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Mary Lou D. Ortiz - CFO & Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration <zotmail@uci.edu> Wednesday, January 15, 2025 9:01 AM All UCI Employees (Campus, UCI Health, and College of Health Sciences), All Student Employees UC Irvine Police Department Achieves Prestigious IACLEA Accreditation



Division of Finance and Administration

A message from Chief Financial Officer & Vice Chancellor Mary Lou D. Ortiz



To the UC Irvine community,

I'm pleased to announce that UC Irvine's Police Department (UCIPD) has received accreditation by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA), placing it among the top 10% of university police departments nationwide. This achievement, a key component of the <u>UC Community Safety Plan</u>, follows a rigorous review process <u>announced in June 2024</u>. It underscores UCIPD's commitment to consistently upholding the highest standards of professionalism, accountability, and safety.

IACLEA assessors spent five weeks thoroughly evaluating UCIPD across key areas, including operations, investigations, dispatch, community engagement, crime prevention, training, property and evidence, and professional standards.

Not only did UCIPD meet all mandatory requirements but the department exceeded expectations, achieving 93% of the 'extra credit' standards – far surpassing IACLEA's minimum requirement. This accomplishment was highlighted by the assessors who praised the department's capacity for sustained excellence.

For the university, this achievement reinforces the importance of campus safety as foundational to student success and institutional excellence. This recognition places UC Irvine at the forefront of campus safety initiatives, serving as a model across the UC system as well as universities nationwide.

The UCIPD accreditation is valid for four years, during which the department will submit annual reports to demonstrate continued compliance to these high standards.

For more information about UCIPD's services and initiatives, please visit their website.

Sincerely,

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