

University of Chicago

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The **University of Chicago** (commonly referred to as **UChicago**, the **U of C**, or just **Chicago**) is a private, coeducational research university in Chicago, Illinois, USA. It was founded by oil magnate and benefactor John D. Rockefeller and incorporated in 1890; William Rainey Harper became its first president in 1891 and the first classes were held in 1892.

The University consists of the College of the University of Chicago, various graduate programs and interdisciplinary committees organized into four divisions, six professional schools, and a school of continuing education. The University enrolls approximately 5,000 students in the College and about 14,000 students overall. It has a reputation of devotion to academic scholarship and intellectualism,^{[5][6]} and is affiliated with 46 Rhodes Scholars and 85 Nobel Prize laureates as of the 2009 awards announcement.^[7]

In 2007, the University spent \$322,488,000 on scientific research.^[8] University of Chicago scholars have played a role in the development of the Chicago School of Economics, the Chicago School of Sociology, the Law and Economics movement in legal analysis,^[9] and the physics leading to the world's first man-made, self-sustaining nuclear reaction.^[10] The University is also home to the Committee on Social Thought, an interdisciplinary graduate research program, and to the largest university press in the United States.^[11]

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The University of Chicago



Motto	<i>Crescat scientia; vita excolatur</i> (Latin)
Motto in English	Let knowledge grow from more to more; and so be human life enriched ^[1]
Established	1890
Type	Private nondenominational coeducational
Endowment	US \$5.11 billion ^[2]
President	Robert Zimmer
Faculty	2,168 ^[3]
Staff	14,772 (including employees of the University of Chicago Medical Center) ^[3]
Undergraduates	5,000
Postgraduates	10,000
Location	Chicago, Illinois
Campus	Urban, 211 acres (85 ha) ^[3]
Colors	Maroon <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> ^[4]
Nickname	Maroons

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Mascot	Phoenix
Athletics	NCAA Division III UAA
Website	www.uchicago.edu (http://www.uchicago.edu/)



History

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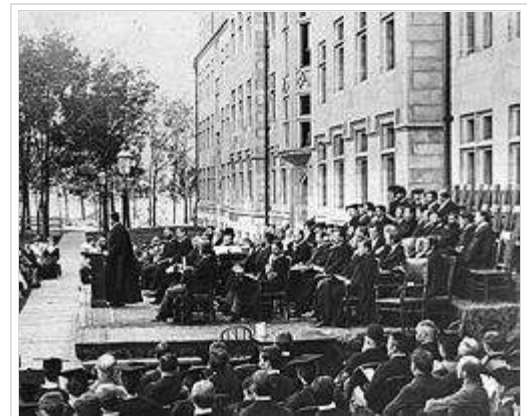
Founding–1910s

The University of Chicago was created and incorporated as a coeducational,^[12] secular institution in 1890 by the American Baptist Education Society and a donation from oil magnate John D. Rockefeller. It emerged from a university of the same name that had closed in 1886 due to financial difficulties. William Rainey Harper became the modern University's first president on July 1, 1891, and the first classes were held on October 1, 1892.^[13]

The business school was founded in 1898,^[14] and the law school was founded in 1902.^[15] Harper died in 1906,^[16] and was replaced by a series of three presidents whose tenures lasted until 1929.^[17] During this period, the Oriental Institute was founded.^[18]

1920s–1980s

In 1929, the University's fifth president, Robert Maynard Hutchins, took office; the University underwent many changes during his 24-year tenure. Hutchins eliminated varsity football from the University in an attempt to deemphasize athletics over academics,^[19] instituted the undergraduate college's liberal-arts curriculum known as the Common Core,^[20] and organized the University's graduate work into its current four divisions.^[19] In 1933, Hutchins proposed an unsuccessful plan to merge the University of Chicago and Northwestern University into a single university.^[21] During his term, the University of Chicago Hospitals (now called the University of



An early convocation ceremony at the University of Chicago

Chicago Medical Center) finished construction and enrolled its first medical students,^[22] and the Committee on Social Thought was created.



The University of Chicago team that worked on the production of the world's first man-made, self-sustaining nuclear reaction, including Enrico Fermi in the front row

Money that had been raised during the 1920s and financial backing from the Rockefeller Foundation helped the school to survive through the Great Depression.^[19] During World War II, the University made important contributions to the Manhattan Project.^[23] The University was the site of the first isolation of plutonium and of the creation of the first artificial, self-sustained nuclear reaction by Enrico Fermi in 1942.^{[23][24]}

In the early 1950s, student applications declined as a result of increasing crime and poverty in the Hyde Park neighborhood. In response, the University

became a major sponsor of a controversial urban renewal project for Hyde Park, which profoundly affected both the neighborhood's architecture and street plan. For details of this urban renewal effort, see Hyde Park.^[25]

The University experienced its share of student unrest during the 1960s, beginning in 1962, when students occupied President George Beadle's office in a protest over the University's off-campus rental policies. In 1969, more than 400 students, angry about the dismissal of a popular professor, Marlene Dixon, occupied the Administration Building for two weeks. After the sit-in ended, when Dixon turned down a one-year reappointment, 42 students were expelled and 81 were suspended,^[26] the most severe response to student occupations of any American university during the student movement.^[27]

In 1978, Hanna Holborn Gray, then the provost of Yale University, became President of the University of Chicago, in which capacity she served for 15 years.^[28]

1990s–2000s

In 1999, then-President Hugo Sonnenschein announced plans to relax the University's famed core curriculum, reducing the number of required courses from 21 to 15. When *The New York Times*, *The Economist*, and other major news outlets picked up this story, the University became the focal point of a national debate on education. The changes were ultimately implemented, but the controversy played a role in President Sonnenschein's decision to resign in 2000.^[29]

In the past decade, the University began multi-million dollar expansion projects. In 2008, the University of Chicago announced plans to establish the Milton Friedman Institute.

The institute will cost around \$200 million and occupy the buildings of the Chicago Theological Seminary. Some faculty members and students have signed petition against these plans.^[30] During the same year, investor David G. Booth donated \$300 million to the University's Graduate School of Business, which is the largest gift in the University's history and the largest gift ever to any business school.^[31] In 2009, planning or construction on



View from the Midway Plaisance

several new buildings, half of which cost \$100 million or more, was underway.^[32]

A recent two billion dollar campaign has brought substantial expansion to the campus, including the unveiling of the Max Palevsky Residential Commons, an undergraduate student dormitory, the Gerald Ratner Athletics Center, a new hospital, and a new science building. Current construction projects include: the Jules and Gwen Knapp Center for Biomedical Discovery, a ten-story medical research center, as well as further additions to the medical campus of the University of Chicago Medical Center.^[33]

Campus



The older buildings of the University of Chicago employ Gothic-style architecture like that of the University of Oxford. For example, Chicago's Mitchell Tower (left) was modeled after Oxford's Magdalen Tower (right).

The main campus of the University of Chicago consists of 211 acres (85 ha) in the Chicago neighborhoods of Hyde Park and Woodlawn, seven miles (11 km) south of downtown Chicago. The northern and southern portions of campus are separated by the Midway Plaisance, a large, linear park created for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition.

The first buildings of the University of Chicago campus, which make up what is now known as the Main Quadrangles, were part of a "master plan" conceived by two University of Chicago trustees and plotted by Chicago architect Henry Ives Cobb.^[34] The Main Quadrangles consist of six quadrangles, each surrounded by buildings, bordering one larger quadrangle.^[35] The buildings of the Main Quadrangles were designed by Cobb, Shepley, Rutan and Coolidge, Holabird & Roche, and other architectural firms in the English neo-Gothic style, deliberately patterned after the layouts of

the Universities of Oxford.^[34] (Mitchell Tower, for example, is modeled after Oxford's Magdalen Tower,^[36] and the University Commons, Hutchinson Hall, is a duplicate of Oxford's Christ Church Hall.^[37])

After the 1940s, the Gothic style on campus began to give way to modern styles.^[34] In 1955, Eero Saarinen was contracted to develop a second master plan, which led to the construction of buildings both north and south of the Midway, including the Laird Bell Law Quadrangle (a complex designed by Saarinen),^[34] a series of arts buildings;^[34] a building designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe for the University's School of Social Service Administration,^[34] and the Regenstein Library, the largest building on campus, a brutalist structure designed by Walter Netsch of the Chicago firm Skidmore, Owings and Merrill.^[38] Another master plan, designed in 1999 and updated in 2004,^[39] produced the Gerald Ratner Athletics Center (2003),^[39] the Max Palevsky Residential Commons (2001),^[34] South Campus Residence Hall and dining commons (2009), a new children's hospital,^[40] and other constructions, expansions, and restorations.^[41]

The site of Chicago Pile-1 is a National Historic Landmark and is marked by the Henry Moore sculpture *Nuclear Energy*.^[42] Robie House, a Frank Lloyd Wright building acquired by the University in 1963, is also National Historic Landmark,^[43] as is room 405 of the George Herbert Jones Laboratory, where Glenn T. Seaborg and his team were the first to isolate plutonium.^[44] Hitchcock Hall, an undergraduate dormitory, is on the National Register of Historic Places.^[45]

Campus of the University of Chicago



Snell-Hitchcock, an undergraduate dormitory constructed around the turn of the 20th century, is located on the Main Quadrangles.



