UC IRVINE ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY HIGHLIGHTS 2020-2021

Two-time recipient of the <u>AASHE STARS</u> **Platinum rating** (2018 & 2021); UCI's 2021 sustainability report received the **highest score ever** obtained by an institution.

UCI is **No. 2** in Sierra magazine's 2021 **'Cool Schools**', 12 straight years being in the top 10.



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Certified as a **Bee Campus USA**, a student-led effort to educate the campus community on the environmental importance of bees.



STAFF ENGAGEMENT

Established the online **Sustainability Fundamentals Training for Staff**, providing an overview of sustainability and simple actions that can be integrated on campus, remotely, or hybrid.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Developed the Health Equity Contact Tracing Workshop in partnership with the OC Health Care Agency and the OC Health Equity COVID-19 Community-Academic Partnership, providing education about the pandemic and contact tracing assistance.



DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

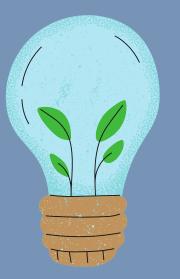
Over \$112 million was dedicated to offer grants to low and middle income students to minimize their cost of attendance, reduce the need for borrowing, and promote access and affordability.





TRANSPORTATION

Awarded the **2020 Fleet Merit Award and Green Fleet Award** from The NAFA Fleet Management Association, recognizing UCI's reduction in fuel consumption and use of electrified student transportation.



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

The UCI Green Labs program transitioned to a successful online certification format, certifying five labs (the most labs certified over the course of an academic year).

GREEN BUILDINGS

UCI has **21 LEED Platinum** buildings, with the Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Building obtaining the most recent certification.



WASTE REDUCTION

Awarded the 2021 Winner for the "Large Campus Food Organics Category" in the Campus Race to Zero Waste; and maintained an 80% waste diversion rate throughout the pandemic.





DINING

UCI Dining added **200 new plant-forward menu items** making 30% of campus dining options vegan- or vegetarian-friendly.



WELLBEING

UCI is among the inaugural US cohort to adopt the **Okanagan Charter**, recognizing a dedication to infusing health and wellbeing into the campus environment.