

November 8, 2019

Academic Senate
Santa Cruz Division

Dear Colleagues,

I write to invite you to the fall Senate meeting on Friday, November 15, 2019, from 2:30 to 5:00pm, at the College 9 and 10 Multipurpose Room. The agenda for the meeting may be viewed at the [Academic Senate website](#). Following the meeting, the Chancellor and the Senate will co-host a reception, including a champagne toast to celebrate UCSC's recent [election to the AAU](#).

The meeting will begin with comments from Chancellor Larive, who will share her goals and vision for the campus. Interim Campus Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor (iCPEVC) Kletzer will also provide remarks. Senate leadership has asked that the Chancellor and iCPEVC update the Senate regarding the status of the two resolutions passed at the May 2019 Senate meeting (Resolution on [Canary Mission](#), Resolution on [Houseless Students](#)). As always, there will be an opportunity for Q&A following their remarks.

The Committee on Educational Policy plans to present an overview of the many factors affecting graduation rates and achievement gaps among our different undergraduate populations; some of these factors include curricular resources, student-to-faculty ratios, possible changes to undergraduate regulations, classroom space, and the LRDP.

The Committee on Faculty Welfare will bring a resolution to codify the Senate's position regarding faculty salary data. This resolution articulates the need for data that allow for the most useful, accurate, and comprehensive comparisons of UCSC faculty salaries relative to the other UC campuses as well as ["comp-8" institutions](#). There will also be a resolution articulating support of UCSC's lecturers.

We also look forward to reports from the Student Union Assembly (SUA) and Graduate Student Association (GSA). Additionally, because the SUA did not have an opportunity to present the results of the CLASS survey data in spring of 2019, I have invited them to present their findings now. This presentation of student-generated data provides an important perspective for our understanding of undergraduate student experiences and perceptions of accessing classes.

I also want to encourage all faculty members to take advantage of the opportunity to provide feedback on the upcoming CP/EVC recruitment. There will be two sessions for faculty members on November 14, one from 11:00 to 11:45am and one from 4:00 to 4:45pm. The sessions will take place in the Alumni Room at the University Center. These stakeholder conversations allow campus and community constituents to share thoughts about the CP/EVC position in relation to campus priorities and vision with committee chair, VPAA Herbie Lee, and search firm consultant John Amer from Korn Ferry, who

will convey the information to the full search committee ([search advisory committee](#)). For more information regarding the search, please see <https://chancellor.ucsc.edu/cpevc-search/>

Finally, I want to recognize the service contributions of all the faculty members who have recently completed Senate service as well as those who are currently serving on Senate Committees. Your ongoing commitment to our campus is inspiring and appreciated.

I very much hope to see you at next week's meeting.

Sincerely,
Kim Lau, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Lau", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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