

## Request for Membership in the Academic Resilience Consortium

To: XXXXXX

From: XXXXXX

Date: XXXXXX

Re: Request for Budgetary Support to Join the Academic Resilience Consortium

I am writing to ask for your support to invest in our membership in the Academic Resilience Consortium (ARC).

*[If appropriate, state your relationship with the ARC, e.g., I have been a member for a number of years... I participated in the Symposium on Academic Resilience in Higher Education and have benefited from using ARC web resources.... I just discovered the ARC on recommendation of a colleague and attended one of their webinars... etc.]*

The mission of the ARC is centrally relevant to our own mission, “*quote from institution mission statement or department goals*”. Becoming a member of the ARC will help *[me/department/institution]* participate on a national level with peer professionals dedicated to the highest standards of innovative programming and research to support student resilience.

The ARC is an association of over 630 higher education professionals from over 360 schools in 46 states and 17 countries (as of December 2020). The ARC mission is to understand and promote academic resilience, creating communities of practice that bridge and bring together higher education professionals from across the campus, including for example, from student affairs, teaching, counseling, research, admissions, advising, orientation, athletics, and residence life.

Joining the ARC will support my work in *[department/program/field]*, and *[institution]*'s efforts to help all our students to thrive and graduate. ARC membership provides a wealth of online resources, discounts on professional development opportunities like webinars and the Symposium on Academic Resilience in Higher Education, and exposure to national and international initiatives that provide potential models, training, and consultation for our campus.

To encourage collaborative participation on our campus, I would recommend we become an Institutional Member, at **\$1000**, which includes one individual membership and steep discounts for unlimited additional members. Alternatively, I can join as an Individual Member at **\$99**. More information about membership fees and benefits are available on the ARC website.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for all your efforts to support the academic resilience of our students. I am happy to discuss this with you if you have questions or concerns.