



UC SAN DIEGO EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

NURTURING CHILDREN, EMPOWERING FAMILIES

At UC San Diego, we are committed to the health and development of our campus community. The Early Care and Education Program provides research-based childcare that not only offers a safe, nurturing environment and positive relationships for children, but also enables our students, faculty and staff to achieve their educational and career goals.

As a child development demonstration school, our collaborations support research into psychology, education, linguistics, technology and more, while also influencing our dynamic and creative learning environments. Partnerships across UC San Diego and our region with schools, libraries and senior living centers enrich our students' educational experiences and help them become compassionate members of our global community.

Expanding the boundaries of what is possible — for children and adult members of our campus — means increasing the number of children we care for, investing in new educational programs, and recruiting the best and brightest new childcare professionals to support a diverse, equitable and family-friendly campus environment.

50 YEARS

Providing heartfelt care and education for the children of the UC San Diego community

5,000+

Served since campus childcare began

ONE CENTER

Offering hands-on learning opportunities and age-appropriate curriculum

15+ YEARS

Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children

11 RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

Allow us to provide the most sophisticated evidence-based care

At UC San Diego, we believe that what we don't know today will forever change our tomorrows. Empowered by generosity and fueled by curiosity, we are unafraid to chase the unknown — to ask the questions no one has asked before and to push the boundaries of possibility. Together, we unite diverse people and unconventional perspectives to propel limitless impact. Because we know that when we come together, nothing is beyond us.

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EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROGRAM PRIORITIES

ENHANCING THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

- » Recruiting exceptional new **childcare professionals** allows us to serve more children and families from across UC San Diego and maintain our low student-to-teacher ratio, prioritizing the needs of those in our care.
- » **Tuition assistance** for children of graduate students increases diversity on campus and equalizes opportunity for talented but historically underrepresented student-parents.

ENRICHING OUR CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY

- » **Hiring packages** offering childcare options for incoming faculty allow UC San Diego to recruit historically underrepresented professors and researchers and to promote gender equity on campus.
- » Programmatic support allows us to develop new **services for our community**, including lactation support, expanded special education and enhanced health screenings.
- » **Capital support** enables us to maintain our current facility with potential to build new facilities that encourage learning for the youngest members of our campus community.

SPARKING RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

- » As a living laboratory, our programs provide invaluable **experiential learning opportunities** for undergraduate and graduate students pursuing degrees in education, human development and related fields at UC San Diego.
- » **Research funding** helps advance projects critical to childhood health and growth, including investigations into language acquisition, social development and long-term education outcomes.

Together, we will continue to broaden access to our early care and education program and promote diversity and gender equity across our campus.

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