

Dear University Librarian,

We are here to deliver a letter on behalf of our Local UC-AFT Librarians. As you are well aware, we have now been bargaining with UC for nearly a year and we've been working without a contract for almost six months.

As the leader of our library, you have a major voice and presence in the administration of our campus and the UC library system through the Council of University Librarians.

You champion the library's voice in academic conversations. You communicate the value of library services to the campus community.

You also understand the instrumental role that librarians serve in this library and appreciate the importance of our academic and professional status. As someone who thinks and cares deeply about the future of our organization, given the current circumstances, you must share our concerns about our ability to recruit and retain quality librarians.

UC negotiators have failed to address—and in some cases have completely disregarded—many of our concerns as professional librarians who care about this library, the university, and our users. We are asking you to use your input and influence to urge UC negotiators to finalize a fair contract with our unit.

You have demonstrated your commitment to the role of our library in the success of our students and faculty. Supporting a fair contract for librarians is an investment toward continuing student and faculty success, and advancing the excellence of the University of California.

Thank you.