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Members of the UCLA Community:

Norman Abrams, who concludes his service as UCLA's Acting Chancellor this week, is being honored with a Fellowship in his name funded under the auspices of David A. Leveton, in his capacity Director of the Ann C. Rosenfield Fund at the UCLA Foundation. The designation of a \$300,000 endowment will provide support each year for two Fellowships for exceptionally promising doctoral students in the humanities and social sciences.

Since joining the faculty in 1959, Professor Abrams has contributed to UCLA as Interim Dean of the Law School, as Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel, and most recently as Acting Chancellor. The late philanthropist Ann C. Rosenfield is a longtime UCLA benefactor, who through her will established the Ann C. Rosenfield Fund under the directorship of David A. Leveton. The Ann C. Rosenfield Fund supports UCLA's Distinguished Community Partnership Prize, the Jules Stein Eye Institute as well as the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center. The Fund has also given generously to projects designed to improve the quality of life for the less fortunate.

The new Rosenfield-Abrams Fellowships will be available on a competitive basis to continuing graduate students in eligible fields, effective 2008-2009. Applicants must have advanced to candidacy and must be engaged in full-time study for the duration of the award. Each Fellowship will consist of a \$27,000 award which consists of an \$18,000 stipend plus in-state fees. Further application information will be available in Fall 2007.

For some time, graduate student support has been a critical issue on our campus, as offers of support can make a crucial difference in the national and international competition for the most promising and talented graduate students. Fellowship support is especially critical in the first year and during the time when students are writing a dissertation; the Rosenfield-Abrams Fellowships will support students in the latter stage. I am extremely grateful for the Rosenfield bequest and the Rosenfield-Abrams Fellowships it establishes and to Director David Leveton.

Sincerely,

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