

## UCSF Space Committee Principles – Approved November 2024

We recognize space as a vital resource that empowers individuals to excel across all mission areas. We are committed to being responsible stewards of university resources—space, funds, and infrastructure—by making evidence-based decisions grounded in financial data, long-term planning, and accurate space utilization metrics. Our goal is to allocate space in ways that foster inclusivity, collaboration, and innovation through thoughtfully designed environments, prioritizing mission-critical needs.

### Philosophy

- Space is viewed as a strategic asset that supports our mission to advance education, research, patient care, and community engagement.
- Our goal is to ensure all space is optimized and staff, faculty, and learners have access to appropriate space for their needs.



Optimization is the intersection of best and highest use, productively used and maintained, to meet the research, education, or service missions of UCSF with appropriate financial support.

- We acknowledge space assignments need to change as strategic priorities and institution-wide needs evolve.

### Behavior

- We encourage discussion and acknowledge that consensus may not always be achieved. However, once decisions are made, we are dedicated to supporting and upholding them.
- We communicate our goals, processes, and decisions in a timely and transparent way to earn the trust of the community.
- We clearly outline responsibilities, accountability, and roles to everyone in the chain of space assignments.
- We commit to surveying the space environment regularly so that we can strategically plan for the future.