

# University of Colorado Boulder

A brief timeline of local and nationwide events that might affect new student enrollment: 1988 to Present

The following chronicles major events on the CU-Boulder campus and in the community and state from 1988 onward. We do not have much recorded for years 1988-2000, but after that have tried to keep up with this record. The following list of "events" includes mention of selected CU-Boulder student surveys (i.e., Climate and Admissions) and highlights, for later years, taken directly from the AAUDE Roundtable documents that are submitted each spring (these are identified by an "AY in review" bordered box). In addition, starting in Fall 1999, we have tracked the % headcount change in new non-resident and resident entering freshmen admits to the Boulder campus, believing that some events may have affected enrollment patterns.

- August 1988 – **First enrollment on SIS, lines around Coors Events Center**
- 1989 – Tom Cech awarded Nobel Prize in chemistry
- Jan 1990 – Perspectives on Campus Diversity Survey (undergraduates only) – on paper only (PBA)
- Fall 1994 – Community Survey (Perspectives on the CU-Boulder Campus Community) - undergraduates
- Fall 1998 – Community Survey (Perspectives on the CU-Boulder Campus Community) – undergraduates
- Apr 1999 – Statement on school shooting at Columbine High School – CU news release
  - **Fall 99** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -1%, res frosh up +13%*
  - **Fall 00** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +7%, res frosh up +18%*
- May 2000 – UMC groundbreaking ceremony for the \$27 million UMC Expansion and Renovation project, which will add 51,000 additional square feet and spectacular five-story atrium, plus renovate most of the existing 130,000 square feet of building, including dining services
- Mid 2001 – **National recession, end of 10-year economic expansion**
  - **Fall 01** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -2%, res frosh down -2.5%*
- Fall 2001 – Campus Climate Survey (undergraduates and graduate students)
- Oct 2001 – Carl Weiman and Eric Cornell awarded Nobel Prize in physics
- Dec 2001 – Post football-game riot on the Hill
- Dec 2001 – **Press coverage of rape allegations against CU football players and recruits at an off-campus party**
  - **Fall 02** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +7% res frosh up +9%*
- Dec 2002 – Lawsuit filed in case involving football recruits
- Fall 2002 – UMC renovation and expansion project is completed
  - **Fall 03** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +2% res frosh up +5%*
- Aug 2003 -- **Princeton Review releases its annual rankings, with CU the number one party school**
- Dec 2003 – Second woman joins the lawsuit involving football recruits
- 2004 -- Students approved a \$400 per academic year student fee to help finance the Law School, ATLAS, Visual Arts Complex, the Leeds School of Business renovation and expansion, and information technology improvements. The fee will be phased in over four years, at \$100 per academic year to reach \$400.

- Jan-Feb 2004 – **Intense press coverage of allegations involving supervision of football recruits; meeting between Governor Owens and CU President Betsy Hoffman; football coach suspended**
- Feb 2004 – College Republicans & the Equal Opportunity Alliance hold "affirmative action bake sale" on campus; pro-affirmative action students formed a "mob," surrounded the bake sale, tore down signs and shoved protestors. <http://www.thefire.org/index.php/article/5196.html>
- May 2004 – Investigatory commission reports on football recruiting situation; coach reinstated
- June 2004 – Survey of CU-Boulder Admits not planning to enroll (non-confirmed non-residents only) **indicates that price and academic reputation are the most important reasons for not selecting CU once admitted.**
  - **Fall 04** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -11.5%, res frosh down -5%*
- Aug 2004 – CU falls from first to ninth in Princeton Review's annual rankings of party school.
- September 2004 – Student alcohol death, Lynn Gordon Bailey Jr. Plus similar death at CSU one week later.
- Fall 2004 – Student riots on the Hill
- Nov 2004 – **Athletic director resigns**
- Dec 2004 – **Chancellor Richard Byyny resigns**
- Jan 2005 -- **Press coverage of Ward Churchill's** writings begins in very late January
- Mar 2005 – **CU president Betsy Hoffman resigns**
- Mar 2005 – Racist incidents on campus
- Mar 2005 – **Last lawsuit involving football recruits is dismissed**
- April 2005 – Letter to admitted, confirmed **non-resident freshmen** and transfers for **fall '05** announcing **4-year tuition guarantee**. Admissions Office says: "Relief is the most common reaction when students and families learn about guaranteed tuition."
- Spring 2005 – Faculty Climate Survey – sponsored by the Provost office. PBA assisted Professor Judi Komaki, from Baruch College - City University of New York, in surveying CU-Boulder tenured and tenure-track faculty concerning the current atmosphere or climate in their departments.
- June 2005 – Survey of CU-Boulder Admits not planning to enroll (non-confirmed residents *and* non-residents). Results echo 2004 results: Price and academic reputation are the most important reasons for not selecting CU once admitted. While two-thirds of admits had heard before of **issues involving "controversial professors,"** only 18% indicated that this had affected their decision not to come to CU, and this appeared to affect only non-res, *and possibly had a positive effect for res (see enrollment percent changes noted below).*
  - **Fall 05** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -12%, res frosh up +4%*

