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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2016

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016 , and ending 12-31-2016

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final

☐ Return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY

% GREG GINGRAS

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

450 30TH STREET SUITE 2840

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

OAKLAND, CA 94609

F Name and address of principal officer

SHARON DIAZ

450 30TH STREET SUITE 2701

OAKLAND, CA 94609

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?

☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status

☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀(insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶

WWW.SAMUELMERRITT.EDU

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation

1984

M State of legal domicile

CA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities

SEE SCHEDULE O

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)

13

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

10

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)

936

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

0

7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12

0

7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34

Revenue

8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)

1,889,425

9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)

65,721,077

10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)

3,410,021

11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)

15,132

12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)

71,035,655

Expenses

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)

4,655,139

14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)

0

15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)

43,647,915

16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)

0

b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶825,664

17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)

19,349,669

18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)

67,652,723

19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12

3,382,932

Net Assets or Fund Balances

Beginning of Current Year

End of Year

20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)

201,858,679

21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)

41,526,913

22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20

160,331,766

175,462,681

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

2017-10-27

Date

GREG GINGRAS CFO

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

EVA NITTA

Preparer's signature

EVA NITTA

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

P01286320

Firm's name ▶ ERNST & YOUNG US LLP

Firm's EIN ▶

Firm's address ▶ 560 MISSION ST STE 1600

Phone no (415) 894-8000

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

SEE SCHEDULE O

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a	(Code)	(Expenses \$ 58,583,701	including grants of \$ 7,383,997	(Revenue \$ 70,063,983)
See Additional Data				

4b	(Code)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4c	(Code)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4e	Total program service expenses ▶	58,583,701
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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	No
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10 Yes	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b	No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b Yes	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13 Yes	
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18 Yes	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	Yes	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	Yes	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	Yes	
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	199	
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	0	
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	Yes	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	936	
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	Yes	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O		
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	13	
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O			
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	10	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	Yes
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	Yes
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	Yes
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: CA

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.
 ► GREG GINGRAS 450 30TH STREET SUITE 2840 OAKLAND, CA 94609 (510) 869-1588

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JONATHAN BROWN REGENT/CHAIR	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
(2) SHARON DIAZ PHD REGENT/PRES & CEO, SMU	40 0 0 0	X		X				0	636,495	88,630
(3) DAVID FREY JD REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(4) OWEN GARRICK MD REGENT/VICE CHAIR	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
(5) JEFF GERARD REGENT/PRES, SH BAY AREA	1 0 40 0	X						0	1,336,457	383,031
(6) TEH-WEI HU PHD REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(7) ANNA KIGER REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(8) LLOYD LEANSE REGENT/CHAIR F&P	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
(9) ALVIN MCLEAN JR PHD REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(10) GARY MORRISON ESQ REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(11) CHARLES PROSPER REGENT/CEO, ABSMC	1 0 40 0	X						0	774,159	217,289
(12) JOHN SWARTZBERG MD REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(13) LISA ZUFFI REGENT	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(14) GREG BROWN SECRETARY, VP EAST BAY COUNSEL	1 0 40 0			X				0	455,450	100,659
(15) GREG GINGRAS VP FINANCE & CFO, SMU	40 0 0 0			X				0	295,340	37,107
(16) AUDREY BERMAN MD DEAN SCHOOL OF NURSING SMU	40 0 0 0				X			288,565	0	43,609
(17) SCOT FOSTER ACADEMIC VP & PROVOST SMU	40 0 0 0				X			333,072	0	40,635

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) JOHN VENSON DPM DEAN SCHOOL PODIATRIC MEDICINE	40 0 0 0				X			283,127	0	49,732
(19) TERRENCE NORDSTROM VP ENRLMNT/STUDENT SVCS	40 0 0 0				X			254,937	0	25,092
(20) NANCY HAUGEN ASSOCIATE DEAN	40 0 0 0					X		258,000	0	43,131
(21) JOSEPH JANAKES ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	40 0 0 0					X		221,882	0	47,809
(22) ARLENE SARGENT ASSOCIATE DEAN	40 0 0 0					X		229,677	0	41,617
(23) CELESTE VILLANUEVA ASSISTANT ACADEMIC VP	40 0 0 0					X		220,830	0	40,506
(24) MARC CODE PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40 0 0 0					X		208,796	0	34,164

1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	2,298,886	3,497,901	1,193,011

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶ 136**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
LYON MEDICAL CONSTRUCTION INC, 100 NORTH HILL DRIVE STE 52 BRISBANE, CA 94005	CONSTRUCTION SRVCS	893,046
KOVARUS INC, PO BOX 396039 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 941396039	IT SERVICES	738,246
QUEST MEDIA AND SUPPLIES INC, 9000 FOOTHILLS BLVD STE 100 ROSEVILLE, CA 95747	IT SERVICES	479,375
ELSEVIER INC, PO BOX 9533 NEW YORK, NY 100879533	ACADEMIC CONSULTING	352,424
GARY D NELSON ASSOCIATES INC, PO BOX 49195 SAN JOSE, CA 951619195	STAFFING SERVICES	302,085

