

UC San Diego Ridge Walk Conceptual Study

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

YEAR 2016–2017

SIZE 3 acres

USE Pedestrian paths, campus network,
bike paths, open green spaces



- + Ridge Walk bisects several areas of the UCSD campus that are distinguished for their design character and historic value.
- + A key goal is a continuous Class I bike path that spans the length of the study area. OJB conceived multiple Class I bike path typologies that respond to the distinct character of each area while also establishing a common design language for Ridge Walk.
- + Bike lane typologies range from full-sized lanes in each direction integrated with stormwater capture strategies, to low-impact signature medallions that indicate bike traffic within key historic areas.
- + The proposed Ridge Walk promotes safety and security, and improves a large portion of UCSD's pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.
- + Improved walkability and bicycling eases cross-campus travel, alleviates stress on parking infrastructure, and improves quality of life on campus.

Spanning campus from north to south, Ridge Walk serves as an essential pedestrian connection through the UCSD's academic core. The university sought an improved and unifying design character that would reinforce Ridge Walk's importance as a major campus thoroughfare. A concept study suggested schemes using ideas that stemmed from community-wide conversations.

