

## Introducing The Conversation US' Founding University Partners

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Today we are delighted to announce that 19 U.S. research universities are joining our supporting foundations as Founding Partners of The Conversation US.

These universities are a combination of public and private universities, large and small. They believe in our mission to bring the important research taking place on university campuses out into the public square for everyone's benefit.

They are, in alphabetical order:

- University at Albany, State University of New York
- Binghamton University, State University of New York
- Boston University
- University of California
- Case Western Reserve University
- College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF), State University of New York
- University of Florida
- Georgia State University
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Michigan
- Michigan State University
- The Ohio State University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Rutgers University, Newark
- University of South Florida
- Texas A&M University
- University of Texas, Austin
- Tufts University
- Vanderbilt University

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In 2015, additional funding from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the Rita Allen Foundation and the Simons Foundation allowed us to grow our team and our coverage.

Since launch, we have worked with over 1,800 contributors from over 350 universities. The Conversation US now averages 400,000 unique visitors to our website monthly. Thanks to our Creative Commons license, our content is read by millions of readers on other media sites such as the Washington Post, Time, Quartz and Scientific American. Together with our four sister sites in Australia, the U.K., France and Africa, we reach over 23 million readers monthly worldwide.

The funding from our new university partners will allow us to further deepen and widen both our coverage and our impact.

We look forward to working with our partners and growing our university membership as we continue to bring you original thought-provoking journalism from academic scholars across the United States.

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