

HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME ON CAMPUS AT UC SAN DIEGO

Are you planning a campus tour? Consider spending a few more hours on the beautiful campus, either before or after your campus tour, and get more of a sense of what your life as a student here could be like. Here are a few recommendations we have for families and school groups who are visiting.

EXPERIENCE THE ACADEMIC SIDE OF UC SAN DIEGO



Planning to spend the day on campus? Plan ahead and see what classroom life is like. For Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters, a list of lecture classes that permit visitors is available on our website. From early morning into the evening, choices range from Chemistry to Psychology, Mathematics to Music, or Engineering to Visual Arts.

There are only a few rules to follow, so find one or more classes that match your interests and then ask us for directions to the lecture hall. It's a great way to get a glimpse of your academic future!

THE PRICE CENTER



Located at the heart of campus, the Price Center is UC San Diego's main student union, described as "the living room of campus." Here you'll find information services and computer lounges, along with a game room and theatre. Check out the UCSD Bookstore, offering a variety of apparel, souvenirs, gifts, supplies, and books beyond texts. There's a computer store and Perk's Coffee Shop here, too.

The Price Center is also a food court, so whether you're looking for sandwiches or pizza or coffee... yogurt or salad or smoothies or sushi... or ethnic options including Mexican, Greek, Indian, or Chinese food... you'll find it here. There's a convenience store too — the Price Center is a great place to shop, eat, explore, and relax.

For more information, [visit the homepage](#) and find out about the other part of University—food options, community centers, and more space to connect or unwind.

UC SAN DIEGO DINING SERVICES



Want to experience student dining at UC San Diego? Check out one of the ten different residential dining options located all around campus. Visit the [Housing and Dining website](#) for information about each of the unique dining halls. Or ask your College Ambassador to direct you to

a favorite. Larger groups can arrange ahead of time to have their group dine at one of these locations; individuals can drop in any time to purchase a meal or snack.

BIRCH AQUARIUM at SCRIPPS



The Birch Aquarium, part of the world-renowned [Scripps Institute of Oceanography](#) on the UC San Diego campus, offers fun for the whole family. More than 370,000 visitors each year can learn about 5,000+ fishes and invertebrates in exhibits ranging from climate change to environmental stewardship, plus a Hall of Fishes with 60 tanks of sea life... the 70,000-gallon kelp forest... a Shark Reef... and the interactive Tide Pool Plaza.

The Aquarium is just minutes from the heart of campus by bus or free campus shuttle! Visit the [Birch Aquarium website](#) for more details, including an events calendar and group/family admission rates.

STUART COLLECTION of ART



Seventeen site-specific installations make up this unique outdoor collection. You'll see some of them on your campus tour. If you're interested in the rest, [get the map](#) and you'll get to see much more of the campus than we can cover on our tour. This is a beautiful, relaxing walk, so have a great time exploring on your own.

GEISEL LIBRARY



You'll see Geisel Library and learn a bit about it on your campus tour, but there's much more. UC San Diego's main library is one of the standout resources of the campus as well as its most distinct architectural landmark. The building houses five of the ten libraries and special collections in UCSD's 3.2 million volume library system.

Named for Theodor S. Geisel (more commonly known as Dr. Seuss), drawings and rough drafts from the largest collection of Dr. Seuss's original works are displayed each year to celebrate his birthday in early March. More great information about resources, history, and events is on the [library website](#).

Want an in-depth visit? Find out about [group tours or self-guided tours](#) at Geisel.

PERFORMING and VISUAL ARTS



Take a look at [UC San Diego's Event Calendar](#) for dates, times, and descriptions of lectures, exhibits, community events, and performances.

Or visit the websites of the [Theatre & Dance](#) department, [Music](#) department, [The Loft](#), and the [University Art Gallery](#) for more. There is always something to see and do, in every corner of campus!