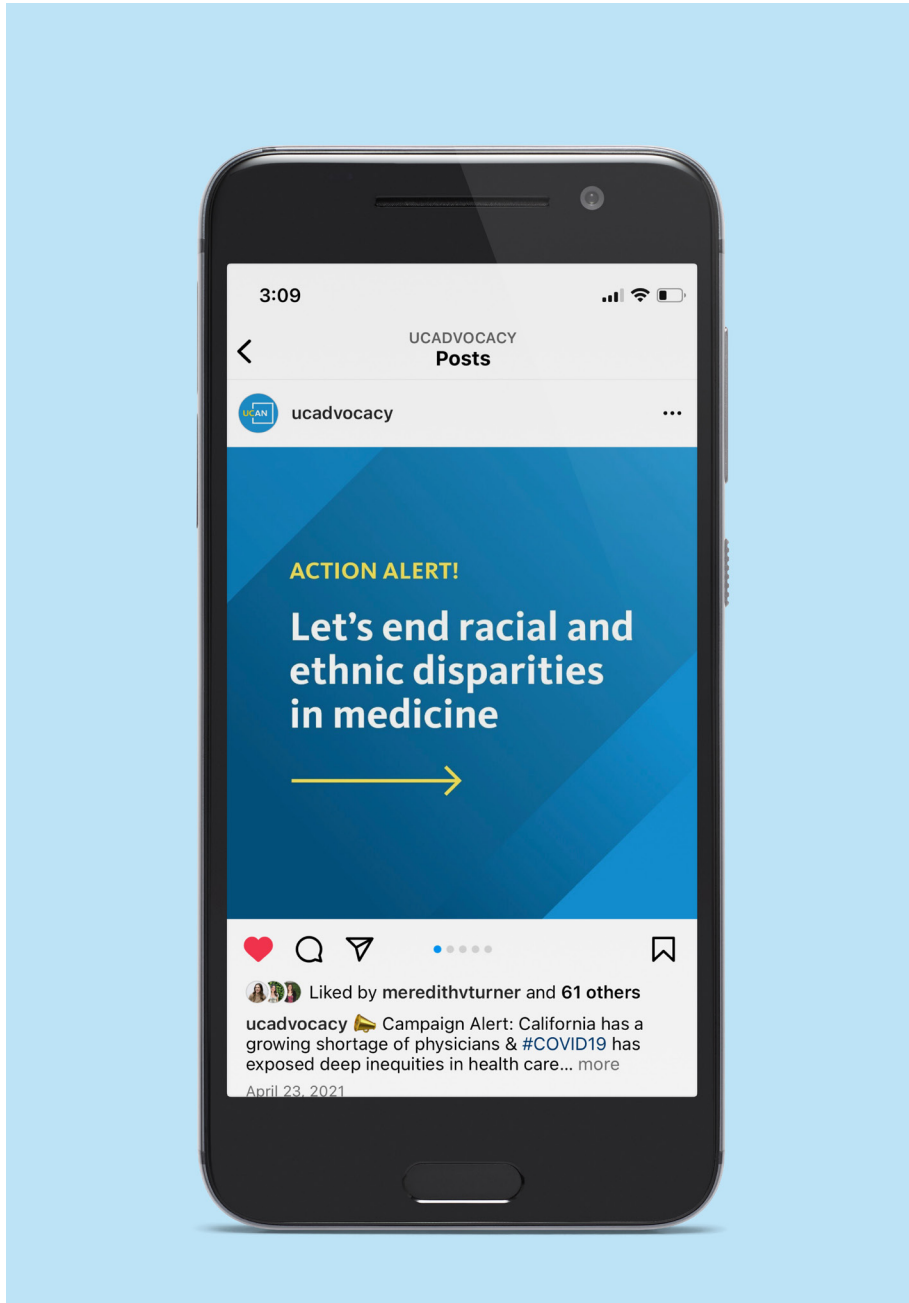


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## EMAIL



Hi Sarah,

As a second-year medical student in the UCSF-UC Berkeley Joint Medical Program and a former community college student from a medically underserved area in Oakland, I chose to participate in UC Programs in Medical Education (UC PRIME) because there's no other medical school program like it. UC PRIME prepares medical students to be physician leaders in health equity and pursue lifelong careers serving our state's most vulnerable populations. [If you want to help end health disparities and give Californians the care they deserve, join me in asking lawmakers fund this critical program.](#)

**Stand up for health equity!**

**TAKE ACTION**

This funding will help support our existing programs and the creation of two new programs focused on caring for Native American and Black/African American communities in California. Through my work with UC PRIME, I've created pathway programs for pre-med students that have national reach, and I'm a volunteer COVID-19 vaccinator who recently recruited over 180 underrepresented minority students to join me in this work. UC PRIME is an essential part of my medical education, and I want nothing more than to take what I've learned to serve my hometown in emergency medicine or primary care.

