Dear Deans, Directors and Department Chairs,

I am writing to notify you of a survey of graduate and professional students that will be conducted this spring. The UCLA Student Affairs Graduate and Professional Student Survey allows us to gather data on graduate student life at UCLA, particularly in the areas of campus climate, health and wellness, service needs, and professional development opportunities. The survey is designed to gather general information about barriers to progress, needs, beliefs, etc. that can inform our programming; participants will not be asked to evaluate specific services. The data will be used to ensure that graduate student services provided by the Career Center, Financial Aid, Counseling and Psychological Services, Ashe Center, Graduate Student Resource Center, Recreation, and the LGBT Center, as well as by the Graduate Division, continue to meet the evolving needs of our graduate and professional school students.

The Student Affairs Information and Research Office (SAIRO) will be coordinating administration of this online survey. Invitations to participate in the survey will be emailed to all graduate and professional students enrolled for the spring 2017 term. The first invitation to participate will be sent April 18th; the survey will be available for approximately three months. In addition to e-mail notifications, survey publicity flyers will be sent to departmental staff, GSA Forum, and GSA Councils for distribution.

We ask that you let your departmental staff know about the survey so that if they receive inquiries from students, they will know that the survey is legitimate and will encourage participation.

Thank you for your support. Please contact SAIRO at sairo3@saonet.ucla.edu if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,

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