A Vessel for Collaboration

Southern California and communities worldwide face water resource challenges. Water UCI aims to facilitate collaboration around questions of fundamental and applied water science, technology, management, and policy.

Water UCI is a campus-wide initiative based at the University of California, Irvine to serve as a coordinating vehicle to facilitate seamless collaboration across schools, departments, and existing research centers around questions of fundamental and applied water science, technology, management, and policy.

While UCI’s scholarly interests embrace global as well as national aspects of these issues, Water UCI will take as a point of departure those areas of water research that have a distinctively California focus and for which UCI has unique strengths, comparative advantages, strong experience, and great proficiency. These issues include:

- Urban and agricultural water management
- Competition for increasingly scarce and over-taxed water supplies by diverse users
- Food-water-energy nexus
- Climate extremes and drought

Questions?

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Water UCI hosted a Science Team Meeting in October 2014 to provide an environment where researchers from across UCI could come together to map out the trajectory of the Water UCI Initiative. Photo credit: Diana Lofflin, UCI.

“Water UCI is committed to fostering collaboration around critical water issues facing the state, nation, and planet — and what we can do to address them.”

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Water UCI Director

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The Water UCI Core Committee is a cross-section of UCI faculty. The committee and initiative director David Feldman analyze critical water issues and discuss ways Water UCI can build on existing campus-wide strengths to respond to the many grand challenges in water resource management.