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Agricultural Sciences**
Executive Committee

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To: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Louis Santiago, Chair, Executive Committee
College of Natural and Agricultural Science



Re: Report of the Standardized Testing Task Force

The CNAS Executive Committee discussed the Report of the Standardized Testing Task Force. The committee agreed that if these tests were eliminated, it would put more emphasis on the high school grade point average (HSGPA), which is not standardized and more dependent on uncontrollable factors. The committee noted that we do not do the Comprehensive Review at UCR, so the use of standardized tests in admissions is relatively more important here. The committee also noted that the regressions for using SAT scores to predict performance had r-squared values of around 0.2, which is not predictive, and indicates that only around 20% of the variance is accounted for, so we wondered what other factors contribute.