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CALL FOR RESEARCH SPACE PROPOSAL: DUE NOVEMBER 27, 2017

In September, the Space Planning & Allocation (SPA) Board and the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation asked faculty to complete a survey delineating with whom they most frequently collaborate.

At the Faculty Retreat on 30th October, we asked a number of faculty to present their functional space requirements and we demonstrated how those spatial requirements could potentially be met either within one of the new 2020 buildings or within an existing building. The presentations are not meant to be definitive solutions, but rather to demonstrate how space requirements can be met for a range of different research groups and to solve different space problems. These case studies will be available for viewing as a part of the retreat documentation that available on the Space Planning website.

The retreat discussion generated this current Call for Research Space Proposals, requesting more detailed data to help us better understand the composition of your group and with whom you collaborate. While individual faculty may submit a proposal, it is intended to be completed at the level of the by law unit and/or a by a cluster of research groups.

It is critical that we capture:

- 1) Your current personnel numbers (i.e. faculty, staff, graduate students, post docs, visitors etc.)
- 2) Your future personnel numbers
- 3) Your existing space deficiencies (and/or missing spaces)
- 4) Your future research space requirements
- 5) Your collaborators

It is important for you to understand how this information will be used.

Firstly, we would like all faculty to be equipped with the appropriate information to make an informed decision as to whether you would like your "space" situation evaluated.

Secondly, where possible, we would like faculty who are currently collaborating or intending to collaborate, to be located proximal to research partners, to make collaboration more efficient and productive.

We will use the information that you provide to answer the following questions:

- How much space does your research group need to support its anticipated growth as well as address any existing space deficiencies?
- What are the key adjacencies between research groups that will support research collaborations?
- Can your group's research space requirements and key adjacencies be met through expansion in their current location?
- In your opinion, will your group's research space requirements be better met by relocating to one of the new buildings in the Project 2020 development?

Space Planning Parameters

There are parameters for planning each research group's space, including basic space standards for workspaces and shared amenities. The following rule of thumb will be applied to the space planning process:

Faculty	Individual office
Postdocs/Research Scientists	Shared office
Administrative staff	Shared office or individual workstation
Graduate student	Individual workstation
Visiting faculty	Individual or shared office

The following spaces will be accessible to every bylaw unit/ research group and shared with others in proximity:

- Conference and meeting rooms
- Colloquy (collaborative) space
- Kitchen/break room
- Ancillary rooms for photocopying & storage

Laboratories

The new buildings in the 2020 project already have set footprints for a variety of lab types, including support spaces and shared equipment corridors. Please delineate:

- a) the type of dedicated lab(s) (e.g. wet or dry) you require; and
- b) the type of support spaces to which you need access

Your response to this Call for Faculty Space Proposals is due **no later** than **November 27, 2017**. A written description may accompany the Department/Research Group space request form that follows. Please submit your proposal to Maggie Saunders, Director of Space Planning at msaunders4@ucmerced.edu.

