

To the UC Santa Cruz Administration:

As the Associated Students Government Affairs Committee, our mission is to promote the well-being of students at CSU, Chico. In Spring 2019, we endorsed a resolution that was passed at the California State Student Association titled "Supporting Civil Disobedience and Social Action at all CSU's." Part of this resolution affirms that "students who identify within historically marginalized communities express that the lack of resources... has a negative impact on their individual selves and their community in which has led to acts of community civil disobedience to gain justice". Though UC Santa Cruz is not a CSU campus, we understand that the struggles of student activists are ones we share.

The People's Coalition and Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA4All) movement have led various forms of protest in the last couple months at UCSC. This has included the withholding of grades by graduate assistants, the taking over of the student dining hall, press conferences, attempts to set up meetings with administration, and various marches and protests on and around campus. As of Friday February 14th, the demands of The People's Coalition are currently:

- \$1,400 raise for graduate students to allow them to afford the cost of living
- Satisfy the demands of the Black Student Union, Undocu Collective, Maura Kea Protectors, and Snail movement
- Divest from TMT and all imperialist practices
- Remove campus police and ICE from campus
- Stop all construction/expansion of buildings
- Cap administrative salaries
- Free childcare
- Free dining halls and food pantry expansion
- Explicit condemnation of white supremacy

We are aware of some actions on the behalf of the UC Santa Cruz administration in retaliation to these protests, including asking students to report faculty and graduate assistants that cancel class, intimidating international students from participating in protests by reminding them of their visa status, arresting 17 students during a peaceful protest, and threatening the termination of 200 graduate assistants. We are also aware that on Wednesday, February 12th, militarized police were brought in from outside Santa Cruz county in response to a mass peaceful protest. It has been estimated that these police are costing the campus nearly \$500,000 a day.

To the administration: We ask that you stop all indirect and militarized attacks on those who are participating in the COLA movement, and that you meet the demand for a \$1,400 raise for graduate students. We also ask that you start to take steps to meet any further demands listed by The People's Coalition.

To the graduate/undergraduate students, faculty, staff, and workers that are participating in these protests: we stand in solidarity with you, your mobilization, and your action. We support you, and we look forward to seeing justice for your cause.

Sincerely,

The Associated Students Government Affairs Committee at CSU, Chico