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U.S. News Ranks UCSB Among Top Grad Schools

MEDIA ADVISORY:

UC Santa Barbara's College of Engineering and Gevirtz Graduate School of Education have been ranked among the top graduate programs in the nation in an annual survey conducted by U.S. News and World Report.

In this week's publication, dated April 9th, the magazine ranked the engineering college 22nd and the education school 39th among both public and private universities in the country.

In addition, the field of materials within the College of Engineering placed seventh under the category of engineering specialties.

UCSB's 2000 Nobel Prize recipients, Alan Heeger, who won the chemistry award and Herbert Kroemer, the physics award winner, are both affiliated with the department of materials.

The U.S. News and World Report rankings are based on expert opinion about program quality and on statistical indicators that describe the strength of a school's faculty, its research, and student performance (for more information on the methodology used by the magazine, go to <u>www.usnews.com</u>).

Last year, the publication ranked UCSB's College of Engineering 25th, materials eighth, and the Graduate School of Education 45th.

About UC Santa Barbara

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.