

GENERAL INFORMATION

History

California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSU Dominguez Hills) is located on the historic Rancho San Pedro, the oldest Spanish land grant in the Los Angeles area. Its 346-acre campus was in the continuous possession of the Dominguez family through seven generations, from its concession to Juan Jose Dominguez in 1784 to its acquisition by the people of the state for the University.

The Legislature of the state of California authorized the establishment of this University in 1960, and the first students were enrolled in the fall of 1965. The Campus is strategically located in the heart of a major technological, industrial and transportation complex. Moreover, it is central in a population that is international and multiethnic; cultural pluralism is a major characteristic of the University. At the same time, there is a continuing focus on the Hispanic heritage of California.

University Mission

We provide education, scholarship and service that are, by design, accessible and transformative. We welcome students who seek academic achievement, personal fulfillment, and preparation for the work of today and tomorrow.

Our Vision

A vital educational and economic resource for the South Bay, CSU Dominguez Hills will be recognized as a top-performing Comprehensive Model Urban University in America. By 2015, we will be known as a campus community and gathering place where:

- Diversity in all its forms is explored, understood, and transformed into knowledge and practice that benefits the world.
- Technology is embraced and leveraged to transcend educational boundaries as we reach out to students, both locally and globally.
- Sustainable environmental, social, and economic practices are a way of life.
- Students from our community who aspire to complete a college degree are provided the pathway and guidance to succeed.
- Faculty and staff across the University are engaged in serving the dynamic needs of the surrounding communities.
- Student life is meaningful and vibrant.
- Our accomplishments and those of our alumni are recognized nationally and internationally.
- Ultimately, our students graduate with an exemplary academic education, a highly respected degree, and a genuine commitment to justice and social responsibility.

University Core Values

The following core values are fundamental to our success:

- **Accountability.** We recognize and live up to our responsibility to our students, campus resources and finances, staff, faculty alumni, supporters, and the community at large.
- **Collaboration.** All segments of the campus community work together to support our vision as well as our students' success.
- **Continuous Learning.** We strive to continually improve teaching, scholarship and service.

- **Rigorous Standards.** We identify, implement and support excellence in all our practices.
- **Proactive Partnerships.** We actively engage with our communities and its members to promote educational opportunities and excellence for our students.
- **Respect.** We celebrate and respect diversity in all forms.
- **Responsiveness.** We are here to serve the needs of students, this community and society.