Historical Highlights

• 1991: UC Regents approve establishment of the School of Environmental Science & Management
• 1995: First faculty members appointed
• 1996: First MESM students accepted
• 1997: Donald Bren Foundation provides major gift
• 1998: First class of 20 MESM students graduate, construction of Bren Hall begins
• 2000: First PhD students accepted
• 2002: Bren Hall opens and receives US Green Building Council’s LEED Platinum Award
• 2002: First 3 PhD students graduate
• 2009: Bren Hall becomes nation’s first building to earn “Double Platinum” rating for sustainability
• 2010: Bren School reaches (actually exceeds) target for capacity (MESM & PhD)
Growth in Total MESM Students

Target
Bren Hall Current Use

+ 187 MESM Students

- Faculty Offices
- PhD & Post-Doc Students
- Faculty Labs
- Lecturers & Adjunct Faculty
- Staff Offices

- Office Space
- Research & Scholarly Activity Space
- Occupants
Bren Hall Projected Space Usage
According to 2012 – 2013 FTE Plan

No Growth in MESM Students
10 Year Strategic Plan

Environmental Innovation Center: Build on collaborative, interdisciplinary working group approach developed at NCEAS to analyze global environmental problems and generate viable solutions.
  • Use endowed visitor funds to advance collaboration and innovation on grand environmental challenges

Executive Education in Sustainability Science: Expand audience for unique Bren School training to include corporate sustainability officers and executives.

Collaborative Centers for Environmental Solutions: Build on and expand partnerships on and off campus in key research areas.
  • CEIN – Center for Environmental Impacts of Nanoparticles
  • CMAP – Center for Marine Assessment and Planning
  • CELCA – Center of Excellence in Life Cycle Assessment
  • FRC – Fisheries Recovery Center (with TNC)
  • CEM – Center for Environmental Markets