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## President's Message



To my fellow Emeriti, Retired Librarians, Partners and Friends,

Welcome to the New Year!

We trust your holiday season went well and that your New Year is moving in a good direction.

We look forward to 2026

and the Winter and Spring activities of the UCLA Emeriti Association. Each of you is an important part of this robust organization and we seek to provide you with the opportunities to enjoy your UCLA colleagues and to contribute to our University. We have much to look forward to in this year.

Our winter dinner will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2026, and will include a timely and important conversation with Ted Mitchell, President of the American Council on Education, the major coordinating body for the nation's colleges and universities. He lives and works in Washington, D.C., but will be joining us at the University Club to discuss major issues facing UCLA and many other universities. Read more about Ted Mitchell, a former UCLA Vice Chancellor and Dean, on pg. 2. This program will not be video recorded. Join the conversation! Register at:

[UCLA-Emeriti-dinner-Winter-2026.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ucla-emeriti-dinner-winter-2026-tickets-4000000000).

We will have a terrific, free piano recital for you on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2026 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. in our University Club's Morrison Room. First, Michael Beckerman, the new Dean of The UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music, will join us and speak briefly. Then two extremely talented piano students, Alessio Santolini Raggi and Hongbo Cai, will each perform a piano recital and discuss their love of piano with Stuart Wolpert, Director of UCLA Conversations. Alessio and Hongbo were selected for this recital by their renowned UCLA faculty mentors: Inna Faliks, Professor and Head of the School's Piano Department; and David Kaplan,

Associate Professor and holder of the School's Inaugural Shapiro Family Chair in Piano. Register for this recital at [retirees.ucla.edu/event-6474145](https://retirees.ucla.edu/event-6474145) and read more about it on pg. 2.

On March 11, I will be speaking about "The Myths and Realities of Entitlement Programs in our Aging Nation" with my wise colleague, Daniel J.B. Mitchell, at Belmont Village Senior Living (WLA), at 1:30 p.m. Join us as we discuss the future of Social Security, Medicare and more. Information about this program is found on pg. 3. Register at: <https://retirees.ucla.edu/event-6508510>.

Last fall was busy with various events including the Fall Awards Dinner on Oct. 21, a conversation with the UCLA Women's Basketball Head Coach on Oct. 15; 140 people have watched the video recording: <https://youtu.be/REnYioxL4yc>; and "Conversations with Art: Featuring Works by Emeriti and Retirees" held at Belmont Village Senior Living on Nov. 13.

Crucially, we faced extraordinary challenges with the continued pressures on UCLA finances and research, yet we came through that period in relatively decent shape. We can expect more surprises and pressures during the Winter and Spring quarters, yet we can also expect to benefit from the extraordinary efforts of our Emeriti and Retirees who believe in the mission of an elite public research university. On my part, I look for silver linings, and we have many as we traverse this period. The Board of the UCLA Emeriti Association, our Vice President Robin Garrell and our ERRC Director, Ayesha Dixon and staff, stand ready to assist and support the members of this august organization. And we welcome those who will soon retire and we encourage them to join the Emeriti Association.

Would you like to audit UCLA lecture courses? The UCLA Senior Scholars program enables you to do so. I encourage you to read the short pg. 4 article about the Senior Scholars program.

I hope to see you at our events, and look forward to welcoming more Emeriti to join us in our important and rewarding work.

*Fernando Torres-Gil, President*

**Join us for a special dinner program on Jan. 27th with Ted Mitchell, President of the American Council on Education, on major issues facing universities**



*Ted Mitchell. Courtesy of The American Council on Education.*

The Emeriti Association invites you on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2026 to a special dinner and a timely, informative UCLA Conversation with Ted Mitchell, President of the American Council on Education, the major coordinating body for the nation's colleges and universities. President Mitchell and his team work closely with Congress, the executive branch, and the private sector to develop policies and innovative practices. He served in the Obama administration as U.S. under secretary of education. President Mitchell previously served as President of Occidental College (1999–2005). At UCLA, he served as Vice Chancellor for External Affairs (1997–1998), Vice Chancellor for Academic Planning and Budget (1996–1997), and Dean, School of Education and Information Studies (1992–1998). He has been a leader in K–12 education. Throughout his career, President Mitchell has worked to create an educational system that serves the goals of excellence, equity, and social justice. He is a current board member of Coursera, Khan Academy, and more. President Mitchell will discuss current higher education issues with Stuart Wolpert, director of UCLA Conversations, followed by an audience Q&A. This program will not be recorded.

