PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY AT UC SANTA BARBARA

We reaffirm, on behalf of UC Santa Barbara, our campus commitment to civil discourse, freedom of speech and non-violence. These are core values of our academic community and we share a common responsibility to protect and safeguard them. Our students, faculty and staff must continue to work together to discuss important issues and concerns in an environment of mutual respect, safety, and tolerance, even in difficult times. We encourage our UC Santa Barbara community to join us in embracing the following principles:

1. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to uphold and protect students’ rights to freedom of speech and expression.
2. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to uphold and protect students’ rights to freedom of assembly, in a way consistent with university regulations.
3. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to create and promote a safe environment for community members to be able to engage in their right to freedom of speech and assembly.
4. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to foster an environment where the exchange of opinions and thoughts from all community members is allowed.
5. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to foster an environment that allows for non-violent protests.
6. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to prohibit the use of police brutality or excessive force at non-violent gatherings.
7. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to enforce campus policies that protect students’ rights to freedom of speech and assembly.
8. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to hold ourselves accountable for actions committed by campus police.
9. We, the UCSB Administration, pledge to hold community members accountable for honoring students’ rights.

1. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will exercise our rights to freedom of speech and expression in a way that is nonviolent and does not damage property.
2. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will exercise our rights to freedom of assembly in a way that is consistent with university regulations or willingly accept the known consequences of our actions.
3. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will promote and engage in safe, nonviolent, and constructive environment for community members to be able to engage in their right to freedom of speech and assembly.
4. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will promote and engage in safe, nonviolent, and constructive environment where the exchange of opinions and thoughts from all community members is allowed.
5. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will promote and engage in an environment that allows for non-violent protests.
6. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will hold our campus administration and leadership accountable to prohibit the use of police brutality or excessive force in non-violent gatherings.

7. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will respect campus policies that do not infringe on students’ rights to freedom of speech and assembly.

8. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will hold our chancellor and police chief accountable to actions committed by police on campus.

9. We, the undergraduate students of UCSB, will hold our community members accountable to honoring rights of every member of our campus community.

We acknowledge that the Academic Senate will be consulted on all aspects of our campus administration.

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