


**COMMITTEE ON FACULTY WELFARE**

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To: Dylan Rodriguez  
Riverside Division Academic Senate

From: Daniel Jeske, Chair   
Committee on Faculty Welfare

Re: Proposed UC Transfer Admission Guarantee

The Faculty Welfare Committee (FWC) met on 2/19/2019 and discussed the UC Transfer Guarantee Proposal. The committee finds that increasing the number of transfer student in UC system is a good idea overall. There are, however, some concerns on its implementation and effects on the UC campuses. The concerns are related to two broad categories – (a) general idea of the growth of transfer students, and (b) specifics of the UC Transfer Guarantee Proposal.

(a) General:

1. Number of transfer students has been steadily growing, and this proposal will accentuate this growth. Growth in infrastructure and resources, unfortunately, has not kept pace with it. This proposal should take the need for increasing resources into account.
2. Different community colleges have different academic calendars, which often is NOT synced with UC campus's calendars and admission deadlines. Based on previous experiences, it is going to create issues and delays in teaching assignments and scheduling.
3. Why not all UC campuses? It is unfair that some campuses spend significant amount of resources and time in the education of transfer students and their growth, while others do not participate in the program.

(b) Specifics:

The committee finds lack of clarity in specifics that are critical to evaluate this proposal. A few examples are:

1. A clear timeline is absent in the proposal. For example, when does a student ideally complete the Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) agreement? Near the end of their community college? After they finish? After they join a particular UC campus?
2. What does a TAG guarantee? Admission in a specific campus in a specific major? Or Any campus in the UC system?
3. Can individual campus and major stipulate their own criteria, like GPA threshold?