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶ 21**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b Membership dues . . .	1b				
	c Fundraising events . . .	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	260,940			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	4,146,210			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		23,801			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		4,407,150			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a NET TUITION AND FEES	611420	70,063,983	70,063,983	0	0
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		70,063,983			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		3,392,576			3,392,576
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5 Royalties		0			
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
		15,520				
	b Less rental expenses	34,329				
	c Rental income or (loss)	-18,809 0				
	d Net rental income or (loss)		-18,809			-18,809
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
		8,503,171				
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	7,985,856				
	c Gain or (loss)	517,315				
	d Net gain or (loss)		517,315			517,315
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a 11,940				
	b Less direct expenses	b 8,619				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		3,321			3,321
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a 0				
	b Less direct expenses	b 0				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0			
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a 0				
b Less cost of goods sold	b 0					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0				
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a MISCELLANEOUS	900099	1,431,510	0	0	1,431,510	
b _____						
c _____						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		1,431,510				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions		79,797,046	70,063,983	0	5,325,913	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	0			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	7,383,997	7,383,997		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members.	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	1,318,769		1,318,769	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0			
7 Other salaries and wages.	33,597,952	30,104,435	3,104,910	388,607
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	1,897,326	1,632,480	238,855	25,991
9 Other employee benefits.	3,282,256	1,911,610	1,287,660	82,986
10 Payroll taxes.	7,725,014	6,782,464	850,771	91,779
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.	624,469	325,109	229,745	69,615
b Legal.	110,632	3,810	106,822	
c Accounting.	105,300		105,300	
d Lobbying.	0			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0			
f Investment management fees.	250,565		250,565	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	997,630	789,437	208,193	0
12 Advertising and promotion.	194,176	100,325	93,851	
13 Office expenses.	2,164,234	905,494	1,169,160	89,580
14 Information technology.	26,703	6,285	20,418	
15 Royalties.	0			
16 Occupancy.	5,814,980	3,685,906	2,129,074	
17 Travel.	731,958	641,257	81,972	8,729
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	238,672	22,561	167,070	49,041
20 Interest.	0			
21 Payments to affiliates.	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	2,168,251	1,634,752	533,499	
23 Insurance.	533,547		533,547	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O):				
a PURCHASED SERVICES	2,914,719	1,795,566	1,110,068	9,085
b DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	296,278	202,555	91,357	2,366
c REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	268,026	205,929	62,097	0
d BAD DEBT PROVISION	241,119	241,119	0	0
e All other expenses	317,903	208,610	101,408	7,885
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	73,204,476	58,583,701	13,795,111	825,664
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	2,200	1	2,200
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	23,484,465	2	33,437,661
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	1,818,083	3	1,700,311
	4 Accounts receivable, net	20,348,826	4	22,667,828
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L.	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L.	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	5,611,899	7	5,613,269
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	954,229	9	1,003,160
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D.	25,634,462		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	15,712,100		
		8,078,515	10c	9,922,362
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	141,560,462	11	154,265,321
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	201,858,679	16	228,612,112	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,671,754	17	19,695,810
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	22,807,019	19	25,658,259
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D.	0	21	0
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D.	9,048,140	25	7,795,362
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	41,526,913	26	53,149,431
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	106,086,292	27	117,127,884
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	25,433,183	28	28,436,403
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	28,812,291	29	29,898,394
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	160,331,766	33	175,462,681	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	201,858,679	34	228,612,112	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	79,797,046
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	73,204,476
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	6,592,570
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	160,331,766
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	8,538,345
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	175,462,681

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☒ Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	Yes	
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	Yes	

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Form 990 (2016)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

SEE SCHEDULE O

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Public Charity Status and Public Support Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990 .	OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY		Employer identification number 94-2992642

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.
The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☒ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture See instructions Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s) _____

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, 8, or 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support							
	Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant.")						
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5	The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						
Section B. Total Support							
	Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
7	Amounts from line 4						
8	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9	Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10	Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12	Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13	First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ ☐						
Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage							
14	Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))					14	
15	Public support percentage for 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14					15	
16a	33 1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐						
b	33 1/3% support test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐						
17a	10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐						
b	10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐						
18	Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ ☐						

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

b 33 1/3% support tests—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>	10b	

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI</i>		
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
1		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
1		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
2		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)		
a ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
2a		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
2b		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
3a		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1	
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5 Depreciation and depletion	5	
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)		
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount

		Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7 ☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Part V

Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016			
a			
b			
c From 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2016 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a			
b Excess from 2013.			
c Excess from 2014.			
d Excess from 2015.			
e Excess from 2016.			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.**

Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Supplemental Financial Statements ► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990. Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.			OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
Name of the organization SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY				Employer identification number 94-2992642	
Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.					
		(a) Donor advised funds		(b) Funds and other accounts	
1	Total number at end of year				
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)				
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)				
4	Aggregate value at end of year				
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?				☐ Yes ☐ No
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?				☐ Yes ☐ No
Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.					
1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) ☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area ☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure ☐ Preservation of open space				
2	Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year				
a	Total number of conservation easements	Held at the End of the Year			
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2a			
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2b			
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2c			
		2d			
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►				
4	Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►				
5	Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?				☐ Yes ☐ No
6	Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►				
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$				
8	Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?				☐ Yes ☐ No
9	In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements				
Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.					
1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items				
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items				
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1		► \$			
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X		► \$			
2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items				
a	Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1				► \$
b	Assets included in Form 990, Part X				► \$
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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a☐ Public exhibition

b☐ Scholarly research

c☐ Preservation for future generations

d☐ Loan or exchange programs

e☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

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Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a	Beginning of year balance	43,309,658	46,060,129	46,320,371	41,881,996
b	Contributions	1,059,809	1,136,584	314,692	5,138,826
c	Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	3,203,991	-2,022,962	1,013,264	193,235
d	Grants or scholarships	2,788,844	1,864,093	1,588,198	893,686
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs				
f	Administrative expenses				
g	End of year balance	44,784,614	43,309,658	46,060,129	46,320,371

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

2

150 %

b

Permanent endowment

66

760 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

31

090 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
3a(i)		No
3a(ii)	Yes	
3b	Yes	