Rockefeller Chapel, which was designed by Bertram Goodhue and constructed in 1928, showing archetypical neo-Gothic architecture



The Henry Hinds Laboratory for Geophysical Sciences was built in 1969.^[46]



The Gerald Ratner Athletics Center, opened in 2003 and designed by Cesar Pelli, is home to the U of C's volleyball, wrestling, and basketball teams.^[47]

Satellite campuses

The University of Chicago also maintains facilities apart from its main campus. The University's Booth School of Business maintains campuses in Singapore, London, and the downtown Streeterville neighborhood of Chicago. The Center in Paris, a campus located on the left bank of the Seine in Paris, hosts various undergraduate and graduate study programs.^[48]

Administration and finances

The University of Chicago is governed by a board of trustees. The Board of Trustees oversees the long-term development and plans of the University and manages fundraising efforts, and is composed of 50 members including the University President.^[49] Directly beneath the President are the Provost, fourteen Vice Presidents (including the Chief Financial Officer, Chief Investment Officer, and Dean of Students of the University), the Directors of Argonne National Laboratory and Fermilab, the Secretary of the University, and the Student Ombudsman.^[50] As of August 2009, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees is Andrew Alper,^[51] and the President of the University is Robert Zimmer.

The University's endowment was the 11th largest among American educational institutions and state university systems in 2008^[52] and as of August 2009 is valued at \$4.95 billion.^[2]

Academics

The academic bodies of the University of Chicago consist of the College, four divisions of graduate research, six professional schools, and the Graham School of General Studies (a continuing education school). The University also contains a library system,

University rankings (overall)

the University of Chicago Press, the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools, and the University of Chicago Medical Center, and holds ties with a number of independent academic institutions, including Fermilab and Argonne National Laboratory. The University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.^[59]

The University runs on a quarter system in which the academic year is divided into four terms: Summer (June–August), Autumn (September–December), Winter (January–March), and Spring (April–June).^[60] Full-time undergraduate students take three to four courses every quarter^[61] for approximately eleven weeks before their quarterly academic breaks. The school year typically begins in late September and ends in mid-June.^[60]

<i>ARWU World</i> ^[53]	9
<i>ARWU North & Latin America</i> ^[54]	8
<i>Forbes</i> ^[55]	21
<i>Times Higher Education</i> ^[56]	7
<i>USNWR National University</i> ^[57]	8
<i>WM National University</i> ^[58]	13

Undergraduate college

Main article: College of the University of Chicago

The College of the University of Chicago grants Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees in 49 academic majors and 22 minors.^[62] The college's academics are divided into five divisions: the Biological Sciences Collegiate Division, the Physical Sciences Collegiate Division, the Social Sciences Collegiate Division, the Humanities Collegiate Division, and the New Collegiate Division.^[63] The first four are sections within their corresponding graduate divisions, while the New Collegiate Division administers interdisciplinary majors and studies which do not fit in one of the other four divisions.^[64]

Undergraduate students are required to take a distribution of courses to satisfy the University's core curriculum known as the Common Core. Most of the Core classes at Chicago contain no more than 25 students, and are generally led by a full-time professor (as opposed to a teaching assistant).^[65] As of the 2009–2010 school year, 15 courses, tested proficiency in a foreign language, passage of a swim test, and up to three physical education courses (depending on results of an entrance examination) are required under the Core.^[20]

Graduate schools and committees

The University graduate schools and committees are divided into four divisions: Biological Sciences, Humanities, Physical Sciences, and Social Sciences. In the spring quarter of 2009, the University enrolled 3,633 graduate students: 485 in the Biological Sciences Division, 1,076 in the Humanities Division, 732 in the Physical Sciences Division, and 1,340 in the Social Sciences Division.^[66]

The University is home to several committees for interdisciplinary scholarship, including the Committee on Social Thought.

Professional schools

The University contains six professional schools: the Pritzker School of Medicine (which is a part of the Biological Sciences Division), the Booth School of Business, the Law School, the Divinity School, the Harris School of Public Policy Studies, the School of Social Service Administration (SSA). The total enrollment for these six professional schools was 5,086 students in the 2009 spring quarter: 2,878 students in the business



Eckhart Hall houses the University's math and statistics departments.

school, 344 in the Divinity School, 452 in the medical school, 269 in the Harris School, 494 in SSA, and 649 in the Law School.^[66]

The Law School is accredited by the American Bar Association, the Divinity School is accredited by the Commission on Accrediting of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Pritzker is accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.^[59]

Associated academic institutions



The University of Chicago Lab Schools, a private day school run by the University

The University runs a number of academic institutions and programs apart from its undergraduate and postgraduate schools. It operates the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools (a private day school for K-12 students and day care),^[67] the Sonia Shankman Orthogenic School (a residential treatment program for those with behavioral and emotional problems),^[68] and four public charter schools on the South Side of Chicago administered by the university's Urban Education Institute.^[69] In addition, the Hyde Park Day School, a school for students with learning disabilities, maintains a location on the University of Chicago campus.^[70] Since 1983, the University of Chicago has maintained the University of Chicago School Mathematics Project, a mathematics program used in urban primary and secondary schools.^[71] The University runs a program called the Council on

Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences and Humanities, which administers interdisciplinary workshops to provide a forum for graduate students, faculty, and visiting scholars to present scholarly work in progress.^[72] The University also operates the University of Chicago Press, the largest university press in the United States.^[11]

Library system

The University of Chicago Library system encompasses six libraries^[73] that contain a total of 7.9 million volumes, the 14th most of libraries in the United States.^[74] The largest of the University's libraries is the Regenstein Library, which will be the largest collection of print volumes in the United States once its expansion is completed in 2010.^{[75][76]} The John Crerar Library contains more than 1.3 million volumes in the biological, medical and physical sciences and collections in general science and the philosophy and history of science, medicine, and technology.^[77]

The University also operates a number of special libraries, including the D'Angelo Law Library, the Social Service Administration Library, and the Eckhart Library for mathematics and computer science.^[78]



The Joseph Regenstein Library

Research



Aerial view of Fermilab, one of the science research laboratories partially operated by the University of Chicago

In fiscal year 2006, the University of Chicago spent US\$305,301,000 on scientific research.^[79] It is classified by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as an institution with "very high research activity"^[80] and is a founding member of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation and the Association of American Universities.

The University operates 12 research institutes and 113 research centers on campus.^[81] Among these are the Oriental Institute—a museum and research center for Near Eastern studies owned and operated by the University—and a number of National Resource Centers, including the Center for Middle Eastern Studies. Chicago also operates or is affiliated with a number of research institutions apart from the university proper.

The University partially manages Argonne National Laboratory, part of the United States Department of Energy's national laboratory system, and has a joint stake in Fermilab, a nearby particle physics laboratory. The University also has a stake in the Apache Point Observatory in Sunspot, New Mexico. Faculty and students at the adjacent Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago collaborate with the University,^[82] and although formally unrelated, the National Opinion Research Center is located on the campus and some faculty members and graduate students hold research appointments there.

The University of Chicago has been the site of some important experiments and academic movements. In economics, the University has played an important role in shaping ideas about the free market^[83] and is the namesake of the Chicago school of economics, the school of economic thought supported by Milton Friedman and other economists. The University's sociology department was the first independent sociology department in the United States and gave birth to the Chicago school of sociology.^[84] In physics, the University was the site of the Chicago Pile-1 (the first self-sustained man-made nuclear reaction, part of the Manhattan Project), of Robert Millikan's oil-drop experiment that calculated the charge of the electron,^[85] and of the development of radiocarbon dating.^[86]

People

See also: List of University of Chicago people

There have been 85 Nobel Laureates affiliated with the University of Chicago,^[7] 17 of whom were pursuing research or on faculty at the University at the time of the award announcement (placing the University behind only Harvard University (31) and Stanford University (18) in that regard).^[87]

In addition, many Chicago alumni and scholars have won the Fulbright awards^[88] and 44 have matriculated as Rhodes Scholars.^[89]

Student body

In the 2009 Spring Quarter, the University of Chicago enrolled 4,920 students in the College, 3,633 students in its four graduate divisions, 5,088 students in its professional schools, and 14,000 students overall.^[92] In the 2009 Spring Quarter, international students comprised about 18% of the overall study body, at least 23% of students were domestic ethnic minorities, and 45% were female.^[90] The middle 50% band of SAT scores for the undergraduate class of 2012 was 1340–1510,^[93] the average MCAT score of students in the Pritzker School of Medicine is 36,^[94] and the median LSAT score for students entering the Law School in 2009 was 171.^[95]

Alumni

In 2004, the University of Chicago claimed 133,155 living alumni.^[96]

Student Body Demographics, Spring Quarter 2009^[A]

<i>By gender</i> ^[90]				
	College	Graduate schools	Professional schools	University total
Male	50.3%	56.6%	60.9%	55.1%
Female	49.7%	43.4%	39.1%	44.9%
<i>By race</i> ^[91]				
	College	Graduate schools	Professional schools	University total
International student	8.8%	28.4%	21.2%	18.3%
African American	5.7%	3.3%	5.4%	4.9%
Native American	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	0.4%
Arab/Middle Eastern/ North African	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%
Asian	13.8%	4.6%	14.7%	11.6%
Pacific Islander	0.06%	0.02%	0.06%	0.06%
Hispanic/Latino	8.6%	3.0%	4.2%	5.4%
Multiracial	0.4%	0.9%	1.1%	0.8%
White	44.2%	47.9%	47.7%	46.5%
Unspecified	17.7%	11.3%	5.17%	11.9%

Athletics

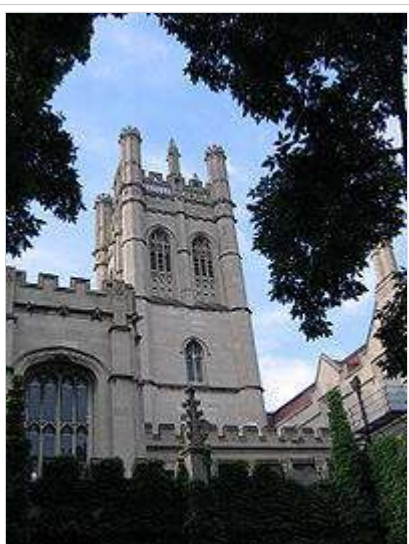
Main article: Chicago Maroons

The University of Chicago hosts 19 varsity sports teams: 10 men's teams and 9 women's teams,^[97] all called the Maroons, with 585 students participating in the 2008–2009 school year.^[97]

The Maroons compete in the NCAA's Division III as members of the University Athletic Association (UAA). The University was a founding member of the Big Ten Conference and withdrew from the conference in 1946 after University President Robert Maynard Hutchins de-emphasized varsity athletics in 1939 and dropped football.^[98] (In 1969, Chicago reinstated football as a Division III team, resuming playing its home games at the new Stagg Field.)