**AY 2005-06 in review (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- Non-resident apps are down 26% in two years and we now have a four-year tuition guarantee for non-residents. The final piece of the puzzle is resident tuition, where we managed an increase of 28% for 2005-06 (but we're still under peer average) but face a cap of 2.5% for 2006-07
- We have interim president, chancellor, provost, and graduate dean. The head of enrollment management/services retired in May 2005 and has not been replaced. The football coach we took from Northwestern seven years ago has been fired by the relatively new athletic director.
- We are still dealing with alcohol, sex, football, and Ward Churchill issues. Audit of Foundation and of athletic department revealed unwise expenditures and sloppy accounting, respectively. Before the athletic audit, the Chronicle stated that we'd had 191 front page stories in the Denver press in a four month period, very little of it positive.

- August 2005 – **Hurricane Katrina**. About 100 students from Tulane, Dillard, and other schools in New Orleans enroll at UCB.
- August 2005 – former US Senator **Hank Brown elected 21<sup>st</sup> interim CU President** by the Regents, while a national search is done
- 2005-06 -- **Chancellor's Achievement Scholarship (CAS)** introduced, offering \$15,000 over four years to the top 25% of non-resident freshmen admits.
  - Notable positive effects for 4,5 and 6-year grad rates of Fall cohorts of CAS-recipients over than predicted, since CAS first offered in 2005, are available in doc:  
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- Fall 2005 -- We started charging undergraduate in-state students “full tuition” with two parts, the “**Colorado Opportunity Fund voucher**” (**COF**) portion (aka state funding; for 05-06 it's \$80/credit hour at every 2-year and 4-year institution in the state) and the “student share.
- Oct 2005 -- John Hall awarded Nobel Prize in physics
- November 2005 - Racists flyers and emails on campus
- January 2006 -- The **Blue Ribbon Commission on Diversity** – 50+ community people appointed by the president, who met one day on each CU campus, fueled by incredible amounts of information on everything.
- April 2006 -- Death of a sophomore in a residence hall. Probably alcohol but not verified yet (as of AAUDE Current Developments 4/06). The fraternity party he'd visited had done everything right.
- Spring 2006 -- Eric Cornell, our third Nobel in physics, is back to work after losing his shoulder and arm to a life-threatening disease.
- Spring 2006 -- **National search for CU president named only one finalist**, the former US Senator **Hank Brown** who's been interim president since August 2005. The entire president's office is moving from the Boulder campus to Denver near the capital summer '06.
- Spring 2006 – Faculty Climate Survey – PBA assisted in this survey again, and ODECE posted results by women and minority, which were compiled by Judi Komaki (CUNY). The survey was sponsored by the Provost, Chancellor, the Office of Diversity & Equity (ODECE) and Faculty Affairs.
- Spring 2006 -- **Chancellor and provost searches underway**. Also two system vice presidents.
- Spring 2006 -- **New athletic director Mike Bohn** (Boulder HS alum, San Diego State) has been well received and has involved faculty far more.
- Spring 2006 -- **New football coach Dan Hawkins** (coming from Idaho)—hired Dec. 2005
- June 2006 – Survey of CU-Boulder Admits repeated with same population, similar results that were shared with Admissions staff, as in 2004 and 2005 (not posted). **Perhaps more stable university climate contributed to more positive CU image.** (*See this fall's new frosh enrollment changes noted below.*)
  - **Fall 06** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +23%, res frosh up +5% (Perhaps the Chancellor's Scholarship for new non-res frosh, along with a more positive CU image, contributed to this % increase in new non-res frosh.*
- June 2006 – Racist assault on student near campus
- July 2006 – **New Chancellor Bud Peterson**, from Texas A&M, starts
- August 2006 – **Wolf Law Building and ATLAS building** open just in time for the phased-in student fee-funded/approved buildings' (2004) monies to start in FY2007.
- Fall 2006 – Campus Climate Survey: approximately 2,000 degree-seeking students, both graduate and undergraduates surveyed, oversampling of subgroups (e.g., minorities, GLBT) – 29% response rate overall.
- 2006 -- We have a Democratic governor *and* two houses of legislature *and* head of state higher ed coordinating board, for the first time in 40 years. It's been the quietest legislative session in years.

