Sacramento State offers students extensive research and internship opportunities in the heart of state government, including the nationally recognized Capital Fellows program. The campus has one of the state’s largest cooperative education programs, placing students from all majors in paid positions where they receive academic credit. In 2000 and 2004, the campus was the site for the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials, drawing hundreds of thousands of spectators.

High Magnitude Economic Impact
Sacramento State’s annual impact on the Sacramento Valley region and the State of California is enormous:

• Annual spending related to Sacramento State ($607 million) generates a total impact of $816 million on the regional economy, and more than $1 billion on the statewide economy.
• This impact sustains nearly 9,000 jobs in the region and statewide economy.
• Per year, the impact generates more than $52.5 million in local and nearly $67 million in statewide tax revenue.
• Even greater—nearly $2.9 billion of the earnings by alumni from Sacramento State are attributable to their CSU degrees, which creates an additional $4.7 billion of industry activity throughout the state.

Sacramento State improves California’s economy with research, innovation and entrepreneurship.

• Sacramento State has the largest cooperative education program in the state, providing students from all majors the chance to earn academic credit while getting practical experience in their fields. Biology students are helping the Sacramento crime lab with DNA matching. Physical therapy students are guiding stroke victims in regaining their mobility. Government students, through the innovative Sacramento Semester and Capital Fellows programs, are staffing legislative offices at the State Capitol. And for more than 40 years, future art teachers have been showing underserved children how to paint in the Barrio Arts program.

• Statewide, CSU produces 89 percent of the total graduates in criminal justice-related disciplines. Sacramento State’s criminal justice program is one of the largest in any North American university.
CSU helps communities understand their economies, population trends, industries, and social issues. Sacramento State has established numerous institutes for these purposes, including The Center for California Studies, The Center for Collaborative Policy, and the Institute for Social Research.

Sacramento State improves life in the Sacramento Valley region through research, arts and community service.

- About 36 percent of the students at Sacramento State volunteer through service learning, giving more than 2 million hours of their time each year. A new Sac State Serves program has been created to engage the campus community in done-in-a-day programs such as a clean-up of area creeks. Students also are putting their spring and winter breaks to constructive use assisting community organizations such as Habitat for Humanity and the Sacramento Tree Foundation during annual Alternative Breaks.

- When it comes to arts programs, the University shines. The Latin Jazz Band and the Sacramento State Jazz Singers won “Outstanding Performance” recognitions from Downbeat magazine, the jazz world’s premiere publication. Sacramento State also holds its annual Festival of the Arts, with events highlighting the University’s commitment to theatre, music, art, design, and creative writing.

- Sacramento State is one of the premier track and field facilities in the nation. The campus hosted 172,000 people at the 2004 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials, and previously hosted the event in 2000. The campus also hosted three consecutive NCAA Division I Track and Field Championships.

“My experience at Sacramento State provided many benefits to me in my entrepreneurial efforts throughout the last 40+ years.”

Tom Weborg
Co-founder
Java City
Sacramento State Alumnus