**Orange County**

Irvine Farmers Market: Walkable from campus, Saturday mornings 8am–12pm

Huntington Beach: Surf City USA! The town has many restaurants, bars, cafes, shops, and of course a nice beach

“Top of the World” Hike in Laguna Beach: Features amazing ocean views!

The Wedge (AKA Newport Peninsula): You can experience incredibly huge waves here or watch surfers take them on!

Corona Del Mar State Beach: This is the closest beach to UCI

Whale/ Dolphin Watching: Visit the Newport Coastal Adventure website page: newportcostaladventure.com/

Sherman Gardens: Small botanical gardens right along the main part of Corona Del Mar

Balboa Island: Delightful island with a main street of little shops, cafes, and restaurants, and then many blocks of very attractive homes -- some on the water and some not.

Crystal Cove State Park: (between Newport Beach and Laguna Beach) coastal walks, hilly hikes, and tide pools

Kayaking and Stand-Up Paddle Boarding: Renting and launching from Southwind Kayak and SUP -- under an overpass of the Pacific Coast Highway

Local Breweries: Docent, The Bruery, Barley Forge, Gunwhale Ales (and many more!)

Mission San Juan Capistrano: One of the 21 missions established along the CA coast by Spanish Missionaries—dates to 1776

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**Los Angeles**

Huntington Gardens: Botanical gardens in Pasadena

The Getty Center: Greek, Roman, and Etruscan art and architecture up high on a hill overlooking LA

Warner Bros. Studio: Guided studio tours

Griffith Observatory: Enjoy views of the LA basin and their observatory and planetarium

Museums: La Brea Tar Pits, LACMA, Natural History Museum, California Science Center, The Broad, MOCA (and many more!)

Aquarium of the Pacific: Impressive aquarium with a focus on California’s ocean life

**Biking Information**


http://ocbike.org/resources/bike-paths-in-orange-county/

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https://www.yelp.com/search?find_desc=bike+paths&find_loc=Orange+County%2C+CA


**Map of Biking Trails:**