## UC SANTA BARBARA



November 9, 2016 <u>Andrea Estrada</u>

## 'An Equal Opportunity to Learn and Explore'

## *President Janet Napolitano and the Chancellors of the University of California today (Nov. 9) issued the following statement:*

In light of yesterday's election results, we know there is understandable consternation and uncertainty among members of the University of California community. The University of California is proud of being a diverse and welcoming place for students, faculty, and staff with a wide range of backgrounds, experiences and perspectives. Diversity is central to our mission. We remain absolutely committed to supporting all members of our community and adhering to UC's Principles Against Intolerance. As the Principles make clear, the University "strives to foster an environment in which all are included" and "all are given an equal opportunity to learn and explore." The University of California will continue to pursue and protect these principles now and in the future, and urges our students, faculty, staff, and all others associated with the University to do so as well.

We are proud of what the University of California stands for and hope to convey that positive message to others in our state and nation.

President Janet Napolitano, University of California

Chancellor Nicholas B. Dirks, UC Berkeley

Interim Chancellor Ralph Hexter, UC Davis

Chancellor Howard Gillman, UC Irvine Chancellor Gene Block, UCLA Chancellor Dorothy Leland, UC Merced Chancellor Kim A. Wilcox, UC Riverside Chancellor Pradeep Khosla, UC San Diego Chancellor Sam Hawgood, UC San Francisco Chancellor Henry T. Yang, UC Santa Barbara Chancellor George R. Blumenthal, UC Santa Cruz

## About UC Santa Barbara

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.