



George N Parks DRUM MAJOR ACADEMY®

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Dear Academy Student,

Thank you for registering for the 2016 **George N. Parks Drum Major Academy®** at the University of California, Riverside, California. It should prove to be an exciting week. We have included in this letter all the information that you will need before arriving in Riverside, California, on Thursday, the 21st of July. **READ IT CAREFULLY**, and have your parent/guardian read it. Be sure to bring this letter to the Academy. You will be responsible for everything included here.

CHECK-IN

Student tuitions must be paid in full prior to student's arrival at the Academy. No tuition payments will be accepted at check-in.

Check-in for all participants will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 21st in the Aberdeen Inverness Hall. The first session will be held that evening at 6:30 p.m. You will need to have a notebook and writing implements for this session. Drum Major maces/batons will not be needed until the second day.

TRANSPORTATION

If you are arriving by car:

From Los Angeles County:

- From the 91 freeway: Take the 91 freeway east to the 60 freeway east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.
- From the 10 freeway: Take the 10 freeway east to Interstate 15 south and then to the 60 freeway east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.
- From the 60 freeway: Take the 60 freeway east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.

From Orange County:

- Take the 91 freeway east to the 60 freeway east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.

From Ontario Airport:

- From the 10 freeway: Take the 10 freeway east, to the 15 south and then to the 60 east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.
- From the 60 freeway: Take the 60 freeway east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second light and make a right onto Campus Drive.

From Palm Springs:

- Take the 10 freeway west to the junction with the 60 freeway and go west. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the first traffic signal and turn right onto Campus Drive.

From San Bernardino:

- Take the 215 freeway south to the junction with the 60 freeway and go east. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the second traffic signal and turn right onto Campus Drive.

From San Diego County:

- Take the 15 freeway north to the 215 north and then the 60 freeway west. Exit at University Avenue and turn left. Go to the first light and make a right on Campus Drive.



Please note: Directions above are to the main entrance of campus only. Please use the campus map included with this letter to get to the assigned dormitory.

If you are arriving by airplane:

Your final destination is the Ontario International Airport (ONT). Ontario International Airport (ONT) is located about 20 miles northwest of Riverside and is the most convenient air travel choice in the area. It takes less than 20 minutes from Ontario International Airport to UC Riverside by car. However, traffic in Southern California is sometimes very congested and the ride can take a bit longer during rush hours. Super Shuttle provides a 24-hour service directly from Ontario Airport to the Riverside's Campus at a cost of approximately \$40.00 (approximately \$10.00 each additional person). The Drum Major Academy® has no affiliation with Super Shuttle.

PARKING

Specific parking area(s) have been assigned to the Academy by the University. Although we recommend having a parent/guardian drive you to and from the Academy, students driving themselves to the Academy must use assigned parking lots. Students can get information on where to park their cars from a staff member during check-in on the first day.

If you park in any area not specifically designated for the Drum Major Academy® you may be subject to having your vehicle ticketed or towed at your own expense.

HOUSING

Separate floors in Aberdeen Inverness Hall have been set aside for males and females. Students are supervised by DMA staff, males for males and females for females.

Dorms do not provide linens. You must bring sheets, blankets, pillows, towels, and an alarm clock. *Remember, Drum Majors are never late.*

Check-out will be Monday, July 25th immediately following the closing session. The closing session will begin at 11:00 a.m. and last for approximately one hour. All students must check-out and return keys and meal cards as directed. **There will be a \$50.00 charge for any keys or meal cards not turned in at check-out on the July 25th.**

ROOMING ASSIGNMENTS

Rooming assignments will be made in advance according to Drum Major Academy® policy. Students will be housed with students from other schools in order to enhance the experience of meeting new friends and working with new people. This is a firm Drum Major Academy® policy. HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE CHANGED. PLEASE DO NOT ASK.

MEALS

All meals will be eaten in the Aberdeen Inverness Dining Hall. The \$515.00 fee includes tuition, housing, and meals beginning with Thursday dinner through Monday breakfast.

TELEPHONES

In the event of an emergency, the number for the UCR Police is 951-827-5222. Students may bring cell phones; however, students are not to use phones during sessions or after lights out unless there is an emergency.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

Any medical emergencies that arise will be handled through the emergency room at the Riverside Community Hospital in Riverside. The telephone number for the Riverside Community Hospital is 951-788-3000. Be sure to bring the medical health form to check-in in the event that medical treatment is needed.

