COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

March 4, 2021

To: Jason Stajich, Chair
   Riverside Division

From: Heidi Brevik-Zender, Chair
   Committee on International Education

Re: Campus Review: Future Fluent: University of California, Riverside Strategic Plan, February 2021 Draft

The Academic Senate Committee on International Education has reviewed the document “Future Fluent: University of California, Riverside Strategic Plan, February 2021 Draft” and offers the following feedback:

1. The Committee endorses the draft plan’s support for a strong international presence in university undergraduate, graduate, faculty, and research communities.

2. The Committee recommends greater prioritization and institutional support for Education Abroad in the university’s strategic plan. For some students, study in a new country, international research opportunities or international internships, all of which are forms of education abroad, are the most transformative parts of an undergraduate educational experience. These experiences have been shown to support the university’s broader mission and goals for students, including decreased time-to-degree, undergraduate research productivity, student satisfaction, and student success beyond graduation.