Future of Graduate Programs and Graduate Student Support Joint Task Force

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Darnell Hunt
Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost

Andrea Kasko
Academic Senate Chair

Re: **Future of Graduate Programs and Graduate Student Support Joint Task Force Report**

Dear EVCP Hunt and Chair Kasko,

We are pleased to submit the attached Report of the Future of Graduate Programs and Graduate Student Support (FGPGSS) Joint Task Force for your consideration. In February 2023, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Darnell Hunt and 2022-2023 Academic Senate Chair Jessica Cattelino co-charged the task force to address questions and consider longstanding structural issues regarding the future of graduate programs and graduate student support.

We hope that both the Administration and the Academic Senate will closely review the Report and that it will provide substantive guidance for the future of graduate education at UCLA.

We look forward to discussing the Report with you. On behalf of the task force, we appreciate the opportunity to engage with this important topic, central to the university's mission of research, teaching, and service.

Sincerely,

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