

The first semester at UCR

February 1954

Are there other charter students here?

- I need you to keep this honest--in 57 years things can slip!

Concrete evidence of the first 127 students.

- Walks were packing crates and concrete walks were not installed until after the rain and muddy season.

The early campus

- Webber Hall
- Physical Science
- Library
- Humanities and Social Science
- Physical Education

My introduction to UCR

- A visit to campus and a job offer

The Student Body and Early Faculty

- 127 students
- 50 faculty members

The first physics classes

- 2nd semester first year physics
- Upper division E&M

The first Summer--the Division Grows

- Geology added.
- Chemistry gets larger.

Thoughts about the future of High School Physics

UC and UCR involvement

My early interest in being a science teacher

- Either Chemistry or Physics

The California Teach Program (SMI)

- UC program introduced in 2005 for undergraduate STEM students
- K-12 school experiences

UCR involvement in High School Physics Teaching

- Past and present involvement

The future of Physics Education in the US

- Where are scientists coming from?
- Don't fail to encourage a future physics teacher.