

Berkeley Global Campus

AT RICHMOND BAY



“We have the opportunity to become the first American university to establish an international campus in the United States, right here in the East Bay,”
--UC Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas Dirks

Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay

The Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay (BGC) is a new research and action hub in Richmond focusing on **global issues, culture and collaboration**. The BGC is a new model for global engagement and research integration that will have deep ties to the main campus and to the local community through a variety of **educational, public health, community outreach, labor, and transportation partnerships**.

While other internationally-focused projects launched by universities are located abroad, UC Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas Dirks’ plan is to create a **global campus in Richmond**. The BGC brings together academic institutions, private sector and community partners who will collaborate on research addressing complex global challenges. The Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL) remains a partner, but this is now a **UC Berkeley-led project**. The location of the campus, at the current Richmond Field Station, is owned by the University of California.

Partnership with Richmond

The Chancellor has emphasized UC Berkeley’s **commitment to the Richmond community** – and that he believes the BGC will be a catalyst for sustainable economic development in the area. The university is committed to working in partnership with the City of Richmond to ensure the success of the South Shoreline Specific Plan which will improve infrastructure, enhance transportation, residential and commercial development, ensuring the BGC is part of a sustainable and vibrant community that includes jobs, business opportunities, and array of recreation and social outlets.

“One thing that hasn’t changed ... is our commitment to the community”
--UC Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas Dirks

Commitment to the Richmond Community

While the research foci for the campus have evolved, Chancellor Dirks remains **committed to the community benefits** outlined in the April 2014 Joint Letter of Commitment to Strengthen Community Partnerships Between UCB, LBNL, and the Richmond Community, including hiring local residents, engaging with local business, and supporting efforts to strengthen education and workforce training programs. The Chancellor and LBNL Director established a **Community Working Group** to provide **advice and recommendations** on key aspects of BGC.

About the Richmond Community Working Group

The Richmond Community Working Group is composed of representatives from a broad selection of constituencies and is empowered to develop proposals in these areas: **Education, Local Employment, Procurement, and Workforce Training**. Twenty-two Richmond community and campus-based leaders have been appointed to the inaugural Richmond Community Working Group. Members serve 2-year terms.

Richmond Community Working Group representatives include:

- City of Richmond (1 seat)
- Community-based Non-profit Organizations engaged in Education, Workforce Training, Business Development, Economic Development (4 seats)
- Faith-based Organizations (1 seat)
- Business (2 seats)
- Labor (2 seats)
- Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council (1 seat)
- West Contra Costa Unified School District (1 seat)
- Contra Costa College (1 seat)
- Youth: 15–21 years old (2 seats)
- Philanthropy (2 seats)
- UC Berkeley & LBNL Engaged Scholarship/Research/Public Service (2 seats)
- UCB & LBNL Local Community Government Relations (2 seats)

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