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For: MEMBERS of the CU UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

Through: THE CHANCELLORS

Cc: THE VICE-CHANCELLORS FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

CMAT

From: Maria Cynthia Rose Banzon Bautista
Vice-President for Academic Affairs

**Re: SUSPENSION OF UPCAT IN THE INTAKE OF FIRST YEAR STUDENTS
FOR AY 2022-2023**

The immense logistical challenge of administering UPCAT in the UP campuses and 95 testing centers throughout the archipelago, while the trajectory of the pandemic remains uncertain, prompted the University Councils (UCs) across the System to approve the Office of Admission's motion to once again suspend the UP College Admissions Test (UPCAT) for AY 2022-2023.

The UC votes in favor of the motion are shown below:

CU	UC ACTION	Date of UC Meeting	Number of Attendees	Number of "YES" vote	Number of "NO" vote	Number of "ABSTAIN"
UP BAGUIO	Approved	15 November 2021	71	71	0	0
UP CEBU	Approved	15 November 2021	56	56	0	0
UP DILIMAN	Approved	8 November 2021	740	740	0	0
UP LOS BAÑOS	Approved	15 November 2021	599	566	25	11
UP MANILA	Approved	15 November 2021	319	282	10	11
UP MINDANAO	Approved	15 November 2021	62	53	3	2
UP OPEN UNIVERSITY	Approved	3 November 2021	55	37	3	15

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UP VISAYAS	Approved	15 November 2021	145	130	3	4

In light of this decision, the Admissions Scoring Model which the Office of Admissions' data scientists developed, that a working group of experts designated by their respective CUs refined, and that the University Councils overwhelmingly approved in 2020, will continue to be used with some fine-tuning in the preprocessing and transmutation of grades that enter the model.

For your information.