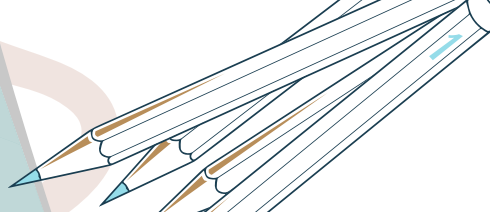


Whether 2021 was easier than last year is up for debate, but there have been a few reasons to celebrate. Cheers!



**10** Reasons to Celebrate 2021

**1 LOST L.A.**  
 The UCLA History and Geography Project collaborated on [The Lost LA Curriculum Project](#) to provide access to culturally relevant teaching materials focused on local history.

**3 MEDIA LITERACY**  
 The UC Irvine History Project and UC Santa Cruz History & Civics Project launched a [Media Literacy](#) series to help students become more critical and independent consumers of media.

**2 INTERNS**  
 Daniel Castaneda and Vanessa Madrigal-Lauchland became the Inaugural interns of the [Marchand Public Engagement Initiative](#).



**5 HUMAN RIGHTS**  
 In a step toward continuing to support teaching hard history, the History Project at UC Davis is partnering with CSU Fresno in the [Human Rights and Genocide Project](#).

**4 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**  
 We released two "Current Context" issues: one on [Redlining](#) which shows how de jure and de facto segregation shape the lives and health of residents, and one on the [Salton Sea](#) that connects climate justice and lithium extraction.

**6 GRADE GROUPS**  
[Grade Groups](#) started their second year, and 240 people from around the state enrolled as Teacher Fellows.

**7 TEACHING HARD HISTORY**  
 UC Davis History Project hosted the [Teaching History Conference](#)--entirely online--and with a focus on teaching hard history.

**8 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**  
 UCLA History and Geography Project and UC Irvine History Project launched [Youth as Changemakers](#), a series that celebrated youth becoming civically engaged in new ways.



**9 LOCAL HISTORY**  
 The UC Berkeley History and Social Science Project launched its first student advisory group to collect local histories.

**10 STATE SEAL**  
 We partnered with LEADE to host a workshop series about [Civic Engagement, Taking Action and the State Seal](#).

