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Statement from the Department of Global and International Studies

Dear all:

These are historic times. We have been addressing an unprecedented health emergency all quarter. Many of you have persevered, heroically engaging your learning and teaching differently and on the fly. Many are graduating, perhaps with a historic opportunity to reboot and rebuild from the ashes of systemic political, economic, and ecological failures.

But the times are reaching historic proportions now: new civil strife arising from violent and pervasive social inequalities. We are learning once again how we are so diminished, so shattered, when the lives of our brothers and sisters are in imminent danger. The Department of Global Studies commits to joining the collective effort to build inclusive futures in our classrooms and our communities.

Our Black Studies Department sent a message to the UCSB community that I wanted to share with you. You can find the complete text here: <https://www.blackstudies.ucsb.edu/news/announcement/460>

Stay strong. Stay safe.