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

b

If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		0		0
b Buildings		12,080,656	7,967,518	4,113,138
c Leasehold improvements		0	0	0
d Equipment		12,562,470	7,744,582	4,817,888
e Other		991,336	0	991,336
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				9,922,362

Part VII

Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b.
See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶		

Part VIII

Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c.
See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX

Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ▶	

Part X

Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f.
See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	0
FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN FUNDS	7,463,352
OTHER LIABILITIES	332,010
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	7,795,362

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

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Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	80,502,658
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	8,538,345
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	42,948
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	8,581,293
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	71,921,365
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	250,565
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	7,625,116
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	7,875,681
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	79,797,046

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	65,371,743
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	42,948
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	42,948
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	65,328,795
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	250,565
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	7,625,116
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	7,875,681
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	73,204,476

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII **Supplemental Information** *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 94-2992642
Name: SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART V, LINE 4	INTENDED USES OF THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDOWMENT FUNDS THE MAJORITY OF THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS OF THE UNIVERSITY HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING STUDYING CURRICULA THERE ARE A FEW EXCEPTIONS A) AN ENDOWMENT THAT WAS ESTABLISHED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADVANCEMENT OF THE PODIATRIC MEDICINE CURRICULUM, B) A SEPARATE ENDOWMENT THAT WAS ESTABLISHED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, C) A QUASI ENDOWMENT WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS IN THE NAME OF DR SHARON C DIAZ AFTER RECEIVING A \$675,000 DONATION FROM OUR PARENT ORGANIZATION, SUTTER EAST BAY HOSPITALS, AND D) AN ENDOWMENT THAT WAS ESTABLISHED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT, EXPANSION AND SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2	ASC 740 (FIN 48) FOOTNOTE FROM AUDIT THIS ORGANIZATION WAS PART OF A CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SYSTEM AUDIT THE ASC 740 AUDIT FOOTNOTE DISCLOSURE FOR THE SUTTER SYSTEM IS AS FOLLOWS SUTTER HEALTH, THE LEGAL ENTITY, AND MOST AFFILIATES HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO BE EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND THE CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD AND, GENERALLY, ARE NOT SUBJECT TO TAXES ON INCOME CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF SUTTER ARE SUBJECT TO INCOME TAXES, HOWEVER, SUCH ACTIVITIES ARE NOT SIGNIFICANT TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO ITS TAXABLE ACTIVITIES, SUTTER RECORDS INCOME TAXES USING THE LIABILITY METHOD, UNDER WHICH DEFERRED TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARE DETERMINED BASED ON THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND TAX BASIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DEFERRED TAX ASSETS OR LIABILITIES AT THE END OF EACH PERIOD ARE DETERMINED USING THE CURRENTLY ENACTED TAX RATE EXPECTED TO APPLY TO TAXABLE INCOME IN THE PERIODS THAT THE DEFERRED TAX ASSET OR LIABILITY IS EXPECTED TO BE REALIZED OR SETTLED SUTTER RECOGNIZES THE TAX BENEFIT FROM UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS ONLY IF IT IS MORE LIKELY THAN NOT THAT THE TAX POSITIONS WILL BE SUSTAINED ON EXAMINATION BY THE TAX AUTHORITIES, BASED ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE POSITION THE TAX BENEFIT IS MEASURED BASED ON THE LARGEST BENEFIT THAT HAS A GREATER THAN 50% LIKELIHOOD OF BEING REALIZED UPON ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR TAX YEARS 2013 THROUGH 2015 REMAIN OPEN IN U S TAX JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH SUTTER AND ITS AFFILIATES ARE SUBJECT TO TAXATION SUTTER RECOGNIZES INTEREST AND PENALTIES RELATED TO INCOME TAX MATTERS IN OPERATING EXPENSES AT DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015, THERE WERE NO SUCH UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS

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Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D	RECONCILIATION - OTHER ITEMS RENTAL EXPENSE \$ 34,329 SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSE \$ 8,619 ----- - TOTAL \$ 42,948 ===== SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 4B RECONCILIATION - OTHER ITEMS SCHOLA RSHIPS AND RELATED EXPENSES \$7,575,516 TUITION DEPOSITS RETAINED \$ 49,600 ----- TOTAL \$7,625,116 =====

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	RECONCILIATION - OTHER ITEMS RENTAL EXPENSE \$ 34,329 SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSE \$ 8,619 ----- TOTAL \$ 42,948 =====

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 4B	RECONCILIATION - OTHER ITEMS SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELATED EXPENSES \$ 7,575,516 TUITION DEPOSIT S RETAINED \$ 49,600 ----- TOTAL \$ 7,625,116 =====

SCHEDULE E (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Schools ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 13, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 48. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.	OMB No 1545-0047
		2016
	Department of the Treasury Name of the organization SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY	Employer identification number 94-2992642

Part I			YES	NO
1	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	1	Yes	
2	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	2	Yes	
3	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe If "No," please explain If you need more space use Part II	3	Yes	
4	Does the organization maintain the following?			
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	4a	Yes	
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	4b	Yes	
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	4c	Yes	
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain If you need more space, use Part II	4d	Yes	
5	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to			
a	Students' rights or privileges?	5a		No
b	Admissions policies?	5b		No
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	5c		No
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?	5d		No
e	Educational policies?	5e		No
f	Use of facilities?	5f		No
g	Athletic programs?	5g		No
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain If you need more space, use Part II	5h		No
6a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	6a	Yes	
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either line 6a or line 6b, explain on Part II	6b		No
7	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain on Part II	7	Yes	

