



ANTEATER CLUB

2024-25 MEMBERSHIP GUIDE

DEAR EATER NATION:

UC Irvine Athletics continues to focus first and foremost on providing the best possible experience for our student-athletes. Your support to the Anteater Club helps provide the necessary resources for our programs to compete for and win championships while thriving academically, safeguarding the mental and physical wellness of our student-athletes, and ultimately preparing them for a lifetime of achievement beyond collegiate athletics.

On behalf of our student-athletes, coaches, and staff, I would like to sincerely Thank You for your life and game-changing support. We are grateful for your generosity as it sets the foundation for our Anteaters to achieve academic and athletic excellence.

When we ZOT together, our impact on current and future Anteaters is limitless.

Go 'Eaters!



Brandon Leimbach
Executive Director of Development, Athletics

INVESTING IN CHAMPIONS

IMPACTING STUDENT-ATHLETES

INFLUENCING LIVES

HISTORY OF 'EATER EXCELLENCE

28 NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS

102 CONFERENCE
CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVER
4,200
SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

592
ALL-AMERICANS

61 OLYMPIANS

BECAUSE OF **YOU**

ANTEATER CLUB SUPPORTS OVER **330** STUDENT ATHLETES

3.29 DEPARTMENT
GPA
2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR

16 OF 18
TEAMS ABOVE
3.0 GPA

104 STUDENT ATHLETES EARNED PERFECT
4.0
GPA'S IN 2023-24

ANTEATER GRADUATES
108
2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR

224
SCHOLAR ATHLETES
2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR

AREAS OF IMPACT

SCHOLARSHIP DONOR PROGRAM

The Scholarship Donor Program is a philanthropic commitment for Anteater Club donors of support student-athlete scholarships.

- The Scholarship Donor program is an annual commitment of \$10,000 a year for five years.
- Opportunity to provide mentorship for a Student-Athlete
- Interaction with Student-Athlete Recipient
- Recognition at Individual Sports Banquets
- Invitation to Annual UCI Scholar Athlete Awards Ceremony

SPORT SPECIFIC GIVING

UC Irvine Athletics appreciates all donor support that is graciously extended to our programs and student-athletes. While gifts of the 'Eater Nation Fund go to support all 18 sport programs at UCI, a donor may choose to support a specific sport directly as well. These gifts enable coaches to supplement the operational budget of their sport used for recruiting, equipment, team travel and other various expenses.

LINDA DEMPSAY WOMEN'S ATHLETIC INITIATIVE

Linda Dempsay was named UC Irvine's athletic director in 1977, making her the first female AD in NCAA Division I history. This initiative will help strengthen our women's sports by providing resources to better the student-athlete experience. UCI remains committed to empowering female student-athletes, coaches and staff and we are honored to create this vehicle to promote a sustainable future for women's athletics programs at UCI.

SPORTS PERFORMANCE

The UCI Athletics Sport Performance Fund exists to support the holistic elite performance of UCI athletes and teams. To maintain sustained competitive excellence at the NCAA Division I level, athletes need access to elite performance support through advanced sports medicine and treatment, data collection and interdisciplinary research, progressive strength, and conditioning resources, athletic fuelling nutrition, modern sports psychology and a continuity of care over their four-year career. A donation to the UCI Athletics Sport





CAPITAL PROJECTS

Capital project gifts provide the revenue necessary to build and maintain first-class athletic facilities in which UC Irvine student-athletes train and compete. These facilities are not just important for recruiting the nation's best and brightest student-athlete. We've made a commitment to all of our student-athletes to equip them with the best tools to pursue their scholastic and athletic goals. When it comes to maintaining a competitive advantage, there is always a need for capital gifts. Current project and donation opportunities include:

- Cicerone Field at Anteater Ballpark
- Bren Events Center renovations

ENDOWMENTS

The endowment program represents a long-term resource which can offset the financial strains of escalating scholarship costs, rising operational expenses, and the need for facility enhancements. Income earned from that fund finances a scholarship for a student-athlete or department initiative, now and in the future. There is no better way to have your name, or that of a loved one, permanently associated with UC Irvine Athletics. There are many ways to establish an endowment, and the arrangements for every gift can be personalized to fit your specific needs in accordance with university policies and procedures. For more information, contact Brandon Leimbach at leimbach@uci.edu

- **Scholarship Endowments**

fund academic support including room, board, and tuition

PROJECTED UCI SCHOLARSHIP COST			
2024-25	CALIFORNIA RESIDENT		NON-RESIDENT
TUITION & FEES	\$	18,541	\$ 52,741
ROOM & BOARD	\$	18,991	\$ 18,991
BOOKS	\$	800	\$ 800
ADDL.COST OF ATTENDANCE	\$	3,712	\$ 4,355
TOTAL	\$	42,044	\$ 73,294

'EATER NATION FUND

The 'Eater Nation Fund is UCI Athletics' annual fundraising vehicle. Annual membership is critical to our success in allowing our student-athletes to compete for and win championships while providing a world-class experience that is impactful, holistic, and transformational. Join the 'Eater Nation Fund today and play a significant role in the future of UCI Athletics.

