

About Sacramento State

Sacramento: It's the Dynamic Heart of California

From a pioneer Gold Rush town to today's bustling capital, Sacramento has never shied away from its role as the hub of the Golden State. It's a city with a wild and wooly past and a global future. It's where students come to live, work, and learn in one of the nation's most diverse, innovative, and fast-growing regions.

When they're not studying? Sac State students may be wandering through the oldest public art museum in the West, watching a basketball game or concert at the state-of-the-art Golden 1 Center, relaxing along the American River, or enjoying locally grown food at one of the many dining spots that have earned Sacramento its reputation as America's farm-to-fork capital.

Sacramento State: Come Redefine the Possible

We are California's capital university, providing world-class, affordable education in the political, cultural, and economic heart of the Golden State. We are a recognized leader in education, innovation, and engagement, dedicated to the belief that there are no limits to our students' potential for excellence and success. We are powering the capital region through groundbreaking partnerships and more than 230,000 proud Hornet alumni. We are a vibrant and diverse community, united by our shared intellectual curiosity, commitment to improving the world around us, and passion for redefining the possible.

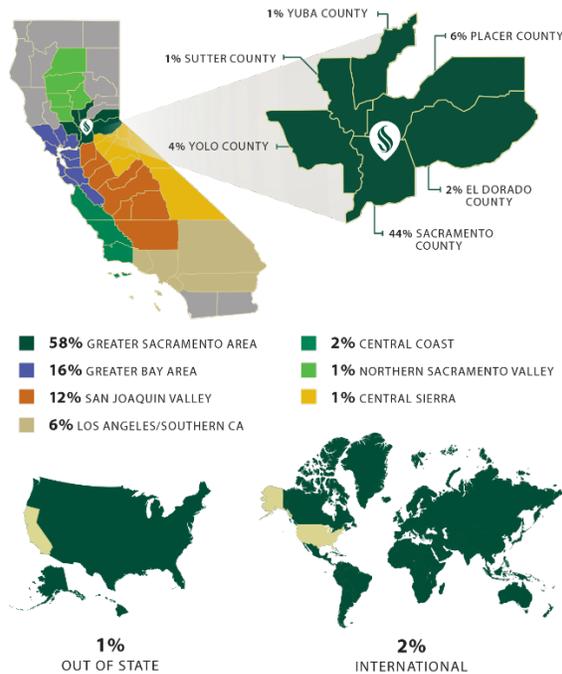
Join the Hornet Family. Stingers Up!

Founded as Sacramento State College in 1947 with 235 students and five full-time faculty members, Sacramento State has been serving the region for 75 years. Now nearly 31,000 students strong, it is the sixth largest of the 23 campuses in the California State University (CSU) system. It is an accessible and inclusive place of learning and achievement, a hub of diverse thought and intellectual challenge, and is intertwined with the community it serves. From research that results in impactful legislation to entrepreneurial ideas that blossom into robust businesses, Sacramento State continues to provide immersive learning experiences that benefit students, the region, and beyond. It is Sacramento's University.

Where Students Come First

Whether they are knee-deep in the American River studying the impacts of drought, or learning the latest in cybersecurity, students receive top-notch instruction from experts in their fields. The focus on students goes beyond just the classroom. There are dozens of programs, services, and centers available to aid students in their individual academic journeys.

Most Students Are From the Sacramento Area



PERCENTAGES BASED ON FALL 2022 STUDENT ENROLLMENT DATA.
COUNTY CALCULATIONS BASED ON CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY.

5th Best in Undergraduate Teaching in the Western U.S. *U.S. News & World Report*

- 23:1 student to faculty ratio
- 31 average class size
- 1,891 full - and part -time faculty
- 212% increase in 4-year grad rate (since 2016)

Degrees earned:

- 8,342 Total Degrees
- 7,389 Bachelor's
- 908 Master's
- 45 Doctorates

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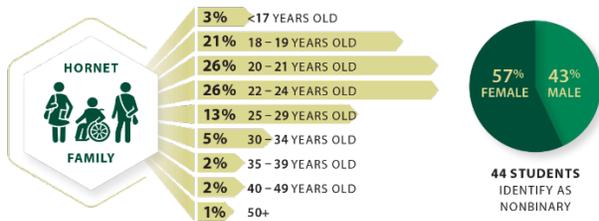
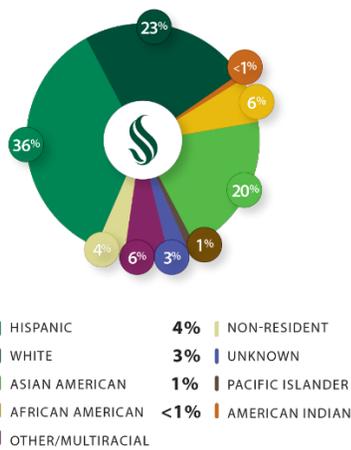
Rich with a diversity of people and cultures, the Sacramento region is home to the hardworking, innovative, and passionate. Sacramento State is no different. It is a place where faculty, staff,

and students from all backgrounds come together to teach, learn, work, and make an impact on the world.