Part II **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, lines 3, 4d, 5h, 6b, and 7, as applicable. Also provide any other additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE E, PART I, LINE 3	THROUGH BROCHURES, APPLICATIONS AND NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS
SCHEDULE E, PART I, LINE 6A	SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY RECEIVES GOVERNMENT AID THROUGH FEDERAL STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

SCHEDULE G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.	OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
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Part I Fundraising Activities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.
Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- a ☐ Mail solicitations

e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants

b ☐ Internet and email solicitations

f ☐ Solicitation of government grants

c ☐ Phone solicitations

g ☐ Special fundraising events

d ☐ In-person solicitations
- 2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total ▶						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

Revenue		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d)
		<u>WOUND CARE</u> (event type)	<u>PICCHI LECTURE</u> (event type)	<u>0</u> (total number)	Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
1	Gross receipts	6,600	5,340		11,940
2	Less Contributions				
3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	6,600	5,340		11,940
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages	1,087	3,639		4,726
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses		3,893		3,893
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				8,619
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				3,321

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Revenue		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
1	Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶

Address ▶ 450 30TH STREET STE 2877
OAKLAND, CA 94609

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$

Description of services provided ▶

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference

Explanation

Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶
- 3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
See Additional Data Table					
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2	STUDENT FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED ANNUALLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE GRANT FUNDS ARE AWARDED APPROPRIATELY BASED ON THE INDIVIDUAL AWARD CRITERIA

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Form 990, Schedule I, Part III, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
CSPM MERRITT SCHOLARSHIP	38	190,000			
DEAN SCHOLARSHIP	68	338,333			
DIAZ SC SCHOLARSHIP	22	49,114			
THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP	182	590,157			
INSTITUTIONAL NEEDS BASED	5	23,797			

Form 990, Schedule I, Part III, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.					
(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
PRESIDENT PODIATRY SCHOLARSHIP	49	367,500			
REGENTS SCHOLARSHIP	17	170,000			
SAMUEL MERRITT SCHOLARSHIP	430	1,414,250			
RN TO BSN	154	572,173			
SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOLARSHIP	54	696,827			

Form 990, Schedule I, Part III, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.					
(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
ENDOWMENT FUND SCHOLARSHIP	268	734,206			
SYNERGIS EDUCATION	425	2,237,640			

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items. ☐ First-class or charter travel ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Travel for companions ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Discretionary spending account ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	Yes	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	Yes	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III. ☐ Compensation committee ☐ Written employment contract ☐ Independent compensation consultant ☐ Compensation survey or study ☐ Form 990 of other organizations ☐ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization: a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?		No
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	Yes	
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		No
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of: a The organization?		No
b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		No
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of: a The organization?		No
b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		No
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	Yes	
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.		No
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
See Additional Data Table							

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data	

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Part III, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 1A	TAX INDEMNIFICATION STANDARD POLICY FOR ALL SUTTER HEALTH EMPLOYEES IS THAT NON-CASH GIFTS AND AWARDS ARE GROSSED-UP FOR TAX PURPOSES THE AMOUNT OF THE GROSS-UP IS ADDED TO THE EMPLOYEES WAGES AND TAXED ACCORDINGLY

Part III, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 3	SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION INFORMATION THE CEO OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS AN EMPLOYEE OF SUTTER HEALTH, A RELATED TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATION THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE SUTTER HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS RETAINS ULTIMATE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OVER ALL ELEMENTS OF COMPENSATION TO ASSURE THAT ORGANIZATIONAL PURPOSES ARE APPROPRIATELY BEING SERVED THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE USES CREDIBLE DATA SOURCES AND MAINTAINS AN OBJECTIVE "ARMS LENGTH" DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, ENSURING THE INTEGRITY OF SUTTERS EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS AND CONSISTENCY WITH THE ORGANIZATIONS OVERALL MISSION SEE SCHEDULE O NARRATIVE FOR PART VI, LINE 15 FOR A FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPENSATION APPROVAL PROCESS COMPLETED BY SUTTER HEALTH

Part III, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 4B	NONQUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN THE PURPOSE OF THE NONQUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN IS TO PROVIDE SUTTER HEALTH EXECUTIVES WITH A COMPETITIVE RETIREMENT BENEFIT CONSISTENT WITH SUTTER HEALTHS OVERALL COMPENSATION PHILOSOPHY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTIONS ARE DESIGNED TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION LOST RETIREMENT BENEFITS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN AND SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS SUTTERS PLANS ARE DESIGNED CONSISTENT WITH COMPETITIVE INDUSTRY PRACTICES THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR SUTTER HEALTH EMPLOYEES IS A COMBINATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY, 403(B) EMPLOYER MATCH CONTRIBUTIONS, AND QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN BENEFITS SUTTER HEALTH EXECUTIVES ARE GENERALLY INELIGIBLE FOR EMPLOYER MATCH CONTRIBUTIONS ADDITIONALLY, QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN AND SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT CAPS HAVE THE EFFECT OF SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCING RETIREMENT BENEFITS THAT ARE OTHERWISE PROVIDED TO ALL EMPLOYEES THE EFFECT IS THAT EXECUTIVES OFTEN DO NOT RECEIVE THE SAME LEVEL OF RETIREMENT BENEFIT ON AN INCOME REPLACEMENT BASIS AS OTHER EMPLOYEES TO ENSURE A COMPETITIVE RETIREMENT BENEFIT AND TO ADDRESS THE SHORTFALLS DESCRIBED ABOVE, SUTTER HEALTH MAKES AN ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO A NON-QUALIFIED 457(F) PLAN FOR ITS EXECUTIVES THE FORMULA HAS TWO PARTS (1) 4% TO 7% OF BASE SALARY (COMMENSURATE WITH MANAGEMENT LEVEL), PLUS (2) A CONTRIBUTION STARTING AT 5% (BASED UPON TENURE) FOR ELIGIBLE EARNINGS BEYOND THE IRS DEFINITION OF INCLUDIBLE COMPENSATION ("PENSION PAY CAP") THE LATTER OF WHICH IS DESIGNED TO HELP RESTORE LOST PENSION BENEFITS FORFEITED UNDER THE QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN FOR EARNINGS OVER THE PENSION PAY CAP LIMIT CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ALSO MADE FOR A SMALL GROUP OF SENIOR LEVEL EXECUTIVES WHOSE ESTIMATED RETIREMENT BENEFIT (SOCIAL SECURITY PLUS QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN BENEFITS PLUS 457F) FALLS BELOW 50% - 65% OF FINAL 4-YEAR AVERAGE BASE SALARY WHEN RETIRING AT AGE 65 WITH 22 5 YEARS OF SERVICE TARGET BENEFIT LEVELS ARE DISCOUNTED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE LESS THAN 22 5 AT AGE 65 UNLIKE SUTTER HEALTHS QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN WHERE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ARE GUARANTEED (I E , A DEFINED BENEFIT), SUTTERS NON-QUALIFIED PLAN BENEFITS ARE NOT GUARANTEED BY SUTTER HEALTH INVESTMENT RISK IS BORNE BY PARTICIPANTS AND BENEFITS ARE NOT PROTECTED SHOULD SUTTER HEALTH BECOME INSOLVENT

