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Dear Colleagues,

As you are aware, the President has issued several Executive Orders that affect the visas of individuals from various countries. Most recently, on March 6, 2017, President Trump issued an Executive Order (EO) titled [\*Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States\*](#), which suspends entry into the United States of individuals from six countries, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen, for 90 days. The new EO was to take effect on March 16, 2017, but was temporarily suspended by the federal courts.

The University of California Office of the President (UCOP) has issued a [statement](#) giving more detail and guidance concerning the new EO.

**As a reminder, notwithstanding even well-meaning concerns about whether an applicant can successfully enter the United States, departments must not discriminate against prospective applicants because of their national origin. Such discrimination is illegal and violates University policy.**

The UC Office of the President will continue to monitor and analyze the impact of the Executive Order and will issue additional guidance as needed. Campus updates regarding the Executive Order will be provided as it becomes available. A useful clearinghouse page is available at:

<https://equity.ucla.edu/programs-resources/processing-the-executive-orders>

Thank you in advance for your continued partnership in admitting and yielding the strongest applicants for your graduate programs.

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