

About UNLV

Since its first classes were held on campus in 1957, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) has transformed from a small branch college into a thriving research university, becoming an indispensable resource in one of the country's most enterprising cities.

Today, UNLV is a doctoral-degree-granting institution of more than 29,000 students, 3,000 faculty and staff, and more than 100,000 alumni. A federally designated Hispanic-Serving Institution and Minority-Serving Institution, UNLV has nationally recognized programs in the arts, sciences and health sciences, hospitality, law, and liberal arts.

UNLV is committed to joining the nation's leading public research institutions through its Top Tier initiative, a focused effort to attract top students and faculty, educate a diversifying population and workforce, and drive economic activity through research and community partnerships to create a more vibrant economy.

UNLV is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

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UNLV is an ambitious university with a longstanding mission to serve its growing and dynamic region.

Through its Top Tier initiative, UNLV is driving research and innovation, and forming community connections to support a vibrant and sustainable economy. A new UNLV School of Medicine welcomed its charter class in July 2017 and will be a center of excellence and innovation for medical education, patient care, and research.

UNLV in many ways represents the future American university. More than half of UNLV's undergraduates come from racial or ethnic minority groups, consistently ranking it as one of the nation's most diverse. The entertainment capital of the world, Las Vegas offers students a "living laboratory" for research, internships and job opportunities.

Student Success

For UNLV's students, many of whom are first-generation, the university is devoted to academic success – from the day they arrive for orientation, during their time on campus, and into their chosen careers. This includes a booming Honors College, an innovative curriculum with a defined course path for undergraduates, and access to academic and career advising – including a dedicated Academic Success Center.

Research and Economic Development

As the largest research university in the state and the only one in Southern Nevada, UNLV is dedicated to developing and supporting the human capital, regional infrastructure, and economic diversification that Nevada needs for a sustainable future. A strong partner in the governor's economic development plan, UNLV is committed to producing the highly-qualified workforce our community needs; bringing more federal and private grant funding to Southern Nevada; and partnering with industry to create new businesses through the commercialization of intellectual property at UNLV.

Community Impact

UNLV is working closely with industry to build degree and professional development programs in health care, hospitality and gaming, engineering, and business. The university is home to Nevada's only law and dental schools. It is the largest contributor of teachers and administrators for the nation's fifth-largest school district, and boasts one of the top university supercomputing centers to support its rapidly evolving big data needs. In fall 2016, UNLV and the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority partnered to present the final presidential debate. This historic event highlights the university's growing reputation.



UNLV Facts & Stats

Students, Fall 2016

Total Headcount.....	29,702
Undergraduate.....	24,715 (83.2%)
Graduate/Professional*.....	4,288 (14.4%)
Men.....	12,771 (43%)
Women.....	16,931 (57%)
Minorities.....	17,001 (57.2%)
Resident.....	25,003 (84.2%)
Nonresident.....	8,689 (29.3%)

**Students enrolled in graduate/professional dual degree programs are included in both the graduate and professional categories. Total headcount reflects unduplicated counts and includes state and non-state supported enrollments.*

Employees, 2016

Total Full-time Headcount.....	3,307
Men.....	1,606
Women.....	1,701
Minorities.....	1,274
Total Part-time Headcount.....	2,034

Source of Funds, 2016

Total.....	\$619,848,000
State Appropriations.....	29.6%
Tuition & Fees.....	30.2%
Grants & Other Contracts.....	16.3%
Sales by Auxiliary Enterprises.....	8.1%
Sales by Educational Dept.....	4.3%
Capital Grants & Endowments.....	0.7%
Private Gifts.....	3.4%
Capital Appropriations.....	4.7%
Other Revenues.....	2.7%

Colleges/Divisions

Academic Success Center
Lee Business School
College of Education
Division of Educational Outreach
Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering
College of Fine Arts
Graduate College
Division of Health Sciences
Honors College
William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration
College of Liberal Arts
College of Sciences
Greenspun College of Urban Affairs
UNLV Libraries

Professional Schools

School of Dental Medicine
William S. Boyd School of Law
School of Medicine

University Highlights

Campus growth is evident with construction underway or recently completed on academic and athletic facilities, student housing, parking, and in programs and services for a rising student population.

UNLV's Harrah Hotel College was ranked the World's Best for Hospitality and Leisure Management by the 2017 QS World University Rankings.

UNLV is one of just 13 universities worldwide selected for Solar Decathlon 2017, a U.S. Department of Energy contest that challenges students to design, build and operate homes that are energy-efficient, affordable and innovative.

Research and economic development activities are up for the fourth straight year. Research awards rose by 7.5 percent, and expenditures are steady at around \$49 million. Patents are up nearly 17 percent over the past year, with 61 patents filed.

With participation from more than 10,000 private donors, more than \$93 million in new gifts and pledges was committed to UNLV during Fiscal Year 2017 – a new annual record for the university. Another philanthropic record was broken in June 2017, when UNLV received its largest-ever single gift – an anonymous contribution of \$25 million allocated to a new Medical Education Building for the School of Medicine.

UNLV is preparing to celebrate its 60th anniversary this fall, with the university's Lee Business School, Harrah Hotel College, and Barrick Museum of Art all marking 50 years.

Our Students

UNLV again welcomed a record freshman class in Fall 2016, with proximately 75 percent of incoming students from Clark County. Fall 2016 also brought the largest incoming class for the booming Honors College, which now enrolls approximately 900 students.

The UNLV athletic training program has maintained a 98 percent first-time pass rate on the Board of Certification Examination since 2010, outpacing the national average by nearly 20 percent. All 13 program graduates from 2017 passed on the first attempt.

UNLV student-athletes dedicated more than 13,000 hours last year to volunteerism — over 5,000 more hours than their nearest competitors — and earned the Mountain West Conference Community Service Award.

NASA named a partnership between UNLV and Teledyne Brown Engineering its Mentor-Protégé Agreement of the Year. The first-of-its-kind partnership gives UNLV students real-life work experience with International Space Station Operations. One student has already joined the team full time.

UNLV Jazz Ensemble I recently tied for first place at the prestigious Monterey Next Generation Jazz competition — akin to “winning the NCAA tournament of jazz.” The program has won 11 Downbeat Magazine awards since 2010, garnered outstanding reviews for its seven jazz CDs, and stood out at numerous other festivals around the country.

The Rebel Report, a sports program created and produced by students and faculty at the Hank Greenspun School of Journalism and Media Studies, in June 2017 received an Emmy Award for “student programming” from the Pacific Southwest Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences.

UNLV's Latin Jazz Ensemble and drummer Colin Woodford won 2016 DownBeat Magazine Student Music Awards, one of the highest honors in jazz education. Jazz Studies students have won 10 DownBeat Student Awards since 2010.

UNLV's dance team, the Rebel Girls, won the national title in Hip Hop at the 2016 Universal Dance Association College National Championship. This is the team's fourth national Title, with wins in 2008, 2010, and 2013.