

UCLA Daily Media Coverage

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IN THE NEWS:

College More Than a 'Return on Investment'

Saturday's [Environmental and Urban Economics](#) highlighted a recent [Washington Post](#) op-ed by UCLA Chancellor Gene Block detailing how higher education benefits society and the ways in which students and universities help serve the larger community. Block was quoted.

Peptide Linked to Positive Emotions

[United Press International](#) reported Saturday, and [Health Central](#) reported Thursday, on a study led by Jerome Siegel, professor of psychiatry and director of the Center for Sleep Research at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA, that found that hypocretin, a peptide neurotransmitter in humans, is increased during positive experiences, suggesting it could be useful in potential treatments for depression. Siegel was quoted in the coverage.

Expansion of California's Medi-Cal

An article in Saturday's [Contra Costa Times](#) about the challenges of implementing provisions of the Affordable Care Act in California cited a study by researchers from the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research and colleagues estimating the number of state residents who will enroll in Medi-Cal when the program is expanded.

Geffen School Dean Named to Foundation Board

The [Los Angeles Wave](#) reported Friday that Dr. Eugene Washington, dean of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and vice chancellor for health sciences, has been appointed vice chair of the California Wellness Foundation.

CPR Denied to Dying Elderly Woman

An article published Sunday in Florida's [Sun-Sentinel](#) about an attendant at an independent living facility in California who refused to administer CPR to a dying 87-year-old woman cited research by UCLA Health's Ethics Center, showing that most people under age 85 who undergo CPR never leave the hospital again.

UCLA Grad Schools Rank High

Friday's [Orange County Register](#) reported that several UCLA programs have been included in U.S. News & World Report's annual ranking of the nation's best graduate schools.

UCLA Library's Trekkie Collection

An article in Thursday's [Chicago Sun-Times](#) about new research on the "Star Trek" movies referenced "Star Trek" archival materials at the UCLA Library.

Freezing Your Fat Off

An article published Thursday in Maryland's [Capital Gazette](#) about cryolipolysis, a procedure that freezes excess fat and removes it from patients' bodies cited a 2009 study by researchers at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA indicating that the procedure does not lead to scarring, ulcers, or changes in lipid or liver function.

UC Riverside's New Med School

An article in Friday's [Riverside Press-Enterprise](#) about UC Riverside's new medical school cited the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center. An article on the medical school in Thursday's [Press-Enterprise](#) referenced the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.

Treating Hearts With Brain Technique

The [Imperial Valley News](#) reported Sunday, and [Lab Spaces](#) and [Bright Surf](#) reported Friday, that a team lead by Dr. Kalyanam Shivkumar, director of the UCLA Cardiac Arrhythmia Center and a professor of medicine and radiological sciences at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, used a technique normally employed in treating brain aneurysms to stop life-threatening irregular heart rhythms.

Archive Tribute Highlights TV Actress

Friday's [Los Angeles Times](#) highlighted the UCLA Film and Television Archive's tribute to television actress Julie Harris, part of the Archive's Festival of Preservation, a biennial screening of newly restored films and TV programs. Daniel Einstein, a TV archivist with the Archive, was quoted.

Latest Research on Parkinson's

Dr. Jeff Bronstein, professor of neurology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and director of the UCLA Movement Disorders Program, was interviewed Sunday on CBS's "[The Doctors](#)" about the most recent advances in the fight against Parkinson's disease.

Insurance and the Affordable Care Act

Shana Alex Lavarreda, director of health insurance studies at the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research, was interviewed Sunday on [Capital Public Radio](#) highlighting a TV ad campaign about undocumented immigrants and others who will likely be left without health insurance when provisions of the Affordable Care Act kick in in 2014.

Link Between Air Pollution, Autism

A study by researchers at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health that found that babies exposed to traffic pollution in the womb have an increased risk for autism was highlighted Sunday on Bakersfield's [KGET-Channel 17](#). Dr. Beate Ritz, professor and chair of epidemiology at the Fielding School, was interviewed.

Preventing Underage Smoking, Drinking

An article in Saturday's Oregon [Statesman-Journal](#) about a bill in that state that would prohibit grocery-store customers purchasing alcohol or cigarettes from using the self-check-out line cited a study by students at the UCLA School of Law showing that nearly half the time underage people tried, they were able to buy alcohol in such lanes without having to provide proof of their age or make eye contact with a store employee.

Doc's Work on Integrative Medicine

Thursday's [Ventura County Star](#) highlighted the work and research of Dr. Lawrence Taw, assistant physician at the UCLA Center for East-West Medicine. Taw was quoted.

