

June 12, 2014

To: Jose Wudka, Chair, UCR Academic Senate
From: Maria Anguiano, Vice Chancellor for Planning & Budget
Subject: Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies; for review by the UCR Academic Senate

As Chair Designee of the UCR Committee on Naming Campus Properties, Programs, and Facilities, I am requesting the review and approval by the Academic Senate Executive Council for the Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies.

This chair has been recommended by the Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Stephen Cullenberg.

Please review the attached requests, gift agreements and summarized details. This proposed name needs approval by the Academic Senate before it is endorsed by the Campus Naming Committee.

We would appreciate a response with the Academic Senate Executive Council's recommendation as soon as possible, preferably within two weeks.

Thank you.

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June 10, 2014

To: Maria Anguiano, Vice Chancellor for Planning & Budget
From: Hieu Nguyen, Associate Vice Chancellor of Development *HWB*
Subject: Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies; for review by the UCR Academic Senate

In accordance with the approved *UCR Policy for Naming Campus Properties, Academic and Non-academic Programs, and Facilities (copy attached; in the process of being updated)*, I am forwarding the Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies for your review.

This packet includes:

- Initial Request for Approval to Name/Establish an Endowed Chair
- Fund Agreement signed by Stephen Cullenberg, Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, and me
- Other Supporting Information

It is my understanding that you (as *Chair Designee of the UCR Committee on Naming Campus Properties, Programs, & Facilities*) will request a review/approval of the proposed chair from the Academic Senate Executive Council. To facilitate this process, a draft letter is included for your use.

When Academic Senate Executive Council's response is received, University Advancement will provide the packet that goes to the Chancellor for his approval/signature and for subsequent transmission to the Office of the President for approval at that level.

Please copy me on memos and/or responses regarding this request, questions, resolution.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at extension 951-827-1921. Thank you.

Cc: Stephen Cullenberg, Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences
Peter Hayashida, Vice Chancellor of University Advancement
Jeffrey Kaatz, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Development
Dallas Rabenstein, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost
Launa Wilson, Senior Director of Development, CHASS

INITIAL REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO NAME/ESTABLISH AN ENDOWED CHAIR

This form is to help review gifts for compliance with academic plans and priorities, and to facilitate campus review procedures for namings.

Upon completion of this request form, the Dean/Unit Head forwards it for signature to the Associate Vice Chancellor, Development and Vice Chancellor, University Advancement. The Associate Vice Chancellor, Development or designee will submit the request, with draft gift agreement and supporting documentation to the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Planning & Budget for campus review. If approved for recommendation, the EVC&P's Office follows the appropriate procedure for Endowed Chairs.

I. Background Information:

- A. Submitted by:
Name: Stephen Cullenberg
Title: **Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences**
- B. Type of Gift and Comments:
➤ Endowed Chair/Distinguished Professorship: **Endowed Chair**
1. Location of FTE: **College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences**
- C. Proposed name (involving gift): ***Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies***
- D. Honorific naming:
- E. Proposed use(s): **To advance the mission of the college and the study of Judaic culture.**

II. Academic Information: (please attach explanation)

- A. Academic Justification: Explain how the proposed gift or endowment fits into the College/Unit's Academic Plan.

The College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, in accordance with UCR Endowed Chair Policy and Procedures, will establish the *Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies* with the support of various donors. Over the past few years, UC Riverside has experienced incidents of anti-Semitism. Much of this activity was the result of lack of knowledge and basic intolerance. UCR is the only UC campus that does not have an endowed chair in Jewish Studies, who can help to foster a better level of understanding of Judaism and the history of the Jewish people. The Maimonides Chair in Jewish Studies at UCR will:

- Anchor a cross-campus, multi-disciplinary and pluralistic curriculum of Jewish Studies
- Bring a stronger focus and energy to Judaism on campus, enabling Jewish students to find renewed pride in their heritage and for others to better understand the religion
- Help support existing programs such as Hillel, to create a friendly non-threatening space for students to discuss and practice Judaism
- Benefit the surrounding Jewish communities by sharing leadership, counsel and academic knowledge
- Enable the university to attract or retain a world-class Jewish Studies scholar who will enhance the reputation of the campus and enrich the community

The resources provided to the chair holder will be used to support research, facilitate undergraduate and graduate instruction and support outreach to the community.

Management of the *Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies* will be under the direction of the dean of the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences.

- B. Resources: Describe the resources that will be necessary to support the proposed Chair (e.g., FTE and other funding.) Please refer to the College/Unit Academic Plan as appropriate.

No additional resources are needed. This is an existing FTE in the college. Distribution from the endowed fund will be available to the chair holder for research, teaching and community outreach.

