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As graduate students at the University of California San Diego, we write to express our support for the CHE Cafe and the CHE Cafe Collective. We believe the services provided by both entities are invaluable to our institution.

The CHE Cafe serves as an important bridge between our campus and the surrounding Southern California communities. The CHE Cafe provides an empowering and enlightening experience irreplaceable by other profit-oriented venues on the campus. The CHE Cafe Collective practices a DIY ethos based on participatory decision-making and self-determination. This model serves as an example towards which our university should be moving as opposed to attacking. We feel that the administration's recent attack on the space and collective is part of a greater trend of privatization, professionalization, and sterilization of the public university.

As graduate students, we support the GSA resolution to form a committee to investigate UCSD administration's recent aggression towards the CHE Cafe, passed on October 27, 2014. However, we believe in pushing the dialogue even further. We demand an end to all attacks on creative community spaces. We recognize the CHE Cafe as an essential part of UCSD campus life and one of the last standing sites of community creativity on campus.

We cherish the opportunities to participate in campus spaces that provide access to artistic expression and we do not want to experience further dismantling of artistic spaces like the 2012 closing of the UCSD Crafts Center.

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