Part III, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 7	NON-FIXED PAYMENTS SPOT AWARDS ARE INFREQUENTLY USED TO REWARD EMPLOYEES THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR THE AMOUNT OF THE SPOT AWARD BUT THE AMOUNT TENDS TO NOT EXCEED 5% TO 10% OF GROSS ANNUAL SALARY ANNUAL INCENTIVE PLAN (AIP) THE PURPOSE OF THE PLAN IS TO FOCUS EXECUTIVES ON SPECIFIC, SHORTER-TERM GOALS THAT ARE CRITICAL TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AFFILIATE, OPERATING UNIT AND SYSTEM-WIDE OBJECTIVES THAT DRIVE OVERALL ORGANIZATION PERFORMANCE A PORTION OF THE PLAN AWARD IS DISCRETIONARY IN THAT THE SUPERVISOR MAY ADD UP TO 5% TO THE AWARD PROVIDED THE TOTAL AWARD (FORMULA PORTION PLUS DISCRETIONARY) DOES NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM ESTABLISHED FOR ANY GIVEN EXECUTIVE LONG TERM PERFORMANCE PLANS SUTTER HEALTH ALSO EMPLOYS A LONG TERM PERFORMANCE PLAN WHICH IS DESIGNED TO FOCUS ON LONGER TERM STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION SUTTERS LONG TERM PERFORMANCE PLAN APPROACH IS A COMBINATION OF BOTH LONGER TERM MEASURES OF ORGANIZATION SUCCESS AND KEY ORGANIZATION STRATEGIES WHICH REQUIRE THE COMBINED EFFORT OF ALL LEADERSHIP TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS SUTTER USES A COMMON FATE APPROACH IN THAT ALL PLAN PARTICIPANTS ARE MEASURED AGAINST THE SAME, ORGANIZATION-WIDE CRITERIA VS INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS THIS FOSTERS A COMMON PURPOSE ACROSS LEADERSHIP AND A SHARED SENSE OF ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE OVERALL SUCCESS OF SUTTER HEALTH TO ENSURE THAT EXTRAORDINARY EFFORTS BY INDIVIDUALS CAN BE RECOGNIZED AND THAT ACTIONS OF LEADERSHIP ARE CONSISTENT WITH SUPPORTING SUTTER HEALTHS OVERALL MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES, SUTTERS LONG TERM PERFORMANCE PLAN APPROACH ALSO INCORPORATES A COMBINATION OF CEO AND SUTTER HEALTH COMPENSATION COMMITTEE DISCRETION IN SOME CASES, THE SUTTER HEALTH COMPENSATION COMMITTEE HAS DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE PRESIDENT & CEO TO MODIFY INDIVIDUAL AWARDS WITHIN LIMITS THAT HAVE BEEN PRE-APPROVED BY THE SUTTER HEALTH COMPENSATION COMMITTEE THIS INCLUDES BOTH THE REDUCTION AND INCREASE OF AWARD AMOUNTS SUCH MODIFICATIONS GENERALLY DO NOT EXCEED +/- 20% AND ARE EMPLOYED JUDICIOUSLY IN ALL CASES, THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD DETERMINES ACHIEVEMENT OF ORGANIZATION GOALS AND MAKES FINAL AWARD DETERMINATION WHICH MAY RESULT IN A REDUCTION OF AWARD IF APPROPRIATE ALL SENIOR EXECUTIVE AWARDS ARE REVIEWED FOR COMPENSATION REASONABLENESS AND APPROVED BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE PRIOR TO PAYMENT