Student life



The University's Reynolds Club, the student center



Max Palevsky Residential Commons, a dormitory constructed in 2001 designed by postmodernist Mexican architect Ricardo Legorreta

Student organizations

Students at the University of Chicago run over 400 clubs and organizations known as Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs).^{[99][100]} These include cultural and religious groups, academic clubs and teams, and common-interest organizations.^[100] Among notable RSOs are the organizing committee for the University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt, the twice-weekly student newspaper *The Chicago Maroon*, and the University-owned radio station WHPK-FM.

Fraternities and sororities

There are fourteen fraternities and six sororities at the University of Chicago,^[101] as well as one co-ed

community service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega.^[102] Three of the sororities are members of the National Panhellenic Conference,^[103] and ten of the fraternities form the University of Chicago Interfraternity Council.^[104] In 2002, the Associate Director of Student Activities estimated that 8–10 percent of undergraduates were members of fraternities or sororities.^[103] The student activities office has used similar figures, stating that one in ten undergraduates participate in Greek life.^[101]

Student housing

On-campus undergraduate students at the University of Chicago participate in a house system in which each

student is assigned to one of the university's 10 residence hall buildings and to a smaller community within their residence hall called a "house". There are 38 houses, with an average of 70 students in each house^[105] Freshmen are required to participate in the house system, and housing is guaranteed every year thereafter.^[106] About 60% of undergraduate students live on campus.^[106]

For graduate students, the University owns and operates 28 apartment buildings near campus.^[107]

Traditions

Main articles: Doc Films, Summer Breeze (concert), and University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt

Every May since 1987, the University of Chicago has held the University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt, in which large teams of students compete to obtain notoriously esoteric items from a list.^[108] The University also annually holds a summer carnival and concert called Summer Breeze that hosts outside musicians, and is home to Doc Films, a student film society founded in 1932 that screens films nightly at the University.



Qwazy Quad Rally, Scav Hunt 2005, item #38

Notes

- A. [^] "Graduate school" figures are totals of the data from each of the four divisions. "Professional school" figures are totals of Booth, the Divinity School, the Law School, Harris, SSA, and Pritzker. The Graham School of General Studies, "Graduate Affairs", and "Special Programs" are included in the "University total" figures, but not in anything else.

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- Luis Alvarez (A.B. 1932, S.M. 1934, Ph.D. 1936) - Physics, 1968.
- Emily Green Balch (attended) - Peace, 1946.^[1]
- Gary Becker (A.M. 1953, Ph.D. 1955) - Economics, 1992.
- Saul Bellow (X. 1939) - Literature, 1976.
- Herbert Brown (S.B. 1936, Ph.D. 1938) - Chemistry, 1979.
- James M. Buchanan (Ph.D. 1948) - Economics, 1986.
- Owen Chamberlain (Ph.D. 1949) - Physics, 1959.
- John Maxwell Coetzee - Literature, 2003.
- James Cronin (S.M. 1953, Ph.D. 1955) - Physics, 1980.
- Clinton Davisson (S.B. 1909) - Physics, 1937.
- Jerome Friedman (A.B. 1950, S.M. 1953, Ph.D. 1956) - Physics, 1990.
- Milton Friedman (A.M. 1933) - Economics, 1976.
- Ernest Lawrence (X. 1923) - Physics, 1939.
- Tsung-Dao Lee (Ph.D. 1950) - Physics, 1957.
- Robert Lucas, Jr. (A.B. 1959, Ph.D. 1964) - Economics, 1995.
- Harry Markowitz (A.B. 1947, A.M. 1950, Ph.D. 1955) - Economics, 1990.

- Robert Millikan (X. 1894) - Physics, 1923.
- Robert Mulliken (Ph.D. 1921) - Chemistry, 1966.
- Irwin Rose (S.B. 1948, Ph.D. 1952) - Chemistry, 2004.
- F. Sherwood Rowland (S.M. 1951, Ph.D. 1952) - Chemistry, 1995.
- Jack Steinberger (S.B. 1942; Ph.D. 1949) - Physics, 1988.
- Paul Samuelson (A.B. 1935) - Economics, 1970.
- Myron Scholes (M.B.A. 1964, Ph.D. 1970) - Economics, 1997.
- Herbert Simon (A.B. 1936, Ph.D. 1943) - Economics, 1978.
- George E. Smith (Ph.D. 1959) - Physics, 2009.
- Roger Sperry (Ph.D. 1941) - Medicine, 1981.
- George Stigler (S.B. 1942, Ph.D. 1949) - Economics, 1982.
- Edward Lawrie Tatum (X. 1931) - Medicine, 1958.
- Daniel Tsui (S.M. 1963; Ph.D. 1967) - Physics, 1998.
- James Dewey Watson (S.B. 1947) - Medicine, 1962.
- Frank Wilczek (A.B. 1970) - Physics, 2004.
- Chen Ning Yang (Ph.D. 1948) - Physics, 1957.

Government

Heads of state

Name ✉	Year ✉	Notability	Reference
Marek Belka	(attended)	Prime Minister of Poland (2004-2005).	
Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada	A.B. 1952	President of Bolivia (1993-1997, 2002-2003)	[2]
Alvaro Magaña	A.M. 1955	President of El Salvador (1982-1984).	

General

- John Ashcroft (J.D. 1967) - Attorney General of the United States (2001-2005).
- David Axelrod (A.B. 1977) - Senior Advisor to President Barack Obama.
- Paul Bloom (1939-2009), lawyer who recovered \$6 billion for the United States Department of Energy.^[3]
- Robert H. Bork (A.B. 1948, J.D. 1953) - Attorney General of the United States (1973-1974); United States Court of Appeals Judge (1982-1988).
- Lisa Brown (J.D. 1986) - White House Staff Secretary (2009-present).
- William Holmes Brown (J.D. 1954) - Parliamentarian of the United States House of Representatives (1974-1994).
- Ahmed Chalabi (Ph.D. 1969) - Interim Oil Minister and Deputy Prime Minister of Iraq.
- Ramsey Clark (A.M. 1950, J.D. 1951) - Attorney General of the United States (1967-1969).
- Benjamin V. Cohen (Phi Beta Kappa 1913, Ph.B 1914, J.D. 1915) - Member of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Brain Trust.
- Jon S. Corzine (M.B.A. 1973) - Governor of New Jersey (D) (2006-present); United States Senator (D-NJ) (2001-2006); former CEO of Goldman Sachs; University trustee.

- Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. (X. 1933) - General of the United States Air Force (1954); Assistant Secretary of Transportation under Nixon.
- Francisco Gil Diaz (Ph.D. 1972) - Secretary of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico.
- Frank H. Easterbrook (J.D. 1973) - Circuit Judge, United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Harvey Feldman (A.B. ?, A.M. 1954) - Drafter of the Taiwan Relations Act, United States Ambassador to Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands (1979-1981).^[4]
- Douglas H. Ginsburg (J.D. 1973) - Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.
- Jackie Goldberg (M.A.T. 1973) - California State Assembly Member.
- James Hormel (J.D. 1958) - United States Ambassador to Luxembourg.
- Harold LeClair Ickes (A.B. 1897 J.D. 1907) - United States Secretary of the Interior (1933-1946).
- Fred Ikle (A.M. 1948, Ph.D. 1950) - Former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Director of U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (1973-1977).
- Peter Jambrek (Ph.D. 1971) - President of the Constitutional Court (1991-1993) and Minister of the Interior of Slovenia (2000), member of the European Court for Human Rights (1993-1999).
- Patricia Kabbah (A.M. 1963) - Former First Lady of Sierra Leone.
- Zalmay Khalilzad (Ph.D. 1979) - United States Ambassador to the United Nations (2007-present); former United States Ambassador to Afghanistan.
- Amy Klobuchar (J.D. 1985) - United States Senate (D-MN) (2007-present).
- Koh Tsu Koon (Ph.D. 1977) - Third Chief Minister of the State of Penang, Malaysia (1990-2008).
- Jewel Lafontant (J.D. 1946) - United Nations delegate.
- Lien Chan (Ph.D. 1965) – Vice President of the Republic of China (Taiwan) under President Lee Teng-hui (1996-2000).
- Edward Levi (A.B. 1932, J.D. 1935) - Attorney General of the United States (1975-77).
- Justin Yifu Lin (Ph.D. 1986) - Senior Vice President and first Chief Economist from a developing country for The World Bank (2008-present).
- Jack Markell (M.B.A. 1985) - Governor of Delaware (2009-present).
- Eliot Ness (A.B. 1925) - Secret Service agent.
- Omar Ramadhan Mapuri (A.M. 1985) - Minister of Education and Minister of Home Affairs of Tanzania.^[5]
- Michael W. McConnell (J.D. 1979) - Circuit Judge, United States Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Abner J. Mikva (J.D. 1951) - Illinois Congressman (1956-1966). United States Congressman (1969-1973, 1975-1979); United States Court of Appeals Judge (1979-94).
- Patsy Mink (J.D. 1951) - United States House of Representatives (D-HI) (1965-1977, 1990-2002).
- Carol Moseley Braun (J.D. 1972) - United States Senate (D-IL) (1992-1998); United States Ambassador (1999-2001).
- William Niskanen (A.M. 1955, Ph.D. 1962) - Chairman of the Cato Institute in Washington, DC.
- James B. Parsons (A.M. 1946, J.D. 1949) - First African-American Federal District Court Judge (1991-1992).^[5]
- Peter George Peterson (M.B.A. 1951) - United States Secretary of Commerce (1972-1973).
- Bernie Sanders (Sc.B. 1964) - United States Senator (VT). United States House of Representatives.
- Masaaki Shirakawa (A.M. 1977) - Governor, Bank of Japan (2008-present).
- John Paul Stevens (A.B. 1941) - United States Supreme Court Justice (1975-present).
- Jim Talent (J.D. 1981) - United States Senator (R-MO).
- Fernando Sanchez Ugarte (Ph.D. 1977) - President of the Mexican Federal Competition Commission. Former Deputy Minister of Industry and Foreign Investment in Mexico.
- Thomas Sowell (Ph.D. 1968) - Winner of the National Humanities Medal (2003); Economist and Senior Fellow at Hoover Institution, Stanford University.
- Paul Wolfowitz (Ph.D. 1972) - President of the World Bank (2005-2007); United States Deputy Secretary of Defense (2001-2005).

