UCR Faculty, Students, and Staff -

Our hearts and prayers go out to all affected by the horrific quake off the coast of Japan. We pray for our colleagues throughout Japan, and of course we reach out to our students, faculty and staff in Riverside who are from, or have family and friends, there.

Currently UCR has 11 students studying abroad in Japan. We are in the process of contacting them to ascertain their safety, and are notifying their parents as we reach them. The campus also has 23 undergraduate, 12 graduate students, and about 100 University Extension students from Japan – five of them from Sendai, which has suffered the major impact of the quake.

Our thoughts are also with Riverside’s sister city of Sendai, Tohoku University, and Josai University which I visited last year, and where we have many friends, colleagues, and collaborations.

For any student who feels the need, counseling services are available at the Counseling Center in the north wing of the Veitch Counseling Center. Walk-ins are welcome between 8:30 and 4:30 p.m. Appointments may be scheduled by calling 951-827-5531. Counseling services are also available evenings or weekends by calling the same number.

Up-to-date information on the earthquake is available on-line through the American Red Cross at: http://newsroom.redcross.org.


Donations may be made through a number of agencies. A fund has already been set up through CARE at http://www.care.org/newsroom/articles/2011/03/care-ready-respond-to-earthquake-philippines-japan.asp.

Again, please join me in reaching out to those who have been affected.

Sincerely,

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Chancellor