

# One of the World's Leading Research Universities Committed to California's Future

The University of Southern California (USC) is comprised of 22 academic schools and Keck Medicine of USC. The University's scholarly and creative community is made up of more than 4,700 innovative faculty, 21,000 undergraduate students, and 28,500 graduate students. USC is at the forefront of innovative research that meaningfully benefits the health and well-being of local communities and the world.



#### Zero tuition

for undergraduates coming from families with an annual income of up to \$80,000

#### 1 in 4

USC students are firstgeneration college students

#### 49,500

total students (21,000 undergraduates and 28,500 graduate and professional students

#### **Over 1.5 million**

COVID-19 vaccines administered at no cost with the City of Los Angeles.

#### \$635 million

in financial aid awarded, among the largest financial aid pools in the nation

#### **Two-thirds**

of all USC undergraduate students received financial aid

#### 4,000 LAUSD

students served annually through USC's college access programs

USC is the nation's #1 transfer student destination among top 25 schools

#### #1 Black and #2 Hispanic student enrollment

among all top-25 research universities

USC's #1 feeder school is LAUSD's Foshay Learning Academy adjacent to campus

#### \$1 Billion

in research expenditures that includes Alzheimers, cancer, computer science, and Al research.

## Preparing the medical workforce of the future

USC teaches, trains, and co-operates one of the largest public hospitals in the nation in partnership with LA County

## Over 100 community programs serving youth and

serving youth and families (job training, workforce development, and college readiness)

USC to be carbon neutral by 2025 and zero waste by 2028



### BUILDING A SHARED VISION WITH COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORS

USC is committed to community partnerships and building a shared vision with neighbors. The university is committed to supporting healthy, vibrant, and engaged communities around the University Park and Health Sciences campuses.

- Comprehensive college access programs serve 4,000 LAUSD neighborhood students annually, with expansion efforts to serve more Eastside and South LA families.
- Operate **eight Head Start early childhood locations** serving 600 local students daily.
- USC's #1 feeder school is LAUSD's Foshay Learning
  Academy which is adjacent to the University Park Campus.
- USC Neighborhood Academic Initiative, a national model for college access, **served over 1,500 neighborhood scholars**.



#### COMMITMENT TO COLLEGE ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY

Affordability is the cornerstone of college access, and USC is committed to reducing barriers for students of all backgrounds to make attending a top-tier university attainable. This work includes doubling down on efforts to expand diversity and increase access for students from financially disadvantaged circumstances.

- 1 in 4 USC students is the first in their family to attend college.
- USC eliminated tuition for first-year students from households earning \$80,000 or less in annual income.
- #1 in Black and #2 in Hispanic student enrollment among top 25 research universities.
- Top transfer destination. 1 in 4 students across the country, who are transferring from a community college to a four-year university, are coming to USC - more than 1,100 students every year.
- Two-thirds of all USC undergraduate students received financial aid over \$635 million in 2022 2023.



#### **DELIVERING LIFESAVING MEDICAL CARE AND RESEARCH**

Keck Medicine of USC is one of only two university-based medical systems in the Los Angeles area. Keck Medicine includes Keck Hospital, Norris Cancer Center, Arcadia Hospital, Verdugo Hills Hospital and more than 80 outpatient locations across the region. As an academic medical center, Keck has partnerships with the County at LA General Medical Center and with Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA) to provide training, specialty services and opportunities for medical research and advancement. USC combines best in class physicians, cutting edge research, and state of the art facilities.

- USC teaches, trains, and co-operates one of the largest public hospitals in the nation in partnership with LA County.
- USC and CHLA launched a \$24.5 million NIH funded program to address health disparities in Latino children and families.
- **USC's Street Medicine program**, a national model for providing access and healthcare to unhoused individuals, delivers over 1,200 patient visits a year.
- Investing over \$450 million to establish a research hub to advance next-generation medical innovation and help eliminate health disparities.



#### **DRIVING POSITIVE INSTITUTIONAL CHANGE**

USC is committed to driving positive change and a renewed commitment to transparency. Since 2019, the university has implemented significant reforms to its governance, leadership, and culture. At the center are our students, faculty, patients, and the communities we serve. Since 2019, the university:

- Hired a new president and senior university leadership.
- Implemented major **Board of Trustees governance reform** and reduced the size of the board by more than half.
- **Investing more than \$700 million** into employee salaries, benefits, and overall wellness.
- Bolstered wellness and enhanced mental health services for students, faculty, and staff.



#### **FOSTERING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE**

The push for a green USC has never been stronger. The university is making meaningful strides to expand sustainable operations on its campuses and in the community. USC established a presidential-level working group to implement a university-wide strategic plan to guide environmental programs through 2028.

- USC will be carbon neutral by 2025 and zero waste by 2028.
- USC is partnering with AltaSea at the Port of Los Angeles to conduct groundbreaking regenerative aquaculture research and grow the blue economy.
- USC eliminated single-use plastic beverage bottles, **diverting** more than one million bottles from landfills.
- USC earned **silver on the national STARS sustainability report card** for being green, with the results highlighting the univesity's success in biodiversity efforts.



#### **EMPOWERING STUDENT-ATHLETES**

USC is committed to student centered athletics through education, health and well-being, academic advisement, and providing them with a leadership voice in school and beyond. With 21 men's and women's sports, USC has an unrivaled Olympic tradition.

If the University were its own country, USC's 326 all-time Summer Olympics medals would tie for **14th most medals won among all countries**, while its 153 gold medals would be tied for 11th most gold medals won in Summer Olympic history.

- USC's 93% student-athlete graduation rate is 4% higher than the NCAA's rate across all D-1 programs.
- USC student-athletes set an academic record with the **highest** ever cumulative GPA at 3.16.
- USC fully funds athletic scholarships and provides Alston awards (\$5,980) for all sports.
- USC empowers student-athletes to earn NIL compensation in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA, state law, and its own student-athlete centered culture.
- Provides the largest student-athlete mental health program in the nation with the integrated health care.