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GLOBAL HIGHER EDUCATION in 2050
IMAGINING UNIVERSITIES FOR SUSTAINABLE SOCIETIES

March 4–5, 2020
9AM–6PM
Wednesday, March 4
9 AM – 6 PM — Loma Pelona Center

9–9:45 AM
Welcome
David Marshall, Executive Vice Chancellor, UC Santa Barbara
Chris Newfield, UC Santa Barbara, 1990–2020: How Did We Get Here?

9:45–11:15 AM
The Current Horizon: What is going on in my university (& system)?
Coordinator: Keri Facer, University of Bristol and University of Uppsala
Andrew Ross, New York University, Academic Labor, Strike Debt, & Decolonization (United States)
Pedro Fiori Arantes, Federal University of São Paulo, Authoritarian Effects (Brazil)
Neha Vora, Lafayette College, The University is a Labor camp (U.S. and Gulf Arab States)

Break

11:30–12:30 PM
What is happening with the UC Graduate Cost of Living Strikes? Are There Long-Term Solutions
Coordinator: Althea Sircar, Macalaster College
Yulia Gilichinskaya, Striking PhD Student & TA, Media Studies, UC Santa Cruz, Anthony Boardman, Striking PhD Student & TA, UC Santa Cruz
The UC Santa Cruz Cost of Living Strike: Notes towards Utopia

12:30–1:45 PM Lunch at The Club

1:45–3:15 PM
Coordinator: Nasrin Olla, Brown University
Debadity Bhattacharya, Kazi Nazrul University West Bengal, They paint sedition on the walls: Towards a university of immigrants (India)
Zimitri Erasmus, University of Witwatersand, Johannesburg, University Learning in South Africa: Attainment Traps & Destructuration
Rebecca Lund, University of Oslo, Imperial English and Epistemic Governance in the Nordic Countries (Denmark, Finland, Norway)

Break

3:30–5 PM
Coordinator: Rebecca Lund, University of Oslo
David Theo Goldberg, UC Irvine, Director UC Humanities Research Institute, A (Counter-)Minute on the Humanities
Bruce Robbins, Columbia University, Reinventing the Meanings of Public (U.S. & international)
Kostas Gavroglou, Minister Emeritus of Education, Research and Religious Affairs, SYRIZA, Greece, 2020 from 1990: A Perspective From the European Union

5–6 PM
In the closed back room
Workshop Core Participants, The Five Questions

5–7 PM
Main room and terrace
Open to conference audience, Reception and Buffet Dinner

Thursday, March 5
9 AM – 6 PM — Loma Pelona Center

9–11:30 AM
What trends support a future higher education system that we would like to see?
Coordinator: Wendy Brown, UC Berkeley
Keri Facer, University of Bristol, University of Uppsala, Taking 2050 Seriously
Hank Reichman, American Association of University Professors, Reimagining Tenure to Protect Academic Freedom
Nasrin Olla, Brown University, Undercommons and After (U.S. and South Africa)
Althea Sircar, Macalaster College
Mike Strayer, Salt Lake City, Survival is the Condition of Possibility of this Future Education

11:30–1 PM
Cheadle Hall to Storke Tower
What is happening with the UCSB branch of the COLA strikes? Participants are invited to join the march and rally of COLA strikers
Academic Labor
Academic Freedom
Public Funding

1–3 PM
Coordinator: Cameron Sublett, WestEd
Misty Anderson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Is Nothing Sacred? The University and Other Spiritual Crises
Alison Wood, University of Cambridge, From Market Reforms to Whole Person Education (England and Australia)

Andrea Stith, UC Santa Barbara, Fates of STEM research (U.S. and international)
Abigail Droge, UC Santa Barbara, STEM and the humanities (U.S.)

Break

3:15–5 PM
Coordinator: Charlie Hale, SAGE Sara Miller McCune Dean of Social Sciences, UCSB
Eileen Joy, Founder, punctum books, Open Everything
Laura Goldblatt, University of Virginia, Putting Universities in their Place: the Case of Local Housing
Arturo Escobar, University of North Carolina, An Ontological Design and Pluriversal Perspective (U.S. and Colombia)
Roderick Ferguson, Yale University, Futures of queer intersectionality in higher education (U.S.)

5–6 PM
Workshop Core Participants, 5 questions redux

6:30–9:30 PM Dinner
Hilton Hotel Roof