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Dear STARS Staff,

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I think that the University of California, Santa Barbara's Food, Nutrition, and Basic Skills Program is a unique and uncommon practice. The program brings together fourteen different groups to address food insecurity and nutrition needs of students. Retail food operations do not often take a leadership role in sustainable food systems education and it is extraordinary that almost all of the University Center Dining (UCen Dining) Chefs have volunteered their time to teach workshops and the Assistant Director of UCen Dining has taken such an active role in the leadership of this program.

Sincerely,



Gustavo Plascencia

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