

DREAM BIG



**We believe no dream is too big.
Our mission is to help students achieve any dream.**

The first three Anteater classes have now graduated and are attending universities, some of which are shown here.

Graduates are pursuing careers in law, medicine, engineering, computer science, management, education, public health, business, economics, architecture, criminal justice, and political science.



Class of 2017



Class of 2016



Class of 2015



The classes you will take as an Anteater

	Social Science	Math	English	Science
Freshman	AP Geography	Honors Geometry	Honors English 9	Honors Biology
Sophomore	AP World History	Honors Algebra 2	Honors English 10	Honors Chemistry
Junior	AP US History	Honors Math Analysis	AP English Lang	Honors Physics
Senior	AP Government	AP Calculus or AP Statistics	AP English Literature	AP Biology AP Physics AP Chemistry or Anatomy

Anteater Academy Students and You

Academy students come from all of the intermediate schools in Santa Ana. They are a group of students who have made a commitment to work hard to get into a top rated university. Most are high achieving, some struggled in intermediate school, but all are looking for a supportive environment to reach their potential.

If you are focused on getting into a great university and are willing to work hard, then the Anteater Academy may be the choice for you. You don't have to be great at all of your classes, just have a willingness to grow!



Anteater Teachers are Dedicated to Your Success

A small group of caring, experienced teachers will support you through the rigorous curricula. Teachers are available most days after school to provide tutoring help as needed.

Anteater teachers meet on a regular basis to plan projects and discuss student progress.



"It is challenging but fun and it allows us to prepare to achieve our dreams of going to a university"
Eyra – 12th Grade – Cheer Captain

"The Anteater Academy always pushes you to do your best in school and in life."
David P. – UCSD – Anteater alumnus '16



The purpose of the Anteater Academy is for you to be successful. We as teachers will try to help you with anything you need! You need to be willing to work hard and make sure that you are placing a priority on your academics!

Exploring Colleges and Careers

Anteaters go on field trips to leading universities and research institutions across California to explore both colleges and careers. Locally, Anteaters have toured the NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena as well as UCLA, UCI, UCSD, UCR and USC. Shown to the right is a robotic surgery demonstration at UCLA. Below is a tour of the JPL.



Many Anteaters also go on a college tour during spring break week junior year. During the week-long tour, students visit schools in central and northern California including Stanford, UCSC, UC Berkeley, San Jose State, UC Davis and UC Merced. Shown to the right are Anteaters at the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.



"It's not just an academy; it is a family in which you build connections and friendships"
Luis Cantera – 12th Grade



A growing network of Anteater alumni are attending top-rated universities across the state and country. Not only do alumni help with the college tours, they also help with the transition to college for students starting their first year. Shown to the right is Gabby J., a second year UC Berkeley leading an Anteater tour of her campus. Gabby went on the tour as an Anteater student two years earlier, shown above.



Dulce Gonzalez
Pre-Medicine
UC Davis



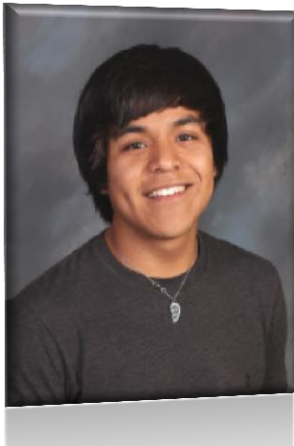
"The Anteater Academy was of absolutely great help. It guided me to accomplish my dream of attending a higher education institution- UC Davis. Although I am an alumni, some of the amazing educators still keep in touch with me to make sure I continue to adapt at UC Davis. It was truly an amazing experience to be part of an awesome academy."

Long Nguyen
Engineering
USC



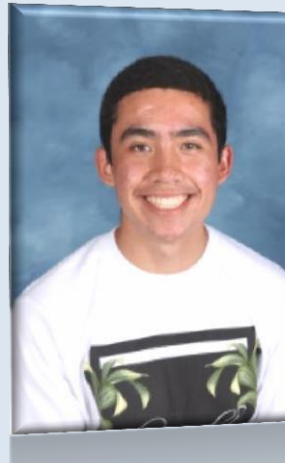
"The Anteater Academy has made my educational journey in high school more enjoyable by providing an environment in which I could succeed. The Anteater Academy has been an additional factor that has helped me strive for college."

