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TO: Faculty, staff, students

FROM: Crisis Management Team

SUBJ: COVID-19 Update/Travel Guidance

Interim Direction Regarding Events and Gatherings

The expanding outbreak of COVID-19 is prompting more aggressive actions around the world in response to this growing public health challenge. In order to mitigate community transmission of COVID-19, UC Berkeley is enacting the following interim restrictions on in-person gatherings at UCB locations and events. This document controls to the extent of any conflict with campus policies including but not limited to the Berkeley Campus Regulations and the Major Events Policy.

As a University, we must balance two important priorities: responding to public health authority guidance and direction and continuing to fulfill our missions of research, teaching, and public service.

UC Berkeley will continue to monitor the situation and provide updated guidance and information as circumstances warrant. The latest information can be found on the [UCB COVID-19 resource page](#).

The following interim restrictions have been since effective March 17 and will remain effective through April 7, 2020, and will be updated as conditions change.

All department or administrative events and all events held on University property are cancelled effective March 17 through April 7, 2020.

Facility managers may accept non-binding reservations for the use of campus facilities but may not enter into any new facility use contracts for events to occur between March 17 and December 31, 2020, until this policy is modified.

For avoidance of doubt, the following events taking place in campus facilities are subject to this policy.

Department or administration events:

An event scheduled, planned, and organized by a campus administrative unit or an

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academic department.

Private events:

Events that take place pursuant to an agreement with that is not a registered student organization or a non-affiliate (weddings, conferences, etc.).

Student Org (RSO) events:

An event scheduled, planned, and organized by a recognized student organization (RSO) of the University.

Questions relating to the cancellation of contracts may be directed to the Office of Legal Affairs.