SCHEDULE (*sample schedule included in this letter*)

A full day at the Academy begins at approximately 8:00 a.m. and concludes at approximately 10:30 p.m. Breaks are taken for lunch and dinner. Students will also be given multiple water breaks throughout each session.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

It is strongly recommended that you do your best to "be in shape" when you arrive at the Academy. A daily exercise program consisting of stretching and jogging, etc. might be helpful. Your work at the Academy could become relatively strenuous if you are not physically prepared.



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DMA T-SHIRT

Students will receive a t-shirt, which is included in the tuition cost. This t-shirt is to be worn at the final session on Monday, July 25th.

CLOSING CEREMONY

We invite your family, friends and band directors to join us for our final session. This session will include your final class lecture, demonstration of the work you have done throughout the week, final competition for the best marching squad, presentation of certificates and the closing ceremony. This session will be held on Monday July 25th at 11:00 a.m. at the soccer fields (across from the Alumni and Visitor Center on Canyon Crest Drive). All students must check out and return keys and meal cards immediately following the closing ceremony. **Again, there is a \$50.00 charge for any keys or meal cards not turned in at checkout on July 25th.**

We are very excited about this year's Academy, and we look forward to meeting you. If you have questions, please call the **Drum Major Academy[®]** at **781-874-9728**.

With Pride,

Drum Major Academy[®] Staff



Rules and Regulations

***As a student who has been selected to be a Drum Major/Student Leader of your high school band, there is no need to stress the importance of good conduct. Drum Major Academy® students are expected to uphold the highest standards of behavior and attitude. Failure to comply with any of the following regulations established by the Drum Major Academy® may result in immediate dismissal from the Academy without a refund of fees. Your parents/guardians will be responsible for immediate transportation home.**

Drum majors and ALL band student leaders are never late. Remember the old saying, "To be early is to be on time. To be on time is to be late." You should plan on being at least five minutes early to each session. This is a security issue as well as a self-discipline issue.

The Drum Major Academy® needs to know your whereabouts throughout the entire workshop. If you feel ill at any time, you MUST contact an Academy staff member immediately.

Name tags must be worn at all times.

Visitation by persons who are not enrolled in the Academy is not permitted.

Please keep your room locked at all times. Also, do not leave money or other valuables anywhere on campus. The Drum Major Academy® and the University of California cannot be held responsible for loss of personal property.

You have all been selected as intelligent leaders of your high school bands. Please use discretion in wearing appropriate clothing during the DMA workshop in order to maintain a respectful, professional atmosphere. Please no bathing suits, tube tops, short shorts, or low-cut arm hole shirts for girls or boys. A closed shoe such as sneaker or boat shoe is required. Shoes and shirts must be worn for reasons of safety, hygiene, and courtesy to others.

The Drum Major Academy® values civility, diversity, education, equality, freedom, and honesty. We are firmly committed to maintaining a safe environment. Any type of sexual misconduct is contrary to Drum Major Academy® policies and philosophies and therefore will not be tolerated. Anything deemed by our staff of professional educators as sexual misconduct will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy, with parents/guardians being responsible for immediate transportation home.

Bullying/Intimidation behaviors are strictly prohibited and will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy.

Alcohol, tobacco (cigarettes or chewing tobacco) or controlled/illegal substances are prohibited while at the Academy. Use of any of these items is STRICTLY PROHIBITED and will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy.

Non-performance weapons of any type, including but not limited to: pocket knives/Swiss army knives, firearms, etc. are not permitted at the Academy. Possession of any non-performance weapon will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy.

Students are not permitted to leave campus at any time. If you drive to campus, your automobile is to be parked, locked and remain off-limits throughout the Academy. You may not, under any circumstances, visit the rooms or floors housing members of the opposite sex.

Room checks will be performed each evening. Room check/lights out times will be given at the end of each evening session. At room check, you are expected to be in and stay in your assigned room. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Please leave your room in the same condition at the close of the Academy as when you moved in at the beginning of the Academy. You will be held financially responsible for any cleaning or repairs that need to take place in your room as a result of your stay.

Any inappropriate behavior that reflects poorly on yourself, your school, or the Drum Major Academy® will not be tolerated.