Our reception starts at 4:45 p.m., and dinner starts at 6 p.m., followed by our program. The evening will conclude by 8:30 p.m.

Register here to reserve your seats: <https://UCLA-Emeriti-dinner-Winter-2026.eventbrite.com>.

**Join us for our free, annual piano recital Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.**

The Emeriti and Retirees Associations invite you to our popular annual musical program featuring piano recitals by two extremely gifted students in The UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music, who were selected by their UCLA piano professors. Performing will be Alessio Santolini Raggi, who is studying under Inna Faliks, Professor and Head of the School's Piano Department; and Hongbo Cai, a student from the studio of David Kaplan, Associate Professor and holder of the School's Inaugural Shapiro Family Chair in Piano. This program is free to attend.



*Alessio Santolini Raggi. Photo credit: Helena Börjesson*

Alessio Santolini Raggi, 23, is a multi-award-winning artist based in Los Angeles, working at the intersection of experimental electronic pop and contemporary classical music. He learned piano at age 5, violin at 9, composition at 11, and digital audio production at 15. By 22, he had earned a master's degree in piano, a bachelor's in composition, a second-level master's in piano, and a master's in film and media composition — all with honors — and is currently pursuing an additional master's in piano with Professor Faliks. Alessio has studied at institutions in Italy, Spain, Switzerland and California, and is fluent in five languages: Italian, English, Spanish, French, and German — in addition to classical studies in Latin and Ancient Greek. From New York to Hong Kong, he has participated in a diverse range of events, including solo, chamber and orchestral concerts, discographic recordings, radio and television projects, artistic curations, movie productions, conferences, and film festivals. Alessio has won first prize in a wide variety of national and international music competitions. He released his piano album "Interplay" for Bösendorfer this year, and is currently working on two other electroacoustic albums at Funkhaus, Berlin, planned for release next year.

Hongbo Cai is an interdisciplinary musician, writer, filmmaker, and researcher whose work bridges creative performance practice with critical inquiry into media. A graduate in piano performance from The Juilliard School, he made his Carnegie Hall debut at 21 and, at 22, joined New York University's piano faculty as an adjunct professor. The following year, he appeared with the Orchestra of St. Luke's at Carnegie Hall's Stern Auditorium. He has performed with orchestras including the Shanghai Opera House, Shanghai Philharmonic, Pazardzhik State Symphony Orchestra (Bulgaria), Mikhail Jora Philharmonic (Romania), Florence Philharmonic, New York Youth Orchestra, West New York Chamber Orchestra, Orquestra do Algarve (Portugal), and members of the New York Philharmonic. As a writer-director, his works have been selected by the Venice Biennale College Blend, the Beijing International Short Film Festival, the Toronto International Independent Short Film Festival, and the Clermont-Ferrand Short Film Festival and were presented at New York University's Music Department Colloquium Series. His theater works have been chosen for the Juilliard Risk Lab Residency and the 2025 Community Impact Residency Program for U.S. Emerging Artists.

Both Alessio and Hongbo will perform piano concerts on the University Club's Steinway B piano, located in the Morrison Room, and each will have a short conversation with Stuart Wolpert, director of UCLA Conversations.

We will be joined by Michael Beckerman, the new Dean of The UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music.

Please be on time to get a seat.

Register at: [retirees.ucla.edu/event-6474145](https://retirees.ucla.edu/event-6474145).

## **Attend “The Myths and Realities of Entitlement Programs in our Aging Nation” at Belmont Village March 11**

The UCLA Emeriti and Retirees Associations invite you to an engaging and informative UCLA Conversation with **Fernando Torres-Gil**, Director of UCLA's Center for Policy Research on Aging and UCLA Professor Emeritus of Social Welfare and Public Policy. This program is titled “The Myths and Realities of Entitlement Programs in our Aging

Nation.” Professor Torres-Gil is a national expert on aging, health and long-term care, with extensive U.S. and California government experience. President Jimmy Carter appointed him to the Federal Council on Aging; President Bill Clinton appointed him as U.S. Assistant Secretary on Aging in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Professor Torres-Gil organized the 1995 White House Conference on Aging. President Barack Obama appointed him as Vice Chair of the National Council on Disability and Staff Director of the U.S. House Select Committee on Aging. He is a board member of the AARP Foundation.