Uriel Oropeza
Political Science
Notre Dame



"The Anteater Academy has showed me that I am able to do the things I love, get some experiences outside and inside of school and see what I like all with with an open mind and my grades high!"

Cesar Ibarra
Computer Science
Columbia



"The Anteater Academy is the beginning of one of the most important programs that will change so many students' lives. Thanks to the Anteater Academy, I am able to say this... "Shout out from NYC!"

Daniel Tapia
Math
UCLA



"The Anteater Academy is the greatest program that has ever been introduced to Valley. The Anteater students and teachers are amazing. With all their help and support, by the end of my senior year I was able to finish as a Top 100 SAUSD Scholar, maintain a 4.75 GPA and got accepted to my dream school which was UCLA!"

Adriana Herrera
Pre-Medicine
Cornell



"Who knows what tomorrow holds for us & our bright futures but one thing is for sure, we will be the force of change. I'm more than proud of everyone especially for all being close friends. Go Anteater Academy!"

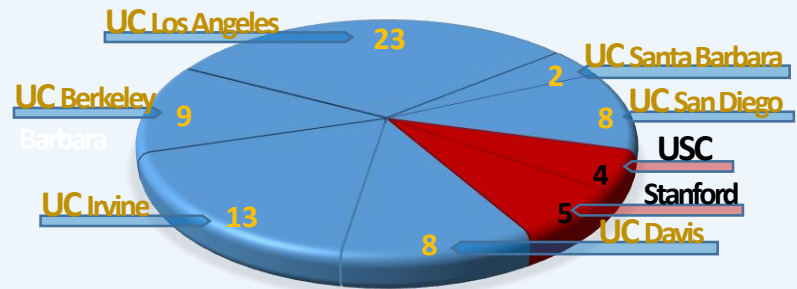
Making informed choices about which university to attend

All universities have unique programs that can best meet the needs for particular students. For students who are considering a career in a profession that requires an advanced degree in a competitive field, **it's important to choose an undergraduate university that best positions them for the next level (masters, doctorate, professional degree).** It matters which university you go to! Three examples are shown here.

UCI Medical School

The class entering UCI's medical school in 2016 came from the following types of schools:

- University of California: 65
- California private: 17
- Cal State: 1
- Out of state: 21

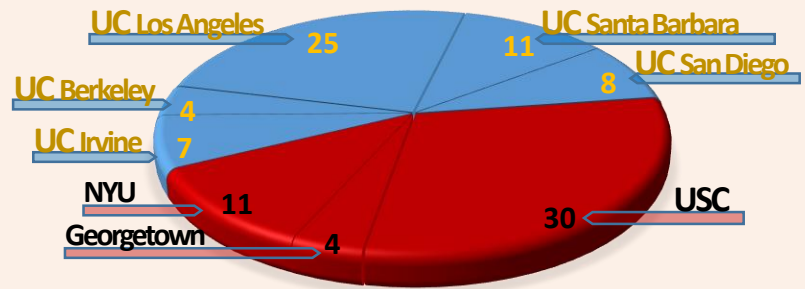


Universities that supplied the most students to the entering medical school class. The number of students from each school is indicated.

USC Law School

The class entering USC's law school in 2016 came from the following types of schools:

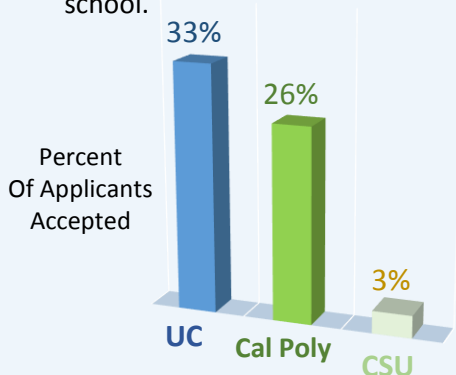
- University of California: 63
- California private: 49
- Cal State: 9
- Out of State: 108



