

Guidelines for Development Awareness  
for the UCLA School of Dentistry

A "donation" is defined as an irrevocable gift that accrues no direct benefit or favor to the donor. In an era of declining state budget support and increasing costs, the UCLA School of Dentistry is exceedingly fortunate in having a strong base of donor support among its alumni and friends. This generous support has made possible the advancement of the institution in several domains and is deeply appreciated.

As a taxpayer-sponsored institution, however, the University of California strictly prohibits consideration of past or prospective donations as a factor in any aspect of the internal operation of the institution including (but not limited to) the hiring or promotion of faculty or staff; admissions to any academic program; the purchasing of equipment, supplies or services; the formulation of lists of preferred vendors for financial aid loans; recommendations prepared for faculty or students for external positions; or the endorsement of any commercial product or procedure. To do so is illegal and a violation of University and School standards concerning conflict of interest.

In support of this policy, no faculty or staff member of the School of Dentistry shall knowingly request donations to the School or any of its sections or divisions from any individual (or their relatives or business partners) who is a current applicant, student, resident, or fellow of the School. Further, special consideration shall not be given to any current applicant, student, resident or fellow of the School who is in any way related to or associated with a current or former benefactor to the School or any of its sections or divisions.

Potential violations of these guidelines related to the admissions process or outcomes should be referred to the Admissions Conflict Review Committee. Other potential violations should be referred to the Dean.

For additional information, see the University policy on Conflict of Interest (Business and Finance Bulletin G-39 Conflict of Interest Policy and Compendium of Specialized University Policies, Guidelines, and Regulations Related to Conflict of Interest) <http://www.adminvc.ucla.edu/appm/>