Professor Torres-Gil will shed light about on-going debates regarding the financial dilemmas facing Social Security and Medicare and what he describes as the scare tactics by both parties about the solutions for sustaining these programs as well as public and private pensions. He will discuss the realities of an aging population and the future of entitlement programs for today's elders and aging baby boomers. He will share lessons from his distinguished career that shed light on the politics of aging. Topics are also expected to include long-term care and the care-giving crisis facing the nation.

This conversation will be led by **Daniel J.B. Mitchell**, Professor Emeritus at UCLA's Anderson Graduate School of Management and UCLA's Luskin School of Public Affairs, who has served on the Emeriti Association's Board of Directors for more than a decade.

This insightful program will be held at Belmont Village Senior Living, located at 10475 Wilshire Blvd. in West Los Angeles. Register at: <https://retirees.ucla.edu/event-6508510>.



*Fernando Torres-Gil (left, photo credit to UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs) and Daniel J.B. Mitchell (right, photo courtesy of Daniel J.B. Mitchell)*

## **UCLA Senior Scholars program enables you to audit UCLA lecture courses**

For those who love lifelong learning, the UCLA Senior Scholars enables adults 50 and older to audit courses campus-wide. Senior Scholars audit lectures and do class readings, but do not take tests, write papers, turn in homework assignments or attend discussion sections or labs. Senior Scholars do not receive a grade or academic credit.

Quarterly fees are \$200 for each class, which includes a \$30 administrative fee per course. If you are interested, you may sign up and then contact instructors for permission to attend. Approval to attend any course is subject to instructor consent and classroom space limitations, and does not include seminars or performing art courses.

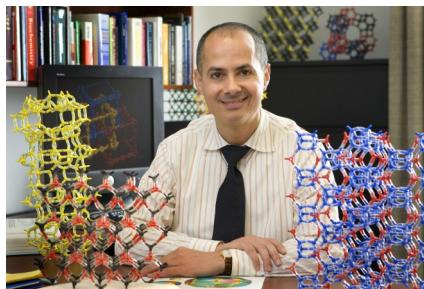
What courses are available? Visit the UCLA Registrar's Schedule of Classes website at <https://sa.ucla.edu/ro/Public/SOC/>.

For more information, call (310) 794-0679 or see:

- [Senior Scholars Program Summer 2025 Catalog](#) (some of this information is dated, but much of it still applies),
- [How to Find a Class & Apply](#), or
- [Senior Scholars FAQs](#)

## **2025 Nobel Prizes: Wins for UCLA and a record-setting year for UC**

Omar M. Yaghi, a former UCLA professor of chemistry and biochemistry who is currently the James and Neeltje Tretter Professor of Chemistry at UC Berkeley, was awarded the 2025 Nobel Prize in chemistry. In addition, immunologist Frederick J. "Fred" Ramsdell, who earned his doctorate in microbiology and immunology from UCLA in 1987, was awarded the Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine for his groundbreaking work on the human immune system in 2025, a year in which the [University of California set a world record](#) for the most Nobels awarded to one university system.



*Omar M. Yaghi with structural models of his MOFs in his UCLA office (before moving to UC Berkeley).*  
Photo credit: Reed Hutchinson/UCLA

"These remarkable achievements by five UC-affiliated Nobel Prize winners reflect the very best of the world-changing teaching, research and public service happening across our university," said UC President James B. Milliken. "Our nation and world will be better off because of these discoveries."

Read more at the UCLA Newsroom here: <https://newsroom.ucla.edu/releases/former-ucla-professor-omar-yaghi-2025-nobel-prize-chemistry> and <https://newsroom.ucla.edu/stories/2025-nobels-wins-for-ucla-and-a-record-setting-year-for-the-university-of-california>.

