

Prof. Ignacio Chapela of UC Berkeley has been unjustly denied tenure by Chancellor Robert Berdahl after a protracted and irregular three-year process, despite the near-unanimous recommendations from experts within Berkeley and around the world in favor of tenure. He previously had the bravery to speak out against a \$25 million research agreement with the biotechnology giant Novartis. After publishing research showing that transgenic DNA has contaminated native corn in Mexico, he withstood an industry-coordinated smear campaign. He is being silenced for speaking out against the University working for trans-national corporations instead of the people of California.

Your tuition dollars have supported the suppression of academic freedom. You can learn more by visiting the web site www.tenurejustice.org.

Please contact Chancellor Berdahl and tell him you support academic freedom and a fair tenure process for Prof. Chapela. He can be reached at:

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The Senior Class

of
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Welcomes you to

The commencement of 2004

The William Randolph Hearst Greek
Theatre

Berkeley, California

The Thirteenth day of May

Four O'clock in the Afternoon

SCHEDULE:

Opening procession and music

“Selling out the modern way: How corporate-university partnerships can enrich both administrators and investors,” Former College of Natural Resources Dean Gordon Rausser and President of Novartis Agricultural Discovery Institute President Steven Briggs

“Circumventing ethical concerns and inconvenient facts: A case study in personal conflicts of interest and the suppression of academic freedom, mental Biology

“The commodification of the public university: The role of the spineless chancellor,” Berkeley Chancellor Robert Berdahl

Keynote talk: “The media’s failure to criticize abuse of power in the 21st century,” Ted Koppel, ABC News

Reading of the names of the graduates

Closing procession and music



Fiat Lux;

Let there be light