

December 11, 2023

Darnell Hunt  
Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost

**Re: Proposed Changes to UCLA Medal Policy 140**

Dear Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Hunt,

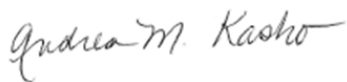
At the December 7, 2023, meeting of the Executive Board, members reviewed the latest proposed changes to UCLA Medal Policy 140, specifically the proposed sentence, "Philanthropy to UCLA must not be a consideration." in section III.A.2., describing eligibility criteria.

Members voted to approved the following motion: "While we continue to hold the view that philanthropy must not be a consideration, we recognize the changes that have been made and accept the latest proposed wording."

Some members expressed serious concerns about using the medal as a way to solicit or reward philanthropy. They suggested that "to UCLA" means all donations including those given to a specific department or program. One member observed that philanthropy has done a world of good, and would not have ruled out philanthropy as a criterion.

The Executive Board expressed appreciation for the continued engagement on this issue.

Sincerely,



Andrea Kasko  
Chair, UCLA Academic Senate

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Cc: Kathleen Bawn, Vice Chair/Chair Elect, UCLA Academic Senate  
Gene Block, Chancellor, UCLA  
Jessica Cattelino, Immediate Past Chair, UCLA Academic Senate  
April de Stefano, Executive Director, UCLA Academic Senate  
Yolanda Gorman, Chief of Staff and Senior Advisor to the Chancellor, UCLA  
Anna Joyce, Director of Administrative Policies and Strategic Initiatives, UCLA  
Emily Rose, Assistant Provost and Chief of Staff to the EVCP, UCLA