

UC Cops Off Campus

We are an abolitionist group acting across the University of California and various university-afflicted communities.

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Our ethos can be summed up as ACAB.

The University of California is responsible for perpetuating carceral and settler logics in California, as well as internationally through its role as a research base for the U.S. military. **A is for Abolition**: of policing, prisons, property, and profit. As UC students, workers and community, we work to build an abolitionist infrastructure alongside our colleagues, students, and fellow community members—one that provides an alternative for relating to one another based on solidarity, empathy, and accountability and one that will supplant and outlast the existing UC governance model that puts our lives at risk.

We begin from solidarity with the COLA movement, and from struggles against the disciplinary powers it summoned: the university administration and the police. So, **C** is for COLA.

We are resolutely anti-police and anti-racist, and have settled on the concrete goal of Cops Off Campus—not their reform or reduction—as our specific and immediate project. With an understanding that that racialized, anti-Black violence of policing is not counter to their function but their foundational logic, we see abolition as both a goal itself and a crucial condition for further anti-racist abolitionist struggles. So, **A is for Anti-racist and Anti-police action**, or specifically the abolition of cops.

And finally we recognize that this is entangled and imbricated with larger structures and systems, and so our politics necessarily reach beyond the concrete and immediate anti-police project toward abolition of tuition, of the university as a hierarchical structure, beyond the borders of nation toward an internationalist horizon, toward both a university and a world that is beyond colonialism and capitalism. So, **B is for Beyond**.

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