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Council of Deans and Vice Chancellors
UC Davis NAGPRA Implementation Committee
UC Davis Native American and Indigenous Advisory Committee

RE: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Implementation Committee

Dear Colleagues,

I write to request your assistance soliciting nominations from faculty, staff and students qualified to serve on the UC Davis Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Implementation Committee. Respectful repatriation is a fundamental value of the University, mandated by both Federal NAGPRA and California NAGPRA (CalNAGPRA). The Campus NAGPRA Committee is charged with providing compliance oversight and review, advising on matters related to the University's implementation of NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA, and promoting the implementation of the UC NAGPRA policy.

UC Davis re-established our NAGPRA Committee in Fall 2021 in order to come into compliance with new CalNAGPRA requirements regarding the composition and qualifications of Committee members. The Committee is composed of six individuals- three representatives from California Indian Tribes and three from the University of California. We are currently soliciting nominations to fill one UC vacancy expected in June 2022, due to the graduation of one of our PhD students.

Qualifications

All UC representatives, including non-voting members, must meet the following criteria:

- Have a graduate degree in either Archaeology, Anthropology, Native American Studies, Ethnic Studies, Law, Sociology, Environmental Studies, or History, with a focus in California.
- Have a minimum of five years' experience working in the applicable field of study.

In addition, preference will be given to members "who have demonstrated, through their professional experience, the ability to work in collaboration with Native American Tribes successfully on issues related to Repatriation or museum collection management" (CalNAGPRA §8026(c)(2)). The UC Policy currently allows the Campus to make exceptions to the above qualifications provided that such exceptions promote repatriation and amplify the Policy's Purpose and Guiding Principles and that proposed members have been nominated by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC).

Nomination Process

In accordance with CalNAGPRA, the California NAHC nominates all Committee members. In my role as the Chancellor's Designee under the UC NAGPRA Policy, I appoint the Committee, upon NAHC's nomination.

For additional application details, please see: <https://nahc.ca.gov/calnagpra/nominate/>.

As leaders in your respective areas, we are asking for your assistance distributing this information and identifying UC representatives that meet the above qualifications. Please encourage any qualified individuals to apply directly to the NAHC. In order to be considered prior to the next NAHC Commission meeting, applicants should submit nomination packet by June 3, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact NAGPRA Project Manager Megon Noble (mnoble@ucdavis.edu). Thank you in advance for your assistance.

All the Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Croughan".

Mary Croughan
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

I concur:

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