

Resolution to Protect Students' Records with Respect to Immigration Status

To: Academic Senate, Santa Cruz Division

Whereas: “The University of California welcomes and supports students without regard to their immigration status” and “is committed to creating an environment in which all admitted students can successfully matriculate and graduate”;¹

Whereas: Information in student records regarding students' and students' family members' immigration status is vulnerable to subpoena, and thus could constitute a threat to the safety and security of undocumented students or of undocumented family members

Whereas: UCSC staff members who sought to protect the privacy of student records by refusing subpoenas would be subject to contempt of court charges

Be it resolved that: The Senate calls for the Chancellor and CP/EVC to institute policies that will ensure that records of students' or students' families' immigration status will not be retained beyond the brief and limited time needed for determination of eligibility for grants, loans, or other programs. These policies would apply to all units on the campus, including the registrar, office of financial aid, student affairs, and colleges.

Respectfully Submitted;
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¹ <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/sites/default/files/Statement-of-Principles-in-Support-of-Undocumented-Members-of-UC.pdf>