



**April 11, 2025**

Office of General Counsel  
University of Delaware

To the University of Delaware Office of General Counsel,

On behalf of the University of Delaware chapter of the American Association of University Professors, I am writing to formally request a response to the following concerns raised by our membership. While this morning's communication was a positive step, we seek the University's clear and public position on the following points, which reflect both legal prudence and moral responsibility:

**1. Non-Disclosure of personal information in Title VI Investigations**

The University should explicitly commit to not voluntarily disclosing personal student or employee information in response to Title VI investigations unless otherwise legally required.

**2. No Voluntary Cooperation with Federal Immigration Enforcement**

The University should clearly communicate that it will refrain from voluntary cooperation or information-sharing with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or other agencies tasked with deportation or immigration enforcement.

**3. UD Police to Protect the University Community**

The University should clearly communicate the responsibility of UD Police to protect the academic institution, including all employees and students. There should be a clear description of policy on information-sharing between UD police and any agents of the federal government.

**4. Non-Compliance with Executive Order 13899, Section 3**

The University must commit to not complying with the expanded Executive Order 13899's directive to monitor and report on international students and faculty. Compliance with this order in the case of bargaining-unit faculty would be in violation of Article 2.3 of the current CBA.

**5. Support for International Students Facing Status Disruption**

The University should guarantee continued enrollment and academic support for international students in the event of visa revocation, status termination, detention, or deportation, including remote learning accommodations as necessary.

**6. Protection of Graduate Student Funding and Roles**

For graduate students whose legal presence affects their teaching or research roles, the University should provide institutional support to ensure continuation of their appointments and academic progress, regardless of their geographic location.

**7. Timely Communication**

The University should devote administrative resources to ensure timely, clear, and accurate communication to international students and scholars, particularly in the event of any change in their legal status.

**8. Provision of Legal Counsel**

The University should provide institutional legal support to international students and scholars whose visas are revoked or whose legal status is otherwise imperiled.

**9. Legal Advocacy for Due Process**

The University should communicate its willingness to act via legal advocacy or litigation to defend the due process rights of students and scholars facing removal or status termination.

We recognize that some of these commitments may already reflect internal policy or practice; however, we are calling for their public affirmation and, where applicable, their formal adoption.

We request a written response from your office addressing each of the above points by **April 30, 2025**, so that we may inform our members as appropriate. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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