

UCSF at Parnassus Heights

The UCSF Parnassus Heights campus, bordering Mount Sutro Open Space Reserve and embedded in the surrounding neighborhood, is the University's oldest and largest campus. It is home to top-tier graduate health-sciences education, robust research and premier patient care. Today, UCSF is developing a bold vision to revitalize the campus' infrastructure, working to ensure that UCSF can continue to recruit and support top faculty, students and staff and support our patients, sustaining UCSF's mission of advancing health worldwide.

Population

The Parnassus Heights campus has grown into a 107-acre academic health sciences center with an average daily population of more than 17,000 people, including faculty, staff, students, postdoctoral scholars, residents, patients and visitors. It is one of three main UCSF campuses, with others at Mission Bay and Mount Zion. Key to its success is the co-location of research, education and patient care on one campus.

Excellence in Care

UCSF Helen Diller Medical Center at Parnassus Heights is part of UCSF Medical Center, the top ranked hospital in California and one of the top ranked in the nation. The campus is also home to premier outpatient medical clinics, the Langley Porter Psychiatric Hospital and Clinics and the UCSF Dental Center.

Community Resources

The Parnassus Heights campus offers myriad programs and services that are open to the public, including the Millberry Fitness Center, which has an indoor pool, the Chancellor's Concert Series in Cole Hall, Mini Medical School, a Farmer's Market on Wednesdays, a Walgreens store, Mt. Sutro Open Space, and several eateries.

Cutting-edge research

Scientists at Parnassus Heights have made three Nobel-Prize winning discoveries, in cancer, neurodegenerative disease and cell aging. They co-discovered the AIDS virus, conducted the first fetal surgery, and played a key role in establishing the human embryonic stem cell field. They also launched the field of biotechnology. Today, scientists are leaders in the fields of immunology, including immunotherapy, diabetes, stem cell research, oral health, chronic pain and asthma.

Top-tier Graduate Education

UCSF's four graduate schools -- dentistry, medicine, nursing and pharmacy -- which are consistently ranked among the top programs nationwide and attract the most talented students, are based at the Parnassus Heights campus. UCSF's state-of-the-art Teaching and Learning Center uses the latest technology to create a clinical-simulation setting in which students can train as a team to provide patient care. UCSF graduates 160 medical students every year, 60 percent of whom go on to practice in California.





Future Vision

UCSF has launched a planning process to define a bold, long-term vision to revitalize its historic Parnassus Heights campus, in order to sustain excellence across research, education and patient care, in part by continuing to attract the best students, faculty and researchers in the world. UCSF has engaged an architectural and design team to work with campus leadership and the community to redesign a modern, world-class campus at Parnassus Heights. A final plan with preliminary cost estimates will be completed in 2019.

UCSF by the Numbers

- UCSF has four professional schools, in **medicine, nursing, dentistry, and pharmacy.**
- UCSF's Graduate Division has **19 PhD programs and 11 master's programs.**
- UCSF has more than **3,300 students** enrolled in degree programs, 1,500 clinical residents or fellows and 1,000 postdoctoral scholars.
- UCSF Medical Center has 3 main clinical sites: **Parnassus, Mount Zion and Mission Bay**, and maintains numerous primary care and specialty clinics throughout San Francisco and Northern California, including **UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals Oakland and San Francisco.**
- UCSF is the second largest employer in San Francisco, with nearly **3,000 faculty and 22,000 staff.**
- UCSF generates nearly **43,000 jobs** and produces an estimated **\$8.9 billion in economic impact.**
- In 2017 UCSF received nearly **\$594 million** in biomedical research funding from the National Institutes of Health, more than any other public institution.

Providing Care for the Future

UCSF plans to build a new hospital on the Parnassus Heights campus to meet new state seismic requirements and to provide premier care to patients in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond in the 21st century. With a \$500 million gift from the Helen Diller Foundation, UCSF has begun an extensive planning process for an architecturally outstanding, energy-efficient, seismically sound, and environmentally sustainable hospital, which is expected to open its doors to patients before 2030.

