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Dear Colleagues:

Last fall, California State Attorney General Becerra issued Promoting a Safe and Secure Campus for All: Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California’s Colleges and Universities in Responding to Immigration Issues (https://oag.ca.gov/sites/all/files/agweb/pdfs/immigration/higher-education-guidance.pdf). These guidelines provide colleges and universities with model policies that meet the mandate under Senate Bill (SB) No. 54. for “limiting assistance with immigration enforcement to the fullest extent possible consistent with federal and state law at public schools... and ensuring that they remain safe and accessible to all California residents, regardless of immigration status.” The policies are meant to be effective by March 1, 2019.

The University of California Office of the President (UCOP) endorses Promoting a Safe and Secure Campus for All as the model for maintaining the safety and security of all of our students, while simultaneously meeting our responsibilities under state and federal law. We encourage you to adopt the policies relevant to your business functions and to share the guidance broadly with your campus colleagues.

These guidelines provide a wide range of model policies that are particularly relevant to the work that all of you do, from how student data are gathered to managing responses to law enforcement. The Attorney General consulted with UCOP in the development of these guidelines.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact anyone on our team, copied on this communication.

Sincerely,

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