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Hello Everyone:

I am delighted to serve in the role of Presidential Sponsor for the American Council on Education (ACE) Northern California Network for 2016-17 and to encourage you to become actively involved with the network. This is the fourth year UC Davis has served as a sponsor as we have seen it continue to grow and successfully engage women from all levels of higher education.

The ACE Women's Network is represented in each state, Puerto Rico and Washington, D.C. It is composed of leaders across the country in the world of higher education and is committed to moving women into college presidencies and other senior level positions.

Diversity in leadership positions at our colleges and universities is good for the institutions, good for our country and it is certainly good for women and other under-represented groups who want to reach their full potential to succeed and be of service in academia.

I hope more of you will become actively involved in the ACE NorCal Network as a board member or by becoming a member of the extended network through Northern California. This year the Network is offering three day-long Rising Strong workshops to introduce seasoned and emerging leaders to the research of Dr. Brené Brown with focus on its implications for leadership in higher education. The workshops sold out almost immediately!

Thank you for supporting the ACE Northern California Network and for the important work you do on behalf of women in higher education.

Sincerely,

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