Form 990, Schedule J, Part II - Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1SHARON DIAZ PHD REGENT/PRES & CEO, SMU	(i)0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)466,472	107,021	63,002	74,176	- 14,454	- 725,125	- 51,560
1JEFF GERARD REGENT/PRES, SH BAY AREA	(i)0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)838,481	380,000	117,976	362,276	- 20,755	- 1,719,488	- 227,721
2CHARLES PROSPER REGENT/CEO, ABSMC	(i)0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)494,729	216,589	62,841	194,726	- 22,563	- 991,448	- 101,720
3GREG BROWN SECRETARY, VP EAST BAY COUNSEL	(i)0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)334,451	114,660	6,339	83,926	- 16,733	- 556,109	- 0
4GREG GINGRAS VP FINANCE & CFO, SMU	(i)0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)249,379	35,554	10,407	25,137	- 11,970	- 332,447	- 18,486
5AUDREY BERMAN MD DEAN SCHOOL OF NURSING SMU	(i)281,235	0	7,330	15,576	28,033	332,174	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
6SCOT FOSTER ACADEMIC VP & PROVOST SMU	(i)325,468	0	7,604	15,576	25,059	373,707	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
7JOHN VENSON DPM DEAN SCHOOL PODIATRIC MEDICINE	(i)276,543	0	6,584	15,576	34,156	332,859	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
8NANCY HAUGEN ASSOCIATE DEAN	(i)223,190	0	34,810	13,124	30,007	301,131	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
9JOSEPH JANAKES ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	(i)221,490	0	392	13,024	34,785	269,691	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
10TERRENCE NORDSTROM VP ENRLMNT/STUDENT SVCS	(i)230,847	0	24,090	13,574	11,518	280,029	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
11ARLENE SARGENT ASSOCIATE DEAN	(i)225,705	0	3,972	13,271	28,346	271,294	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
12CELESTE VILLANUEVA ASSISTANT ACADEMIC VP	(i)217,647	0	3,183	12,798	27,708	261,336	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0
13MARC CODE PROGRAM DIRECTOR	(i)205,682	0	3,114	12,094	22,070	242,960	0
	(ii)0	0	0	0	- 0	- 0	- 0

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1 AND PART III, LINE 1	MISSION STATEMENT SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY EDUCATES STUDENTS TO BECOME HIGHLY SKILLED AND COMPASSIONATE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS WHO POSITIVELY TRANSFORM THE EXPERIENCE OF CARE IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A	PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY, ORIGINALLY FOUNDED IN 1909, IS A FULLY ACCREDITED HEALTH SCIENCES INSTITUTION LOCATED IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA WITH LOCAL LEARNING CENTERS IN SACRAMENTO AND SAN MATEO. VALUES: A LEARNING ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE CHALLENGE OURSELVES AND OUR STUDENTS TO THINK CRITICALLY, SEEK MASTERY AND ACT COMPASSIONATELY. A COLLEGIAL ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE ARE FAIR, RESPECTFUL AND BEHAVE WITH INTEGRITY. A COLLABORATIVE ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE PARTNER WITH ONE ANOTHER AND WITH OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY. AN INNOVATIVE ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE TAKE REASONED RISKS AND MOVE NIMBLY. A RESULTS-ORIENTED ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE PROVIDE AND EXPECT EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND SERVICE. PROGRAMS UNDER GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM: THE UNIVERSITY OFFERS A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN). IN ADDITION, SMU OFFERS AN ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ABSN). GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS - MASTER'S LEVEL: SMU OFFERS THREE ENTRY-LEVEL MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS: MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING, AND MASTER PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT. POST-PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE DEGREES IN NURSING INCLUDE PROGRAMS IN NURSE ANESTHESIA (CRNA), CASE MANAGEMENT (CM), AND FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER (FNP). GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS - DOCTORAL LEVEL: THE UNIVERSITY OFFERS FOUR DOCTORAL DEGREES: DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE, DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY, DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE, AND DOCTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY. ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAMS: SMU OFFERS TWO OF ITS DEGREES IN THE ONLINE MODALITY: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (POST-PROFESSIONAL CM AND FNP, AND DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE). FACULTY AND STUDENTS (FALL 2016): NUMBER OF FULL-TIME FACULTY: 157. STUDENT/FACULTY CLINICAL RATIO: 9.0 TO 1. SAMUEL MERRITT STUDENTS: TOTAL STUDENTS: 1,907. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS: 738. GRADUATE STUDENTS: 1,169. MEN: 24%. WOMEN: 76%. CLINICAL PARTNERS: OVER 1,100 IN THE BAY AREA AND U.S. ACCREDITATION: REGIONAL ACCREDITATION: WASC SENIOR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COMMISSION (WSCUC). SPECIALIZED ACCREDITATION: ACCREDITATION REVIEW COMMISSION ON EDUCATION FOR THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT (ARCPA), ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EDUCATION (ACOTE), COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION IN PHYSICAL THERAPY EDUCATION (CAPTE), COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION OF NURSE ANESTHESIA EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS (COA), COMMISSION ON COLLEGIATE NURSING EDUCATION (CCNE), COUNCIL ON PODIATRIC MEDICAL EDUCATION (CPME), BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING (BRN). FACILITIES: INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES: 250-SEAT FONTAINE AUDITORIUM, JOHN A. GRAZIANO MEMORIAL LIBRARY INCLUDING STUDY ROOMS AND COMPUTER LABS, MOTION ANALYSIS RESOURCE CENTER (MARC). OTHER LABORATORIES INCLUDE THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE, EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, ANATOMY, NURSING, PODIATRIC MEDICINE, BIOMECHANICS, PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS AND HEALTH SCIENCES SIMULATION CENTER (HSSC). OTHER FACILITIES: STUDENT LOUNGES, STUDY SPACE AND EXERCISE FACILITIES.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINES 1A & 4	SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS COMMITTEES THE BOARD SHALL HAVE SIX STANDING COMMITTEES, EXECUTIVE, GOVERNANCE, FINANCE, ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE, AND PODIATRIC MEDICAL EDUCATION ADVISORY EACH COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE A CHARGE APPROVED BY THE BOARD DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND POWERS EACH COMMITTEE SHALL REVIEW AND RECOMMEND POLICY CONCERNING UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS AND PROGRAM WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ITS CHARGE THE CHAIR SHALL BE A VOTING MEMBER OF ALL STANDING COMMITTEES THE PRESIDENT SHALL BE A VOTING MEMBER OF ALL STANDING COMMITTEES EXCEPT AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO TRANSACT ALL REGULAR BUSINESS OF THE UNIVERSITY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE BOARD FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 6 & 7A DESCRIPTION OF CLASSES OF PERSONS AND THE NATURE OF THEIR RIGHTS THIS CORPORATION IS AN AFFILIATE OF SUTTER HEALTH, A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION SUTTER EAST BAY HOSPITALS IS THE SOLE MEMBER WITH THE RIGHT TO ELECT AT LEAST A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 7B	DESCRIPTION CLASSES OF PERSONS, DECISIONS REQUIRING APPROVAL & TYPE OF VOTING RIGHTS SUTT ER EAST BAY HOSPITALS, FORMERLY KNOWN AS ALTA BATES SUMMIT MEDICAL CENTER, AS THE SOLE MEM BER OF THE ORGANIZATION IS ENTITLED TO EXERCISE FULLY ALL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS OF NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION LAW, AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS THE MEMBER HAS THE RIGHTS AND POWERS TO APPOINT (AND REMOVE) MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE BYLAWS IN ADDITION, THE MEMBER HAS THE RIGHT TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS OF THE CORPORATIO N'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS (A) MERGER, CONSOLIDATION, REORGANIZATION OR DISSOLUTION OF THE CO RPORATION, (B) CREATING A SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATION, (C) AMENDMENT OR RESTATEMENT OF THE ART ICLES OF INCORPORATION OR THE BYLAWS OF THE CORPORATION, (D) APPROVAL OF ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS, (E) LONG-TERM OR MATERIAL AGREEMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, B ORROWINGS, EQUITY FINANCINGS, CAPITALIZED LEASES AND INSTALLMENT CONTRACTS, AND PURCHASE, SALE, LEASE, DISPOSITION, HYPOTHECATION, EXCHANGE, GIFT, PLEDGE, OR ENCUMBRANCE OF ANY ASS ET, REAL OR PERSONAL, WITH A FAIR MARKET VALUE IN EXCESS OF A DOLLAR AMOUNT TO BE DETERMIN ED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE MEMBER, WHICH SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN THE GREAT ER OF (I) FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) OR (II) TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE TOTAL ANNUAL C APITAL BUDGET OF THIS CORPORATION, (F) APPROVAL OF TRANSACTIONS OF THIS CORPORATION IN WHI CH A REGENT OR OFFICER OF THIS CORPORATION HAS A MATERIAL FINANCIAL INTEREST, (G) APPOINTM ENT OF THE CORPORATION'S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS AND LEGAL COUNSEL, (H) APPROVAL OF STRATEGIC PLANS

