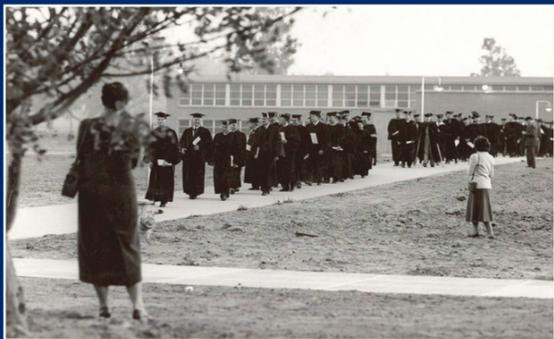


## In the Beginning

- 1948 - Strayer Report, 1,500 students
- 1949 - Letters & sciences college authorized (Korean War delay)
- 1954 - College opened  
120 students, ~30 faculty  
Division of Physical Sciences (chemistry, geology, mathematics, physics - W. Conway Pierce, Chairman)
- 1960 - Chemistry Graduate Program (1st at UCRI)  
17 graduate students enrolled
- 1961 - Department of Chemistry established (James Pitt, chairman)
- 1964 - First Chemistry PhD graduates  
8 in 1964; 4 in 1965; 17 in 1966 . . .



First B.S. graduates, class of 1954

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Chemical Sciences Building, opened 2005



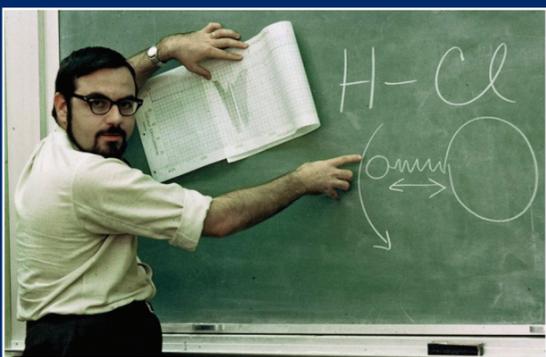
UCR campus groundbreaking, 1953



Research lab, 1960s

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Prof. Jerry Bell, 1965



Prof. Helmkamp participates in Scot Days



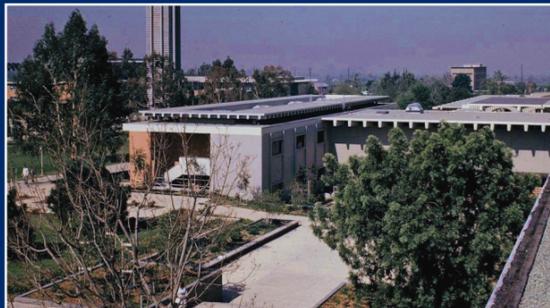
Hawthorne lab fire



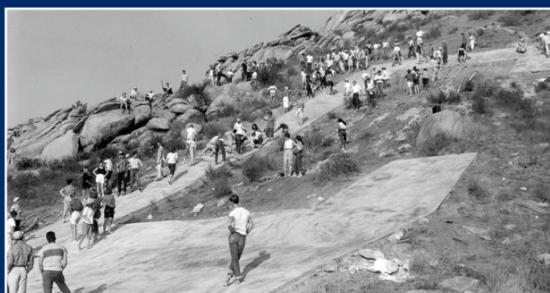
Prof. Michael Rettig, 1967



Quantitative Analysis Lab



Pierce Hall, 1969



Building the C, 1954



Physical Sciences Building, 1954



Charter faculty, 1954



Student Joe Behar and state-of-the-art 100MHz NMR, 1967



Drag queen contest, 1970s



Physical sciences campus, 1956



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