THINGS TO BRING

Student tuitions must be paid in full prior to student's arrival at the Academy. No tuition payments will be accepted at check-in. **For Schools Who Will Be Submitting A Purchase Order:*

A valid purchase order will be considered payment for registration purposes only. If your school submits a valid purchase order to the Drum Major Academy, the student for whom the purchase order is to be applied will be considered paid up to the amount of the purchase order. Any amount not covered in the purchase order must be paid by other means (check, credit card) prior to check-in.

The textbook: The most recent edition of **The Dynamic Drum Major** (black cover) will be needed throughout the week for reference and reading assignments. If you pre-ordered a copy of the Dynamic Drum Major on your registration form, it will be available for pick-up at check-in on the first day of the Academy. Students who need a copy can purchase it during the session for \$20.00.

Comfortable clothes - clothes suitable for marching and working on warm days and in air conditioned rooms. (Please see the "Rules and Regulations" page for dress code information)

Sneakers are required for all sessions. Be sure your sneakers have already been broken in BEFORE arriving at the Academy. Sandals, flip-flops or clogs are not acceptable.

Sunburn protection - please be prepared to work in the sun. Hats, sun block, sunglasses, and other precautionary items are strongly recommended.

You will need writing implements and a notebook for all sessions. Make sure you bring this letter as the first section in your notebook.

You must provide your own linens which should include sheets (most dormitory beds are extra-long twin) or a sleeping bag, a pillow and pillowcase, blanket(s), towels, washcloths, shower shoes and other necessary toiletries. An alarm clock is highly recommended as you will be responsible for getting yourself up and to breakfast on time.

Students may wish to bring a portable fan. Although most dormitories are air conditioned, we do not control the temperature in the dormitories. Dormitory temperatures will vary year to year, location to location.

Although they are **not** required, we recommend that all drum majors bring a whistle and a drum major baton/mace or practice baton/mace. Even though many bands do not use this equipment, after seeing the showmanship potential for this equipment, many students wish they could attend the baton/mace and whistle sessions and practice some of the techniques. For many drum majors, this can become the special effect that sets them apart from the competition. Therefore, although it is not required, we highly recommend that students bring a drum major baton/mace and whistle. If you do not have access to a drum major baton or mace, a 42" wooden dowel or broomstick handle will suffice. Students who bring a good drum major baton/mace should also have a "practice stick" to use when practicing new, difficult twirling techniques.

Students may bring snacks. But please be aware, most dorm rooms are **not** equipped with refrigerators. Please do not bring anything that requires refrigeration

Although water breaks are provided throughout each session, we always recommend that students bring their own water bottles that they can fill up before each session.



Students may bring cell phones; however, students are not to use phones during sessions or after lights out unless there is an emergency.

Students may bring money with them to the Drum Major Academy®. We do discourage students from bringing excessive amounts of cash to the Academy. Your tuition covers all your necessities. Occasionally dormitory areas have vending machines and the Academy does sell souvenirs. We, the Drum Major Academy® and the University of California, cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen money.

Please do not bring anything of value to the Drum Major Academy®. Although we **very rarely** have instances where a student's valuables will get lost or stolen, it does happen. We, the Drum Major Academy® and the University of California, cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Daily Schedule

*This is a **tentative** schedule and is only to be used as basic outline of a typical DMA session and will most likely vary at each location. Schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the staff.*

DAY 1:

3:00 - 5:00 PM Check In
5:00 - 6:00 PM Dinner offered
6:30 - 10:00 PM Opening Session (both outside and inside)

DAY 2 - 4:

7:00 - 8:00 AM Breakfast
8:00 - 11:30 AM Outside Session
11:30 - 1:00 PM Lunch / Break
1:00 - 4:45 PM Afternoon Session (large and small inside classes plus outside classes)
4:45 - 6:00 PM Dinner / Break
6:00 - 8:00 PM Outside Session
8:00 - 10:00 PM Inside Session

