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Acronym	Full name	Comments
U Mass	University of Massachusetts	
U.S./JC	United States/Japan Cooperation	a committee, WOR is on it
UAC	United Aircraft Corporation	
UAO	upper atmosphere observatory	
UARC	Upper Atmosphere Research Corporation	
UARS	Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite	
UAV	Unmanned Aerial Vehicles	
UCAID	University Corporation for Advanced Internet Development	
UCAR	University Corporation for Atmospheric Research	a nonprofit corporation comprising a consortium of universities involved with atmospheric research, governing body for NCAR, incorporated in 1960 in Delaware then later moved corporate headquarters to Colorado
UCAR	Unmanned Combat Armed Rotorcraft	

UCARF	UCAR Foundation	UCAR is University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
UCARIP or UIP	UCAR Intellectual Property	
UCARIPO	UCAR Intellectual Property Officer	
UCARnet	University Cooperation for Atmospheric Research Network	a Local Area Network linking together the divisions of NCAR and UCAR projects in Boulder County
UCARSOFT	UCAR Software	
UCARTS	UCAR Trade Secrets	
UCLA	University of California at Los Angeles	
UCSB	University of California at Santa Barbara	
UCSD	University of California at San Diego	
UEDS	Unidata Experimental Data Service	UCAR
UF	Universal Format	
UGGI		see IUGG
UGV	Unmanned Ground Vehicles	
UH	University of Hawaii	
UHF	ultra-high frequency	300-3,000 MHz
Uhuru		first orbiting X-ray satellite
UHV	Use An Ultrahigh Vacuum	
UI	Unit of Issue	
UIC	Unit Identification Code	
UICP	Uniform Inventory Control Program	
UID	User Identification	
UIL	upper interval limit	

UIPPA		see IUPAP
UI/UM Price	Unit of Issue/Unit of Measure Price	
UK AEA	United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority	Culham Laboratory
UKAERE	United Kingdom Atomic Energy Research Establishment	
UKMO	United Kingdom Meteorological Office	
ULAFOS	UCAR and Lower Atmospheric Facilities Oversight Section	
ULTRIX	UNIX-based operating system for Digital Equipment Corporation Computers	DEC's trade name for its version of Berkeley UNIX
UM	University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, Michigan
UMass	University of Massachusetts	
UMC	UCAR Management Committee	
UMF	User Master File	
UMIST	University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology	England
Umkehr reports	reports on ozone	
UMP	Upper Mantle Project	ICSU
UN	United Nations	
UNAM	Universidad Autonoma de Mexico	National Autonomous University of Mexico
UNAVCO	University NAVSTAR [not an acronym] Consortium	UCAR Office of Programs
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development	
UNCHE or Unche	United Nations Conference on the Human Environment	June 1972 in Stockholm
UNCOQ	Unaccompanied	

	NonCommissioned Officers' Quarters	
UND	University of North Dakota	
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme	not "Environmental"
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization	
UNICOS	Unix Cray operating system	
Unidata	UNIDATA Program Center	
UNIDATA	University Data Interactive Computing and Communications Systems	they use initial capital only, program plan FY 88-92, also known as university data program, but UNIDATA doesn't stand for anything, and shouldn't be treated like an acronym and shouldn't spell out University Data Program
universe		the whole body of things and phenomena; in statistical terminology, synonymous with population.
University of L'Aquila	Universita degli studi dell' Aquila	
UNIX	a computer operating system developed by AT&T and modified extensively by the University of California at Berkeley	the Berkeley UNIX is one of the operating systems supported by the Unidata Program, part of UCAR
UNOLS	University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System	
UNU	United Nations University	
UOM	upper-ocean model	

UOP	UCAR Office of Programs	
UOQ	Unaccompanied Officers' Quarters	
UPC	Unidata Program Center	part of UCAR
Updraft		In aviation terminology (especially in connection with aircraft turbulence) a relatively small-scale current of air with marked vertical motion, that is, updraft or downdraft.
UPO	UCAR Projects Office	
UPS	Uninterruptible Power Supply	
UQAM	Universite de Quebec a Montreal	
URC	University Relations Committee	
URIP	University Research Initiative Program	ONR
URL	Universal Resource Locter	
URSI	International Union of Radio Science	
USA	United States Army	
USACE	United State Army Corps of Engineers	
USAF	United States Air Force	
USAFGL	United States Air Force Geophysical Laboratory	also called AFGL
USAMRN		see MRN
USAN	University Satellite Accessed Network	NCAR, ATD uses University Satellite Network
USAP	United States Antarctic Program	
USARP	United States Antarctic Research Program	

USC-GARP	United States Committee for GARP	
USCG	United States Coast Guard	
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture	
USDC	United States Department of Commerce	
USDI	United States Department of Interior	
USERC	United States Environmental and Resources Council	to represent the United States at WERL
USFS	United States Forest Service	
USGCRP	United States Global Change Research Program	
USGS	United States Geological Survey	Department of the Interior
USIC	UCAR Space Implementation Committee	
U.S./JC	United States/Japan Cooperation	
USJGOFS	United States Joint Global Ocean Flux Study	
USN	United States Navy	
USPHS	United States Public Health Service	
USRA	Universities Space Research Association	
USSDM	Unidata System for Scientific Data Management	
USTAR	UCAR Scientist's Technical Areas of Research	
USWRP	United States Weather Research Program	
UT	universal time	
UT / LS	Upper Troposphere/ Lower Stratosphere	
UTC	universal time coordinate	

	or coordinated universal time	
UTC	United Technology Center	operating arm of UAC in Sunnyvale, California
UUCP	UNIX-to-UNIX Copy	
UUI	Uniform User Interface	
UV	ultraviolet	or Ultra-Violet
UV	UNAVCO Building	UCAR
UVDM	ultraviolet double monochromator	
UVSP	ultra-violet spectrometer/polarimeter	
UWGB	University of Wisconsin at Green Bay	
UWI	Uniform Window Interface	
UWIS	University of Wisconsin at Green Bay	GARP

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