

SF State News



[University magazine now online](#)

[Top Stories](#)

[Story Archive](#)

[SF State In the News](#)

[News Releases](#)

[Faculty Experts](#)

[Contact](#)

SF State ranks among national leaders for producing minority graduates

July 6, 2009 -- San Francisco State University again ranks among the leaders in the nation for awarding undergraduate degrees to minority students. In a report published in *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* on June 25, SF State ranked 12th nationally by awarding 2,710 baccalaureate degrees to minorities during the 2007-08 academic year. That number represented half of the University's undergraduates who received degrees and marked an 11 percent increase from the previous year.



SF State also ranked ninth for awarding

SF State ranked 12th nationally for awarding undergraduate degrees to minorities.

undergraduate degrees to Asian Americans in all disciplines and 31st for awarding undergraduate degrees to Hispanic students -- both categories represented increases of nearly 10 percent from the previous year.

"Equal access to an education is essential for a vibrant and well-functioning democracy," President Robert A. Corrigan said. "It is important to the future of this state to continue providing educational opportunities for all the people of California. We are pleased by this recognition, but there is still much work to do."

SF State's student body and faculty reflect the diversity of California and the Bay Area, with more than 60 percent of the student body coming from minority backgrounds and non-white faculty comprising 48 percent of the University's tenure/tenure-track faculty.

The University has long been committed to opening doors to higher education for minorities. Such programs as SF ROCKS, the Step to College Program and others have demonstrated SF State's commitment to social justice and ensured educational opportunities

Related Links

- [Events Calendar](#)
- [CampusMemo](#)
- [SF State Magazine](#)
- [Alumni Hot Shots](#)
- [Points of Pride](#)
- [Gator Sports News](#)

For Faculty & Staff

- [Submit a News Item](#)
- [Working with the Media](#)
- [Be an Expert Source](#)

Contact

[University Communications](#)

E-mail: pubcom@sfsu.edu

Phone: (415) 338-1665

Last Update: 7-6-2009_mb

Search SF State News

Go

for students of minority backgrounds.

For more information about the rankings, visit

http://diverseeducation.com/top08/top100_listing.html

-- [Michael Bruntz](#)



**SAN FRANCISCO
STATE UNIVERSITY**

[SF State Home](#) | [Contact](#) | 1600 Holloway Avenue . San Francisco . CA 94132 . Tel (415) 338-1111