



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING  
BERKELEY DIVISION OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE  
Monday, November 28, 2011, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Chevron Auditorium, International House, 2299 Piedmont Avenue**

**Summary of Business**

A special meeting of the Berkeley Division was requested by forty-seven members of the Division: Elizabeth Abel, Professor, English; Kathryn Abrams, Herma Hill Kay Distinguished Professor of Law, Law; Patricia Baquedano-Lopez, Associate Professor, Education; Brian A. Barsky, Professor, Computer Science; Patricia Berger, Associate Professor, History of Art; Deborah Blocker, Associate Professor, French; Jean-Paul Bourdier, Professor, Architecture; Natalia Brizuela, Associate Professor, Spanish and Portuguese; Wendy Brown, Class of 1936 First Professor, Political Science; Judith Butler, Professor, Rhetoric; T.J. Clarke, Professor Emeritus, History of Art; Lawrence Cohen, Professor, Anthropology; Robert Dudley, Professor, Integrative Biology; Wayne M. Getz, Professor, Environmental Science, Policy and Management; Cecil Giscome, Professor, English; Peter Glazer, Associate Professor and Chair, Theater, Dance and Performance Studies; Suzanne Guerlac, Professor, French; Yoko Hasegawa, Associate Professor, East Asian Languages and Cultures; Lyn Hejinian, Professor, English; Leslea Hlusko, Associate Professor, Integrative Biology; You-tien Hsing, Professor, Geography; Jean Lave, Professor Emerita, Education; Zeus Leonardo, Associate Professor, Education; Gregory Levine, Associate Professor, History of Art; John H. Lie, Professor, Sociology; Michael L. Lucey, Bernie H. Williams Professor of Comparative Literature and Professor, French; Colleen Lye, Associate Professor, English; Samer Madanat, Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering; Brent D. Mishler, Professor, Integrative Biology; Rasmus Nielsen, Professor, Integrative Biology; Richard B. Norgard, Professor, Energy and Resources; Michael O'Hare, Professor, Public Policy; Nancy Peluso, Professor, Environmental Science, Policy and Management; Daniel Perlstein, Associate Professor, Education; Paul Rabinow, Professor, Anthropology; Juana Maria Rodriguez, Associate Professor, Gender and Women's Studies; Leslie Salzinger, Associate Professor, Gender and Women's Studies; Susan Schweik, Professor, English; Ellen L. Sims, Professor, Integrative Biology; Jeffrey Skoller, Associate Professor, Film and Media Studies; Sandra Smith, Associate Professor, Sociology; Shannon Steen, Associate Professor, Theater, Dance and Performance Studies; Estelle Taricia, Associate Professor, Spanish and Portuguese; Barrie Thorne,

Professor and Interim Chair, Gender and Women's Studies, and Professor, Sociology; James Vernon, Professor, History; Sophie Volpp, Associate Professor, East Asian Languages and Cultures/Comparative Literature; Richard A. Walker, Professor, Geography.

The special meeting of the Berkeley Division is scheduled for Monday, November 28, 2011 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Chevron Auditorium, International House. In accordance with Division Bylaw 5(B), this notice of meeting is being sent to the members of the Berkeley Division at least five days of instruction prior to the meeting.

The forty-seven members of the Division who requested the special meeting propose one resolution as the business for the meeting. The resolution is noticed in the order of business that follows this summary.

Gary Holland  
Secretary  
Berkeley Division

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### I. **Business**

Consideration of the following resolution.

Resolution proposed by: Wendy Brown, Professor, Political Science; Barrie Thorne, Professor, Gender and Women's Studies/Sociology; Judith Butler, Professor, Rhetoric.\*

Whereas, Non-violent political protest engages fundamental rights of free assembly and free speech, and

Whereas, November 9th efforts by protestors to set up and remain in a temporary encampment near Sproul Hall constitutes non-violent political protest, and

Whereas, These non-violent actions were met with a brutal and dangerous police response (see, e.g., <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=buovLQ9qyWQ&feature=share>), a response authorized in advance as well as retroactively justified by Chancellor Birgeneau, Executive Vice Chancellor Breslauer and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs LeGrand, and

Whereas, This is the third time in two years that such police violence has been unleashed upon protesters at Berkeley, with resulting bodily injuries to protesters, student and faculty outrage, a series of expensive lawsuits against the university, a tarnished university image, and a severely compromised climate for free expression on campus;

Therefore be it Resolved that the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate has lost confidence in the ability of Chancellor Birgeneau, EVC Breslauer and VC LeGrande to respond appropriately to non-violent campus protests, to secure student welfare amidst these protests, to minimize the deployment of force and to respect freedom of speech and assembly on the Berkeley campus.

### II. **Other matters authorized by unanimous consent of the voting members present**

\* Corrected November 18, 2011.