The Last Lecture features a UCSF faculty member nominated and selected by students to answer one question: "If you had but one lecture to give, what would you say?"

Such a lecture series is prominent on many college campuses, made especially famous by Randy Pausch, a Carnegie Mellon professor whose lecture ironically was his last lecture having just been diagnosed with terminal pancreatic cancer. In Spring 2012, the inaugural UCSF Last Lecture received a warm and welcoming response. This year the student-initiated event will continue to build the tradition. This lecture will bring out stories intertwining various dimensions of the chosen faculty member's trajectory - encompassing the professional, personal, spiritual, and cultural experiences that have brought them to where they are today.

2017 Last Lecture
Professor Howard Pinderhughes [bio] [livestream]

2016 Last Lecture
Professor Andre Campbell [bio] [lecture]

2015 Last Lecture
Professor Kimberly Topp [bio] [lecture]

2014 Last Lecture
Professor Igor Mitrovic [bio] [lecture]

2013 Last Lecture
Professor Daniel Lowenstein [bio] [lecture]

2012 Last Lecture
Chancellor Susan Desmond-Hellmann [bio] [lecture]

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