College and Affirmative Action

An op-ed in Saturday's [New York Times](#) about affirmative action referenced research by UCLA professor of law Richard Sander on race and law school admissions.

Do Female Bosses Provide a Benefit?

A column in Saturday's [Washington Post](#) about women and leadership referenced a study by former UCLA Anderson School of Management faculty members Geoffrey Tate and Liu Yang suggesting that having women in leadership positions at companies improves the prospects of other women who work at those companies.

'Zoobiquity' Benefits People and Animals

Dr. Barbara Natterson Horowitz, associate professor of medicine in the division of cardiology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, was interviewed Saturday on public radio's "[The People's Pharmacy](#)" about her research comparing physical and mental disorders in animals and humans and her book "Zoobiquity," which examines the species-spanning nature of illness.

Brains, Computers and Artificial Intelligence

The [Canadian Broadcasting Corp.](#) on Saturday highlighted research by James Gimzewski, professor of chemistry and biochemistry and a member of the California NanoSystems Institute at UCLA, aimed creating a computer with a structure that mimics the human brain.

Mexican, Chicano Recordings Digitized at UCLA

[National Public Radio](#) reported Saturday on the Arhoolie Strachwitz Frontera Collection of Mexican and Mexican American Recordings at UCLA, whose digitization was funded by a donation from popular norteño band Los Tigres del Norte to UCLA's Chicano Studies Research Center.

Anderson Forecast: Economy Starts to 'Ramp Up'

Edward Leamer, director of the UCLA Anderson Forecast and Chauncey J. Medberry Professor of Management at the UCLA Anderson School of Management, was interviewed Sunday on [KCAL-Channel 9](#) about the U.S. economy and the latest quarterly report of the Anderson Forecast.

Avoiding Colorectal Cancer

Dr. James Yoo, assistant professor of general surgery at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, was quoted March 8 in a [HealthDay News](#) column offering tips on how to prevent colorectal cancer.

UCLA Prof on FDA Advisory Panel

An article in Friday's [Philadelphia Inquirer](#) about a U.S. Food and Drug Administration advisory committee exploring conflicts of interest in the drug-approval process cited the role of Dr. James McGough, professor of clinical psychiatry at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA and director of UCLA's Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Clinic, who serves on the committee.

Gay Couples and Equal Benefits

An article in today's [Los Angeles Times](#) about same-sex couples and federal tax benefits cites statistics from the UCLA School of Law's Williams Institute on the number of married same-sex couples in the United States.

Regulating Climate-Altering Research

The [Huffington Post](#) reported Sunday on a paper by Edward Parson, professor of law and faculty co-director of the Emmett Center on Climate Change and the Environment at the UCLA School of Law, and a colleague proposing a new international regulatory framework that would allow research on large-scale efforts to halt or reverse the effects of climate change to move forward. Parson was quoted.

Exercise and Jet Lag

An article in Friday's [Toronto Globe & Mail](#) about fighting jet leg cited research by Christopher Colwell, professor of psychiatry and biobehavioral sciences at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA, that measured the effects of early-morning and late-day exercise on the circadian cycles of mice.

Dance Debut at UCLA

Today's [Los Angeles Times](#) features a review of a performance of "What the Body Does Not Remember," a dance/theater work by Belgian choreographer and filmmaker Wim Vandekeybus, which was presented at Royce Hall as part of the current season of the Center for the Art of Performance at UCLA.

QUOTABLE:

Felicia Federico

Federico, executive director of the La Kretz Center for California Conservation Science at UCLA's Institute of the Environment and Sustainability, was quoted Friday in a [Ventura County Star](#) article about the nonprofit Heal the Bay calling for greater protection of the Malibu Creek watershed.

Jill Horowitz

Horowitz, professor at the UCLA School of Law, is quoted today in a [Chicago Tribune](#) column about company-sponsored health initiatives.

Miriam Krinsky

Krinsky, a lecturer in the department of social welfare at UCLA's Luskin School of Public Affairs, was quoted March 11 in a [USA Today](#) article about programs aimed at preventing young inner-city boys on welfare from getting involved in crime.

Kal Raustiala

Raustiala, professor of law and director of the UCLA Burke Center for International Relations, was quoted Friday in a column in Britain's [Guardian](#) about constitutional rights, drone strikes and the war on terror.

Marcelo Suarez-Orozco

Suarez-Orozco, dean of UCLA's Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, was quoted Sunday in an [Associated Press](#) article about the growth of the Latino population in the U.S.

Donald Shoup

Shoup, distinguished professor of urban planning at the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs, was quoted Friday in a [Montreal Gazette](#) article about ways to improve the parking situation in Montreal.

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