

CAMPUS CLIMATE NOTIFICATION EMAIL FOR COLLEAGUES

Greetings,

Welcome to the start of a new academic year. The Office of the Chancellor has created systemwide standards to determine the “time, place, and manner” in which free speech activities may be conducted on university property. Individual universities have provided Addenda to the policy that identify the specific time, place and manner regulations for their respective campus. This interim systemwide policy fulfills a new requirement enacted by the California Legislature and is in effect immediately for all students and non-represented employees. The university’s existing campus time, place and manner policy will continue to apply to represented employees until bargaining is complete for the interim time place, and manner policy and campus addendum.

The CSU is committed to fostering an inclusive CSU community. As a part of this commitment, we uphold freedom of speech and expression as essential to our educational mission. Institutions of higher education have a special obligation to encourage and support the free expression of ideas, values, and opinions, even where they may be unpopular or controversial. Freedom of expression, however, coexists with other rights such as the need to preserve public order and safety and to maintain the ability of the CSU to fulfill its educational mission. The exercise of freedom of expression and assembly rights must still comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, as well as university policies.

The Office of the Chancellor has created a systemwide website that serves as a hub of information on these matters. This [website \[calstate.edu\] \[calstate.edu\]](#) includes all CSU campus-based policies and resources meant to foster healthy discourse and bring together community members with different viewpoints, as well as educational activities and programs that support the balance of free speech activities, our educational mission and campus safety.

Kind regards,

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