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### **Commencement, Equitable Access**

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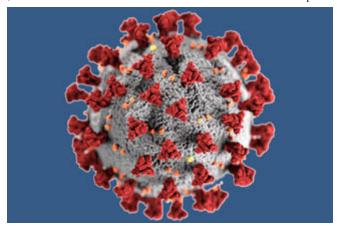
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# DATELINE

News and information for faculty and staff



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## **Our Experts Address Omicron**

UC Davis Health experts answer questions as researchers continue to learn more about the omicron variant or COVID-19. How effective are the existing vaccines, does it cause more severe illness, does it spread more easily? Bottom line: Get vaccinated.

#### **SEE STORY AND VIDEO**



## Access to Course Materials: 'Equitable' Plan Is Working

Pioneered by UC Davis Stores, Equitable Access — under which students pay a flat rate for all course materials — ended its first year with a surplus that translated this fall quarter into reduced fees for all and grants that covered all costs for 1,000 low-income students.



## Speak Out With UC in 2022

Chancellor Gary S. May is joining his fellow UC chancellors and UC President Michael V. Drake in encouraging people to enlist in the UC Advocacy Network, or UCAN, in an effort to bring the total number of advocates to 50,000 by the start of 2022.

#### **READ MORE AND SIGN UP**



## Be an Extraordinary Human, With No Computer Required

From UC Davis Magazine: In a First-Year Seminar, Mohammad Sadoghi, an assistant professor of computer science, teaches a heart-focused meditation method called Tamarkoz. Participants express a significant decrease in depression, anxiety and perceived stress.

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#### Announcements

**National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day** — Flags are flying at half-staff today (Dec. 7) at the Memorial Union, Mrak Hall and the University Airport.

**Dateline schedule** — We will publish one more time, Dec. 14, before taking time off for the holidays. We will resume publishing on Jan. 11.

**Unitrans** — Winter Break schedule.

UCPath — Offline from noon Friday (Dec. 10) to 6 a.m. Monday (Dec. 13) for a system upgrade.

**ADMAN Conference 2022: Save the date** — Annual conference put on by the Administrative Management Group, or ADMAN, and open to staff at all levels, will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 22.

The Economist — The UC Davis Library has purchased a license making this publication available online, free, to everyone with a ucdavis.edu email address. Also available for free through a library license: The New York Times.

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#### More Coronavirus News

Winter Break: Daily Symptom Survey and Testing Guidance

Study Shows Vaccinated Health Care Workers at Low Risk of Transmitting COVID-19

more coronavirus news...

## Campus News

**CHANCELL-ING: Attitude of Gratitude** 

HOLIDAY HELPING: 'Stuff the Bus' (and Results From an Earlier Food Drive), Plus Collections for Children and Pets

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## Faculty and Staff News

LAURELS: Transportation Services Named Public Parking Program of the Year

Office 365 Will Soon Tag Emails That Come From

## **Upcoming Events**



#### Staff Assembly's Winter Warmer

Come in for hot beverages and light snacks; cookie decorating, craft stations, giveaways and gingerbread house display. This free, first-time event will be held Wednesday (Dec. 8) at the Buehler Alumni Center.

#### Location and Listening

The Department of Theatre and Dance presents a series of six short sound experiences specific to their locations in and around Shields Library, Mrak Hall, the Arboretum and other nearby sites. The works have been created by doctoral, graduate and undergraduate students. Bring your own headphones and a mobile device. (Audio presentations accessible through Dec. 10)

#### **Outside the University**

'Transitioning to Retirement,': Register Now for 4-Part Remote Series That Starts Jan. 14

more faculty and staff news...

#### Research News

<u>Denisovans or Homo Sapiens: Who Were the First to Settle (Permanently) on the Tibetan Plateau?</u>

**Most Dog Breeds Highly Inbred** 

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#### **Blogs**

Egghead: With Helium Prices Rising, Physics Department Recycles

Arts: Neurology Professor John H. Morrison Contributes to the Exhibition 'Life of a Neuron'

more UC Davis blogs...

#### Podcasts and Livestreams

<u>The Backdrop: New Episode Features Andrés</u>
<u>Reséndez Discussing the Almost Forgotten Black</u>
<u>Mariner Who Conquered the Pacific</u>

<u>UC Davis LIVE: Supply Chains and Food Supplies (video)</u>

Unfold: Catch Up on Season 3

more podcasts and shows...

#### Academic and Staff Assistance Program

- Mindfully Navigating Workplace Transitions (Dec. 8, remote)
- Grief Support Group (Dec. 13 and 20, and Jan. 10, remote)
- Holiday Support Group for LGBTQIA+ Community (every Tuesday through Dec. 21, remote)
- <u>Defeating Isolation: Men's Support Group (Dec.</u>
   17 and Jan. 7, remote)

#### Ticket Presale for 'Weird Al' Yankovic

Staff, faculty and students get a head start this Thursday (Dec. 9), for show next fall at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts.

#### Staff Assembly-ADMAN Joint Meeting

Staff Assembly and the Administrative Management Group, or ADMAN, host Vice Chancellor Kelly Ratliff of Finance, Operations and Administration as the featured speaker. (Dec. 9, remote)

#### **HOLIDAY HELPING: Stuff the Bus**

Climb aboard a vintage London double-decker—and bring your donations with you for the ASUCD Pantry. Sponsored by Unitrans and the Davis Food Co-op, this Saturday (Dec. 11).

#### **Posada Celebration at TANA**

The UC Davis-affiliated TANA (Taller Arte del Nuevo Amanecer, or Art Workshop of the New Dawn), hosts this holiday program featuring music, art activities, craft vendors and information booths. Plus, live printing and free posters. (Dec. 11, free, inperson, outdoors)

#### SIPS AND BITES: Artisanal Tea

Learn about UC Davis' Global Tea Initiative and, even though this is a remote program, participate in a tasting with teas you can purchase ahead of time. (Dec. 15, free)

more events...

#### The Download

#### **Healthy Aging, Crossword Clue**

UC Davis Health celebrates its new Healthy Aging Clinic. ... UC Davis makes The New York Times Mini Crossword. ... A single-day record for COVID-19 tests on campus. ... The fall grad cap contest is underway.

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