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B	DESCRIBE THE PROCESS USED BY MANAGEMENT &/OR GOVERNING BODY TO REVIEW FORM 990 SUTTER HEALTH HAS A CENTRALIZED TAX DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE FORM 990 ANNUALLY THE TAX DEPARTMENT PROVIDES TRAINING AND EDUCATION TO AFFILIATE PERSONNEL WHO ASSIST THE TAX DEPARTMENT IN COLLECTING AND REVIEWING DATA TO BE REPORTED ON THE FORM 990 THE PREPARATION MATERIAL IS REVIEWED BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS INCLUDING TAX, FINANCE, LEGAL, AND HUMAN RESOURCES A NATIONAL ACCOUNTING FIRM PREPARES AND/OR REVIEWS THE RETURN A COMPLETED RETURN IS THEN REVIEWED BY THE TAX DEPARTMENT, THE AFFILIATE, AND THE CFO BEFORE THE RETURN IS FILED

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12	DESCRIPTION OF PROCESS TO MONITOR TRANSACTIONS FOR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST EMPLOYEES ARE EDUCATED ON THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND THE NEED TO MAKE DISCLOSURE AS PART OF ANNUAL COMPLIANCE EDUCATION IN ADDITION, ANNUALLY A DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS COMPLETED BY ALL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS THAT INCLUDES AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THEY HAVE READ THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ON THIS STATEMENT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL LIST A WIDE RANGE OF INFORMATION WHICH INCLUDES BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS, EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIPS, PROPERTY INTERESTS, AND THOSE OF RELATED PARTIES THE CEO AND BOARD CHAIR WILL REVIEW THE STATEMENTS AND MONITOR SITUATIONS THAT MAY POSE A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST THE CEO AND BOARD CHAIR MAY CONSULT WITH THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL AS NECESSARY IF THERE IS A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST RELATED TO A PARTICULAR TRANSACTION, THE INTERESTED INDIVIDUAL MUST DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE AND NATURE OF THE RELATIONSHIP THE BOARD CHAIR MAY APPOINT A DISINTERESTED PERSON OR COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE CONFLICT UNTIL THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT IS RESOLVED, THE BOARD CHAIR MAY REQUEST THE INDIVIDUAL TO NOT PARTICIPATE DURING RELATED PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES INVOLVING AN ACTUAL CONFLICT, THE INTERESTED INDIVIDUAL SHALL REFRAIN FROM VOTING ON ANY MATTER RELATED TO THE TRANSACTION

