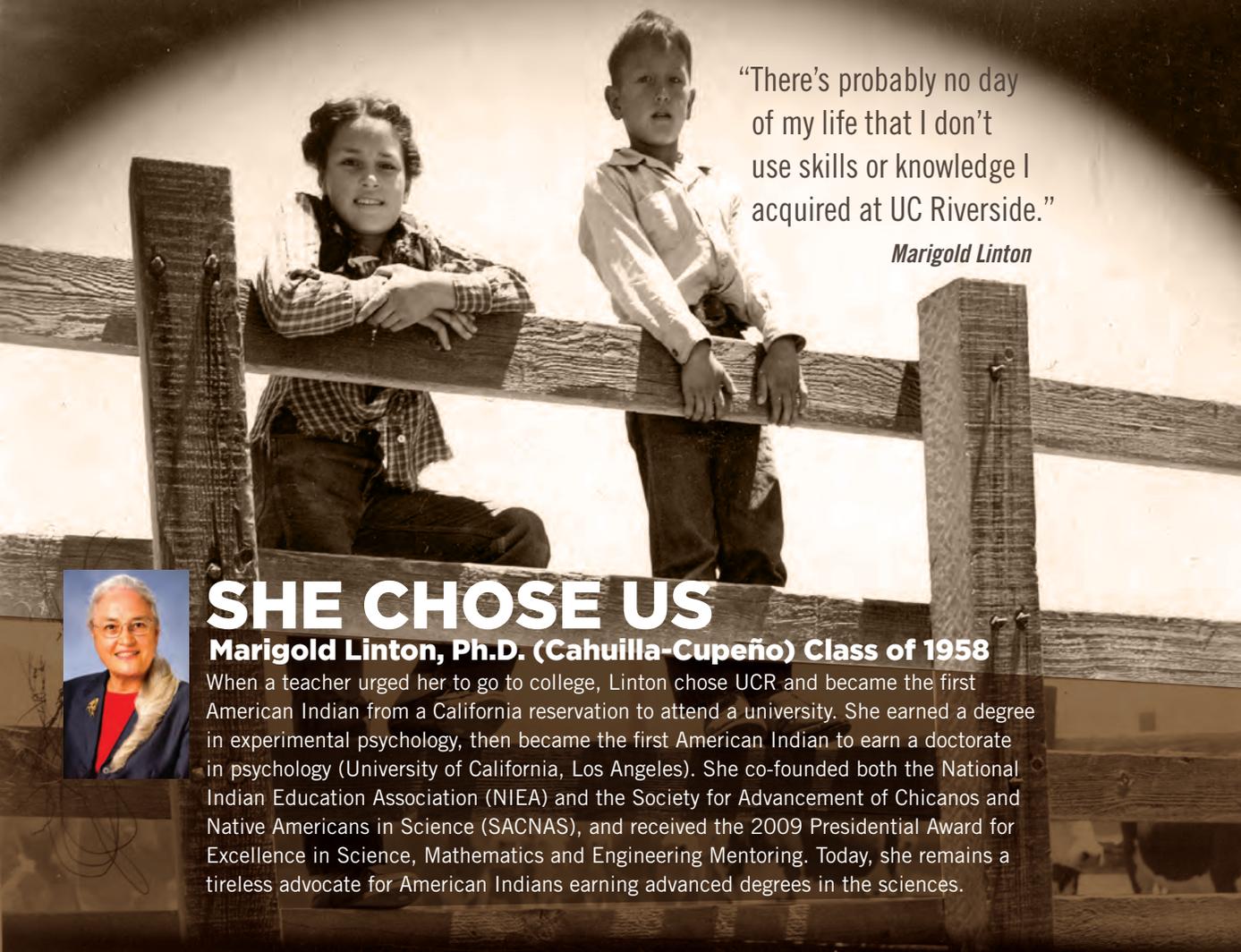
277 sunny days per year

HONOR THE PAST, CREATE THE FUTURE.

You can conduct undergraduate research at the California Center for Native Nations, a UCR research center that connects tribes with UC expertise to solve problems unique to Native nations. Find out more at ccnn.ucr.edu.

Native American scholars/activists Rupert and Jeannette Costo helped found UCR. They also endowed the first American Indian chair in the world here and donated all of their papers, recordings and photos (which you can see in UCR's Rivera Library).





“There’s probably no day
of my life that I don’t
use skills or knowledge I
acquired at UC Riverside.”

Marigold Linton



SHE CHOSE US

Marigold Linton, Ph.D. (Cahuilla-Cupeño) Class of 1958

When a teacher urged her to go to college, Linton chose UCR and became the first American Indian from a California reservation to attend a university. She earned a degree in experimental psychology, then became the first American Indian to earn a doctorate in psychology (University of California, Los Angeles). She co-founded both the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) and the Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS), and received the 2009 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring. Today, she remains a tireless advocate for American Indians earning advanced degrees in the sciences.





MAKE FRIENDS AND MAKE MEMORIES.



ORGANIZATIONS AND EVENTS

Native American Student Programs (NASP) nasp.ucr.edu

As the first office in the UC system dedicated to serving American Indian students, NASP has been supporting students for more than 30 years. They will connect you to everything from scholarships and fellowships, to peer mentor programs and research opportunities.