4th Most Diverse Campus in the Western U.S.
U.S. News & World Report

- Asian American & Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPIS) since 2011
- Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) Since 2015
- 30% First in Family to attend college
- Seal of Excelencia since 2020

Student Demographics



DEMOGRAPHICS BASED ON FALL 2022 STUDENT ENROLLMENT DATA.

#10 Best Bang for the Buck for Western Colleges
Washington Monthly

- \$16,278 average annual room & board
- 3,200 students live on campus
- 8 residence halls
- 52% of students receive financial aid

- \$7,484 annual tuition fees (in-state)
- 49% of students are Pell Grant eligible

Excellence Every Day

The rankings and achievements earned by the University and its students demonstrate the excellence that takes place throughout campus every day in big and small ways.

- No. 4 Most Diverse Campus in the Western U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2022)
- No. 5 Best in Undergraduate Teaching in the Western U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2022)
- No. 8 Lowest Student Loan Debt in the West (U.S. News & World Report, 2022)
- No. 9 Most Transformative College (Money.com, 2020)
- No. 10 Best Bang for the Buck for Western Colleges (Washington Monthly, 2022)
- No. 14 Top Performers on Social Mobility in the West (U.S. News & World Report, 2022)
- No. 16 Top Public Schools in the West (U.S. News & World Report, 2022)
- The Anchor University Grants Program allocated \$103,877 to support 16 staff, faculty, and student community partnership projects.
- Sac State met and exceeded state requirements to address period poverty, installing 145 free menstrual product dispensers in 33 buildings.
- Sac State's Out of the Darkness campus walk was recognized as one of the Top 10 Fundraising Walks by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.
- The Wellness, Education, Leisure, and Lifestyle (WELL) expansion project received an Outstanding Facility Award from the National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA).
- In just 36 hours on Give Sac State Day, 1,181 people donated nearly \$319,000 to student-centered programs.
- The Associated Students Food Pantry's 30 volunteers provided food and basic necessities to 8,700 students.
- Bioretention planters, porous pavement, and bioswales filter 2.9 million gallons of stormwater annually, keeping pollutants from flowing into the American River.
- Sacramento State is ranked No. 5 Best Nursing School in California by RN Careers, with a 97.75% National Council Licensure Examination passing rate.
- The College of Business has been AACSB-accredited since 1963, one of just 5% of the world's 16,000 higher education institutions to have earned this designation (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business).
- The Construction Management program has seen a 100% employment rate for its graduates 12 years running.
- Sac State is the first and only California State University campus to offer a paramedic program. Students consistently rank higher than national averages when taking the National Registry Exam.

- The College of Health and Human Services works with 1,100-plus community partners, offers 8 community clinics, and places 2,000-plus interns in clinical and field positions each year.
- The Doctor of Education (Ed.D) in Educational Leadership is ranked No. 10 in the nation (Best Accredited Colleges).
- Sacramento State’s student-run history journal “Clio,” was awarded first place in the 2022 Nash History Journal Prize national competition.
- More than 1,000 visitors viewed the first deep space images from NASA’s James Webb Telescope at the Sac State Planetarium.
- The Center for Counseling and Diagnostic Services (CCDS) Counselors-in-Training master’s students provided services to approximately 600 people through its Practicum and Internship program.
- The College of Arts and Letters’ signature events, U-CREATE at the VERGE Cultural Center, U-Nite! at the Crocker Art Museum, and Sunday Funday during Festival of the Arts, connected Sac State with more than 1,500 members of the community in 2022.
- The Full Circle Project celebrated 10 years of helping first-year Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) students navigate college, increasing their four-year graduation rate from 5% in 2012 to 24% in 2022.

Sacramento State at a Glance

Sac State’s Academic Offerings

76 bachelor’s degree programs with 78 concentrations

53 master’s degree programs with 30 concentrations

4 doctoral degrees

19 post-baccalaureate certificates

13 credential programs

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