

## AT A GLANCE

#### Advocacy

AICCU represents California independent colleges and universities in legislative and other state government arenas. Finance AICCU provides joint financial services that help member institutions manage costs. **Research** AICCU collects, analyzes, and disseminates research to inform public policy discussions and our members. Support AICCU convenes key campus personnel to work on common issues and professional development.

#### **Admission**

AICCU distributes a guide to high school and college counseling offices and manages a recruitment website. (www.aiccumentor.org)

# 955 50 Years of Service to Independent California Colleges & Universities 20

# Serving California

California's first independent colleges and universities were established in 1851. By 1864, when the University of California opened its first campus, the independents had already been making vital contributions to the state for over a dozen years.

Today there are more than seventy-five (75) WASC accredited, degree granting, non-profit independent colleges and universities serving California.

As a group, independent colleges and universities provide diversity in size, location, types of students served, and many other ways. They also emphasize teaching and learning, and focusing on the individual student.

The independent sector is not a system like the University of California or the California State University, it is characterized by institutional autonomy, diversity, healthy competition and cooperation.

The Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU) was founded in 1955 so that the independent sector speaks with one voice in matters of public policy. AICCU was a principal architect of California's student financial aid program. AICCU also assists members by offering college admission information, cost saving programs, research, and management support. Membership is voluntary.

AICCU members include:

- internationally recognized research universities,
- nationally ranked colleges and universities,
- specialty colleges focusing on a particular area, like nursing or the arts,
- free-standing graduate schools in areas as diverse as biotechnology and psychology, and
- a variety of faith-based schools.

### **A Resource**

• AICCU members enroll over 230,000 students — more than the University of California.

• Thirty-nine percent (39%) of AICCU students are African American, Asian, Hispanic, or Native American.

• Students in AICCU schools graduate at higher percentages than students in comparable public systems.

• AICCU members award nearly one-fourth of the bachelor, almost half of the master and doctorate, and twothirds of the professional degrees in California.

• AICCU members are meeting the critical demands of California by educating 36% of the teachers, 31% of the nurses, 80% of the pharmacists, and other needed professionals.

· AICCU member's growth in enroll-

ment over the last ten years is equal to the total combined student bodies at UC Santa Barbara and CSU San Francisco — growth that was funded without any direct cost to the state.

With demand for higher education expected to grow significantly, the contributions of the independent sector are more vital than ever.

### A Real Value

AICCU receives no direct state support; its only source of state funding is Cal Grants given to students — less than 3% of the state's higher education budget. AICCU members provide nontaxpayer funded higher educational opportunities to California.

For every Cal Grant dollar received by students attending AICCU schools, \$3.7 dollars in financial aid is given to students by AICCU members.

For every Cal Grant recipient who attends an AICCU member school, three more California students are educated by an AICCU college or university at no cost to the state.

By any measure, AICCU members serve California.

Knowledge Expands Opportunity...

## SERVICES AND SUPPORT



# Advocacy

AICCU has represented its members in the legislature and in all other areas of state government since 1955.

AICCU successfully advocated for the creation of what came to be the Cal Grant program. Created in 1956, Cal Grant has enabled more than 650,000 students to attend independent colleges and universities; providing them with more than \$3.2 billion in awards.

AICCU continues to preserve the exemption from state regulation for WASC accredited, non-profit institutions from the Private Postsecondary Education Act. AICCU also works to prevent other regulatory intrusions that impede the academic freedom and managerial operations of its members.

AICCU is the voice of its members at the California Higher Education Roundtable and its operating arm, the Intersegmental Coordination Council. AICCU also represents the sector before less visible governmental entities, including the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

# Admission

AICCU publishes and distributes the *Guide to California Independent Colleges and Universities*, which is available to all high school and community college counseling offices in printed, electronic, and digital formats.