III. Contribution Information:

- A. Total amount of private funds expected to be committed (or being discussed):
\$504,000
- B. Form of private contribution (s):
 Outright Gifts
 Written Pledge
- C. Initial contribution/pledge payment expected \$ _____ by (date) _____.
- D. Source(s) of private contribution(s): Various donors (34 total donors). \$504,000 in total gifts received with \$70,060 in pledges receivable.
- E. Will this gift/pledge be anonymous, without publicity? Yes No
First occupant announced once endowment is fully funded.


IV. College/UCR/UC Commitment:

- A. Will any *additional* college, campus-wide or system-wide resources be sought/required (e.g., space, special facilities, equipment, etc.)? How will they be funded? **No additional resources required.**
- B. If Endowed Chair or Professorship, is this a New FTE Existing FTE?
If new, please give reference to your Academic Plan: _____.

V. College/Unit/Faculty/Academic Senate Consultation

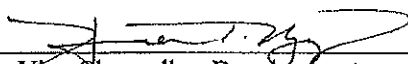
This naming has been reviewed by and received approval from the Associate Deans and Department Chairs/faculty of the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences directly affected by the named chair.

Submitted by:



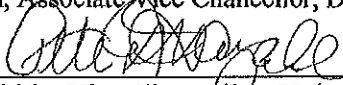
Stephen Cullenberg, Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

2/20/14
Date



Hieu Nguyen, Associate Vice Chancellor, Development

2/20/14
Date



Peter Hayashida, Vice Chancellor, University Advancement

2/26/14
Date



**Endowed Chair Fund Agreement
The UC Riverside Foundation
and
The University of California, Riverside**

The Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies Fund

I. INTRODUCTION

Nearly three dozen individuals, foundations and organizations contributed a total of \$504,000 to endow the Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies, which will fund research and other activities aimed at fostering better understanding of Judaism and the history and heritage of Jewish people. The Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies is named for Moses Maimonides, a Spanish Sephardic Jew who was a rabbi, scholar, philosopher, astronomer and physician in medieval Spain and Egypt. Born in Córdoba, Spain, in 1135, he is regarded as one of the foremost philosophers in Jewish history.

II. PURPOSE AND USE OF ENDOWMENT

A. General Purpose:

Establishment of the Maimonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies will anchor a cross-campus, multi-disciplinary and pluralistic curriculum of Jewish Studies; bring a stronger focus and energy to Judaism on campus, enabling Jewish students to find renewed pride in their heritage and for others to better understand the religion; help support existing programs such as Hillel, to create a friendly non-threatening space for students to discuss and practice Judaism; benefit the surrounding Jewish communities by sharing leadership, counsel and academic knowledge; enable the university to attract or retain a world-class Jewish Studies scholar who will enhance the reputation of the campus and enrich the community

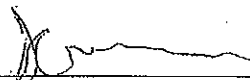
B. Payout from the chair endowment will be transferred to The Regents, to be made available to the chair holder, in support of teaching, research, and service activities in accordance with University policy.

C. The establishment and administration of the Endowment will comply with current policies of the UC Regents and the UC Riverside Foundation. If, in the judgment of the Chancellor, the designated use of endowment payout is impracticable or impossible, then the Chancellor may use endowment payout for such other purposes at the University of California, Riverside as s/he determines to be consistent with Donors' interests and intentions.

III. ADMINISTRATION OF FUND


- A. The chair endowment will be administered in accordance with the UCR Policies and Procedures on Endowed Chairs: Establishment, Administration, and Appointment of Faculty. Subject to approval through the appropriate policy and procedure of the University of California, Riverside, and the Regents of the University of California, the Chair will be named the *Matmonides Endowed Chair in Jewish Studies*.
- B. The Fund's expendable distribution will be determined periodically under the terms of the Endowment Expenditure Policy as established by the UC Riverside Foundation.
- C. The total return earned by the endowment in excess of the amount approved annually for payout shall be retained in the Fund principal to protect the Fund from the effects of inflation and to allow for growth. Any unexpended distribution from the previous year may be combined with that of the current year for spending purposes or added to the Fund principal.
 - a. The principal of the Fund may be combined with other Funds for investment purposes.
 - b. Fiduciary responsibility for governance and investment of this endowment is vested in the UC Riverside Foundation Board of Trustees.
- D. Additional contributions may be made to the Fund.
- E. As is customary with universities and other non-profit organizations across the country, a one-time gift fee is applied to each gift/pledge payment in order to provide essential support to UCR's advancement program. The fee is currently 5%. In addition, administrative fees will be changed in accordance with UCR policy.

ACCEPTANCES:



Stephen Cullenberg
Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

3/12/14
Date



Hieu Nguyen
Associate Vice Chancellor for Development

3/13/2014
Date