

**MARCH 17 UPDATE: MARCH 2020 REGENTS MEETING WILL BE HELD ENTIRELY AS A TELECONFERENCE - TO REDUCE RISKS RELATED TO COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)**

The world is facing an extremely serious public health threat related to COVID-19 (coronavirus). Declarations of Emergency have been issued by federal, state and local officials, and public health officials have placed a limit on mass gatherings and have restricted and/or advised against all travel except that which is deemed essential. The University of California provides essential services to the People of California and continues to operate. As we manage through this crisis, important business remains to be done and matters require action so that our community can continue to plan. In all events, the University of California holds as its highest priority the health, safety and wellbeing of its students, faculty, staff, visitors and all other members of its communities.

For these reasons, it is necessary that the Board of Regents meeting scheduled for March 17 -19 not proceed as an in-person meeting and instead it will be conducted as a teleconference. **There will be no public access to the previously noticed meeting site and no in-person public comment.**

The public will still have a full opportunity to observe the meeting and to make public comment, as follows:

- **Members of the public are encouraged to watch the meeting via [livestream](#) through the Regents website.**
- **Members of the public who wish to offer public comment by phone may do so by providing their phone number in advance to [regentsoffice@ucop.edu](mailto:regentsoffice@ucop.edu). The Secretary and Chief of Staff will call that number if and when your name is called from the list.** All public comments will be selected randomly. Efforts will be made to accommodate each individual who has signed up to speak. However, given time constraints, there is no guarantee that all who have signed up will be able to address the Regents.
- **Written comments may be mailed or emailed in advance of the meeting to the Regents Office ([regentsoffice@ucop.edu](mailto:regentsoffice@ucop.edu)).** To the extent possible all written comments will be distributed to members of the Board, or its appropriate committee, prior to the beginning of the Board or committee meeting.