Our recovery from COVID-19 and the future of health care in California depends on the strength of our health care systems. [Ready to stand up for health equity?](#)

Thank you,



**Aminta Kouyate**  
*Student, UCSF-UC Berkeley Joint Medical Program, PRIME for the Urban & Underserved*

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## TWITTER

**Alec Calac** @ajcalac

Thanks @GavinNewsom, @CAGovTribal, & #CALeg @AsmJamesRamos for supporting expansion of the @UofCalifornia Program in Medical Education (PRIME) to focus on American Indian Health and Education. I am proud to be a California Indian medical student and a #UCAdvocate @UCSDMedSchool!

**UCAdvocacy** @UCAAdvocacy · Jul 2, 2021

The Governor and Legislature have reached an agreement on the 2021 state budget, and the revised plan provides @UofCalifornia with our highest allocation of State funding ever! 🌟 Will you help us thank state lawmakers? bit.ly/2UflP4j #UCAdvocate #CALeg

**BREAKING NEWS!**

**UC receives highest level of state funding ever!**

9:19 AM · Jul 6, 2021 · Twitter Web App

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Sacramento, California

**Three reasons to celebrate this year's state budget for UC!**

- 1 Expands** equitable health care in medically underserved communities and increases workforce diversity.
- 2 Enhances** student mental health services.
- 3 Repairs** campus buildings, increases energy efficiency, and provides local employment.

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ucadvocacy ICYMI: @uofcalifornia received the highest level of state funding ever! 🌟 Which investment are you most excited about? 🤔👉 Let us know in the comments!

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meredithturner Budget restoration AND 5% increase in new ongoing funding!

Let's work together to build a better California.



UC stands with the state of California at this unprecedented moment, committed to helping all our communities emerge from COVID-19 stronger than before.

Through our partnership with the state, we can accelerate California's recovery through the power of public service, research, education and health care. State investment is essential for the dedicated faculty and staff helping our students succeed; the researchers racing to solve California's greatest challenges; and medical students aspiring to bring care to their underserved hometowns.

2021-22 UC STATE BUDGET REQUEST

**\$518M**

ONGOING

**\$250M**

ONE-TIME

## Strengthen California's future with investments in opportunity, equity, research and health care.



**Supporting students through an unprecedented time**

"University support services and professors have made themselves widely available online, and the university has actively looked for ways to continue supporting students. Until recently, I hadn't realized how much I relied on the university to provide a stable and productive environment."

- Omar Rincon, UC Berkeley undergraduate, has been living on campus. Campuses are continuing to help students access resources for remote instruction, including aid and temporary housing, among other essential needs.

"We're saving lives. That's the No. 1 thing. The situational awareness allows first responders to scale resources and make important decisions in a timely fashion."

- UC San Diego geoscientist Neal Driscoll, director of the ALERTWildfire program at UC San Diego, a backcountry observation network with more than 600 high-tech cameras deployed across the state.



**Protecting Californians from deadly wildfires**



**Expanding opportunity for Californians**

"I did this to inspire people and let them know that regardless of your hardships growing up, you can still do it," said Anna Oceguera, UC Merced graduate.

Anna is the daughter of migrant farm workers from Mexico, and as one of five children, is the first in her family to graduate from a four-year university. Forty-one percent of all UC undergraduates are first-generation students, and at UC Merced, first-generation students make up more than 70 percent of the undergraduate population.

"It's frustrating and frightening for them. With this clinic, we can provide a much-needed service to our patients and our community."

- Mark Avdalovic, a UC Davis Health specialist in pulmonary and critical care medicine, who is helping run one of the nation's few clinics for survivors of COVID-19 with persistent, long-lasting symptoms.



**Bringing hope to COVID-19 long-haul patients**