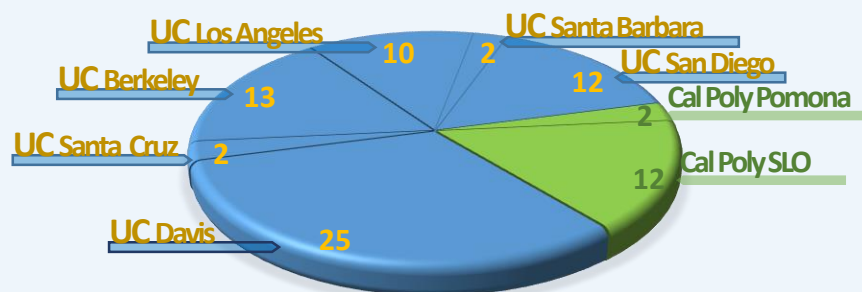
Universities that supplied the most students to the 2016 entering law school class.

UC Davis Veterinary School

Percent of applicants accepted by type of school.



About 1 in 3 UC applicants were accepted, about 1 in 4 Cal Poly graduates were accepted, 1 in 36 CSU applicants were accepted.



Universities that supplied the most students to the 2016 entering veterinary school class.



Anteater Academy College Acceptances

95% of Anteater graduates were accepted into a four-year university.

65% of those were accepted into the highly competitive universities. (Class of 2015)

Four Year Universities the first three classes of Anteater graduates are currently attending (partial list):

Ivy League / Private	UC / Pac- 12	Top CSU - STEM	CSU
Harvard	UC Berkeley	Cal Poly Pomona	CSU Fullerton
Cornell	UC Los Angeles	Cal Poly SLO	San Fran. State
Columbia	UC Irvine	San Jose State	San Jose State
USC	UC Santa Barbara	San Diego State	CSU Long Beach
Notre Dame	UC San Diego	CSU Fullerton	Humboldt State
NYU	UC Davis		CSU Los Angeles
Dartmouth	UC Santa Cruz		CSU Dominguez
U. of Chicago	UC Merced		
Pomona College	UC Riverside	All universities listed here have unique programs that will meet different individual needs.	
	Washington		



UCI Partnership with Valley HS



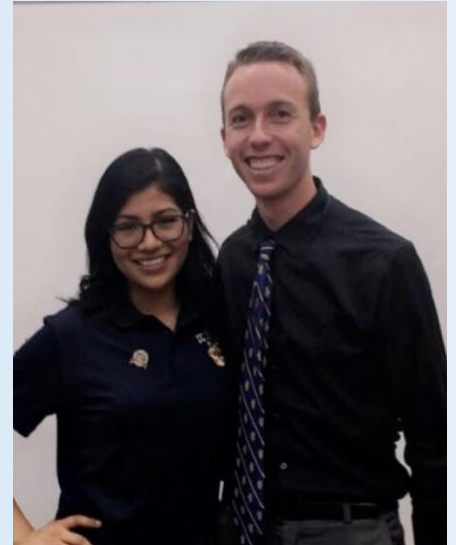
In 2012 Valley HS worked with the University of California, Irvine's Center for Educational Partnerships to create the Anteater Academy, a four-year college prep program and small learning community.

UCI helped design the Anteater Academy by selecting which classes students should take to have the best chance of being competitive college applicants. They also advised on which types of extra curricular activities students should be involved in. A lot of what the Anteater Academy requires of our students is based on the information we have learned through working with UCI

UCI provides Valley HS with an additional college support staff (EAOP student coordinator Ana Karen Herrera). Ana is a former Valley HS and Mendez Intermediate alumni that works with students and families to help them better understand the college process.

She provides assistance with:

- College Applications
- Major Selection
- Personal Statements
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships
- DREAM Act
- DACA
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Community Service
- Class registration
- Resume writing
- Getting involved in HS



UCI and Valley's partnership is one of the reasons that has made the Anteater Academy so successful. This type of collaboration and insight may not be available at other high schools or programs, and is one reason why you should consider the Anteater Academy as a great option!

How to join

Visit our website by scanning the QR Code or go to www.sausd.us/valley and look for the Anteater Academy under the programs tab or go to www.sausd.us/domain/5657

You can also contact the academy director, Matthew Conover at matthew.conover@sausd.us



VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL'S UNIVERSITY PREPARATION PROGRAM

