
ASUCSD Statement regarding May 6, 2024

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Associated Students denounces the police militarization undertaken by the UC San Diego administration at Library Walk on May 6, 2024

On May 6, 2024 at approximately 5:00 AM PST, the UC San Diego administration called for the presence of armed police on our campus. They arrived in riot gear, well-prepared for both the violence and arrests of students—this was evident based on the large police precinct transportation buses that were parked at Price Center. The police were ready for detainees. Snipers stationed on roofs of the Student Health Services (SHS) building were faced towards students and ready to fire. We deem that the criminalizing and dehumanizing actions undertaken by the campus administration, the very people who have promised to protect its students, to be inhumane.

In the last few days, Chancellor Pradeep Khosla and members of his cabinet have made statements that proudly tout their dismantling of the peaceful protest on Library Walk. We take these statements made by the campus administration as egregious and unacceptable. These statements made by campus administration continued to prove that they are only “student-centered” in name; that if students stand up to demand better from the campus, administration will use all their efforts to suppress the voice of

our student community.

We, the Associated Students of UC San Diego, stand with the students who were wrongfully harmed, arrested, and charged by police entities called upon by the campus administration. We call for all those complicit in the brutal assault of students on May 6th to be held accountable for their utter and complete failure to uphold humanity. These actions are in direct contradiction of [UC San Diego's Principles of Community](#)—to “promote campus unity and raise awareness of the campus's strategic vision as a student-centered, research-focused, service-oriented public university.”

The Associated Students plan to move forward in our aiding of the student body by:

- Calling for a Vote of No Confidence against Chancellor Pradeep Khosla at our Senate Meeting on May 8, 2024.
- Moving for an Academic Boycott of the UCEAP Study Abroad Programs:
 - Termination of the HINE 137GS Global Seminar
 - Termination of Study Abroad Programs hosted with the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
- Empowering the AS Office of Student Advocacy to help students find a resolution regarding student conduct cases made against them, while also advocating for these cases to be dropped. Book an appointment or learn more information through their [website](#).
- Calling for all high-ranking faculty members of UC San Diego, such as Provosts, Deans, etc., to support students who were wrongfully suspended or dismissed for exercising their right to free speech.

UC San Diego students have consistently been at the forefront of historical movements. Through protests, sit-ins, walkouts, boycotts, and public demonstrations, they have championed causes for reform both locally and internationally. The recent events echo the activism of previous generations, and will remain ingrained in our history. Our institution should support the continuation of this legacy that they claim to be proud of.

The Associated Students are for students **first** and we stand alongside all of those who peacefully protest on our campus for the change they believe in.



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