AICCU, as a liaison between AICCU admission offices and other higher education segments, coordinates college information programs at California's high schools and community colleges. AICCU works to increase visibility of its members through the internet by maintaining; (a) an interactive website that includes information about its institutions and links to campus websites (www.aiccumentor.org); and (b) a presence on the Student Friendly Service website, hosted by the California Intersegmental Coordinating Council for higher education (www.californiacolleges.edu).

# Finance

AICCU's joint financial services offer members savings in key areas.

### **Student Loan Collections**

AICCU provides an efficient and inexpensive program that enables members to collect defaulted federally guaranteed loans, such as the Perkins Loan Program.



#### Software

AICCU has a *Select Agreement* with the Microsoft Corporation for campus use of all their software at significantly discounted rates. Other software is also available at special pricing.

### **Products and Services**

AICCU members can purchase many institutional products (like paper supplies or service contracts) at substantial discounts through contracts with Horizon Resources Group and the California Community College Foundation.

#### Insurance

AICCU offers Long-term Disability Coverage, Workers' Compensation, and employee auto and home coverage programs. Many features of these programs are not available from other sources. AICCU has developed a pooled health and benefits package for members.

# Research

AICCU conducts research to educate people about the value and contributions of independent higher education operations.

### **External Research**

AICCU collects, analyzes, and disseminates research on the independent sector, including member assessments of their financial condition and their success in enrolling and graduating a diverse student body.

### **Internal Research**

AICCU conducts a number of periodic surveys to establish comparative data for members, including an annual survey on salaries.

# Support

AICCU convenes professional meetings of key campus personnel, which serve to inform members of "best practices" and enable them to work on common problems. The key personnel convened include:

- Admission and
  - **Financial Aid Directors**
- Campus Librarians
- Education and Nursing Deans
- Human Resources Directors
- Information Technology Officers

AICCU is developing programs to address the unique needs of its graduate and professional institutions.

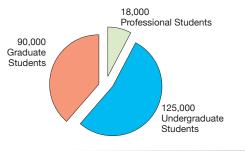


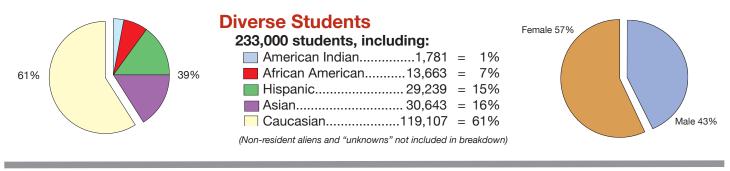
## BY THE NUMBERS

## **Diverse Schools**

#### 75 WASC accredited, not-for-profit colleges and universities

- 33 Liberal Arts Colleges
- 17 Comprehensive Universities
- 13 Specialized Colleges (e.g. health care, performing & visual arts)
- 8 Free Standing Graduate & Professional Institutions
- 5 Major Research Universities

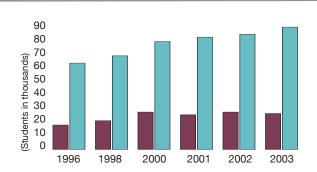




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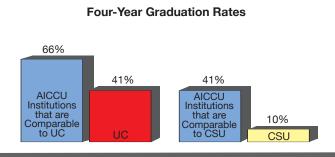
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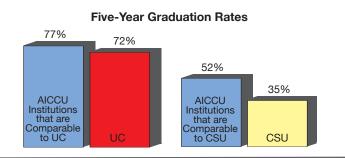
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For every Cal Grant recipient who attends an AICCU independent college or university, three additional California undergraduate students attend AICCU institutions at no cost to the state.

Cal Grant Recipients at an AICCU Institution California Residents at an AICCU Institution - undergraduate only

# Creating Productive Citizens ... Faster





### GOVERNANCE

AICCU is governed by a twenty-five member executive committee. Each fall, AICCU hosts an annual retreat for its executive committee and member presidents to plan and prioritize the coming year's projects, programs, and policies.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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