



# HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION AT UC SAN DIEGO

## EMPOWERING THOSE WHO WILL SHAPE THE FUTURE OF HUMAN HEALTH

Since its founding in 1960, UC San Diego has experienced tremendous growth and made an extraordinary impact in medicine, pharmacy and public health.

We are home to the youngest of the nation's top 20 medical and pharmacy schools, a distinction that reflects our university's spirit of innovation. We are also home to the Herbert Wertheim School of Public Health and Human Longevity Science, which brings together experts in global health issues, public policy, infectious diseases and much more.

As part of the region's only academic health system, together these three schools represent a powerhouse of learning and the very latest in modern health sciences. Our talented students work side by side with those who are pushing the boundaries of our understanding of human health and pursuing advancements that lead to higher standards of care for all.

Supporting this important work is UC San Diego's unmatched infrastructure for research and learning. Students are exposed to promising new therapies being explored through our robust clinical trials program and drug development research. They have access to the bioengineering technology pioneered each day across our campus. When our students launch their careers as clinicians, scientists or public health practitioners, they take with them the high standards, curiosity, compassion and inspiration that can only come from an immersive experience in a comprehensive academic health sciences program.

## THREE WORLD-CLASS PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

- » UC San Diego School of Medicine
- » Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- » Herbert Wertheim School of Public Health and Human Longevity Science

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Public medical school in the nation (*U.S. News & World Report 2023-2024*)

## RENOWNED FACULTY

29 National Academy of Engineering members, 70 National Academy of Sciences members, 45 National Academy of Medicine members, and 110 American Academy of Arts and Sciences members

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.



## PRIORITIES FOR PROGRESSIVE HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION

- » Support for scholarships through the **Health Sciences Scholarship Challenge** can ease the significant burden of debt for talented students interested in pursuing health-related professions. Gifts to the challenge can help us **double the impact of the \$12 million commitment** Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla and Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences John M. Carethers, MD, have made to scholarships for UC San Diego's health sciences schools and will help us recruit students who will one day provide high-quality, patient-centered, population-oriented care.
- » Philanthropy enables us to **expand our fellowship programs and develop new ones** in a broad range of clinical and research areas.
- » As part of our mission as a public institution, we aim to **improve health equity and increase diversity in our faculty and student programs** to foster a medical workforce that reflects the economic, social and geographic diversity of California. We act on this commitment through various community partnerships and pipeline programs that support those interested in pursuing careers in the health sciences. Our students also help improve access to care through programs like the Student-Run Free Clinic in San Diego and the Border Health Project in Tijuana, Mexico. With funding to expand upon these programs, we can further enhance the inclusiveness of our educational offerings and community outreach.
- » Elevate the learning experiences of our students by **recruiting and retaining faculty members committed to excellence in teaching**. We aim to establish new faculty positions focused on creating meaningful and memorable learning experiences for our students, setting strong foundations for their future educational pursuits and inspiring them to make the most of their careers as health sciences professionals.

Together with your philanthropic support we can inspire generations of brilliant physicians, pharmacists, scientists, community practitioners and innovators to create a healthier world – one life and one community at a time – through new science, new medicine and new cures.

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