

February 20, 2024

Andrea Kasko, Chair Academic Senate

Re: Future of Graduate Programs and Graduate Student Support Joint Task Force (FGPGSS JTF) Report

Dear Chair Kasko,

At its meeting on February 7, 2024, the Council on Research (COR) reviewed and discussed the Future of Graduate Programs and Graduate Student Support Joint Task Force.

Members agreed with the Council on Planning and Budget and Graduate Council's comments that the report does not provide actionable recommendations and is limited to defining problems.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions for us, please do not hesitate to contact me at asampath@jsei.ucla.edu or via the Council's analyst, Elizabeth Feller, at efeller@senate.ucla.edu.

Sincerely,

Alapakkam Sampath, Chair Council on Research

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