DECISION TREE
Seismic Safety Policy (2011 Policy)

Is the project a Lease or a Purchase?

LEASE

Is the proposed building’s use an acute care hospital, an essential services building, or a K-12 school?

NO

Is the building constructed or fully retrofitted pursuant to the 1976 or later edition of the Uniform Building Code?

YES

Is the building constructed pursuant to the 1998 or later edition of the California Building Code?

NO

YES

Does the building contain: (i) unreinforced masonry walls, (ii) welded steel moment frames, (iii) flexible diaphragm-rigid walls; (iv) apparent additions, or modifications, or repairs to the seismic resisting systems made without permit; (v) hillside construction on a slope steeper than 1-vertical to 3-horizontal; or (vi) multi-story wood frame structures with construction over first-story parking (soft-story structures)?

INDEPENDENT REVIEW

To be prepared by a structural engineer, (NOT a University employee) licensed by the State of California or by the State where the building is located, using the most current structural engineering evaluation techniques and data appropriate for the structure type, use, age, and local geotechnical conditions and in accordance with the minimum review requirements described in UC’s Seismic Safety Policy.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICABLE CODE

To be prepared by an architect, civil engineer, or structural engineer, (including a University employee), licensed by the State of California or by the State where the building is located, on the Certificate of Applicable Code form provided by the University.