Your 'Eater Nation Fund gift will provide support to the following areas:

- **STUDENT-ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIPS**
- **ACADEMIC SUPPORT**
- **RECRUITING EFFORTS**
- **MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS**
- **FACILITY ENHANCEMENTS**
- **SPORTS MEDICINE**
- **EQUIPMENT UPGRADES**
- **STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING**



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS GUIDE

2023-24 GIVING LEVELS AND BENEFITS	BLUE & GOLD \$100 - \$1,499	Varsity \$1,500 - \$1,999	LETTERWINNERS \$2,000 - \$2,999	CAPTAIN \$3,000 - \$3,999	ALL-AMERICAN \$4,000 - \$5,499	SCHOLAR-ATHLETE \$5,500 - \$9,999	HALL OF FAME \$10,000 - \$19,999	LEGEND \$20,000+
SUBSCRIPTION TO THE "IN-CROWD" E NEWSLETTER								
PRIORITY POINTS								
THANK YOU GIFT								
ACCESS HOSPITALITY FOR SELECT PROGRAMS			4	4	4	4	4	4
HOSPITALITY ACCESS ON FRIDAYS FOR BASEBALL			2	2	2	4	4	6
HOSPITALITY ACCESS PASSES FOR MEN'S BASKETBALL				2	2	4	4	6
PRIORITY PARKING PASS FOR MEN'S BASKETBALL SEASON				1 - MESA	1 - LOT GA	1 - LOT GA	1 - LOT GA	2 - LOT GA
EXCLUSIVE ADIDAS GEAR								
INVITATION TO A TEAM PRACTICE SESSION								
ROAD GAME TRAVEL FOR TWO (2)								
COST OF BENEFITS	\$13	\$538	\$958	\$1784	\$1934	\$3089	\$3188	\$4344

HOSPITALITY PROVIDED FOR SELECT GAMES IN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

ANTEATER CLUB CABINET

Any individual whose total giving equals or surpasses \$10,000 in philanthropic funding to the Anteater Club in a given fiscal year is eligible for membership in the Anteater Club Cabinet. Members of the Anteater Club Cabinet receive exclusive membership experiences, while providing a significant impact on the lives of UCI student-athletes. The Anteater Club Cabinet is an exclusive program for UCI Athletics' most generous donors.

PREMIUM BENEFITS

NEWKIRK PAVILLION AT ANTEATER BALLPARK

Donors beginning at the **Letterwinner Level (\$2,500-\$3,499)** qualify for access to the Newkirk Pavilion at Anteater Ballpark. A wide array of amenities enhances the baseball game day experience. The comfort and convenience of the Newkirk Pavilion makes this the most desirable seat in Anteater Ballpark. The Newkirk Pavilion is located along the third base line above the Anteater dugout and includes the following amenities:

- Catered buffet for all Friday night home baseball games
- Hosted beer & win service (Friday games ONLY)
- Complimentary soft drinks and bottled water
- Open-view seating to enjoy the sounds and passion of the crowd and game
- Oversized chairback seats with armrests
- High-definition Television featuring all of the nation's sports action
- Pavilion restroom access
- Non-smoking environment



IRVINE BMW HOSPITALITY SUITE

Donors beginning at the **Captain Level (\$3,500-\$4,499)** qualify for access to the Irvine BMW Men's Basketball Hospitality Suite. A wide array of amenities enhances the Men's Basketball game day experience. The Irvine BMW Hospitality Suite is located in the first level of the Bren Events Center and includes the following amenities:

- Pre-game buffet
- Complimentary soft drinks and snacks
- Multiple high-definition TVs featuring all of the nation's sports action
- Pre-game 'chalk talk' with Men's Basketball Coaching Staff
- Arena-level restroom access



PRIORITY PARKING

Donors at the **All-American Level (\$4,500-\$5,999)** and above qualify to earn a priority parking pass in Lot 6A for the Men's Basketball season at the Bren Events Center. This lot is the most convenient and closest parking lot to the Irvine BMW Hospitality Suite at the Bren Events Center. Donor at the **Captain level (\$3,500-\$4,499)** and above qualify to earn a priority parking pass in the Mesa Parking Structure for the Men's Basketball season at the Bren Events Center.

