



# Whistleblower Hotline

[universityofcalifornia.edu/hotline](https://universityofcalifornia.edu/hotline)

(800) 403 - 4744

## What You Can Report

Any activity by UC or a UC employee that:

- Significantly violates University policy
- Violates a state or federal law or regulation, such as:
  - Corruption
  - Malfeasance
  - Bribery
  - Theft or Misuse of government property
  - Fraud
  - Coercion
  - Conversion
- Demonstrates economic waste, or involves gross misconduct, gross incompetence, or gross inefficiency.

## How You Can Report

- In writing or verbally
- With as much specific factual information as possible
- Anonymously, if preferred

## Protection from Retaliation

If you believe you have been retaliated against for reporting an improper activity, you may file a complaint with your Locally Designated Official, your Human Resources or Academic Personnel office, or your supervisor.

## Where You Can Report

Systemwide Whistleblower Hotline:

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Locally Designated Official:

Viola Kinsman

[vkinsman@ucmerced.edu](mailto:vkinsman@ucmerced.edu) OR (209) 291-5150

Your Supervisor, Manager, or Department Head

## Other Reporting Mechanisms

California State Auditor's Whistleblower Hotline:

[auditor.ca.gov/hotline](https://auditor.ca.gov/hotline) OR (800) 952-5665

California Attorney General's Hotline:

(800) 952-5225

You may also report fraud, waste & abuse involving specific Federal programs directly. Information on Federal whistleblower programs can be found at [ucop.edu/uc-whistleblower/index.html](https://ucop.edu/uc-whistleblower/index.html).