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Letter of Support: University of California Disaster Resilience Network (UCDRN) and UC Online

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To Whom It May Concern:

The University of California has long embraced its role as a public research university committed to advancing knowledge in service of society. From this space of communicative collaboration, UC Online out of the University of California Office of the President is proud to support the University of California Disaster Resilience Network (UCDRN), whose mission embodies this purpose in mobilizing the full breadth of UC's expertise to build safer, more resilient, and more equitable communities.

At its heart, UCDRN represents what makes the UC system extraordinary: collaboration across disciplines, campuses, and communities to confront complex challenges with shared purpose. Disaster resilience demands that we integrate science, policy, design, data, and compassion, and UCDRN provides the connective tissue that makes this possible.

UC Online's systemwide platform amplifies these efforts by enabling students, scholars, and practitioners to learn together anywhere and anytime. Through online and hybrid instruction, UC Online extends access to world-class teaching and research, supporting the next generation of leaders who will shape California's preparedness and adaptation strategies. This digital infrastructure ensures that UCDRN's collective expertise is not limited by geography but is accessible across our campuses and beyond.

Already, UC Online has supported the development of courses that translate UC research into transformative learning experiences, including:

- UC Berkeley: EEP 007 "Disaster Risk Resilience and Adaptation"
- UC Berkeley: LDARCH 119 "Flood Risk Management"
- UC Berkeley: LDARCH 229 "Flood Risk Management"
- UC Riverside: GEO 004 "Natural Hazards and Disasters"
- UC Riverside: "Directed Studies and Independent Research in Hazards and Disasters"
- UC Riverside: GEO 239 "Current Topics in Hazards and Disasters"
- UC San Diego: "Health Vulnerability, Climate Change, and Extreme Weather Disasters"

These offerings model how UC can transform disciplinary expertise into accessible, action-oriented education. Future collaborations between UC Online and UCDRN will deepen this impact through new courses, fellowships, and certificate programs—building a learning ecosystem that connects research, teaching, and community resilience.

UC Online and UCDRN share a conviction that knowledge must serve the public good. Together, we are cultivating a culture of preparedness and innovation that extends the reach of

UC's excellence to every Californian. In doing so, we reaffirm the University's historic commitment to collaboration, equity, and the advancement of society through shared learning.

As evidence of this commitment, UC Online will provide staffing support for both strategic and operational needs, identifying areas of academic support and subject to annual review and renewal. We look forward to continued partnership with UCDRN as we advance the University's mission to educate, discover, and serve in ways that meet the defining challenges of our time.

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Sincerely,

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