IMPORTANT ANTEATER CLUB PRIORITY GIVING DATES



JULY 1
ANTEATER CLUB MEMBERSHIP
YEAR BEGINS



SUMMER
MSOC/WSOC/WVB
SEASON TICKETS ON SALE



FALL
PRIORITY POINT
SNAPSHOT TO ESTABLISH
DONOR RANKING



SPRING
UCH ATHLETICS GIVING
DAY



WINTER
PRIORITY POINT SNAPSHOT TO
ESTABLISH DONOR RANKING FOR
POSTSEASON OPPORTUNITIES



WINTER
BSB / MVB SEASON
TICKETS ON SALE



SPRING
MBB / WBB SEASON
TICKET RENEWALS



JUNE 30
ANTEATER CLUB
MEMBERSHIP YEAR ENDS



PRIORITY POINTS

The Priority Points system is designed to recognize fan and supporters who have demonstrated their loyalty through donations and season ticket purchases. The point system ensures that benefits such as priority for new season tickets, improves seat location and post-season ticket allocation are rewarded to our most dedicated supporters

HOW PRIORITY POINTS ARE CALCULATED:

CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF SEASON TICKET PURCHASES*	1 point per sport (number of tickets purchased are not considered in the equation)
CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF DONATING	2 points for every consecutive year of restricted or unrestricted giving
CURRENT YEARS GIVING TO ANTEATER CLUB (UNRESTRICTED)	1 point for every \$100 given to the Anteater Club in the current year
CURRENT YEARS GIVING TO SPECIFIC SPORT (RESTRICTED)	.5 point for every \$100 given to a specific sport program in the current year
CUMULATIVE (LIFETIME) GIVING	1 point for every \$100 given to athletics in an account's life

* All season ticketed sport - men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's volleyball and baseball

EXAMPLES OF PRIORITY POINTS IN ACTION:

2024 GIVING OF DONOR "PETER THE ANTEATER"	PRIORITY POINT VALUE
Gave \$500 to the Anteater Club in 2024 (Current Year)	5
1 point for every \$100 given to the Anteater Club in the current year	20
.5 point for every \$100 given to a specific sport program	4
1 point for every \$100 given to athletics in an account's life	.5
Peter's lifetime giving is \$2,500	25
POINT TOTAL FOR 2023	54.5
PRIORITY POINT RANKING	68/2,000

COMPLIANCE

ARE YOU A REPRESENTATIVE OF UC IRVINE ATHLETIC INTERESTS?

A "representative" of UC Irvine's athletic interests" (commonly known as a "booster") is bound by NCAA rules. Big West Conference and University regulations and UC Irvine is responsible for their actions.

WHAT IS A BOOSTER?

Under NCAA legislation, you are considered a UC Irvine booster if...

1. You have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's inter-collegiate athletic program
2. You made a financial contribution of any amount or a gift in-kind (goods or services) to UC Irvine Athletics or to any of the groups or funds that support our athletic programs.
3. You provided NCAA-permissible benefits to UC Irvine student-athletes or their families or to prospective student-athletes or their families
4. You assisted in any manner in the recruitment of a prospective student-athlete to attend UC Irvine, even if UC Irvine didn't request the assistance
5. You have otherwise assisted in promoting UC Irvine Athletics in any manner

Once identified as a booster, you retain that status forever, and NCAA rules will always apply to you. UC Irvine reserves the right to withhold any athletic department privileges (e.g. tickets, parking, receptions, events) from individuals involved in a violation.

AS OUR MOST LOYAL SUPPORTERS AND FANS, WHAT IS YOUR ROLE?

Please keep NCAA rules compliance in mind, report to the UC Irvine Compliance Office when you are aware of a potential rules violation, and always "ask before you act."

If you have any questions on NCAA rules, please contact Ashley Letrich, Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance at aletrich@uci.edu or visit our website at www.UC IrvineSports.com/Inside_UCI/Compliance/Index

SOCIAL MEDIA REMINDER

Boosters may not initiate or "accept" friend requests or "follow" a prospect on social media. Contacting a PSA or members of PSA's family for the purpose of recruiting or encouraging the PSA's participation in the UC Irvine Athletic program is an NCAA violation.



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EVERY GIFT COUNTS!

JOIN TODAY!

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