- Kateryna Yushchenko (M.B.A. 1986) - First Lady of Ukraine (2005-present).

Arts and entertainment

- Ed Asner (X. 1948) - Emmy Award-winning actor.
- David Auburn (A.B. 1991) - Playwright; winner of the Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for *Proof*.
- Lester Beall (A.B. 1926) - Modernist graphic designer.
- Anna Chlumsky (A.B. 2002) - Actress; starred in *My Girl*.
- Misha Collins (A.B. 1997) - Actor; currently stars in TV series *Supernatural*.
- Katherine Dunham (Ph.B. 1936) - Dancer and choreographer. National Medal of Arts winner.
- Roger Ebert (X. 1970) - Film critic and Pulitzer Prize winner.
- Kurt Elling (X. 1992) - Jazz singer and six-time Grammy Award nominee. Vice Chair of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences.
- Philip Glass (A.B. 1956) - Academy Award-nominated composer and musician.
- Sessue Hayakawa (A.B. 1913) - Academy Award-nominated silent film actor; starred in Cecil B. DeMille's *The Cheat*.
- Marilu Henner (X. 1974) - Actress; starred in TV series, *Taxi*.
- Mark Hollmann (A.B. 1985) - Tony Award winning Composer.^[6]
- Celeste Holm (X. 1934) - Academy Award-winning actress.
- Rebecca Jarvis (A.B. 2003) - Runner-up on the fourth season of *The Apprentice*.
- Philip Kaufman (A.B. 1958) - Film director, *The Right Stuff*, *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*.
- Rose Kaufman (X. 1959) - Screenwriter *The Wanderers* and *Henry & June*.
- Wolf Kahn (A.B. 1950) - Artist.
- Greg Kotis (A.B. 1988) - Tony Award-winning playwright.
- Aaron Lipstadt (A.B. 1974) - Director.
- Joshua Marston (A.M. 1994) - Film director, *Maria Full of Grace*.
- Tucker Max (A.B. 1998) - Internet celebrity and *New York Times* bestselling author.
- Elaine May (A.B. 1953) - Writer, actress, and director.
- Myron Meisel (A.B. 1972) - Producer.
- Mike Nichols (X. 1953) - Film director; winner of a Tony Award and an Academy Award; directed *The Graduate*, *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, *Silkwood*; co-founder of Second City comedy troupe.
- Sheldon Patinkin (A.B. 1953) - Theater director.
- Kimberly Peirce (A.B. 1990) - Film director, *Boys Don't Cry* (Academy Award for Best Actress, Hilary Swank) and *Stop-Loss*.
- John Phillips (A.B. 1960, Ph.D. 1966) - Artist.
- Bernard Sahlins (A.B. 1943) - Co-founder of Second City comedy troupe.
- Hayden Schlossberg (A.B. 2000) - Writer, *Harold and Kumar Go to White Castle*.
- Jason Shaw (A.B. 1995) - Male model and former boyfriend of Paris Hilton.
- Eddie Shin (A.B. 1998) - Television actor.
- Paul Sills (A.B. 1951) - Co-founder of Second City comedy troupe.
- Fritz Weaver (A.B. 1951) - Actor.

Athletics

- Jay Berwanger (A.B. 1936) - First Heisman Trophy winner.
- Willie D. Davis (M.B.A. 1968) - Professional Football Player and former university trustee.^[1]
- Kim Ng (A.B. 1990) - Assistant General Manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers.
- Craig Robinson (M.B.A. 1992) - Head men's basketball coach at Oregon State University; older brother of Michelle Obama.

Business

See also: List of University of Chicago Booth School of Business alumni

- Robert V. Adams (M.B.A. 1961) - Former Executive Vice President of Xerox Corporation.
- Andrew M. Alper (A.B. 1980, M.B.A., 1981) - President of the New York City Economic Development Corporation, youngest Goldman Sachs partner in company history, University trustee.
- John P. Amboian (A.B. 1983, M.B.A., 1984) - President of Nuveen Investments.
- Basil Lawson Anderson (M.B.A. 1971) - Vice Chairman of Staples.^[1]
- Russel Baker (A.B. 1920, J.D. 1950) - Founder of Baker & McKenzie law firm.
- Steve Barnhart (A.B. 1984, M.B.A. 1988) - CEO and President, Orbitz Worldwide.
- Norton Clapp (Ph.B. 1928, J.D. 1929) - An original owner of Space Needle; University trustee.
- L. Gordon Crovitz (A.B. 1980) - Publisher of the Wall Street Journal.
- Casey Cowell (A.B. 1975) - Co-founder of U.S. Robotics; Chairman and President of Durandal Inc.; University trustee.^[5]
- Daniel Doctoroff (J.D. 1984) - President of Bloomberg L.P.; former Deputy Mayor of New York City under Mayor Michael Bloomberg.
- Brady Dougan (A.B. 1981, M.B.A., 1982) - CEO of Credit Suisse First Boston; CEO-elect of Credit Suisse Group in Zurich (beginning May 2007); youngest CEO on Wall Street (2004).
- Scott Durchslag (A.B. 1987) - CEO of Skype.
- Mark Ernst (M.B.A. 1986) - Former President, Chairman, and CEO of H&R Block.
- Joseph J. Fitzsimmons (M.B.A. 1974) - Senior Vice President, Finance and Treasurer of Wal-Mart.
- David W. Fox (M.B.A., 1958) - Former Chairman of the Chicago Stock Exchange; former Chairman and CEO of Northern Trust Corporation.^[1]
- Gerald Gidwitz (Ph.B. 1927) - Cofounder of Helene Curtis Industries.
- Melvin R. Goodes (M.B.A. 1960) - Former Chairman and CEO Warner-Lambert Company.
- Scott Griffith (M.B.A. 1990) - CEO of Zipcar (2003-present).
- Daniel S. Hamermesh (B.A. 1969) - Professor in the Foundations of Economics at the University of Texas at Austin, Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, and Research Associate and Program Director at the Institute for the Future of Labor (IZA).
- Timothy E. Hoeksema (M.B.A. 1977) - founder of Midwest Airlines.
- Mark Hoplamazian (M.B.A. 1989) - CEO, Global Hyatt Corporation (2006-present).
- John H. Johnson (X. 1942) - First African-American billionaire; founder of Johnson Publishing Company, publisher of *Ebony* and *Jet* magazines.
- Thomas L. Kalaris (M.B.A. 1978) - Chief Executive of Barclays Wealth Management, former CEO of Barclays Capital Americas.
- Karen Katen (A.B. 1970, M.B.A. 1974) - President of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals Group; University trustee.^[5]
- Dennis Keller (M.B.A. 1968) - Chairman and CEO of DeVry, Inc.; University trustee.^[5]
- James M. Kilts (M.B.A. 1974) - Chairman, President, and CEO of Gillette Company.
- Michael Klingensmith (A.B. 1975, M.B.A. 1976) - Executive Vice President of Time, Inc.; University trustee.^[5]
- Sherry Lansing (Lab 1962) - Chairman and CEO of Paramount Pictures.
- Joe Mansueto (A.B. 1978, M.B.A. 1980) - Chairman and CEO of Morningstar, Inc..
- John Meriwether (M.B.A. 1973) - CEO and Principal of JWM Partners; former CEO of Long Term Capital Management.
- Joseph Neubauer (M.B.A. 1965) - Chairman and CEO of Aramark.
- John Opel (M.B.A. 1949) - President of IBM (1974-1983); CEO of IBM (1981-1985); Chairman of IBM (1983-1986).