- 2006-07 – New **Chancellor Peterson announces “Flagship 2030”** with many committees and community involvement.
- 2006-07 – **First major revision of FCQ evaluations in 20 years:** changed scale from 4 to 6 point. Dealing with aftermath: <http://www.colorado.edu/pba/fcq/>
- 2006-07 -- We continue to get pushed by budget and political forces to have more new freshmen than we'd really like – our stated goals for fall '07 have varied (over about 3 years) from 4500 to 6000.
- Spring 2007 – **CU President Hank Brown**, who is well-regarded outside the university, **announces his retirement** as of Feb '08.
- 2006-07 – Two sets of recent regulations continue to cause difficulty: 1) students receiving in-state tuition must prove “lawful presence” by acceptable identification, passports not allowed; 2) amendment 41, billed as anti-lobbyist, causing problems when state employees receive \$ from other than employer (e.g. scholarships to children, Nobel prizes).
- 2006-07 -- Housing continues a 20-year program to renovate residence halls into more modern configurations and to include academic space in all of them.
- April 2007 – **Virginia Tech shootings.** CU-Boulder Responds to Virginia Tech Shootings – CU news release
- April 2007 -- College Republicans hold mock affirmative action bake sale on UCB campus.
- May 2007 – Chair of College Republicans sent e-mail message (meant for another officer of the College Republicans) to student body president, who is part black. Message referred to the student body president and read, “You know the more professional he tries to sound, the more it seems like he didn't graduate from high school. Hooray affirmative action.”
- July 2007 – **Regents fire Ward Churchill; Churchill files lawsuit**
- August 2007 – Stabbing at UMC on first day of school
  - **Fall 2007** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -5%, res frosh up +1.5%*
- December 2007 – Demolition of the 90-year-old Sibell Wolle Fine Arts building begins to make way for the new Visual Arts Complex (VAC), which is scheduled to open in fall 2009.
- December 2007 – Campus presentation: Campus Update: Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) on Diversity
- February 2008 – **Shootings at Northern Illinois University** -- Statement from CU-Boulder Chancellor regarding the shootings – CU News Release, includes page of counseling resources on campus
- February 2008 – Chancellor Peterson offers formal statement of apology to members of Colorado's Asian and Asian-American communities for a satirical column written by a student columnist at the CU Campus Press.
- March 2008 – Chancellor Peterson issues statement regarding two alleged assaults by CU football players
- March 2008 – **New President Bruce Benson starts.** The search was controversial on several points.
- May 2008 – CU-Boulder launches Engineering Entrepreneurship Program
- May 2008 – CU-Boulder IT director announced suspected security breach did not occur and no personal data was exposed
- July 2008 – Chancellor announces that CU-Boulder Fundraising is up 80 percent in last two years
- July 2008 – Fire at Hill House apartment complex (9<sup>th</sup> and Marine)
- July 2008 – ConocoPhillips announces partnership with Colorado Center for Biorefining and Biofuels
  - **Fall 2008** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +24% but res frosh down -8%*

**AY 2008-09 in review (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- Fall 2008 – **Big recession hits (again)!** The state situation may give us more leverage to increase resident tuition beyond the 9% proposed by the State; we are pursuing this actively. Despite our low state funding,

our resident tuition is still 12% below the AAU public average. The campus has an informal hiring postponement (not freeze)