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINES 15A & 15B	PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE SUTTER HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS RETAINS ULTIMATE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OVER ALL ELEMENTS OF COMPENSATION TO ASSURE THAT ORGANIZATIONAL PURPOSES ARE APPROPRIATELY BEING SERVED THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE USES CREDIBLE DATA SOURCES AND MAINTAINS AN OBJECTIVE "ARMS LENGTH" DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, ENSURING THE INTEGRITY OF SUTTERS EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS AND CONSISTENCY WITH THE ORGANIZATIONS OVERALL MISSION IN ORDER TO ENSURE EXTERNAL COMPETITIVENESS, NATIONAL COMPENSATION DATA COMPARISONS ARE REVIEWED COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS INCLUDES (A) BASE SALARY, (B) TOTAL CASH (BASE SALARY + ANNUAL INCENTIVE), (C) TOTAL DIRECT CASH (BASE SALARY + ANNUAL INCENTIVE + LONG TERM INCENTIVE) AND (D) TOTAL REMUNERATION (BASE SALARY + ANNUAL INCENTIVE + BENEFITS AND LONG TERM INCENTIVE) THIS ANALYSIS INCLUDES NATIONAL COMPARISONS FOR ORGANIZATIONS SIMILAR IN SIZE, SCOPE AND COMPLEXITY AS SUTTER HEALTH THIS METHOD IS MOST APPROPRIATE SINCE IT IS A NATIONAL MARKETPLACE IN WHICH SUTTER COMPETES FOR EXECUTIVE TALENT OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES OF THIS ORGANIZATION UNDERGO AN ANNUAL REVIEW BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OR A DELEGATED SUB-COMMITTEE APPROVAL IS RECORDED IN THE MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION REVIEW WAS LAST COMPLETED IN DECEMBER 2016

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19	AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THE SUTTER HEALTH SYSTEM POSTS ITS CURRENT AND PAST AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT SUTTERHEALTH.ORG OTHER DOCUMENTS ARE ALSO LOCATED AT THIS WEBSITE INCLUDING THE ANNUAL REPORT, MISSION STATEMENT, HISTORY, AND LINKS TO AFFILIATE WEBSITES THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT THIS TIME

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SCHEDULE R (Form 990)	Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships				OMB No 1545-0047		
					2016		
	▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.				Open to Public Inspection		
▶ Attach to Form 990.				▶ Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990 .			
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service							
Name of the organization SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY				Employer identification number 94-2992642			

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.					
(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.							
See Additional Data Table							
(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

See Additional Data Table

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b) (13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1) HEALTH VENTURES INC 350 HAWTHORNE AVE OAKLAND, CA 94609 94-2918780	HEALTH SERVICES	CA	NA	C CORP				Yes	
(2) NORTHWOOD EUROPE TE FEEDER LP 1819 WAZEE STREET 2ND FLOOR DENVER, CO 80202 98-1272216	HOLDING COMPANY	CJ	NA	C CORP				Yes	

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	No
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	No
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	No
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	No
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	No
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	No
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	No
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	No
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	No
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	No
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	Yes
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	No
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	No
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	No
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	No
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	Yes
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	Yes
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	No
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) SUTTER BAY HOSPITALS	P	11,795,736	FMV
(2) SUTTER EAST BAY HOSPITALS	K	3,999,996	FMV
(3) SUTTER EAST BAY HOSPITALS	Q	2,536,471	FMV
(4) SUTTER INSURANCE SERVICES CORPORATION	P	351,792	FMV
(5) BETTER HEALTH EAST BAY FOUNDATION	Q	75,000	FMV

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Return Reference	Explanation
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Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 94-2992642
Name: SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY

Form 990, Schedule R, Part II - Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c) (3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 68-0088443	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER EBH	Yes	
(1) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 51-0160184	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER EBH	Yes	
(2) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2728423	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER BH	Yes	
(3) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 51-0172285	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER EBH	Yes	
(4) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2948100	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	10	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(5) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2290244	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	12A - I	SUTTER CVH	Yes	
(6) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1156265	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER BMF	Yes	
(7) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 23-7288765	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER BH	Yes	
(8) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2594966	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER VH	Yes	
(9) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-0562680	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(10) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1156581	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(11) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1080917	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(12) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2988520	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(13) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 68-0217870	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER VH	Yes	
(14) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1196176	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(15) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2690415	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	12B - II	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(16) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1682256	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(17) 2200 RIVER PLAZA DRIVE SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2788907	SUPPORTING OR	CA	501(C)(3)	12C III-FI	NA		No
(18) 91-2301 FT WEAVER RD EWA BEACH, HI 96706 99-0298651	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(19) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 46-1183948	HEALTH PLAN	CA	501(C)(4)	N/A	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	

Form 990, Schedule R, Part II - Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(21) 745 FORT STREET SUITE 1100 HONOLULU, HI 96813 99-0289310	INSURANCE SER	HI	501(C)(3)	12C III-FI	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(1) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2788906	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER VH	Yes	
(2) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 77-0146047	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(3) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 68-0040113	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER VH	Yes	
(4) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2668262	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	7	SUTTER VH	Yes	
(5) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-1156621	HOSPITAL	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(6) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 68-0273974	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	12B - II	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(7) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-6068843	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	10	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(8) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 94-2948131	HEALTHCARE	CA	501(C)(3)	3	SUTTER HLTH	Yes	
(9) C/O SH TAX 2200 RIVER PLAZA DR SACRAMENTO, CA 95833 68-0318845	FUNDRAISING	CA	501(C)(3)	12A - I	SUTTER CVH	Yes	

Form 990, Schedule R, Part III - Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership

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