- Philip J. Purcell (M.B.A. 1967) - Former chairman and CEO of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter.
- Thomas S. Ricketts (A.B. 1988, M.B.A. 1993) - CEO of Incapital LLC; Director of TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation
- David Rockefeller (Ph.D. 1940) - Chairman of Chase Manhattan Bank (1969-81); former trustee of the University of Chicago.
- John W. Rogers, Jr. (Lab 1976) - Chairman and CEO of Ariel Capital Management; University trustee. [1][5]
- David Rubenstein (J.D. 1973) - Co-founder of The Carlyle Group
- Nassef Sawiris (A.B. 1982) - CEO of Orascom Construction Industries (OCI).
- Thomas W. Sidlik (M.B.A. 1973) - Board of Management Member and Executive Vice President of DaimlerChrysler AG.
- Patrick Spain (A.B. 1974) - Founder of Hoover's and HighBeam Research
- Robert Steel (M.B.A. 1984) - CEO of Wachovia Bank (2008-present); former Vice-Chairman of Goldman Sachs; former Under Secretary for Domestic Finance within the United States Department of the Treasury.
- Marion A. Trozzolo (PhB 1947, M.B.A. 1950) - First United States manufacturer to apply teflon to cookware.
- Dean Valentine (A.B. 1976) - Former President of Walt Disney Television and UPN.^[5]
- Roger M. Vasey (M.B.A. 1970) - Former Executive Vice President of Merrill Lynch.
- B. Kenneth West (M.B.A. 1960) - Former Chairman and CEO of Harris Bank; Senior Consultant for TIAA-CREF.^[5]
- Clifford R. Wharton, Jr. (Ph.D. 1958) - Chairman and CEO of TIAA CREF (1987-1993); President of Michigan State University (1970-1978); Chancellor of the State University of New York System (1978-1987); Deputy Secretary of State under President Bill Clinton (1993).^[5]

Education

- Alan Altshuler (A.M. 1959, Ph.D. 1961) - Dean of Graduate School of Design at Harvard University.^[7]
- John Alroy (Ph.D. 1994), Paleobiologist and researcher at the National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, UCSB, 2007 Charles Schuchert Award from The Paleontological Society.
- Richard C. Atkinson (Ph.B. 1948) - President of the University of California (1995-2003).
- Marguerite Ross Barnett (A.M. 1966, Ph.D. 1972) - First African-American and female President of the University of Houston (1990-92); first African-American Chancellor of the University of Missouri (1986-90).
- Aaron Ben-Ze'ev (Ph.D. 1981) - President of University of Haifa, Israel (2004-present).^[8]
- Henry Bienen (A.M. 1962, Ph.D. 1966) - President of Northwestern University (1995-2009).
- Leon Botstein (A.B. 1967) - President of Bard College (1975-present); Principal Conductor of American Symphony Orchestra.
- Tom Campbell (A.B. 1973, A.M. 1973, Ph.D. 1980) - Dean of Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley (2002-2008).
- Rebecca S. Chopp (Ph.D. 1983) - President-elect of Swarthmore College (beginning July 2009); President of Colgate University (2002-2009); former dean of Yale Divinity School; former provost of Emory University; feminist theologian.^[1]
- Elizabeth Coleman (A.B. 1958) - President of Bennington College (1987-present).
- Grant H. Cornwell (A.M. 1982, Ph.D. 1989) - President of the College of Wooster (2007-present).^[9]
- May Louise Cowles - Economist; researcher, and nationwide advocate of Home Economics study.
- Peter Dorman (Ph.D. 1985) - President, American University of Beirut (2008-present).
- Robert Higgins Ebert (B.S. 1936, M.D. 1942) - Dean of Harvard Medical School (1965-1977).^[10]

- Luther H. Foster (A.M. 1941, Ph.D. 1951) - President of the Tuskegee Institute (1953-1981).^[5]
- Robert Franklin (Ph.D. 1985) - President of Morehouse College (2007-present).
- Adam Gamoran (A.B. 1979, A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1984) - Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison; Director, Wisconsin Center for Education Research.
- Marvin L. Goldberger (Ph.D. 1948) - President of California Institute of Technology (1978-1987).
- Clifton Daggett Gray (Ph.D.) - President of Bates College (1920-1944).
- Leo I. Higdon, Jr. (M.B.A. 1972) - President of Connecticut College (2006-present); President of the College of Charleston (2001-2006); President of Babson College (1997-2001); Dean of Darden Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Virginia.
- Chimere Ikoku (S.M. 1952, Ph.D. 1964) - Vice Chancellor of the University of Nigeria.^[5]
- Howard Wesley Johnson (A.M. 1947) - President of Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1966-1971).
- Herma Hill Kay (J.D. 1959) - Barbara Nachtrieb Armstrong Professor of Law and former Dean of Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley (1992-2000).^[11]
- David Aaron Kessler (J.D. 1978) - Dean of the University of California at San Francisco School of Medicine; Former Dean of Yale School of Medicine; Former Food and Drug Administration Commissioner.
- Christopher W. Kimball (A.M. 1983, Ph.D. 1989) - President of California Lutheran University (2008-present).^[12]
- Larry D. Kramer (J.D. 1984) - Dean and Richard E. Lang Professor at Stanford Law School (2004-present).^[13]
- Werner Krieglstein (Ph.D. 1972) - Professor and philosopher; recipient of the CCHA's (<http://www.ccha-assoc.org/division-awards/division-awards.html>) Distinguished Regional Humanities Educator Award in 2008 and a Fulbright scholar.
- Benjamin E. Mays (A.M. 1925, Ph.D. 1935) - President of Morehouse College (1940-1967); recipient of the American Educator Award (1980); civil rights activist.
- Deborah Meier (A.M. 1955) - Founder of small schools in New York and Boston; recipient of the MacArthur Fellowship.
- Edison E. Oberholtzer (A.M. 1915) - Founder and 1st President of the University of Houston
- G. Dennis O'Brien (Ph.D., 1961) - former president of Bucknell University and the University of Rochester
- Leo J. O'Donovan (postdoctoral fellow at University of Chicago) - 47th President of Georgetown University.
- Santa J. Ono (A.B. 1984)- immunologist, Vice-Provost Academic & Deputy Provost and Professor of Medicine, Emory University.
- Gerardo della Paolera (A.M. 1985, Ph.D. 1988) - President of the American University of Paris (2002-present).
- William L. Pollard (Ph.D. 1976) - President of Medgar Evers College (2009-present).
- Barbara Snyder (J.D. 1980) - President of Case Western Reserve University (2007-present).
- Samuel L. Stanley (A.B. 1976) - President-elect of Stony Brook University (beginning July 1, 2009).
- David Truman (A.M. 1936, Ph.D. 1939) - President of Mount Holyoke College (1969-1978); President of Russell Sage Foundation (1978-1979).

Historians

- R. Scott Appleby (A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1985) - Professor of History and John M. Regan Jr. Director of the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame.
- Allan Berube (X. 1968) - Founder of the San Francisco Gay and Lesbian History Project, now the Gay and Lesbian Historical Society; author of *Coming Out Under Fire* (1990) [Lambda Literary Award]; MacArthur Fellow (1996).

- Constance B. Bouchard (A.M. 1973, Ph.D. 1976) - Distinguished Professor of Medieval History at the University of Akron; Guggenheim Fellow (1995) and Fellow of the Medieval Academy of America.
- Antoinette Burton (A.M. 1984, Ph.D. 1990) - Catherine A. and Bruce C. Bastian Professor of Global and Transnational Studies and Professor of History at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Henry Steele Commager (Ph.B. 1923, A.M. 1924, Ph.D. 1928) - noted American historian.
- Avery Craven (Ph.D. 1923) - Professor of History; Civil War expert.
- Angie Debo (A.M. 1924, international relations) - Oklahoma and Native American history, author of *And the Waters Still Run: The Betrayal of the Five Civilized Tribes* (1940).
- Nicholas Dirks (A.M. 1974, Ph.D. 1981) - Franz Boas Professor of History and Anthropology; Vice-President for Arts and Sciences at Columbia University.
- Caroline Ford (A.M. 1980, Ph.D. 1987) - Professor of History, University of California, Los Angeles; former Professor of History at Harvard University (1988-1995); author of *Divided Houses: Religion and Gender in Modern France* (Cornell University Press, 2005).
- Lawrence M. Friedman (A.B. 1948, J.D. 1951, LL.M. 1953) - Marion Rice Kirkwood Professor of Law at Stanford Law School; legal historian and author of *Crime and Punishment in American History*.
- David Fromkin (A.B. 1950, J.D. 1953) - University Professor of International Relations, History, and Law at Boston University.
- Stéphane Gerson (A.M. 1992, Ph.D. 1997) - Associate Professor of French and French Studies, New York University; Laurence Wylie Prize in French Cultural Studies (best book published 2003-05) and Jacques Barzun Prize in Cultural History (year's most distinguished book in American or European cultural history) for *The Pride of Place: Local Memories and Political Culture in Nineteenth-Century France* (2003); Co-editor of *Why France? American Historians Reflect on an Enduring Fascination* (2007).
- Dena Goodman (A.M. 1978, Ph.D. 1982) - Lila Miller Collegiate Professor of History and Women's Studies at the University of Michigan; Guggenheim Fellow (2006).
- Anthony Grafton (A.B. 1971, A.M. 1972, Ph.D. 1975) - Prominent Renaissance historian and Henry Putnam University Professor at Princeton University.
- Gertrude Himmelfarb (Ph.D. 1950) - National Humanities Medal (2004); Professor Emeritus of History at the City University of New York.
- Kenneth T. Jackson (A.M. 1963, Ph.D. 1966) - Jacques Barzun Professor of History and the Social Sciences at Columbia University.
- Russell Jacoby (S.M. 1978) - Professor in Residence at Department of History, University of California, Los Angeles; author of *The Last Intellectuals* (1987[2000]).
- Herbert S. Klein (A.B. 1957, A.M. 1959, Ph.D. 1963) - Professor of Latin American History, Stanford University.
- Julien Victor Koschmann (Ph.D. 1980) - Professor and head of history department at Cornell University.^[14]
- Mark Edward Lewis (A.B. 1977, A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1985) - Kwoh-Ting Li Professor in Chinese Culture, Department of History, Stanford University.
- Terry Martin (A.M. 1987, Ph.D. 1996) - Pioneering historian of the Soviet Union; George F. Baker III Professor of Russian Studies at Harvard University.
- Walter A. McDougall (A.M., 1971, Ph.D. 1974) - Professor of History and Alloy-Ansin Professor of International Relations, University of Pennsylvania; Pulitzer Prize Winner (1986).
- William Hardy McNeill (A.B. 1938, A.M. 1939) - Professor Emeritus of History at the University of Chicago; author of *The Rise of the West: A History of the Human Community* (1963).
- Saul K. Padover (Ph.D., 1932) - Historian and political scientist at The New School of Social Research in New York City
- Richard Anthony Parker (Ph.D. 1938) - Charles Edwin Wilbour Professor of Egyptology at Brown University; director of the University of Chicago's epigraphic survey studying the mortuary temple of Ramses III.
- Rick Perlstein (B.A. 1992) - Author of *Nixonland: The Rise of a President and the Fracturing of America and Before the Storm: Barry Goldwater and the Unmaking of the American Consensus*