- Related to the “financial crisis” is a host of money management issues – internal allocation models, role of faculty, role of the CU system, balancing sources, aid levels, aid emphases and models, continuation of our out-of-state 4-year tuition guarantee, tuition levels and structures. Plus issues with new enrollment.
  - Diversity of student body, faculty and staff, City of Boulder. Success of K-12 schools in keeping and graduating students of color.
  - Student safety, especially given several separate incidents of violent attacks in and near campus during the fall term, plus ongoing concerns about student alcohol use – especially by male freshmen from outside Colorado.
  - Huge strategic planning process for future of CU starts: See <http://www.colorado.edu/flagship2030/>
  - For fall 2009 freshmen application cycle we made essays mandatory and moved from a single Jan 15 deadline with rolling admission and notification, to a double deadline – Dec 15 “early action” and Feb 15 “regular decision.”
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- August 2008 – CU-Boulder named the second greenest school in the nation by Sierra magazine
  - August 2008 – CU Senior Auditor Registration: Colorado residents age 55 and older are eligible to audit regular daytime classes at CU-Boulder
  - August 2008 – CU leadership reacts to off-Campus stabbing incident of a 21-year-old man on the Hill right before the start of the fall semester
  - August 2008 – CU is first Bowl Championship Series school in the nation to launch a zero-waste program for football games at Folsom Field through the “Ralphie’s Green Stampede” initiative
  - September 2008 – The wife of Democratic Party presidential nominee Sen. Barack Obama, Michelle Obama, speaks at CU-Boulder for a voter registration event
  - September 2008 – CU receives \$1 million grant from the Rockefeller Foundation to establish a worldwide consortium aimed at assisting developing countries respond to climate change; the consortium will be associated with INSTAAR and CU’s Environmental Studies program
  - September 2008 – CU-Boulder ranked among the top 15 campuses in the nation for sustainability
  - **September 2008 – Incoming freshman class is largest in CU-Boulder history**
  - September 2008 – CU-Boulder receives largest research contract every: LASP is selected by NASA to lead \$485 million Mars mission
  - May, 2009 – Former provost and dean of education **Phil DiStefano is appointed the 11th chancellor** of CU-Boulder by President Bruce Benson
  - May, 2009 – The **Silver and Gold Record newspaper** that covered events for all CU campuses for the last 40 years **shut down** by CU President Bruce Benson to save costs in the face of required \$6.2 million budget cuts
  - May, 2009 – Survey of CU-Boulder Admits – full report housed on Admissions’ office private website.
  - July, 2009 -- **We go live with Oracle Campus Solutions v9, aka PeopleSoft student systems, for admissions** for fall '10 admissions, and at same time implementing the Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS).
  - August 2009 – The 63.5 million **Visual Arts Complex (VAC) building opens**, replacing old Fine Arts building
    - **Fall 2009** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -17% and res frosh up +5%~ possibly related to effects of recession that hit in fall '08 and more entering freshmen electing to attend college in their home state now.*

**AY 2009-10 in review – (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- Another incredible building boom, without any state funds. Visual arts building, molecular biochemistry building, student affairs – dining – parking building, institute for behavioral science, all right now.
- Budget cuts are coming, but we had little state funding to start with, so less is lost. The state “voucher” for undergraduates which passed a few years ago on the theory that “they’ll never cut something that goes directly to students,” has been cut. We may even free ourselves of the burden of counting international students as part of out-of-state caps.
- **2009-2010 – Initiation of ISIS:** Recruiting of prospects and applicants for admission for fall 2010 was victim to dysfunctional customer relations management systems and application processing due to the initiation of ISIS
- Feb 2010 -- Accreditation visit from Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of North Central Association: <http://www.colorado.edu/accreditation/>
- June, 2010 – **CU joins the Pacific-10 Conference (Pac-10)**
  - **Fall 10**-- *new non-res frosh headcount down -2% and res frosh down -10%*

**AY 2010-11 in review – (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- Even with low operating budgets, we have a flashy new C4C building (paid for by parking, housing/dining, and auxiliaries), new building for the Initiative in Molecular Biotechnology, new athletic training facility, new underpass on the busy road near campus. And lots of public comment about putting up new buildings while the state is on the skids.
- A key funding source for us, forever, has been out-of-state undergraduates. We’re attempting to attract more international students (UG, but graduate too) with recruiting efforts beyond what’s been done before. And we got the legislature to pass a provision excluding international students from the denominator of the calculation of “percent resident.”
- A “branding” effort run by CU System results in new system-wide logos for campuses. We lose the “at” in our name to become “University of Colorado Boulder.”
- Go Buffs! We have new coaches in football (a former player here – the last coach both lost and alienated alums), in men’s basketball (we beat K-State 3 times, were snubbed by the NCAA, but won 3 games in the NIT), and in women’s basketball (won 3 games in the NIT). It’s a cheery, hopeful, Go Buffs! Attitude.
- Fall 2010 – Student Social Climate Survey (formerly Campus Climate Survey) – First time entire population surveyed – approximately 30,000 students, with 7,777 responding (overall 26% response rate)
- Fall 10 – State of the Art **Center for Community (C4C) building opens!** ~ with amazing dining and meeting room facilities and as a center for all student affairs units to be housed (a “one-stop-shop” for CU students)
- November 2010 – Likely due to multiple failed record seasons, and with the PAC-12 Conference inaugural season looming, **CU football coach Dan Hawkins is suddenly relieved of his duties** by athletic director Mike Bohn.
- December 2010 – **Jon Embree is hired as the new football coach**, first African-American named to the position (previously serving as assistant coach to Washington Redskins and played as a tight end for CU in the 1980’s).
- June 2011 – Student Social Climate Survey Press Release: Majority of CU-Boulder students report positive campus experience, according to social climate survey
  - **Fall 11** -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +12% and res frosh up +8%*

