

The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs was founded in 1965 by an act of the legislature one year after George T. Dwire sold Cragmor Sanatorium and the surrounding 80 acres for \$1. Today, the campus includes 532 acres, about 1,500 employee positions, and about 8,900 students. UCCS aims to become the premier comprehensive regional research university in the country.

## Institution

- UCCS is categorized as a Master's Large institution (Carnegie) and is accredited by the North Central Association
- UCCS belongs to the University of Colorado system which includes UC-Boulder, UC-Denver, and the Anschutz Medical Center
- Six colleges: Education, Engineering & Applied Sciences, Nursing & Health Sciences, Public Affairs, Business, and Letters, Arts & Sciences
- 13 Division II athletic teams competing as UCCS Mountain Lions in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference
- Ranked 7<sup>th</sup> best public master's institution in the West (*US News*)
- Ranked 7<sup>th</sup> best undergrad engineering program in the nation (*US News*)

## Academic Programs & Degrees

- 36 baccalaureate, 19 master's, and 5 doctoral programs
- Unique programs such as the Bachelor of Innovation, Geropsychology, and Professional Golf Management
- UCCS conferred 1225 baccalaureate, 532 master's, and 10 doctoral degrees in academic year 2009-2010

## Student Enrollment

- Fall 2010 campus enrollment of **8,892** is the largest ever; graduate enrollment up 6%
- Students of color increased by 15% and are now 22% of undergraduates; 27% of new freshmen identify with an ethnic minority group
- Pell recipients are approximately 29% of undergrads and 35-40% of degree earners; they persist at the same rate as other freshmen
- Approximately 40% are first-generation students
- Last year, 40% of freshmen were in the top quarter of their high school class, 35% came with a 3.5 or better GPA, and 96% scored in the top half of the ACT
- About 15% are affiliated with the military, 29 are Olympians, and 172 are participating in the Western Undergraduate Exchange tuition program
- Campus housing accommodates 900 students in residence halls and apartments
- UCCS educated 12,935 students in FY2010 and will educate approximately 13,500 in FY2011

## Budget

- Research funding increased from \$2.3 to 8.7 million over the past 10 years; at last count, 108 professors submitted 200 proposals resulting in 76 new awards
- The 2010-2011 general fund budget is \$85,241,975
- Over the past two years, state support declined 27% whereas auxiliary revenue increased by 11% and restricted funds increased by 30%

## Community Partnerships

- Air Force Space Command
- Peak Vista Community Health Centers, Memorial Health System & Penrose- St. Francis Health Services, and Palisades at Broadmoor Park
- CISCO Systems
- Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Corporation
- Southern Colorado Economic Forum
- Boeing, Agilent Technologies, and Northrop Grumman
- Colorado Springs Public Schools and Pikes Peak Community College

## Employees

- Approximately 1,150 regular employees including 647 faculty, 482 staff, and 17 university officers

## Library

- More than 293,000 volumes and 32,000 journals, 100,296 circulations, and more than 165 databases
- With shared resources, the library served about 36,000 interlibrary loan transactions (2009)
- Kraemer Family Library has 28.5 FTE and spends about \$1.1 million on materials (2009)

## Sustainability

- Four buildings – the Campus Recreation Center, the Science & Engineering Building, Gallogly Conference & Events Center, and Centennial Hall – are certified by the Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) system
- UCCS participates in AASHE's STARS program to assess sustainability efforts on campus

## Tuition

- The 2009 IPEDS Feedback Report shows that UCCS tuition and fees are 11% less than peer institutions.
- For Colorado resident freshmen in Fall 2010, a student's share of tuition is \$3,135 for 15 hours.

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