March 2, 2017

TO: Susan Cochran, Chair
    UCLA Academic Senate

FR: Ertugrul Taciroglu, Chair
    Undergraduate Council

Re: THE UC NATURAL RESERVE SYSTEM SYSTEMWIDE CALIFORNIA ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION
    FIELD COURSE & PROPOSED REVISION TO SR 630

At its January 27, 2017 meeting, the Undergraduate Council discussed the UC Natural Reserve System
Systemwide California Ecology and Conservation Field Course and the proposed revision to SR 630.

The Council had two primary concerns regarding the proposal. First, our members were concerned with
the change in language to adopt the term "a systemwide course". To our knowledge, there is currently no
universally accepted definition on what constitutes a systemwide course. One could potentially argue that
online courses (and other course offerings, such as summer sessions courses which are open to all UC and
non-UC students) are systemwide courses. Therefore, the Council cannot support the accepted change to
SR 630 as it is currently written.

The second issue of concern is related to the UC Natural Reserve System Systemwide California Ecology
and Conservation Field Course. After conferring with our Registrar’s Office, it is the Council's
understanding that credit for this program is not granted through a UC campus, but through the University
of California Office of the President (UCOP). The Council does not believe it is appropriate for UCOP, which
is an administrative unit (not an academic one), to confer course credit and issue transcripts independent
of a UC campus.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me or Eric Wells, the
Undergraduate Council Analyst, at x51194.

cc: Christopher Jados, Executive Assistant to Senate Leadership & CAO
    Linda Mohr, CAO, Academic Senate
March 3, 2017

To: Susan Cochran, Chair
Academic Senate

From: Lothar von Falkenhausen, Chair
Committee on International Education

Re: (Systemwide Senate Review) Proposed Revisions to Senate Regulation 630.D

CIE received the request for comment on the proposed revisions to Senate Regulations 630.D. Following review this is not a matter falling under the purview of CIE, in spite of its similarity to the Education Abroad programs. CIE has no comment on the proposed changes.

We thank you for the opportunity to opine.

cc: Susan Cochran, Chair, Academic Senate
Leobardo F. Estrada, Immediate Past Chair, Academic Senate
Sandra Graham, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect, Academic Senate
Linda Mohr, Chief Administrative Officer, Academic Senate
March 3, 2017

To: Susan Cochran, Chair
    Academic Senate

From: Michael Shin, Chair
    Committee on Instructional Teaching

Re: (Systemwide Senate Review) Proposed Revisions to Senate Regulation 630.D

CIT received the request for comment on the proposed revisions to Senate Regulations 630.D. CIT has no comment on the proposed changes.

We thank you for the opportunity to opine.

cc: Susan Cochran, Chair, Academic Senate
    Leobardo F. Estrada, Immediate Past Chair, Academic Senate
    Sandra Graham, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect, Academic Senate
    Linda Mohr, Chief Administrative Officer, Academic Senate