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UC San Diego along with the University of California system has joined forces with more than 7,000 colleges and universities around the globe to declare a climate emergency and commit to urgent action to address the crisis. UC President Janet Napolitano and all 10 UC chancellors have signed a climate emergency declaration letter that recognizes "the need for a drastic societal shift to combat the growing threat of climate change."

In signing the declaration, UC leaders agreed to a three-point plan that includes increasing action-oriented climate research; expanding education and outreach on environmental and sustainability issues; and achieving climate neutrality. Learn more at: https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/university-california-declares-climate-emergency

UC San Diego and all UC campuses have climate action plans to get to carbon neutrality in buildings and fleets by 2025. Learn more about UC San Diego's plan at: http://sustain.ucsd.edu/_files/focus/UCSD-Climate-Action-Plan-2019-final.pdf.

UC San Diego offers several climate science related courses. For students who want to learn more and get involved in sustainability initiatives around campus, they can go to http://sustain.ucsd.edu/. UC San Diego encourages students to become climate ambassadors on campus and start conversations with classmates and friends about the climate crisis and ways in which they can together make change.

The 10-campus UC system has also just taken steps to de-carbonize its endowment funds. UC's \$13.4 billion endowment will be "fossil free" by the end of September, as will its \$70 billion pension.

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