UC is a driver of college opportunity on our campuses and across the state.

On its ten campuses and in hundreds of public schools where it partners to provide access to college, the University of California serves as a ladder to higher education and social mobility for millions of Californians.

UC has set a goal of producing 1.2 million graduates by 2030.

UC college access programs serve

186,580
K-12 STUDENTS

1,487
CA PUBLIC K-12 SCHOOLS

70 PERCENT OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS GO ON TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

First-generation undergraduate enrollment

UC 41%,
NATIONAL 36%
AAU PUBLIC 27%
AAU PRIVATE 18%

UC STANDS OUT AMONG TOP-RANKED INSTITUTIONS IN ADMITTING FIRST-GENERATION AND LOW-INCOME STUDENTS.

37% OF UC UNDERGRADUATES COME FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

42% OF UC’S 2018 GRADUATES WERE THE FIRST IN THEIR FAMILIES TO EARN A DEGREE.

28% OF UC STUDENTS TRANSFER FROM COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

52% OF CA UNDERGRADUATES GRADUATE WITHOUT LOANS.

UC’s low-income students graduate at the same high rate as their peers

- 84% OF UC STUDENTS GRADUATE WITHIN SIX YEARS
- 82% OF LOW-INCOME STUDENTS GRADUATE WITHIN SIX YEARS

A ticket to economic mobility

93% OF UC’S LOWEST INCOME STUDENTS GO ON TO EARN MORE THAN THEIR PARENTS.

5 years
AFTER GRADUATING, MOST OF UC’S LOW-INCOME STUDENTS EARN MORE THAN THEIR PARENTS.

UPON GRADUATING, STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES EARN AS MUCH AS THEIR MORE AFFLUENT PEERS.