

RESOLUTION NO. 1920-27

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PRIORITIZATION OF CALIFORNIA
RESIDENT STUDENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
CALIFORNIA**

WHEREAS, Public Education is the State of California's number one constitutionally mandated budget priority, and

WHEREAS, The University of California is a taxpayer funded public land grant institution administered by the University of California Board of Regents, and

WHEREAS, While the number of California resident students offered admission to the University of California as Freshmen has slightly increased (2%) in the last 10 years (from 69,251 in 2008 to 70,750 in 2018), the number of non-resident students (both domestic and international) has increased 424% (from 6,836 in 2008 to 35,855 in 2018)¹, and

WHEREAS, Report Number 2015-107 by the California State Auditor found that The University of California's admissions and financial decisions have disadvantaged California Resident Students, and contrary to the University of California's Master Plan for Higher Education, its admissions policies have favored non-residents who were less academically qualified than resident students², and

WHEREAS, Capistrano Unified School District graduates approximately 4,000 seniors each year (with approximately 500 students comprising the top 1/8 of the students in their graduating class) who have been disadvantaged by the University's admission policies, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees for the Capistrano Unified School District believes that the University should serve primarily those who provide for its financial and civic support – California residents, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Board of Trustees for the Capistrano Unified School District supports and recommends that the University of California reflect the intent of the Master Plan by increasing the educational opportunity for California resident students by prioritizing admission of all graduates of California Public High Schools that are in the top 1/8, (12 1/2 per cent) of their high school graduating class, and by amending the admission standards to admit only non-residents with academic credentials that place them in the upper half of the residents admitted, and


THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Superintendent of the Capistrano Unified School District is directed to transmit this Resolution to the University of California Board of Regents and to locally elected legislators.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of September, 2019, by the following vote of the Board of Trustees of the Capistrano Unified School District:

AYES: 6
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 1
ABSTAIN: 0

CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: 
President of the Board of Trustees

ATTEST: 
By: _____
Secretary of the Board of Trustees

¹ <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/infocenter/freshman-admissions-summary>

² <https://www.auditor.ca.gov/reports/2015-107/index.html>