SUPPORTING EQUITY-MINDED GRADUATE EDUCATION IN A CHANGING LEGAL LANDSCAPE

A CGS PROJECT

In the wake of the Supreme Court’s 2023 ruling on race and admissions, there is potential for confusion about legally viable options for pursuing diversity, equity and inclusion.

In May 2023, the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) and EducationCounsel launched a project to support equity in graduate education in a changing legal landscape. Our goals are to better understand how universities are impacted by the Supreme Court decisions and to promote common understandings of legally sound and equitable practice among graduate deans, faculty and university legal counsel.

LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

- Focus groups with graduate deans and program directors
- Legal workshop with university counsel
- Information sessions on the ruling with CGS community

TAKING ACTION

- Resources on key topics and issues
- Webinars on information and resources
- Communications toolkits for graduate deans & general counsel
- Articles in the higher education & scientific press

“Committed DEI leadership is critical to supporting universities' mission-driven goals and the progress of science and scholarship.”

- Suzanne T. Ortega
  President, CGS

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