



This past Friday, President Trump signed an executive order to bar citizens from seven predominantly Muslim countries from entering the United States.

While the action has, in part, been suspended by a federal judge, this order carries implications for universities nationwide — including Cal State Fullerton — as it was being interpreted to apply to non-immigrant visa holders. This order affects current CSUF students, faculty, and staff.

The order also comes into direct conflict with our deepest values. As I wrote in an email to campus this past November, we stand in solidarity with our diverse students regardless of where they're from, how they got here, who they love, what gender they identify with, or what God they worship. They need our support more than ever.

Faculty, staff and students from outside the United States provide meaningful and valuable perspectives to our educational community, the state, and the nation. Indeed, the depth of our diversity is a prized asset that strengthens and enriches us all, and their contributions to it are invaluable. We would not be the same without these faculty, staff, and students in our Titan family, and discrimination toward them is an affront to all of us.

This is a time of great uncertainty for many. But be assured of this: Ours is a welcoming, inclusive community unified in our recognition of the transformative power of higher education. Every administrative division of this University is committed to supporting *all* Titans.

We will remain in communication as more information becomes available and we gain greater clarity about the road ahead. Until then, I encourage our international students, as well as all faculty, staff and students traveling outside the United States to raise their level of caution and awareness as more facts emerge.

Sincerely,

Mildred García
President