October 25, 2022

To: Jessica Cattelino, Chair, Academic Senate

From: Robert Watson, Chair, Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools

Re: Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed Senate Regulation 479 (Cal-GETC)

Per your request, during its meeting on September 23, 2022, the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools (CUARS) reviewed the Proposed Senate Regulation 479 creating the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC).

Overall, members are supportive of efforts to streamline course requirements for transfer students. Members also appreciated that the proposed language of the regulation maintains the authority of each individual campus to determine whether or not to accept specific pathway requirements—a provision that is particularly important for the School of Engineering. Recognizing that undergraduate campuses across the UC system differ in competitiveness, the committee notes that it is important to preserve their ability to set local policies on transfer requirements and equivalencies.

Thank you for the opportunity to opine. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via Committee Analyst Julia Nelsen at jnelson@senate.ucla.edu.

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