

UCLA

Self-Guided Tour



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1 BRUIN BEAR STATUE

Your tour begins in the geographical center of campus at the buzzing intersection of student activities, free speech, athletic glory and alumni tradition in a cluster of sports, recreation and alumni facilities. Start at the landmark Bruin Bear in Bruin Plaza. The Alumni Association is headquartered in the nearby James West Alumni Center. Directly behind the Bruin statue is the J.D. Morgan Intercollegiate Athletics Center, housing the dazzling Athletics Hall of Fame and UCLA's record 106 NCAA team trophies. Also located within this pod are other facilities that promote healthy, active lifestyles: the Intramural Field and the John Wooden Recreation and Sports Center, named for UCLA's legendary 10-time NCAA championship-winning basketball coach, and the neighboring Arthur Ashe Student Health and Wellness Center, named for the UCLA and Wimbledon tennis great.

2 BRUIN WALK

Heading east along Bruin Walk, you'll find yourself where student services and activities hum along: the Student Activities Center and Ackerman Union with the UCLA Store. Kerckhoff Hall is where the Daily Bruin publishes and student government convenes. Moore Hall is home to the Graduate School of Education & Information Studies, which operates Center X—the innovative teacher-training program that's improved test scores in underserved communities.

3 COURT OF SCIENCES

Head south and you'll come to the Court of Sciences. It includes the Henry Samueli School of Engineering & Applied Science, plus the departments that make up two divisions of the UCLA College: Physical Sciences and Life Sciences. And welcome to Paul Boyer Hall. It's named for one of UCLA's Nobel Prize winners and is dedicated to molecular biology. Did you know UCLA has its own planetarium? You can do your star-gazing on top of the Mathematical Science Building.

4 UCLA MEDICAL CENTER

South of the Court of Sciences, you'll discover the Center for the Health Sciences. The future happens here every day—through advanced medical technology, cutting-edge clinical trials and world-class physicians. The center is comprised of UCLA Medical Center, the David Geffen School of Medicine and the schools of Nursing, Public Health and Dentistry. The I.M. Pei-designed, techno-wonder Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center was completed in 2008. Nearer to the tour route is La Kretz Hall, built to exacting environmental standards and home to UCLA's Institute of the Environment. As you turn toward the east edge of campus, you may glimpse the serene Mildred E. Mathias Botanical Garden.

5 INVERTED FOUNTAIN

A jog north takes you to the Inverted Fountain, a water wonder that recirculates 10,000 gallons every minute. Nearby are Franz Hall, home to the Psychology Department, and Knudsen Hall, which houses the Physics and Astronomy Department. Schoenberg Music Building, home to the Herb Alpert School of Music, performs as well as it teaches. It hosts an ongoing variety of performances by gifted students, faculty and staff (with the added bonus that performances are inexpensive and open to all—often free to students).

6 MURPHY HALL

Northeast of Schoenberg you'll find Murphy Hall, named after Franklin D. Murphy, UCLA's third chancellor. It headquarters UCLA admissions, administration and the chancellor's office. Next door is Dodd Hall, one of several buildings that house the Humanities Division of the UCLA College. The School of Law is here (the only public law school in Southern California), and Perloff Hall, home to Architecture and Urban Design.

7 SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Continuing north above Law, you'll find the School of Public Affairs. The building that looks like a waffle is Bunche Hall. It's named for Ralph J. Bunche, UCLA alumnus, Nobel Peace Prize winner and U.N. representative, and is home to the International Institute, dedicated to educating global citizens. Bunche also introduces the fourth division of the UCLA College—Social Sciences.

8 SCULPTURE GARDEN

Walking north to the far edge of campus, you'll enter the world of art through the Franklin D. Murphy Sculpture Garden. Mingle with Matisse, Rodin and more. This area is also home to the School of Theater, Film and Television and the School of the Arts and Architecture. Neighboring Melnitz and Macgowan halls stage dramatic and musical productions. Meanwhile, UCLA's Film and Television Archive screens more than 400 films and videos to the public each year. The Eli and Edythe Broad Art Center, with Richard Serra's dramatic sculpture T.E.U.C.L.A., a 42.5 torqued ellipse, opened in 2006.

9 YOUNG RESEARCH LIBRARY

Veer south and you'll find the Charles E. Young Research Library (named for UCLA's longtime chancellor), the hub of the campus library system. The UCLA Library is made up of 12 general and special-subject libraries, contains 8 million volumes and is ranked among the top 10 university research libraries in the nation. Nearby Campbell Hall is home to the UCLA College's American Indian Studies Center. Adjacent Rolfe Hall is dedicated to the humanities, notably English, and to the Asian American Studies Department. Its courtyard features the sculptures of Robert Graham.

10 ROYCE HALL

Walk south and you'll discover Dickson Plaza, the historic heart of campus. The quad showcases the university's signature structures, Powell Library and Royce Hall, each patterned after elegant Romanesque churches in northern Italy. Royce Hall is the largest performance venue on campus and plays host to many of UCLA Live's 200 annual events: renowned artists such as cellist Yo-Yo Ma, the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Dave Brubeck, STOMP, the British Royal National Theatre with Sir Ian McKellen, the Grand Kabuki Theatre of Japan, the Miami City Ballet, the National Philharmonic of Russia and the Kronos Quartet. At the west end of the quad spouts the Shirley and Ralph Shapiro Fountain.

11 JANSSE STEPS

As you approach the west end of Dickson Plaza, you'll be at the head of Jansse Steps where Martin Luther King Jr. once spoke. Below is the Fowler Museum at UCLA, which exhibits 4,000 years of non-Western art and anthropology. Beyond the Fowler is the Anderson School of Management, which ranks among the top business schools in the world year after year. At the base of the steps is Gloria Kaufman Hall, which houses state-of-the-art dance theaters, classrooms and studios. Wilson Plaza honors alumni Bob and Marion Wilson, who led the most ambitious fundraising effort ever undertaken by a public university. Note: You can walk up the hill to view the residence halls next or go straight to Pauley Pavilion.

12 RESIDENCE HALLS

Student residence halls are located on the hill that overlooks historic Drake Stadium. Options range from high-rises to suites to village clusters. More than 9,500 undergraduate students live on campus. Community Housing helps students locate off-campus housing. The Sunset Canyon Recreation Center is here and features an Olympic-sized pool and a host of other facilities. South of Dykstra Hall is Tom Bradley International Hall, named for UCLA track star and former L.A. Mayor Tom Bradley.

13 PAULEY PAVILION

Continuing east on Bruin Walk you'll see Drake Stadium, training ground for countless great athletes, Major League Baseball pioneer Jackie Robinson and Olympic gold medalists Rafer Johnson and Jackie Joyner-Kersey among them. On your right, look for Pauley Pavilion, legendary home of Bruin basketball. In 2003, Pauley's center court was named the Nell and John Wooden Court in honor of the famed coach and his wife who inspired him.