- Vijay Prashad (A.M. 1990, Ph.D. 1994) - George and Martha Kellner Chair in South Asian History and Professor of International Studies, Trinity College; author of *The Darker Nations: A People's History of the Third World* (2007).
- Michael Puett (A.M. 1987, Ph.D. 1994) - Professor of Chinese History, Dept. of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University.
- William M. Reddy (A.B. 1969, A.M. 1970, Ph.D. 1974) - William T. Laprade Professor of History and Professor of Cultural Anthropology, Duke University.
- Francesca Rochberg (Ph.D. 1980) - Catherine and William L. Magistretti Distinguished Professor of Near Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley; MacArthur Fellow (1982).
- Barbara H. Rosenwein (Ph.D. 1974) - Professor of Medieval History and Chair of the Department of History, Loyola University of Chicago; Guggenheim Fellow (1991) and author of numerous books, including *To Be the Neighbor of Saint Peter: The Social Meaning of Cluny's Property, 909-1049* (Cornell University Press, 1989), *Negotiating Space: Power, Restraint, and Privileges of Immunity in Early Medieval Europe* (Cornell UP, 1999), and *Emotional Communities in the Early Middle Ages* (Cornell UP, 2006).
- Eileen Southern (A.B. 1940, Ph.D. 1941) - National Humanities Medal (2001); first African-American female professor at Harvard University.
- Michael P. Steinberg (A.M. 1981, Ph.D. 1985) - Barnaby Conrad and Mary Critchfield Keeney Professor of History and Music and director of the Cogut Center for the Humanities at Brown University (2005-present); former professor of History at Cornell University (1988-2005).
- Studs Terkel (Ph.B. 1932, J.D. 1934) - Oral historian and radio host; Pulitzer Prize winner for the *Good War: An Oral History of World War II* (1985); National Humanities Medal (1997).
- Gerhard Weinberg (A.M. 1949, Ph.D. 1951) - Historian, World War Two expert; William R. Kenan Jr. Professor Emeritus of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
- Carter G. Woodson (A.B. 1908, A.M. 1908) - Historian and founder of Negro History Week (1926), which evolved into Black History Month; civil rights activist.
- Richard S. Wortman (A.M. 1960, Ph.D. 1964) - Bryce Professor of European Legal History, Columbia University; pioneering historian of imperial Russian history; 2007 Award for Distinguished Contributions to Slavic Studies, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.

Journalism

- Rick Atkinson (A.M. 1976) - Four-time Pulitzer Prize winner.
- David Blum (A.B. 1977) - Editor-in-Chief of the *Village Voice* (2006-present).
- David Broder (A.B. 1947, A.M. 1951) - Pulitzer Prize winner for commentary (1973); political correspondent and columnist for *The Washington Post*.
- David Brooks (A.B. 1983) - Noted political commentator; columnist for the *New York Times*; senior editor of *The Weekly Standard*; regular commentator on *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*.
- Ana Marie Cox (A.B. 1994) - Founding Editor of the Wonkette weblog, correspondent for Air America Media.
- Roger Ebert (X. 1970) - Pulitzer Prize winner for film criticism (1975); columnist for the *Chicago Sun-Times*.
- Thomas Frank (A.M. 1989, Ph.D. 1994) - Editor-in-chief of *The Baffler*; author of *The Conquest of Cool* (1997) and *What's the Matter with Kansas?* (2004).
- Katharine Graham (A.B. 1938) - Head of the *Washington Post* for over two decades; Pulitzer Prize winner for her memoir *Personal History* (1998).
- Jan Crawford Greenburg (J.D. 1993) - Legal correspondent for ABC News.
- Nathan Hare (A.M. 1957, Ph.D. 1962) - Author, activist, and sociologist; founding publisher of *The Black Scholar*, later cited as, "the most important journal devoted to black issues since the *Crisis*" by the *New York Times*.

- Seymour Hersh (A.B. 1958) - Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative journalist and author, most famous for exposing the My Lai Massacre, which greatly changed public opinion of the Vietnam War; frequent contributor to *The New Yorker*.
- Dan Hertzberg (A.B. 1968) - Pulitzer Prize winner 1988; Managing Editor of *The Wall Street Journal*.^[5]
- Dave Kehr (A.B. 1975) - Film critic for *The New York Times*.
- Carl H. Lavin (A.B. 1979) - Deputy Managing Editor of *The Philadelphia Inquirer*.
- Harvey Levin (J.D. 1975) - Former investigator reporter, Managing Editor of TMZ.com.
- Roderick MacLeish (A.B. 1947) - National Public Radio political commentator; journalist and author.
- Daniel Nasaw (A.B. 2002) - Washington correspondent, *The Guardian*.
- Greg Palast (A.B. 1974, M.B.A. 1976) - Progressive investigative journalist.
- John Podhoretz (A.B. 1982) - Conservative commentator for the *National Review*, the *New York Post*, and *The Weekly Standard*.
- Joshua Cooper Ramo (A.B. 1992) - Formerly Foreign Editor, TIME; Managing Director, Kissinger Associates^[5]
- David E. Reed (A.B. 1946) - Roving Editor, *Reader's Digest*. Author: "111 Days in Stanleyville" (Harper & Row, NY, 1965); "Up Front in Vietnam" (Funk & Wagnalls, NY, 1967); "Save the Hostages," (Bantam, NY, 1988).
- Edward Rothstein (Ph.D. 1994) - Cultural critic at *The New York Times*; former music critic at the *New Republic* and *The New York Times*.
- Nate Silver (A.B. 2000) - Sabermetrician and inventor of PECOTA; writer for Baseball Prospectus; and founder of FiveThirtyEight.com.
- Robert B. Silvers (A.B. 1947) - Co-founding editor of *The New York Review of Books*.
- Brent Staples (A.M. 1976, Ph.D. 1982) - Editorial writer for *The New York Times* (1990-present); winner of the Anisfield Wolff Book Award for his memoir *Parallel Time: Growing Up in Black and White* (1994).
- Bret Stephens (A.B. 1995) - Writer, editorialist, and member of the *Wall Street Journal* Editorial Board.
- Ray Suarez (A.M. 1993) - Senior correspondent on *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*.
- Kenneth Allen Taylor (Ph.D. 1984) - Co-host of radio program *Philosophy Talk*; Professor of Philosophy, Stanford University.
- Neda Ulaby (A.M. 1996) - National Public Radio reporter.
- Kinsey Wilson (A.B. 1979) - Executive editor of *USA Today*.

Literature

- Jessica Abel (A.B. 1991) - Comic book writer and artist.
- Saul Bellow (X. 1939) - Pulitzer Prize winner.
- Allan Bloom (Ph.B. 1949, A.M. 1953, Ph.D. 1955) - Influential author.
- Paul C. Borgman (Ph.D. 1973) - Religious author and professor.
- Ernest Callenbach (Ph.B. 1949, A.M. 1953) - American writer.
- Paul Carroll (A.M. 1952) - American poet.
- Hayden Carruth (A.M. 1947) - Winner of National Book Award in poetry.
- Will Cuppy (Ph.B. 1907, A.M. 1914) - Humorist.
- Mu Dan (A.M. 1951) - Chinese poet and literary translator.
- Joseph Epstein (A.B. 1959) - Essayist, literary critic, and short story writer.
- James T. Farrell (X. 1929) - Novelist, short story writer, journalist, travel writer, poet and literary critic.
- Joseph Frank (professor) (Ph.D. 1960) - Professor Emeritus of Slavic Languages & Literatures at Stanford University.^[15]
- Paul Goodman (Ph.D. 1954) - Social critic.
- Gerald Graff (A.B. 1959) - President-elect of the Modern Language Association (2008).
- Katharine Graham (A.B. 1938) - Pulitzer Prize winner.

- Sebastian de Grazia (A.B. 1944, Ph.D. 1948) - Pulitzer Prize winner.
- Bette Howland (A.B. 1955) - Writer and literary critic: MacArthur Fellow.^[16]
- Greg Jao (B.A. 1990) - Christian author
- Patrick Larkin (A.B. 1982) - Author of espionage, military, and historical thrillers.
- Luis Leal (A.B. 1941, Ph.D. 1950) - Literary scholar and winner of National Humanities Medal.
- Seth Lerer (Ph.D. 1986) - Former Stanford professor; Dean of Arts and Sciences at the University of California, San Diego (effective January 1, 2009).
- Naomi Lindstrom (A.B. 1971), Latinamericanist literary critic.
- Jackson Mac Low (A.A. 1943) - Poet. Winner of Wallace Stevens award.
- Norman Maclean (Ph.D. 1940) - William Rainey Harper Professor of English at the University of Chicago.
- Campbell McGrath (A.B. 1984) - MacArthur Fellow.
- Sterling North (A.B. 1929) - Author.
- Norman Panama (A.B. 1936) - Screenwriter.
- Sara Paretsky (A.M. 1969, M.B.A. 1977, Ph.D. 1977) - Author.
- Elizabeth Peters (Ph.B. 1947, A.M. 1950, Ph.D. 1952) - Mystery author.
- Richard Rorty (A.B. 1949, A.M. 1952) - Professor of Philosophy and Comparative Literature at Stanford University; MacArthur Fellow.
- Philip Roth (A.M. 1955) - Pulitzer Prize and National Medal of Arts winner.
- Leo Rosten (Ph.B. 1930, Ph.D. 1937) - Humorist.
- John Scalzi (B.A. 1991) - Novelist.
- Susan Fromberg Schaeffer (B.A. 1961, M.A. 1963, Ph.D. 1966) - Novelist, Poet & Professor.
- Susan Sontag (A.B. 1951) - MacArthur Fellow.
- George Steiner (A.B. 1948) - Prominent literary critic.
- Herman Voaden (X) - Playwright and social activist.
- Kurt Vonnegut Jr. (A.M. 1971) - Author of *Cat's Cradle*.
- Edward F. Wente, (Ph.D 1959), professor and Egyptologist
- Yvor Winters (attended) - Influential poet and critic. [2] (<http://www.poets.org/poet.php/prmPID/695>)

