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UC San Diego Ranked 14th Best University in World by Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Center for World-Class Universities lauds campus's academic programs in science, mathematics, medicine, social science and engineering

The University of California, San Diego is ranked the 14th best university in the world, up from 15th place last year, and its life sciences and engineering programs are ranked 7th and 13th respectively, according to the 2013 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU). The rankings were recently released by the Center for World-Class Universities at Shanghai Jiao Tong University, a public research university located in Shanghai, China, renowned as one of the oldest and most prestigious and selective universities in China.

"This honorable recognition can be attributed to UC San Diego's talented and successful faculty, staff, students and alumni, as well as our world-class research programs and top-quality education," said UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla.

UC San Diego has consistently been named one of the top universities in the world and has been praised by Shanghai Jiao Tong University for its core research strengths, which include the university's major discoveries, partnerships, innovations and teaching activities.

"UC San Diego is a student-centered, research-focused, service-oriented public university with multiple pillars of excellence and strengths across disciplines," Khosla said. "We are dedicated to educating next-generation leaders and conducting research that addresses our society's most pressing challenges."

Shanghai Jiao Tong's Academic Ranking of World Universities list recognizes broad subject fields in which UC San Diego's programs for natural sciences and mathematics is ranked 21st, its clinical medicine and pharmacy is ranked 21st and the social sciences are ranked 26th. Selected subject field rankings for UC San Diego include mathematics (19), chemistry (17), computer science (11) and economics (19).

UC San Diego recently earned nearly $1 billion in research and development funding, facilitating inspirational research programs across a multitude of disciplines.

Academic Ranking of World Universities evaluated more than 1,200 universities and published the top 500 on the web. The rankings adopted six indicators to rank world universities that included the number of alumni and staff who won Nobel Prizes and Fields Medals, the number of highly cited researchers, the number of articles published in journals of *Nature* and *Science*, the number of articles indexed in Science Citation Index - Expanded and Social Sciences Citation Index and per capita performance.

Earlier this year, UC San Diego was ranked the 15th best university in the globe by the Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) of Leiden University in the Netherlands, and it was ranked 20th best by the Center for the World University Rankings (CWUR).

For more information on the Academic Ranking of World Universities list, go to www.shanghairanking.com/ARWU2013.html.

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