

# Student housing construction at the University of California

UC enrolls over 300,000 students at 10 campuses in some of the nation's tightest housing markets. Expanding UC student housing is key to keeping down student costs and ensuring that the University remains accessible to Californians.

**State investment is critical to building new UC student housing**, allowing accelerated construction that aligns with the state's long-term goals for higher education and regional housing.

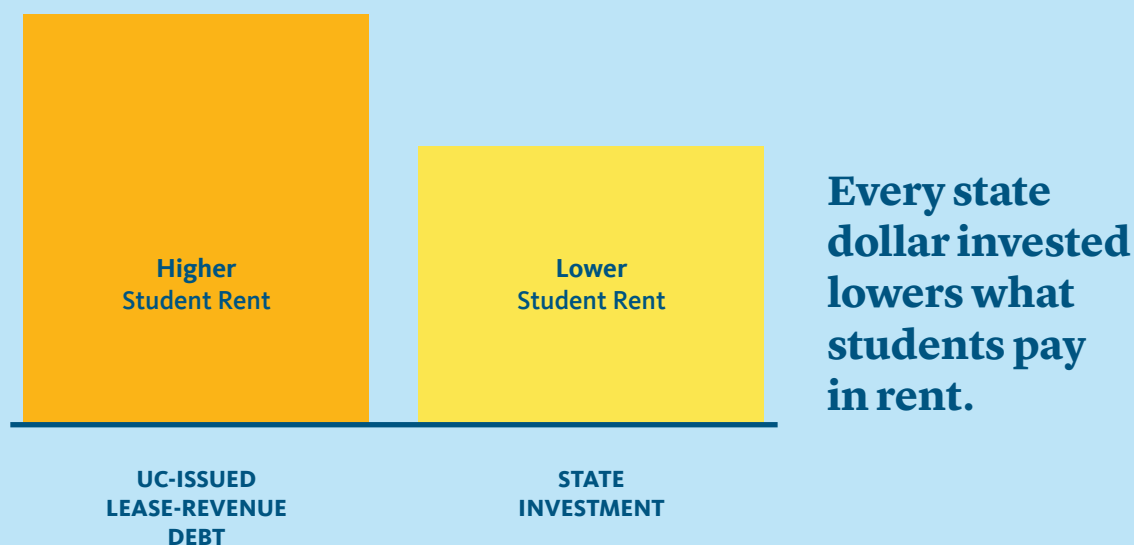
## UC student housing construction vs. enrollment growth

Predictable, affordable housing on or near campus is central to student success. UC strives to meet student needs by constructing new, high-quality housing and has added **37,000+ beds** since 2016.

UC has also been steadily expanding enrollment to meet or exceed the goals of the compact with the state, adding almost **19,000 FTE** (full-time equivalent) undergraduate students since fall 2021. Expanded enrollment has created demand for housing faster than it is built.

## 2 ways UC finances student housing construction

Construction financing impacts student affordability. State investment creates the least debt for UC, resulting in lower student costs.



# UC student housing projects and local markets

UC is building housing for 13,000 students across the system by 2030 and is **ready to construct 9,000 additional beds if sufficient funding is identified**. The University has a strong record of delivering high-quality, affordable student housing, and these projects can advance quickly with financing.

Across the UC system, 58% of students live off campus and rely on local rental markets. **Every additional bed on campus means less competition in nearby neighborhoods, making housing more affordable for everyone.**