Mathematics

- Abraham Adrian Albert (B.S. 1926, S.M. 1927, Ph.D. 1928) -
- George Birkhoff (Ph.D. 1907) - Bôcher Memorial Prize winner.
- Gilbert Ames Bliss (Ph.D. 1900) -
- Alberto Calderón (Ph.D. 1950) - Cofounded the Chicago school of mathematical analysis. Winner of Bôcher Memorial Prize, the Wolf Prize, and the National Medal of Science.
- Paul J. Cohen (S.M. 1954, Ph.D. 1958) - Fields Medal winner.
- David Eisenbud (Ph.D. 1970) -
- Bernard Galler (Ph.D. 1955) -
- Richard Hamming (B.S. 1947) -
- John Irwin Hutchinson (Ph.D. 1896) -
- Saunders MacLane (A.M. 1931) - Cofounder of category theory.
- Anil Nerode (Ph.D. 1956) -
- Isadore Singer (Ph.D. 1955) - Abel Prize winner.
- Elias M. Stein (Ph.D. 1959) - Fields Medal winner.
- John Thompson (Ph.D. 1959) - World leader in group theory. Fields Medal and National Medal of Science winner.
- Oswald Veblen (Ph.D. 1903) -
- George W. Whitehead (Ph.D. 1941) -

Medicine

- David Talmage {Professor of Medicine}- Discovered The Clonal Selection Theory
- Robert Gallo (Resident in Medicine 1963-1965) - Identified first retrovirus in humans. [3] (<http://www.nndb.com/people/913/000117562/>)
- Maurice Hilleman (Ph.D. 1941) - Microbiologist, specialising in vaccinology.
- Donald Hopkins (M.D. 1966) - MacArthur Fellow (1995); Acting director (1985) of the Centers for Disease Control.^[5]
- Leon Kass (S.B. 1958, M.D. 1962) - Chairman of the President's Council on Bioethics; Addie Clark Harding Professor in the Committee on Social Thought; Hertog Fellow in Social Thought at the American Enterprise Institute.
- Ulysses G. Mason (M.D. 1936) - Founder of the first integrated hospital.^[5]
- Joseph Ransohoff (M.D. 1941) - Pioneer in the field of neurosurgery; founded the first neurosurgical intensive care unit; chief of the neurosurgery department at NYU Medical Center.
- Michael Terry (M.D. 1998) - team physician for Chicago Blackhawks, United States Volleyball Team, United States Ski Team

Religion

- Thomas J. J. Altizer (A.B. 1948, A.M. 1951, Ph.D. 1955) - Prominent "Death of God" theologian.
- David Carrasco (Th.M. 1970, A.M. 1972, Ph.D. 1977) - Neil L. Rudenstine Professor of the Study of Latin America at Harvard Divinity School; historian of Mesoamerican religions.
- Mary Ann Glendon (A.B. 1959, J.D. 1961, L.L.M. 1963) - President of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences (highest-ranking female advisor to the Pope); Learned Hand Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; Member of the President's Council on Bioethics.
- Andrew Greeley (A.M. 1961, Ph.D. 1962) - Senior Study Director at the National Opinion Research Center; Roman Catholic priest; sociologist; best-selling novelist.
- Amy Hollywood (A.M. 1986, Ph.D. 1991) - Elizabeth H. Monrad Professor of Christian Studies at Harvard Divinity School.
- Don Wendell Holter (Ph.D. 1934) - Professor of Church History and Missions at Garrett Theological Seminary; founding President of Saint Paul School of Theology; Bishop of the United Methodist Church.
- Elenie Huszagh (A.B. 1957) - First woman to serve as President of the National Council of Churches.
- Martin Marty (Ph.D. 1956) - National Humanities Medal (1997); national figure in non-sectarian religious studies.
- Ingrid Mattson (Ph.D. 1999) - First female president of Islamic Society of North America; a professor of religion at Hartford Seminary.
- David Novak (A.B. 1961) - Prominent Jewish legal theorist at the University of Toronto; a founder of the Institute of Traditional Judaism; author of *Covenantal Rights*.
- Jaroslav Pelikan (Ph.D. 1946) - Preeminent historian of Christian thought; Sterling Professor of History at Yale University; winner of the Library of Congress' Kluge Prize in the Human Sciences; author of the now-classic *The Christian Tradition: A History of the Development of Doctrine*.
- Emilie M. Townes (A.B. 1977, A.M. 1979, D.Min. 1982) - Andrew W. Mellon Professor of African American Religion and Theology, Yale Divinity School; President of American Academy of Religion (AAR), first African-American to assume this position at AAR (2007).
- Mordecai Waxman (A.B. 1937) - prominent rabbi in the American Jewish Conservative movement. Responsible for opening dialogue between American Jews and Pope John Paul II in 1987

Social sciences

- Janet L. Abu-Lughod (A.B. 1947, A.M. 1950) - Professor Emerita of Sociology at the New School for Social Research.
- Guillermo Algaze (A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1986) - MacArthur Fellow (2003); Professor of Anthropology at the University of California, San Diego.^[16]
- Anne Allison (A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1986) - Robert O. Keohane Professor of Cultural Anthropology, Duke University.
- Elijah Anderson (A.M. 1972) - William K. Lanman, Jr. Professor of Sociology, Yale University.
- Arjun Appadurai (A.M. 1973, Ph.D. 1976) - Goddard Professor of Media, Culture, and Communication, New York University.
- Robert Axelrod (A.B. 1964) - MacArthur Fellow (1990); Professor of Public Policy, University of Michigan.
- Howard S. Becker (Ph.B. 1946, A.M. 1949, Ph.D. 1951) - Former Professor of Sociology at Northwestern University and the University of California, Santa Barbara.
- Walter Berns (A.M. 1951, Ph.D. 1953) - National Humanities Medal (2005); John M. Olin University Professor Emeritus at Georgetown University.
- Lorenzo Bini Smaghi (Ph.D. 1988) - Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank; economist.
- Michael Burawoy (Ph.D. 1976) - Professor of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley.
- Lynton K. Caldwell (A.B. 1934, Ph.D. 1943) - Arthur F. Bentley Professor Emeritus of Political Science at Indiana University Bloomington
- Mihály Csíkszentmihályi (A.B. 1960, Ph.D. 1965) - C.S. and D.J. Davidson Professor of Psychology and Management, Claremont Graduate University; pioneer of the concept of *flow*.
- Nicholas de Genova (A.B. 1982, Ph.D. 1989) - Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Columbia University.
- Eugene Fama (Ph.D. 1964) - Father of efficient market theory. Robert R. McCormick Distinguished Service Professor of Finance at the University of Chicago.
- Alexander L. George (A.M. 1941, Ph.D. 1958) - MacArthur Fellow (1983); Graham H. Stuart Professor of International Relations, Emeritus, Stanford University; pioneering scholar in political psychology and foreign policy.
- Erving Goffman (A.M. 1949, Ph.D. 1953) - Former Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Pennsylvania.
- Zvi Griliches (A.M. 1955, Ph.D. 1957) - John Bates Clark Medalist (1965); economist.
- Sanford J. Grossman (A.B. 1973, A.M. 1974, Ph.D. 1975) - John Bates Clark Medalist (1987); economist.
- Charles V. Hamilton (A.M. 1957, Ph.D. 1964) - Civil rights leader and Professor in Political Science, Columbia University.^[5]
- Edward C. Hayes (Ph.D. 1902) - President of the American Sociological Association.
- Susanna Hecht (A.B. 1972) - Professor of Urban Planning, UCLA; a founder of "Political Ecology" approach to forestry; Guggenheim Fellow (2008).
- Samuel P. Huntington (A.M. 1948) - Albert J. Weatherhead Professor of Government at Harvard University; author of *The Clash of Civilizations* (1998).
- Stathis Kalyvas (A.M. 1990, Ph.D. 1993) - Arnold Wolfers Professor of Political Science and Director of the Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence, Yale University.
- Robert Kates (A.M. 1960, Ph.D. 1962) - MacArthur Fellow (1981); Professor Emeritus of Geography and Director Emeritus of the World Hunger Program at Brown University.
- Frederick B. Lindstrom (Ph.D. 1950) --sociologist and historian of the Chicago School of sociology
- Adeline Masquelier (Ph.D 1993) - Cultural Anthropologist at Tulane University
- Tracey Meares (J.D. 1991) - Walton Hale Hamilton Professor of Law, Yale Law School; first African-American woman hired at Yale's law school; authority on race, crime, and law based on empirical research.
- John V. Murra (A.M. 1942, Ph.D. 1956); anthropologist and researcher of the Inca Empire.
- Kevin M. Murphy (Ph.D. 1986) - John Bates Clark Medalist (1997); George J. Stigler Professor of

Economics, University of Chicago.

