

Dear Students,

I am reaching out to you all on behalf of Dean López with some exciting updates and a time sensitive request. Our School is working with the consulting firm AEA, experts in strategic planning for schools of the arts and arts organizations. Among their most recent clients: University of Arizona College of Fine Arts, Yale School of Art, Alvin Ailey Dance Foundation, Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM), The J. Paul Getty Trust, A2RU - The Alliance for Arts and Research Universities. Our working with AEA will ensure optimizing the school's resources.

Next week, AEA will be here for their first in-person visit with CTSA on March 12 and 13 to consult broadly with our community. Please prioritize attending one of the stakeholder meetings for undergraduate and graduate students or communicate things that are important to you about CTSA's strategic planning priorities to your department chair or Climate Council. We want everyone's voice heard throughout the process. This is the first of several stakeholder conversations, and there will be future opportunities to further engage. However, we encourage you to bring your voice to this formative first round of conversation with AEA because it sets the foundation for the work ahead with our strategic planning.

Please RSVP and let us know if you are able to attend the meeting next Tuesday, March 12:

Location: CAC Conference Room - 1021

3-3:45pm – Undergraduate Students

4-4:45pm – Graduate Students

RSVP Link: <https://forms.gle/UKF14dVC7EMREjf17>

The Dean's Office will provide light refreshments for the meeting.

Thank you so very much for your participation and all you bring to the school. We are excited about this opportunity as we strategically and intentionally chart our future as a school of the arts at UC Irvine supporting and educating transformational artists and creative leaders.

Best,

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