

California State University
Northridge

National Recognitions and Distinctions

Regionally Focused, Nationally Recognized

- **The National Science Foundation ranks Cal State Northridge 1st, 2nd and 5th among comprehensive universities nationally preparing students who later earn research doctorate degrees in psychology, science and engineering, and biology, respectively.**
- **CSUN was 1 of only 4 universities in the U.S. initially selected by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to participate in its Teachers for a New Era initiative. Jointly funded by Carnegie and the Ford and Annenberg foundations, the program is designed to ensure teacher preparation of the highest quality.**
- **CSUN educates and credentials more teachers than the entire UC system combined. The 2012 National Teacher of the Year is a 1996 graduate of the Michael D. Eisner College of Education.**
- **The CSUN Engineering program is recognized as the fastest-growing undergraduate engineering program in the country by the American Society for Engineering Education. The college recently earned a \$5.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Hispanic-Serving Institutions STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) Program to increase the number of underrepresented and low-income students studying engineering and computer science.**
- **CSUN Accounting majors rank among the top 3 California college and university programs in pass rates for every section of the CPA exam.**
- **One third of all managing partners of accounting firms in Southern California are CSUN alumni.**
- **CSUN ranks 10th in the U.S. in bachelor's degrees awarded to under-represented minority students.**
- **CSUN is 5th in the U.S. and 1st in California for bachelor's degrees and 10th nationally for master's degrees awarded to Hispanic students.**
- **CSUN ranks 9th among all universities whose alumni serve as members of the California State Bar.**
- **The National Center on Deafness (NCOD) at CSUN enrolls the largest number of deaf students of any mainstream university in the U.S. In 2011 it won a prestigious \$20 million, five-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education for its work.**

- **The College of Business and Economics regularly ranks among the 10 largest accredited undergraduate business programs in the nation and is named by the Princeton Review as one of the top business schools in the nation. Its part-time MBA program is among the best in the nation, as ranked by U.S. News and World Report.**
- **CSUN Accelerated Nursing graduates consistently achieve a 100 percent pass rate on the state licensure exam. More than one quarter of all speech-language pathologists in California are CSUN graduates. CSUN's Environmental and Occupational Health program is the largest accredited program nationally in the field.**
- **CSUN generates more than \$680 million annually and 12,000 jobs in the region; and for every \$1 the state of California invests, \$4 is returned in economic growth. The university has nearly 6,000 employees, making it one of the top five employers in the San Fernando Valley.**
- **CSUN ranks 8th among the most efficient comprehensive universities nationally in terms of expenditures per student.**
- **Although CSUN Athletics jumped to the Division I level in 1990, the University still ranks 3rd at the Division II level with 30 NCAA national titles.**
- **In three of the past four years, CSUN's Jazz "A" Band has been the only collegiate big band invited to perform at the Monterey Jazz Festival, a CSUN senior film won "Best Student Film at the Emerging Filmmaker Showcase" at the 2011 Cannes Film Festival, and the DAILY SUNDIAL was ranked among the top 10 online collegiate newspapers in the nation.**
- **The Valley Performing Arts Center, a LEED Gold-certified 1,700 seat theater, has earned numerous regional and national architecture design awards, including the 2011 AIA Los Angeles Design Award, a 2011 AIA Minnesota Honor Award, the McGraw-Hill Best Projects of 2011 Award of Merit-Higher Education and Research, and the 2011 Southern California Development Forum Design Award.**