

In the School of Social Sciences, we investigate issues that matter to society. These issues span the social sciences, ranging from an exploration of how changes in the brain's neurons can lead to Alzheimer's to an analysis of how government policies and decisions impact our day to day quality of life.

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Our interdisciplinary focus helps spark innovative solutions to real-world problems, from an anthropological discovery of a link between poverty and diabetes to sociological research on how aging and migrating populations affect our economy.

Our research, teaching and outreach programs impact the world around us. From research on violent conflict prevention, programs that address early childhood development issues and value-added experiences that shape the next generation of leaders, what we do makes a difference.

With nearly 7,000 undergrads and graduate students, 139 faculty and 90 staff, we are the largest school on the UC Irvine campus.

In 2009, we conferred 1,148 undergraduate and 115 graduate degrees to social sciences majors. With their graduation, our school alumni base grew to nearly 31,000. Among those who call themselves social sciences anteater alumni are Wahoo Fish Tacos founder Mingo Lee ('90), Hot Topic CEO Betsy McLaughlin ('82), numerous Olympians and several members of the Quest Dance Crew (season 3 winners of MTV's "America's Best Dance Crew"), and current California State Assemblyman Van Tran ('90).

Departments and academic degree programs include:

- Anthropology
- Business Economics
- Chicano/Latino Studies
- Demographic & Social Analysis
- Economics
- International Studies
- Mathematical Behavioral Sciences
- Philosophy
- Political Sciences
- Psychology
- Quantitative Economics
- Social Sciences
- Sociology
- Transportation Science

Research centers include:

- Center for Asian Studies
- Center for Citizen Peacebuilding
- Center for Cognitive Neuroscience
- Center for Demographic & Social Analysis
- Center for Ethnography
- Center for Hearing Research
- Center for Organizational Research
- Center for Research on Immigration, Population & Public Policy
- Center for Research on International & Global Studies
- Center for the Study of Democracy
- Center for Global Peace & Conflict Studies
- Institute for Mathematical Behavioral Sciences
- Institute for Money, Technology & Financial Inclusion
- UCI Interdisciplinary Center for the Scientific Study of Ethics & Morality

Outreach programs include:

- Dean's Ambassadors Council
- Global Connect
- HABLA

- Jumpstart
- Olive Tree Initiative