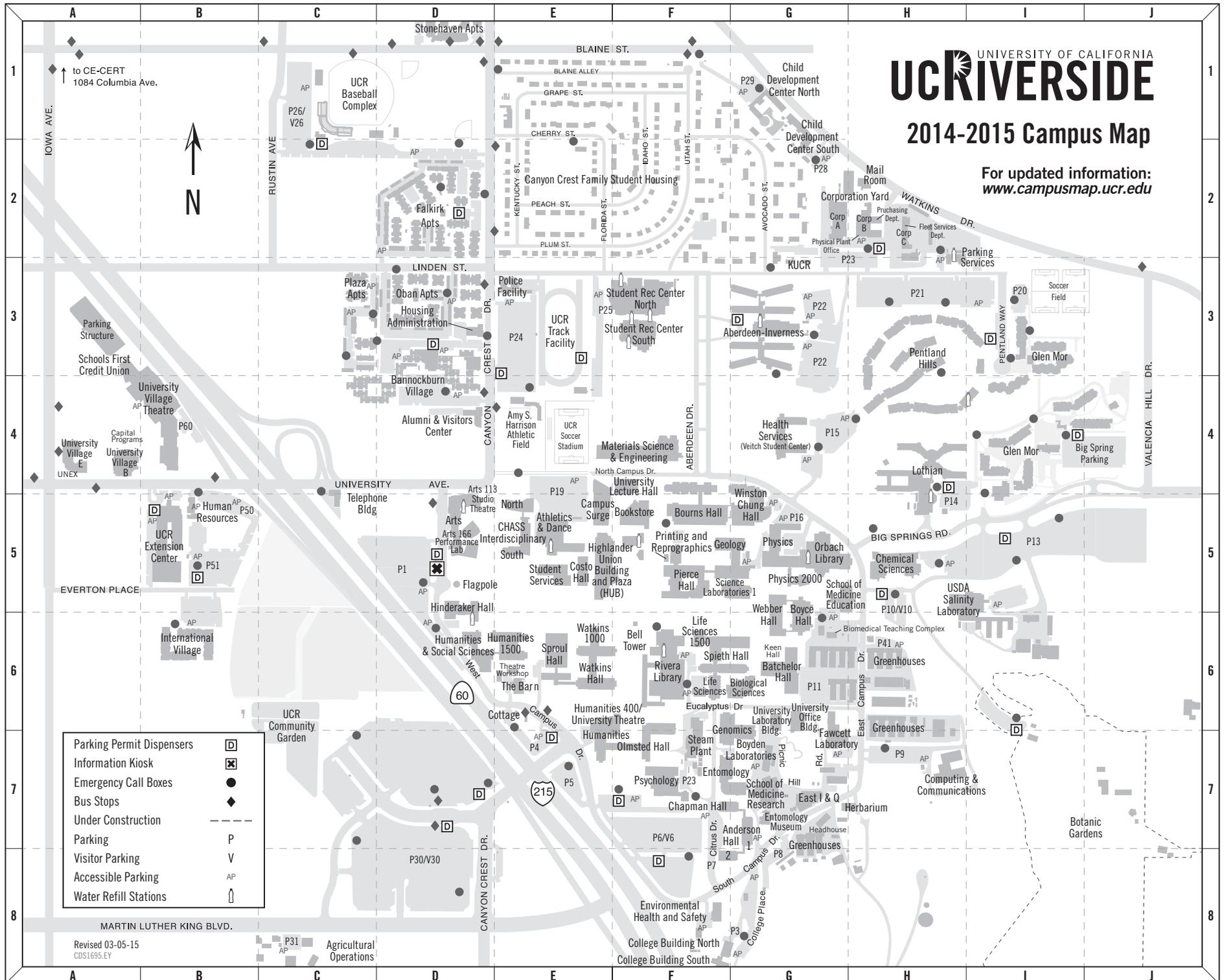
DAY 5:

7:00 - 8:00 AM Breakfast
8:00 - 11:00 AM Outside Session
11:00 - 12:00PM Final Demonstration

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA UCRIVERSIDE

2014-2015 Campus Map

For updated information:
www.campusmap.ucr.edu



Parking Permit Dispensers	
Information Kiosk	
Emergency Call Boxes	
Bus Stops	
Under Construction	
Parking	P
Visitor Parking	V
Accessible Parking	AP
Water Refill Stations	

