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ACADEMIC COUNCIL CHAIR MARY GAUVAIN

Re: 2020-2025 *Five-Year Planning Perspectives* Report

Dear Chair Gauvain:

As you know, all UC campus submitted their 2020-2025 *Five-Year Planning Perspectives* this past fall. The *Perspectives*, examines the academic planning pipeline, and related trends for academic programs and units, and continues to be important for both campus and systemwide academic planning.

Attached is the most recent version of the 2020-2025 *Five-Year Planning Perspectives* report. It details trends in overall academic program growth, showing continued recovery from the Great Recession in terms of the number of planned proposals for new degrees and academic units. These trends are shown by both degree type, and by proposed funding source (state-supported versus self-supported). As well the report includes trends in the number of discontinued and approved programs. Per the *Compendium*, I am sending this report to you to share with CCGA, UCEP, and UCPB.

I welcome the Academic Senate's feedback, in both general terms and on particular topics described in the *Compendium*, such as the potential for cooperative planning; similarities among anticipated actions as well as relationships between these actions, and extant programs and units (both within and across campuses); the need for new resources or redirection of existing resources; financial sustainability over time; the potential to enhance UC system or campus character or reputation; the convergence with state and national needs; and Senate and administration involvement in proposal development and review.

Academic Senate comments should be sent by email to Chris Procello at [chris.procello@ucop.edu](mailto:chris.procello@ucop.edu). In keeping with the *Compendium*'s allotment of four months for review, discussion, and feedback, please submit your comments by June 1, 2021.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Academic Senate Vice Chair Horwitz  
Vice President Brown  
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