UCI Black Thriving Initiative
Year one in review

Nation’s Foremost Destination for Black People to Thrive

Black Thriving Starts With Leadership
• Michael V. Drake Drive established at UCI
• First Black chancellor of a general campus (2005-2014)
• First Black president of the University of California (2020-present)

Undergraduate Black Thriving Scholars Program
• $10K in gifts raised from campus and community members
• 10 Thriving Scholarships Awarded to Continuing Students

OC African American Alliance $10K Grant
for BTI-Beale Applied Innovation Student Start Up Fund for Entrepreneurship

Graduate Education
• School of Humanities enrolls record number of new Black graduate students in Black Studies cluster

Black Management Association: launched in 2021

Placing Racial Equity at the Center of the University Experience

Applications
3rd in state UC choice for African Americans

Admissions
doubled admissions offers for African Americans in 2021

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for BTI-Beale Applied Innovation Student Start Up Fund for Entrepreneurship

Anti-Blackness in the United States courses
• 800 Participants and 4,000 hours of community learning

School of Medicine: LEAD-ABC
• Nation’s first program to develop physician-leaders trained to address the unique health care needs of African, Black and Caribbean communities
• Two consecutive years of record enrollment

Campus Term Chair Program: Black Thriving
• $500K Direct Investment over 3 Years
• 5 Term Chairs Awarded for Distinguished Contributions

Campus Black Thriving Cluster Hiring Program
• 10 Faculty Positions for Cluster Appointments
• Second consecutive year of double digit hiring of new Black faculty

Black Thriving Pledge
1500
Signatories of the Black Thriving Pledge
800
Personal Testimonials

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