**AY 2011-12 in review – (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- July 2011 -- **Journalism school is closed by the Board of Regents**, but journalism degree programs continue (as “Journalism Plus”), now requiring (at the bachelor’s level) the equivalent of two majors, one in a journalism field, one in a traditional liberal arts/sciences field.

- **First season in the Pac-12** found us clobbered in football, OK in basketball, and loving the many CU alumni who've come out for events in Pac-12 territory.
  - **Boulder has had three major snowstorms**, with the campus closed for two, while the high-mountain resorts like Vail have had (relatively) little snow.
  - Opening of new dorm housing two new residential academic programs.
  - A tuition guarantee for in-state undergraduates has been tossed around. Administrator salary increases made the press largely because they were "paid for by tuition."
  - Pushes for and concerns about handling international students, especially undergraduates, continue.
  - As the number and needs of military veterans also increase, the Board of Regents authorized a program that will offer in-state tuition to dependents of military vets (vets themselves already had this).
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- Spring 2012 – **Controversy about Chancellor and administrator salaries** and continuing employment of retired administrators
  - April 2012 – **President Obama speaks to the CU-Boulder community at the Coors Events Center**: the first presidential visit in 58 years. Obama presents student loan message in his speech.
  - Summer 2012 – Children of faculty and staff at CU-Boulder eligible to take classes in summer session, free of charge, on a space available basis.
  - June/July 2012 -- **Boulder and other fires raging across Colorado**: biggest one: Waldo Canyon fire near Colorado Springs, the Flagstaff fire (SW neighborhood of Boulder put on pre-evacuation)  
[http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_20926391/eight-wildfires-roaring-across-colorado](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_20926391/eight-wildfires-roaring-across-colorado)
  - July, 2012 -- a **mass shooting**, that left a dozen people dead and dozens more wounded, occurred during a midnight screening of the film *The Dark Knight Rises* at a movie theater in Aurora, Colorado. The gunman, James Holmes, recently withdrew from a graduate program in neuroscience at University of Colorado Denver.
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- **Fall 12** -- *new non-res frosh headcount down -4% and res frosh down -4%*

**Year 2012-13 in review – (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable):**

- **Drugs**: In November 2012 Colorado voters passed Amendment 64, allowing those 21 and older to possess and cultivate limited amounts of marijuana for personal use in private. This has brought all sorts of state, city, and university complications, including conflicts with federal marijuana law.
- **Guns**: March 2012 the Colorado Supreme Court ruling established that individuals age 21 and over and possessing a valid concealed carry weapons permit may have concealed weapons on college campuses. Big uproar among faculty, local citizens, and legislators.
- **Economic success measures**: <http://collegemeasures.org/>, reporting earnings of recent graduates, has many methodological issues and inaccurate comparisons among colleges, including CU -- which we attempted to counter at: <http://www.colorado.edu/pba/aftergrad>.
- **\$63 million renovation and expansion of Student Recreation Center** (built in 1973) began in fall 2012. Will include a large, outdoor, buffalo-shaped pool. Students voted to increase student fees \$125/semester to fund the project.
- **President Obama visited campus 3 times before the 2012 election** – policy speech (student loans) in Coors Events Center (~10,000) in April, campaign visit in September (~13,000 people on Norlin Quad), and back to stump at Coors Events Center (~10,000) five days before the election. Obama won the state 51.5 to 46.1.
- **CU-Boulder campus "Going Google."** Includes Google Apps for Education (messaging, calendaring, collaborative apps) and migration to Gmail. Students first, later faculty and staff.

