

21st Century India Center

AT THE SCHOOL OF GLOBAL POLICY AND STRATEGY

The 21st Century India Center (21CIC) at UC San Diego's School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS) integrates rigorous academic study with practical policy innovation to address India's most pressing challenges and opportunities in a global context.

As part of GPS, 21CIC benefits from a strong foundation in policy research, leveraging the expertise of leading scholars who combine insights from a wide range of disciplines. This interdisciplinary approach ensures that the Center's work not only examines the U.S.-India relationship — one of the most strategic partnerships of the 21st century — but also provides solutions that are informed by the broader global policy landscape.

Education is central to 21CIC's mission. Through advanced degree programs, specialized curricula, and public outreach, the Center equips the next generation of policymakers and leaders with the tools to navigate complex global issues. By fostering collaboration between academia, industry and government, 21CIC creates a pipeline of talent and ideas that influence real-world change.

Supported by visionary philanthropists and engaged stakeholders, 21CIC catalyzes critical conversations and actions around shared challenges like inequality, climate resilience and economic transformation. In an era of shifting global trade dynamics and environmental uncertainties, the Center provides a forum for developing sound policies and innovative solutions that resonate far beyond India and the U.S.

What we do here doesn't happen anywhere else.

STRATEGIC PILLARS

Global Competitiveness

To bolster India's strength in the global economy

Climate and Sustainability

To address India's vulnerability to climate change and enhance its resilience

Inclusive Growth

To ensure that India's economic progress benefits all people

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.





Join us in advancing knowledge, driving progress, and shaping a dynamic future in US-India relations.

Learn more at india.ucsd.edu.

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Philanthropic Opportunities

As we look to the future, we invite you to join us in advancing 21CIC's mission. Your support will enable the Center to continue leading the way in research, education and policy engagement that shapes a better understanding of India and its relationship with the world.

FOSTERING RESEARCH THAT MATTERS

At 21CIC, world-class faculty and groundbreaking research are supported by visionary donors through endowed chairs and faculty fellowships. Endowed positions ensure sustainable funding and a legacy of thought leadership, fueling impactful scholarship and advancing the U.S.-India relationship.

EDUCATING FUTURE LEADERS

At the heart of 21CIC's mission is the development of future leaders equipped to address global challenges. Donor support of student fellowships plays a critical role in helping GPS attract and enroll top students from across the world, including students with an expressed interest in India.

Beyond the traditional classroom, the Center expands its impact through executive education programs, accessible online seminars, and transformative student exchanges with India. These initiatives foster cross-cultural connections and equip participants with the skills needed to drive meaningful change.

INFORMING SOUND POLICY

The India Center bridges scholarship and practice by hosting dynamic convenings that bring together scholars, policymakers, industry leaders and advocacy organizations. These high-level dialogues accelerate collaboration on pressing issues in the U.S.-India relationship, such as climate resilience, economic transformation and regional stability.

Donor partners enable the Center to host impactful public forums connecting policymakers and business leaders with research-based insights to inform decision-making.

ADVANCING INNOVATION

Innovation thrives on bold exploration and the pursuit of new directions. By contributing to the 21CIC Catalyst Fund, donors will enable the Center to support core priorities and act on unforeseen opportunities as they emerge.

Private support enables the Center to stay ahead of the curve, fostering groundbreaking research and innovative solutions that address the most pressing issues of our time.