- Marc Leon Nerlove (A.B. 1952) - John Bates Clark Medalist (1969); economist.
- Esther Newton (A.M. 1964, Ph.D. 1968) - Kempner Distinguished Research Professor of Anthropology at SUNY; pioneer in gender and sexuality studies; author of *Mother Camp*.
- Harold L. Nieburg (Ph.B. 1947, A.M. 1952, Ph.D. 1960) - Professor of Political Science at SUNY; author of *In the Name of Science*.
- Anne Norton (A.B. 1977, A.M. 1979, Ph.D. 1982) - Alfred L. Cass Term Chair and Professor of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania; author of *Leo Strauss and the Politics of American Empire* (2004).
- Sherry Ortner (A.M. 1966, Ph.D. 1970) - MacArthur Fellow (1990); Distinguished Professor of Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles.
- Paul Rabinow (A.B. 1965, A.M. 1967, Ph.D. 1970) - Robert H. Lowie Distinguished Chair in Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley.
- James M. Redfield (A.B. 1954, Ph.D. 1961) - Edward Olson Distinguished Service Professor and Professor of the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago (1976-present).
- Philip Rieff (A.B. 1946, A.M. 1947, Ph.D. 1954) - Benjamin Franklin Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania; author of *Freud: The Mind of the Moralist* (1959); noted sociologist.
- Philip Carl Salzman (Ph.D. 1972) - Professor of Anthropology, McGill University.
- Paul Samuelson (A.B. 1935) - Institute Professor, MIT. Bank of Sweden Prize in Economics in Memory of Alfred Nobel, 1970.
- Ritch Savin-Williams (A.M. 1973, Ph.D. 1977) - Professor of developmental psychology at Cornell University; prolific sexual orientation researcher.
- Richard Sennett (A.B. 1964) - Centennial Professor of Sociology at the London School of Economics, Bemis Adjunct Professor of Sociology at MIT, and Professor of Humanities at New York University.
- Orin Starn (A.B. 1982) - Sally Dalton Robinson Professor of Cultural Anthropology, Duke University.
- Edwin Sutherland (Ph.D. 1913) - Former Professor of Sociology at Indiana University.
- Robert Thompson (A.B. 1981) - Director of Syracuse University's Center for the Study of Popular Television.
- Sudhir Venkatesh (A.M. 1992, Ph.D. 1997) - William B. Ransford Professor of Sociology, Columbia University.
- Loïc Wacquant (A.M. 1986, Ph.D. 1994) - MacArthur Fellow (1997); Professor of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley.
- John B. Watson (Ph.D. 1903) - established behaviorism and pioneered rat-in-maze laboratory research.
- Kath Weston (A.B. 1978, A.M. 1981) - Professor of Anthropology and Women's Studies, University of Virginia (2008-present); former director of the Women's Studies Committee at Harvard University.
- James Q. Wilson (A.M. 1957, Ph.D. 1959) - Ronald Reagan Professor of Public Policy at Pepperdine University; Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient (2003).
- Daniel L. Wisecarver (A.M. 1970, Ph.D. 1974) - Professor and Academic Director at Escuela Superior de Economía y Negocios-ESEN, in El Salvador, since 1997.
- Michael Woodford (A.B. 1977) - MacArthur Fellow (1981); Professor of Economics, Princeton University.
- Henry Tutwiler Wright (A.M. 1965, Ph.D. 1967) - MacArthur Fellow (1983); Professor of Anthropology and Curator of Archaeology, University of Michigan.

Science and technology

- Robert McCormick Adams (Ph.B. 1947, A.M. 1952, Ph.D. 1956) - Archeologist. Secretary Emeritus of the Smithsonian Institution.
- Abhay Ashtekar (Ph.D. 1974) - Pioneer in the field of loop quantum gravity.
- John N. Bahcall (S.M. 1957) - Known for his contributions to the solar neutrino problem and the development of the Hubble Space Telescope, and for his leadership and development of the Institute for

Advanced Study in Princeton.

- Robert Bell (S.M. 1973) - Research Scientist at AT&T Research Labs and AT&T Science and Technology Medalist (2003).
- Ralph Buchsbaum (Ph.D. 1938) - Invertebrate zoologist.
- William Cottrell (A.B. 2002) - Former Ph.D. candidate at the California Institute of Technology, described by scientists as a "genius", convicted in April 2005 of conspiracy to arson of 8 sport utility vehicles and a Hummer dealership in the name of the Earth Liberation Front (ELF).
- Harmon Craig (Ph.D. 1951) - Winner of Balzan Prize, the first in geochemistry. Pioneer in Earth sciences.
- Savas Dimopoulos (Ph.D. 1978) - Theoretical physicist at Stanford. With Howard Georgi, he formulated the supersymmetric extension to the Standard Model, the leading theory for particle physics beyond the Standard Model.
- Frank Edwin Egler (S.B. 1932) - Plant ecologist. Winner of a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1955.
- Larry Ellison (X.) - Co-founder and CEO of Oracle Corporation, a major database software company.
- Robert Floyd (A.B. 1953, S.B. 1958) - Computer scientist. Turing Award winner.
- T. Theodore Fujita (S.B. 1953) - Influential meteorologist. Developed the Fujita scale for measuring tornadoes.
- Gerald Gabrielse (Ph.D. 1980) - Professor of Physics at Harvard. Known for his techniques of creating antimatter.
- Martin Gardner (A.B. 1936) - Author and columnist of "Mathematical Games" in the magazine *Scientific American*.
- Piara Singh Gill (Ph.D. 1940) - Physicist. Pioneer in cosmic ray nuclear physics.
- Mack Gipson, Jr. (S.M. 1961, Ph.D. 1963) - First African-American to obtain a Ph.D. in Geology. Founding advisor of the NABGG in 1981; consultant to NASA.^[5]
- Warren E. Henry (Ph.D. 1941) - Physicist and professor; developed video amplifiers used in portable radar systems on warships during World War II.^[5]
- Edwin Hubble (S.B. 1910, Ph.D. 1917) - Astronomer who found the first evidence for the big bang theory.
- Donald Johanson (A.M. 1970, Ph.D. 1974) - Paleoanthropologist who discovered "Lucy", a link between primates and humans.
- Jason Jones (X. 1997) - Co-founder of Bungie Studios, the company behind *Halo*.
- Ernest Everett Just (Ph.D. 1916) - Noted zoologist, biologist, physiologist, and research scientist.
- Robert Kowalski - Eminent computer scientist in the field of logic programming.
- Martin Kruskal (S.B. 1945) - Professor Emeritus at Princeton University. Famous for starting the soliton revolution in Mathematics. Made a number of important advances, including Kruskal-Shafranov Instability, Bernstein-Greene-Kruskal (BGK) Modes and the MHD Energy Principle, which laid the theoretical foundations of controlled nuclear fusion, and the Kruskal coordinates in the theory of relativity.
- Stephen Lee (Ph.D. 1986) - Professor of Chemistry at Cornell University. MacArthur Fellow.
- Lynn Margulis (A.B. 1957) - Distinguished professor at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Contributed to development of Gaia theory.
- Stanley Miller (Ph.D. 1954) - Performed the classic Miller-Urey experiment on the origin of life in collaboration with Harold Urey in 1953.
- D. Franklin Ogletree (A.B. 1978) - Physicist noted for coding the program which runs the scanning tunneling microscope. Currently a physicist at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory material sciences division.
- Donald Osterbrock (A.B., Ph.D.) Leading astrophysicist known for his contributions to the body of knowledge on interstellar matter, gaseous nebulae, and the nuclei of active galaxies. President of American Astronomical Society. Director of Lick Observatory.
- Jeannette Piccard (S.M. 1919) - Balloon aeronaut, speaker for NASA, teacher, scientist and Episcopal priest
- Carl Sagan (A.B. 1954, S.B. 1955, S.M. 1956, Ph.D. 1960) - Noted astronomer. Author of *Contact*.

Pulitzer Prize winner.

- John T. Scopes (X. 1931) - Proponent of Charles Darwin's theory of evolution that led to the Scopes Trial and the inspiration for the play and film *Inherit the Wind*.
- Alex Seropian (S.B. 1991) - Co-founder of Bungie Studios, the company behind *Halo*.
- David Suzuki (Ph.D. 1961) - Chair of the David Suzuki Foundation. Award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.
- Sherry Turkle (attended Committee on Social Thought, 1971) - Abby Rockefeller Mauze Professor of the Social Studies of Science and Technology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- Paul Volberding (A.B. 1971) - Co-discoverer of HIV. Director of the Center for AIDS Research at the University of California, San Francisco.
- George Wetherill (Ph.B. 1948, S.M. 1949, S.M. 1951, Ph.D. 1953) - National Medal of Science winner. Known for his seminal work on the formation of planets and the solar system

Notes

1. [^] ^{*a b c d e f*} NNDB list of notable people affiliated with the University of Chicago (<http://www.nndb.com/edu/520/000068316/>).
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4. [^] Bernstein, Adam (2009-03-08), "Obituaries: Harvey J. Feldman, 77 - Ambassador Helped Plan Nixon's China Visit" (<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/03/08/AR2009030801657.html>), *The Washington Post*, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/03/08/AR2009030801657.html>, retrieved 2009-08-19
5. [^] ^{*a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s*} University of Chicago Notable Alumni (<http://www.uchicago.edu/alumni/notable/>) page
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11. [^] "Herma Hill Kay biography" (<http://www.law.berkeley.edu/php-programs/faculty/facultyProfile.php?facID=64>). University of California Berkeley School of Law. <http://www.law.berkeley.edu/php-programs/faculty/facultyProfile.php?facID=64>. Retrieved 16 December 2008.
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14. [^] "Julien Victor Koschmann biography" (<http://gradededucation.lifesciences.cornell.edu/faculty/individual22921>). Cornell University: Life Sciences. 2008. <http://gradededucation.lifesciences.cornell.edu/faculty/individual22921>. Retrieved 16 December 2008.
15. [^] Stanford Biography page for Joseph Frank (<http://www.stanford.edu/dept/slavic/cgi-bin/?q=node/24>)
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