

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CUARS/CEMA</b> <b>LAUC-I Academic Senate Representative</b> <b>2020-2021 Report</b></p>
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**Council/Committee Name (acronym):** Council on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools (CUARS)

As of 2021 CUARS was renamed the Council on Enrollment Management and Admissions (CEMA)

**Council/Committee Charge:**

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2. Monitor outreach programs directed toward academic enrichment of the campus through a diverse student body.
3. Make suggestions for and approve annual reader training for application readers.
4. Maintains liaison with the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools.

**Link to Council/Committee Website:**

<https://senate.uci.edu/committees/councils/council-on-enrollment-management-and-admissions-cema/>

**Frequency of Meetings:**

90-minute meetings are held once a month from October to June. This committee does not meet during the summer.

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### **Issues of Concern to the Libraries:**

Throughout the year CUARS/CEMA reviews and discussing past and upcoming admission cycles, including demographic trends among the prospective, admitted, and matriculating students. The committee considers, among other things: how applications are reviewed by admissions readers, unique criteria (like prerequisites or outreach efforts) required by UCI's academic schools, and to support enrollment of transfer students.

The Committee serves as an advisor/observer of the Office of Admissions and Relations to with Schools, making recommendations for improvements to procedures that have the potential to contribute to the selection and admission of a diverse and inclusive undergraduate student body. This charge of the committee was especially evident following the 2017 UCI admissions snafu. CUARS/CEMA reviewed reader training and policies and admissions procedures for months following the fall-out of the situation in order to raise questions and make recommendations for paths forward. The same can be said of CUARS consideration of the changes to admissions requirement due to the circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Information gained by participation in CUARS and shared with other librarians through LAUC-I provides a context for the outcomes of admissions cycles including the demographics and academic prowess of incoming students each year. Overall, involvement in CUARS/CEMA allows librarians to join conversations that can have an impact on UCI's student body, and because librarians interact with some many members of the UCI and in some cases the greater public, they can add perspective based on conversations and interactions they have had with students.

### **Recommendations for New Reps/New Year:**

I do not have nay at this time.