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Electronic Communications Policy

I am pleased to issue the revised University of California Electronic Communications Policy (ECP), which is available on the Web at <http://www.ucop.edu/ucophome/coordrev/policy/PP081805.pdf>. * Effective immediately, this revision replaces the original policy issued on November 17, 2000.

The revised Electronic Communications Policy continues to uphold the basic principles of academic freedom, shared governance, freedom of speech, and privacy upon which the policy originally was based. The revisions to the 2000 version address a range of concerns that had arisen since the policy's issuance. Critical issues covered in the revision include alignment of policy provisions with network security and management practices; establishment of guidelines for accessing the electronic communications of absent or separated employees; and clarification that, as Presidential policy, the ECP applies to every member of the University community.

A draft revision was presented to the University community on February 1 of this year, and the current revision incorporates many of the recommendations arising from this review. In particular, members of the Academic Senate provided substantive feedback to help shape the policy revision.

A summary of substantive changes is included as a reference aid. The summary may be found on the Web at <http://www.ucop.edu/irc/policy/ecpupdate>. Please note that each campus now must designate a Coordinator to administer the policy.

Responsibility for policy implementation has been delegated to Kristine Hafner, Associate Vice President-- Information Resources and Communications (IR&C) and Chief Information Officer. Campus Electronic Communications Policy coordinators may work directly with IR&C Policy Director Jacqueline Craig on questions of interpretation and implementation. She may be reached by telephone at (510) 987-0409 or by electronic mail at Jacqueline.Craig@ucop.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robert C. Dynes'.

Robert C. Dynes

Enclosures

[Policy Summary](#)

[Electronic Communications Policy](#)

[ECP Attachment 1 - User Advisories](#)

[ECP Attachment 2 - Implementation Guidelines](#)

* See links to the policy as well as its two attachments under Enclosures

cc: Members, President's Cabinet (w/o)
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