Dear Colleagues,

It gives me great pleasure to announce the UC San Diego recipients of the University of California President's Pre-Professoriate Fellowship (PPPF). These students' outstanding academic achievements, commitment to advancing issues of equity and inclusion, and interest in pursuing a career in the professoriate make them ideal Fellows.

Erica Ferrer	Scripps Institution of Oceanography
Bianca Freeman	Political Science

For Academic Year 2022-2023 each recipient will receive a \$30,000 stipend from the UC Office of the President, tuition and fees from The Graduate Division, and a \$10,000 professional development grant administered by the Graduate Division to prepare and inspire Fellows to pursue the professoriate.

The UC Office of the President launched the PPPF as part of its<u>UC-Hispanic Serving</u> <u>Institutions Doctoral Diversity Initiative (UC-HSI DDI)</u> on September 30, 2019. The initiative aims to enhance faculty diversity and pathways to the professoriate for underrepresented students from California Hispanic Serving Institutions.

Thank you to all who submitted nominations for the fellowship. All nominees are highly accomplished, making selection particularly challenging this year.

Sincerely, James Antony, Ph.D. Dean, The Graduate Division

UC San Diego occupies the un-ceded territory of Kumeyaay Nation. Today, the Kumeyaay people continue to maintain their political sovereignty and cultural traditions, and are vital members of the San Diego community. We acknowledge their great contributions to the region and the university's responsibility to honor and serve this community.

