Dear Graduate Students,

You may have heard about the potential impacts of the tax reform proposals now being debated in Congress. The University of California Advocacy Network (UCAN) has outlined the provisions that could adversely affect you and your fellow graduate students. For example, in the version that the House passed, tuition and fee remissions and employer-paid educational benefits would be considered taxable income, putting graduate education out of reach for many. Graduate education would also be adversely affected by provisions on Charitable Giving, Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and the Individual Mandate Repeal.

Please take a moment to email or call your elected representatives through this easy-to-use advocacy site. Given that many elected officials in the immediate Los Angeles area are already on-record against these proposals, we ask you to consider reaching out to your hometown representatives from other parts of the state or country – enter the relevant zip code. Please act now to tell them your story and how these changes would impact you directly.

[Link to UCAN advocacy site]

Thank you very much for making your voice heard.

With best wishes,

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