- **UCB's fifth Nobel winner (physics 4, chem. 1) -- David Wineland**, a lecturer in the CU-Boulder physics department and a physicist with NIST, was awarded the **2012 Nobel Prize in physics**.  
<http://www.colorado.edu/news/multimedia/david-wineland-wins-2012-nobel-prize-physics>
  - **CU-Boulder's CFO retires**: Ric Porreca, longtime CFO, Lou's boss, and wizard of staying afloat with no state money, retired June 2012 (age 54, big state pension, subject of much bad press).
  - **Jon Embree fired as football coach**, after 4-21 record over the two years of his tenure. New coach is Mike MacIntyre from San Jose State, for lots more money.
  - **Appointment of CU-Boulder's first "visiting scholar in conservative thought and policy."** Steven Hayward, from Ashland (Ohio) University, is appointed and will teach four UG courses in 2013-14. Appointment, housed in Arts and Sciences, inaugurates a three-year pilot program supported by \$1M in private money.
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- May, 2013 – **Lou McClelland, long-time CU-Boulder IR director, retires after 30 years**, but continues to work part-time in the CU-Boulder IR Office on faculty scholarly activity, Academic Analytics and AAUDE-related.
  - Spring-Summer, 2013 – **Lengthy CU-Boulder IR director search** eventually yielded 2 finalists who interviewed on the Boulder campus, however neither was determined ideal for the job. **Rob Stubbs appointed as interim director of IR**, with possible future selection as IR's permanent director.
  - Summer-Fall, 2013 – **Tableau software adoption by CU-Boulder IR office**, along with many other AAUDE institutions. Very powerful software for public use of interactive graphical displays of data on the Web.
    - Fall 13 -- *new non-res frosh headcount up +10% and res frosh up +5%*

**AY 2013-14 in review – (Selected highlights from AAUDE Roundtable) ~ to come ~ Spring 2014:**

- September, 2013 – **The story of Boulder County's Flood of 2013**: "Eight days, 1,000-year rain, 100-year flood" [http://www.dailycamera.com/news/boulder-flood/ci\\_24148258](http://www.dailycamera.com/news/boulder-flood/ci_24148258) -- Rain started on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> and kept coming – by Thursday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, it was falling at over 1 inch per hour – with a total of 17.15 falling after 8 days straight of rain. **On the night of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 381 students and residents of CU's family housing units were forced to relocate and the CU-Boulder campus was closed for four days: Sept. 12, 13, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.** Hundreds of people all over Boulder county were displaced and lost their homes, 4 deaths occurred. Over 1,800 people had to be evacuated by air and road from their homes. Lyons and Jamestown were two of the hardest hit towns, also sections of Erie, Longmont and others. Excessive damage to thousands of properties. FEMA, Red Cross, National Guard – all called in to help. Some roads to mountain towns taking months to re-open (e.g., Hwy to Estes Park, Coal Creek Canyon).
  - A few CU-Boulder students adversely affected by the flood were allowed to withdraw from CU-Boulder for the semester and petition for a full 100% tuition/fees refund.
- September, 2013 – The **Student Social Climate Survey is postponed** from fall 2013 until fall 2014 by decision of the office of Diversity and Equity. Also the Regents are planning to do a system-wide student/faculty/staff "diversity" survey in the 2013-14 academic year.
- Fall, 2013 -- **International Student Survey** – Focus on international student enrollment and satisfaction with CU-Boulder experience continues. A comprehensive survey to assess the climate for these students is proposed.

- Fall, 2013 – **CU-Boulder offers “Esteemed Scholars Program” merit scholarships for entering Colorado resident freshmen**, ranging from a total of \$10,000 to \$20,000 over four years, based on a combination of the entering students’ high school grade-point average and test scores. **Approximately one quarter of the fall 2013 Colorado resident class received one of the awards.**

**Sources on events: PBA and CU Boulder web pages plus**

- Football, Boulder Daily Camera--Buffzone: <http://web.dailycamera.com/buffzone/recruit/timeline.html>
- Ward Churchill, Football scandals, CU files: <http://www.colorado.edu/news/releases/> (*site search by topic*)
- CU special news releases: <http://www.colorado.edu/news/releases/> (*search by month/year, or overall by topic*)
- The Fire (Foundation for Individual Rights in Education) paper: <http://thefire.org/>
- The Denver Post: <http://www.denverpost.com/>