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Alternative Commission on the Future of the University

An Alternative Commission on the Future of UC is meeting on May 4th at UCLA to discuss the official UC commission's recommendations of how to restructure our university. Some of these recommendations include moving classes online, charging higher fees, accepting fewer in-state students, and three-year degrees. In response to these suggestions, we will be proposing alternative solutions, like increasing undergrad enrollments, freezing fees, hiring more teachers, fully funding graduate students, protecting high quality education, financial aid for all students, and promoting a more diverse university.

An open discussion between faculty, staff, and students will follow a series of speakers.

A discussion of the commission's recommendations is at:

<http://changinguniversities.blogspot.com/2010/03/future-of-university-funding-options.html>

For UC-AFT alternative proposals:

<http://changinguniversities.blogspot.com/2010/03/lets-have-alternative-commission-on.html>

Speakers include: Toby Higbie (History, UCSB), Katherine King (Comparative Literature), Bob Samuels (UC-AFT), Teresa Avendado (AFSCME), Ali Cruz (Law Student), Holly Craig-Wehrle (Undergrad), and representative of the GSA (Sonia Diaz) and UPTE.

WHAT: Alternative Commission on Future of UC Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, May 4, 5-7pm

WHERE: UCLA Humanities Bldg rm 135

WHO: Faculty, staff, and students, and unions. (See speakers list above)