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To: Academic Department Chairs and Deans, Academic Unit Directors, and AP  
Department Business Officers and Staff

From: Cindy Doherty, Director Academic Personnel

Re: Graduate Student Researcher Organizing Information

We have learned that the United Auto Workers (UAW) is approaching graduate student researchers and asking them to sign union authorization cards and related materials.

UC supports the rights of employees to decide whether unionization is beneficial for them, and believes this choice should be well informed. Information regarding the union representation is available at: [https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/labor/faq.html#3\\_13](https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/labor/faq.html#3_13)

If you or your departmental faculty and other supervisors have general questions about graduate student organizing or concerns about union organizing activity in your department or lab areas, please contact Employee & Labor Relations via [HR ServiceNow](#).

cc: Employee and Labor Relations  
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