

## **Dr. Robert C. Dynes inaugurated today as UCSD Chancellor**

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Robert C. Dynes will be installed today as the sixth chancellor of the University of California, San Diego during a colorful academic ceremony handed down from European universities of the Middle Ages.

San Diego Mayor Susan Golding will give the keynote address and Richard C. Atkinson, president of the University of California, will conduct the ceremony of investiture. Inaugural remarks by Dynes on the vision of the San Diego campus will follow.

More than 1,200 persons are expected to attend.

The ceremony will open with a processional of academicians wearing the colorful caps and gowns which indicate the field of study and the university which conferred the faculty member's degree. The velvet facing on the hood of all master's and doctoral degree holders indicates the field of study (for instance, purple for law) while the lining of the hood indicates the university that conferred the degree. (The University of California, for example, has a gold satin lining with one blue chevron.) The academic regalia of gowns, mortarboards, tassels, hoods and maces is a tradition which dates back to the first organized institutions of learning in the 12th and 13th centuries.

Included in the academic procession will be inaugural speakers, Regents, Officers of the Regents, vice presidents, laboratory directors, chancellors, former UCSD chancellors, deans, provosts, inaugural marshals and select others. Processional music will be performed by the La Jolla Symphony Orchestra led by Thomas Nee, conductor and professor emeritus, UCSD Department of Music.

Tirso Del Junco, M.D., chairman of the Board of Regents, will give the official welcome, followed by greetings from Coleen Sabatini, president of the UCSD Associated Students; Vicki Mayer, president of the Graduate Student Association; Steve Schreiner, '80, president of the UCSD Alumni Association; Monroe E. Trout, M.D., president of the UC San Diego Foundation; Darcy C. Bingham, president of the UCSD Staff Association; Georgios Anagnostopoulos, Academic Senate Division chair; Raymond Orbach, UC Riverside Chancellor, and Walter E. Massey, president of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.

Musical interludes will be provided by Kenneth Anderson, director of the UCSD Gospel Choir, singing "America the Beautiful," the Symphony presenting "Fanfare for the Common Man" and "Hoedown" from Rodeo by Aaron Copland, and the Gaudeamus igitur from the Academic Festival Overture by Johannes Brahms.

Dynes, 53, a renowned physicist and an expert researcher in semiconductors and solid state circuits, became chancellor of the UCSD campus in July, 1996. He succeeded Atkinson, who was named UC president in October, 1995.

A UCSD professor of physics since 1991, Dynes served as senior vice chancellor for academic affairs--UCSD's top academic post-- before his selection as chancellor.

Dynes brings to his new position an extensive record in scientific research. A native of London, Ontario, Can., and a naturalized U.S. citizen, Dynes holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and physics from the University of Western Ontario, and a master's degree and Ph.D. in physics from McMaster University.

From 1968 to 1990 he was a research scientist for AT&T Bell Laboratories. His positions at the laboratory included department head of semiconductor and material physics research and director of chemical physics research.

In 1991 he joined the UCSD faculty as professor of physics and in 1994 was named chair of the Department of Physics. Dynes founded an interdisciplinary laboratory at UCSD where chemists, electrical engineers and private industry researchers investigate the properties of metals, semiconductors and superconductors.

He was appointed senior vice chancellor for academic affairs at UCSD in August, 1995.

Dynes is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a fellow of the American Physical Society and the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research. In 1990 he was the winner of the Fritz London Award in Low Temperature Physics.

The new chancellor also is a member of the UC President's Council on the National Laboratories at Los Alamos, Lawrence- Livermore and Lawrence-Berkeley. He chairs that group's science and technology panel. Additionally, he chairs the National Research Council's study group on careers in mathematics and physical sciences.

UCSD, which includes Scripps Institution of Oceanography, was formally established in 1960. The campus, with an annual budget of nearly \$1 billion, includes five undergraduate colleges, a medical school, School of Engineering, and the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies.

Last fall the National Research Council, which ranks faculty and graduate programs in the U.S., ranked UCSD 10th in the nation. Fourteen of UCSD's doctoral programs were ranked in the top 10.

UCSD ranks sixth in the nation and first in the University of California system according to the amount of federal research dollars the campus spends on research and development. Last year UCSD received \$269 million in research funding.

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