UCCS Fast Facts
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Accessible

• 2014 Enrollment:
  o 11,132 fall 2014 on-campus students, +5% (record-high enrollment)
  o 2,000+ students enrolled in online courses
  o 32% Pell Grant recipients
  o 33% of all students are minority; 35% of freshman class
• Among fastest growing universities in the state
• Fall 2014 Graduate Student Enrollment:
  o 1,753 graduate students
  o Fourth largest public university graduate enrollment in Colorado (CU Denver, CU Boulder, CSU-Fort Collins, UCCS)
• Graduation rates for ethnic minority students equals those of the majority population
• More than 1,500 military veterans, active military, and family members
• 25 U.S. Olympic athletes

Efficient

• UCCS core expenses are 14% less than those of peer universities
• UCCS receives $1,023 less state support per full-time student than peer universities
• UCCS tuition and fees are 8% less than peers
• UCCS has 40% fewer full time equivalent staff than peer universities

High-Quality

• UCCS offers 37 bachelor’s degrees, 19 masters, and five doctoral degrees
• US News & World Report: America’s Best Colleges
  o Thirteenth among Western regional public universities
  o Sixth nationally for public undergraduate engineering
  o Top-ranked graduate programs in nursing, business and public affairs
• GI Jobs
  o Military Friendly (top 20% of colleges and universities)
Unique and High-Need Programs

- Applied Geography
- Geropsychology
- Professional Golf Management (Business)
- Sports Management
- Bachelor of Innovation
- Special Education
- Nursing
- Health Care Science
- Homeland Security
- Criminal Justice

Economic Impact

- UCCS is one of the largest employers in southern Colorado employing 1,421 people
- More than 65% of UCCS graduates live in Colorado
- UCCS students, faculty and staff generate $30 million annually in state and local taxes

Engagement

- A branch of the CU School of Medicine is located at UCCS within the Lane Center for Academic Health Sciences
- The Southern Colorado Higher Education Consortium is a framework to increase higher education access, persistence and completion. The consortium is focused on opportunities for nontraditional, underrepresented and first-generation students to promote long-term economic development
  - Consortium members include UCCS, Colorado State University-Pueblo, Adams State College, Western State College, Fort Lewis College, Pikes Peak Community College, Pueblo Community College, Trinidad State Junior College, Lamar Community College and Otero Junior College
- Partnerships
  - The Lane Center for Academic Health Sciences is the first UCCS building on North Nevada Avenue. It houses a Peak Vista Community Health Center senior clinic, several clinics associated with the Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Science and a branch of the CU School of Medicine.
  - Cisco Systems, Inc., to provide education programs and counseling to be delivered to institutions in southern Colorado using Cisco Systems technologies
- Southern Colorado Economic Forum to guide the region by bringing together public, private and academic economic experts