Welcome to UCLA! These walking tours are designed to help prospective students experience our campus. Each tour has six stops and takes about 45 minutes. For details, use the back of the map.

CENTRAL CAMPUS: Student services and historic core
Explore and enjoy: Ackerman Union (UCLA Store and restaurants), Athletics Hall of Fame in J.D. Morgan Center

NORTH CAMPUS: Humanities, arts, social sciences
Explore and enjoy: Sculpture Garden, North Campus Student Center

SOUTH CAMPUS: Science, technology, engineering
Explore and enjoy: Court of Sciences Student Center, Mildred Mathias Botanical Garden

THE HILL: Undergraduate residential community
Explore and enjoy: View from top of Drake Stadium, Sunset Village Plaza and Bruin Café

Building hours vary, especially when classes are not in session. Pauley Pavilion and Royce Hall Auditorium are typically reserved for ticket holders.
Welcome to Campus!
Our campus overflows with the energy and activity of student life. If you’re here on a weekend or holiday, you may see UCLA in a calmer state. Still, walking around will give you a firsthand idea of how it might feel to be a student at UCLA. Enjoy your visit.

Central Campus
All visitors should see UCLA’s historic core and Brain Plaza, center of student life.
1. At the north end of Pauley Pavilion is the statue of legendary basketball coach John Wooden. Pauley is sometimes called “the house wooden built” — and he loved the fact that it hosted Commencement as well as basketball, volleyball and gymnastics.
2. Brain Plaza is the home of The Bruin statue. Here you can see some of the student services locations: Wooden Center for recreation, Ashe Center for health and wellness, Student Activities Center for the LGBT Center and other resources.
3. Brain Walk is the major east-west pedestrian route, bustling with student groups. On your right is Ackerman Union and the UCLA Store. In the Ackerman Grand Ballroom, you can watch a Campus Events movie. Just next door is Kerckhoff Hall, hub of student activities and home to student government and the Daily Bruin.
4. The Powell Library Building houses the primary undergraduate library — College Library — with study space, computer labs and multimedia classrooms. On the second floor, you’ll see the beautiful main reading room and the rotunda.
5. Shapiro Fountain and Janss Steps provide a great view of the Intramural fields and “The Hill,” where undergraduate students live.
6. Royce Hall is home to many language and literature departments. But often, “Royce” is shorthand for the main auditorium. You might see a comedian receive the Jack Benny Award here or attend a student culture night. Or watch a concert, dance or theater event.

North Campus
For students who plan to major in the humanities, social sciences or the arts.
1. The Humanities Building is the home of the English department and Near Eastern Languages & Cultures.
2. The Herb Alpert School of Music has a library, theater and rehearsal rooms in the Schoenberg Music Building; the Ostin Music Center will add more recording studios.
3. Bunche Hall’s nickname is “The Waffle.” It’s home to economics, political science, history and geography.
4. The Charles E. Young Research Library features its own Research Commons — high-tech collaborative spaces for classes and study groups, digital humanities.
5. Broad Art Center is home to the visual arts, part of the School of the Arts and Architecture.
6. The Murphy Sculpture Garden is an outdoor museum and a favorite spot for study and relaxation. At the north edge is the School of Theater, Film and Television.

South Campus
For students who plan to major in the sciences.
1. If you major in physics, astrophysics or biophysics, you’ll spend your time in the Physics and Astronomy Building and in neighboring Knudsen Hall.
2. The Math Sciences Building has a planetarium on its roof. Just east is Franz Hall, home of psychology.
3. The open plaza to the south is the Court of Sciences. The layout lends itself to collaboration; engineering, physical and life sciences, and health sciences.
4. Boelter Hall houses part of the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science. During Engineers’ Weekly, student groups bring out their race cars, concrete canoes and other projects.
5. CNSI, the multidisciplinary California Nanosystems Institute, is next to L. Arztzi Hall — home of the environmental science major.
6. The Court of Sciences Student Center has a sustainable rooftop garden.

The Hill — Residential Life
The undergraduate residential community.
1. Head uphill on Bruin Walk West, passing the Intramural fields on your right.
2. Strauss (Tennis) Stadium is on the left; Drake (Track) Stadium with Marshall Field (soccer) is on the right.
3. More than 90% of freshmen and many transfers choose to live on The Hill. So picture this as the place where you begin and end the day. De Neve Plaza anchors eight residence halls with tree and flower names, from A for Acadia to H for Holly.
4. Sproul Landing and Sproul Cove opened in 2013. The student body has a dramatic view of campus.
5. Bruin Cafe is one of the quick-service restaurants. Stop in for a snack, or just make yourself comfortable at an outdoor table. Look up to see the Bierer and Hedrick complexes higher on the Hill, and the umbrellas marked “MCXIII” at Café 1919, named for UCLA’s founding year.
6. Covel Commons is the anchor for Sunset Village — the north end of The Hill. Beyond it is the Sunset Canyon Recreation Center, with pools, sand volleyball and picnic space.

Campus Shuttle and Accessibility
On school days, there are free Brain Bus shuttles serving the campus. Step aboard to find a brochure with the latest shuttle routes. Note that there are handicapped-access parking spots across the campus, and ramps paralleling Bruin Walk and other pedestrian routes. Look for blue placards that identify accessible entrances and elevators.

UCLA Milestones and Fun Facts
OLYMPICS AND PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE
During the summer of 1944, the residence halls became an Olympic village. Gymnastic competitions were held in Pauley Pavilion, tennis at the Los Angeles Tennis Center. Four years later, Pauley hosted the Bush-Dukakis presidential debate.

Civil Rights Giants
Martin Luther King, Jr., spoke at the base of Janss Steps in April 1946, a small place we commemorate his speech. In October 1973, César E. Chávez addressed students; UCLA’s Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies bears his name.

Explore and Enjoy
Popular destinations for visitors:
• Ackerman Union — Shop the UCLA Store or enjoy one of the many places to eat (Bruin Plaza)
• Athletics Hall of Fame — Sports history and NCAA trophies (J.D. Morgan Center near Bruin Plaza)
• Murphy Sculpture Garden — Outdoor museum
• North Campus Student Center — Snacks and meals (just southwest of Young Research Library)
• Court of Sciences Student Center — Snacks and meals
• Botanical Garden — Entry plaza scheduled for completion summer 2014 (southeast of Court of Sciences)
• Top of Drake Stadium — Beautiful view of campus
• Bruin Cafe — Snacks and meals (Sunset Village Plaza)
• Fowler Museum — Global arts and cultures (west and downhill from Royce Hall)
• Hammer Museum — Visual arts with a focus on emerging artists (in Westwood, corner of Wilshire and Westwood)

UCLA Ethnic Studies Centers
UCLA will celebrate 50 years of ethnic studies in 2019:
• Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies (150 Haines Hall)
• American Indian Studies Center (3220 Campbell Hall)
• Asian American Studies Center (3220 Campbell Hall)
• Chicano Studies Research Center (193 Haines Hall)

Hollywood at UCLA
A sample of the movies and TV shows shot at UCLA:
• The Nutty Professor with Eddie Murphy (1996)
• Scream 2 with Neve Campbell (1997)
• Angels & Demons with Tom Hanks (2009)
• The Social Network with Jesse Eisenberg (2010)
• Entourage Series (2004–2011)
• How I Met Your Mother Series (2005–present)

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