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Alphabetical Legend

Building Name	Grid		Grid		Grid
Aberdeen-Inverness Residence Hall	G3	Greenhouses	H6	Student Recreation Center	F3
Administration (Hinderaker Hall)	D5-6	Headhouse (Greenhouses)	G7	Student Services	E5
Agricultural Operations	C8	Health Services (Veitch Student Center)	G4	The Barn	E6
Alumni & Visitors Center	D4	Herbarium	G,H7	UCR Baseball Complex	C1-2
Anderson Hall (SoBA, AGSM) 1 & 2	G7-8	Highlander Union Bldg/Plaza (HUB)	E5	UCR Community Garden	C6-7
Arts Building	D5	Hinderaker Hall (Administration)	D5-6	UCR Extension Center	B5
Arts 113-Studio Theatre	D5	Housing Administration	D3	University Laboratory Building	G6
Arts 166-Performance Lab	D5	HUB (Highlander Union Building)	E5	University Lecture Hall	F4
Athletics & Dance Building	E5	Humanities	E7	University Office Building	G6
Bannockburn Village	D3-4	Humanities 400/University Theatre	E6	University Theatre	E6
Barn Group/University Club	E6	Humanities & Social Sciences Building	D6	University Village	A4
Batchelor Hall	G6	Humanities 1500	E6	University Village Theater	B4
Bell Tower	F6	Human Resources	B5	USDA Salinity Laboratory	H,I5
Biological Sciences	G6	International Village Housing	B6	Watkins Hall	E6
Biomedical Teaching Complex	G6	Keen Hall	G6	Watkins 1000	E6
Bookstore (Campus Store)	F5	KUCR Radio	G2	Webber Hall	G5-6
Botanic Gardens	I, J6-8	Library, Orbach	G5	Winston Chung Hall (BCOE)	G5
Bourns Hall (Engineering)	F5	Library, Rivera	F6		
Boyce Hall	G5-6	Life Sciences Building	F6		
Boyden Laboratories	G7	Life Sciences 1500	F6		
Campus Surge	E4-5	Lothian Residence Hall	H4		
Campus Tours (Student Services Building)	E5	Mail Room	H2		
Canyon Crest Family Student Housing	E,F,G1-2	Materials Science & Engineering	F4		
Capital Programs	A4	Oban Apts	D3		
Career Center (Health Services)	G4	Olmsted Hall	F7		
Chapman Hall	F,G7	Orbach Library (Science Library)	G5		
CHASS Interdisciplinary North and South	E5	Parking Services	H2		
Chemical Sciences	H5	Pentland Hills Residence Hall	H3-4		
Child Development Center	G1-2	Physical Plant Office	H2		
College Building North and College Building South (CNAS)	F8	Physics Building	G5		
Computing and Communications	H7	Physics 2000	G5		
Corporation Yard	G,H2	Pierce Hall	F5		
Costo Hall	E5	Plaza Apts (The Plaza)	C3		
Cottage	E6	Police Facility	E3		
East I & Q (Insectary)	G7	Printing and Reprographics	F5		
Entomology	G7	Psychology Building	F7		
Entomology Museum	G7	Purchasing Dept.	H2		
Environmental Health and Safety	F8	Rivera Library	F6		
Falkirk Apts	D2	School of Medicine Education Building (SoM)	G5		
Fawcett Laboratory	G7	School of Medicine Research Building	G7		
Flagpole	D5	Schools First Credit Union	A3		
Fleet Services Dept.	H2	Science Laboratories 1	G5		
Geology Building	F,G5	Spieth Hall	F6		
Glen Mor Residence Hall	I3-4	Sproul Hall (GSOE)	E6		
Genomics	F,G6	Stonehaven Apts	D1		

Colleges and Schools

Bourns College of Engineering (BCOE)	G5
College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences (CHASS)	E5
College of Natural & Agricultural Sciences (CNAS)	F8
Graduate School of Education (GSOE)	E6
School of Business Administration (SoBA)	G6
School of Medicine (SoM)	G5
The Anderson Graduate School of Management (AGSM)	F8

Top UCR Destinations

Alumni & Visitors Center	D4
Athletics & Dance Bldg	E5
Bookstore (Campus Store)	F5
Campus Tours (Student Services)	E5
Career/Counseling/Health Services (Health Services)	G4
Dining Services (Bannockburn Village)	D3-4
Highlander One-Stop Shop (Student Services)	E5
Housing Administration	D3
HUB (Highlander Union Bldg)	E5
Orbach Library	G5
Rivera Library	F6
Student Recreation Center	F3
University Theatre	E6