BE ACTIVE

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)
- Graduate American Indian Alliance (GAIA)
- Native American Honor Society (NAHS)
- Native American Student Association (NASA)
- Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Natives in Sciences (SACNAS)

BE SUPPORTED

SERVICES

- Academic tutoring and referrals
- Intertribal Connect (peer mentor program)
- Native American outreach to local Native nations, tribal schools, Native nonprofits and tribal TANFs
- Scholarships and fellowships

BE PRESENT

EVENTS

- Annual Healing the Earth Conference
- Annual Medicine Ways Conference
- Annual Spirit of the Tribes 5K Run/Walk; 1K and ½ K Kids' Fun Runs
- Annual UCR Pow Wow
- College Exploration Day

- Community College Day
- Gathering of the Tribes Summer Residential Program
- Highlander Day
- NASP Lecture Series
- Native American Graduation Banquet
- Native American Heritage Month
- Native American Student Programs Welcome
- Native Jam Night

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“The first thing I noticed about UCR is the unity between students of all ethnicities and backgrounds. Everyone on campus takes pride in their own ethnicities and groups, yet students never fail to support one another.”

Raelyn Castillo (Apache), Class of 2019, Neuroscience





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

From our historic Ethnic & Gender Programs offices, 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

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| African Student Programs (ASP) | asp.ucr.edu |
| Asian Pacific Student Programs (APSP) | apsp.ucr.edu |
| Chicano Student Programs (CSP) | csp.ucr.edu |
| LGBT Resource Center (LGBTRC) | out.ucr.edu |
| Middle Eastern Student Programs (MESOC) | mesoc.ucr.edu |
| Native American Student Programs (NASP) | nasp.ucr.edu |
| Undocumented Student Programs (USP) | usp.ucr.edu |
| Women's Resource Center (WRC) | wrc.ucr.edu |

More Student Support Services

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| 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 (ISS) Office | internationalscholars.ucr.edu |
| New Student Programs | studentlife.ucr.edu/ welcome-new-highlanders |
| R'Pantry | go.ucr.edu/RPantry |
| Student Affairs Case Management | casemanagement.ucr.edu |
| Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC) | sdrc.ucr.edu |
| Student Health Services (SHS) | studenthealth.ucr.edu |
| Student Recreation Center (SRC) | recreation.ucr.edu |
| Transfer Success Program | go.ucr.edu/TransferSuccess |
| University Honors | honors.ucr.edu |
| Veterans Services | studentlife.ucr.edu/veterans |
| The Well | well.ucr.edu |

APPLYING IS EASY.

Freshman Students

Admission Requirements

- 15 completed “a-g” high school courses
- GPA of 3.0 or higher (3.4 non-resident) 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: hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist

Transfer Students

Admission Requirements

- 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units with minimum 2.4 GPA (2.8 non-resident). (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. Track your progress: go.ucr.edu/Transfer

- Use [ASSIST.org](https://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 (four out of eight questions for freshman; one required and an additional three out of seven questions for transfer students).
3. For fall admission, freshman and transfer students can access the UC application beginning Aug. 1, and submit it Nov. 1–30. Transfer students can also apply for winter admission, accessing the application beginning July 1 and submitting it by July 31. 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.

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WE CARE ABOUT YOUR DREAMS, NOT YOUR WALLET.

Every student who dreams big and works hard — regardless of income — 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, 91 percent of undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid, and 73 percent 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. Visit admissions.ucr.edu/cost to see a breakdown of UCR's cost for all populations.

**Tuition and fees are estimates and are subject to Regental approval. Fees are of July 2020 and are subject to change.*

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.*

UCR distributed more than \$455 million in grant, loan, work-study and scholarship aid for the 2017–18 academic year to undergraduate students.

WAYS TO PAY

Complete a FAFSA by March 2 each year at fafsa.ed.gov and make sure your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form is submitted to the California Student Aid Commission by your high school or community college to apply for the most aid.

Dreamers: If you are an undocumented California resident, complete a CA Dream Act application at dream.csac.ca.gov by March 2 each year and make sure your Cal Grant GPA Verification Form is submitted to the California Student Aid Commission by your high school or community college to apply for the most aid.

If you qualify, the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan covers **100 percent of your systemwide tuition and fees!**

Learn more: universityofcalifornia.edu/blueandgold

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

Learn about scholarships for Native American students:

asp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships

You are automatically considered for scholarships when you apply to UCR, including the Regents' Scholarship (up to \$10,000 per year) and the Non-Resident Achievement Scholarship (up to \$4,500 per quarter).

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

DATES & DEADLINES

Aug. 1 Freshman and Transfer Students: Access the UC application for fall admission.

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

Nov. 1–30 Submit your UC application for fall admission.

Nov. 30 Deadline to submit your UC application for fall admission.

March Admission notifications begin for fall admission.

March 2 Deadline to submit your FAFSA or California Dream Act application and GPA form.

May 1 **Freshman Students:** Deadline to submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) for fall admission.

June 1 **Transfer Students:** Deadline to submit your SIR for fall admission.

July 1 Transfer Students: Access the UC application for winter admission.

July 30 Deadline to submit your UC application for winter admission.

Sept. Admission notifications begin for winter admission.

Oct. 15 Deadline to submit your SIR for winter admission.





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