

California State University SAN MARCOS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Members of the Cal State San Marcos Community:

Cal State San Marcos is closely monitoring recent actions taken by President Trump, including an Executive Order that blocks entry into the United States of individuals from seven nations—Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen—and an Executive Order that calls for the construction of a physical wall on the border between the United States and Mexico.

The implications of these orders are not yet fully clear, but we are working with the CSU Chancellor's Office to track developments and assess the impact on our students, faculty and staff. Answers to <u>frequently asked questions are available online</u> based on current information.

Student Affairs and Global Affairs are in the process of reaching out to affected students and other members of our campus community. As more information is available, we will provide updates. For the time being, we urge our international students as well as all faculty, staff and students—particularly those who hold passports from the seven countries named—to exercise caution when traveling abroad and avoid travel outside of the United States if possible.

The American Association of State Colleges and Universities, of which CSUSM is a member, issued a <u>statement today</u>, which Cal State San Marcos fully endorses. In addition, I would like to remind the campus community that we have a policy stating the University Police Department will not contact, detain, question or arrest an individual solely on the basis of being or suspected of being undocumented. The complete policy may be viewed <u>online</u>.

Cal State San Marcos is committed to cultivating a culture of diversity and inclusiveness that is welcoming to all individuals regardless of race and ethnicity, religious beliefs, political perspectives, gender and sexual orientation, nationality, talents and abilities. We value the contributions of our entire community—including our international students, faculty and staff—who enhance our learning institution and enrich our mission.

Assistance is available from:

- The Office of Global Education and International Student and Scholar Services for international students and faculty.
- <u>Student Health and Counseling Services</u> for supportive, confidential counseling.
- Social justice centers, including <u>The Cross-Cultural Center</u> and <u>The Latin@ Center</u>, for supportive environments to discuss and engage with others.
- SOAR (Student Outreach and Referral) for referral to onand off-campus resources for students.
- The <u>Office of University Ombuds</u> for confidential and neutral assistance for students, faculty and staff.

Together we must continue to uphold the deep sense of caring and community that we all value so much. Together we are CSUSM.

Karen S. Haynes, President