## **Watch the video of Women's Head Basketball Coach Cori Close's UCLA Conversation**



*Cori Close, the Michael Price Family UCLA Women's Head Basketball Coach, who swept the four Coach of the Year awards in 2025, spoke with Stuart Wolpert.*

*Photo credit: Daniel J.B. Mitchell*

Cori Close, the Michael Price Family UCLA Women's Head Basketball Coach, who swept the four Coach of the Year awards in 2025, spoke with Stuart Wolpert, director of UCLA Conversations, at the University Club. Topics included women's basketball, her team's program, her teaching and mentoring of young women, the recruiting of outstanding student-athletes, the upcoming season and lessons she learned from John Wooden. Watch the video of the program here: <https://youtu.be/REnYioxL4yc>. Coach Close has the most wins by a head coach in the history of UCLA's women's basketball, and achieved the 30-win mark for the first time in UCLA women's basketball history.

## **UCLA faculty experts discussed the impact of today's immigration enforcement; the video is available online**

A November panel of UCLA faculty experts discussed how immigration policies and enforcement practices are impacting immigrant communities, implications for our democracy and their ripple effects throughout the country.

A video of the program, titled “Understanding the Impact of Today's Immigration Enforcement,” can be viewed at [youtu.be/x7Tjg6qyFYk](https://youtu.be/x7Tjg6qyFYk).

Among the accompanying resources are [this UCLA Magazine article by Jonathan Riggs](#) on fair elections and democracy, and [this UCLA Newsroom interview with Sociology Professor Cecilia Menjívar by Peggy McInerny](#).

## **Professor Vijay Dhir honored at ASME Conference**



During the 2025 ASME Summer Heat Transfer Conference in Colorado, UCLA Samueli School of Engineering hosted a symposium recognizing Professor Vijay Dhir for his extraordinary scientific and professional contributions to the field of thermal and multiphase transport. A Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and the former Dean of the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science, Professor Dhir was honored for his pioneering work and decades of leadership in boiling heat transfer, microgravity phenomena, nuclear thermal hydraulics, and energy systems. To learn more, [click here](#).

Additionally, Professor Dhir continues to be active with a newly published textbook, [Phase Change Heat Transfer: Boiling and Condensation \(2025\)](#).

## **In Memoriam**

**Richard E. Dickerson, 93, a giant in structural biology and a Director of UCLA's Molecular Biology Institute**



*Richard E. “Dick” Dickerson. Photo credit: UCLA Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry*

Distinguished Professor Emeritus Richard E. “Dick” Dickerson, a giant in structural biology, passed away on May 14, 2025, at the age of 93. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Lola, who passed away one year earlier.

After earning his Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry in 1957, working in the laboratory of Professor William Lipscomb (Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, 1976) at the University of Minnesota and completing a post-doctoral fellowship in the lab of Professor John Kendrew (Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, 1962), Dick set up a lab at the University of Illinois, where he produced the famous “sausage” diagram of myoglobin, the basis for all future representations of atomic structures of proteins from those of Jane Richardson to those of Irving Geis and then to computer images.

In 1963, he moved to the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, where he continued his work on determining the crystal structure of large molecules. Dick later shifted his focus to the structure of DNA and was among the first investigators to determine the crystal structure of the DNA double-helix.

In 1981, Dick moved his lab to UCLA and served as the Director of the Molecular Biology Institute from 1983-1994. At UCLA, Dick changed his focus to

DNA and determined the first atomic structure of the B form of DNA. Watson was quoted as saying that this structure convinced him for the first time that the [Watson-Crick structure](#) was correct. In 1985, Dick was elected to the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dick was a prolific author; in addition to many seminal papers in structural biology he authored multiple textbooks on physical chemistry, general chemistry, biology, protein chemistry, and evolution. Dickerson's energy was also reflected in his non-research writings. In 2005, he wrote [Present at the Flood: How Structural Molecular Biology Came About](#) and in 2009 [a history of the UCLA Molecular Biology Institute, from 1960 to 1978](#). Dick retired in 2004, but never lost his love of learning, turning his passion towards historical French political artwork and lifelong love of opera.

"Dick was so amazingly competent: in experiments, in computer coding, in writing, in lecturing, and even in art," said Professor David Eisenberg. "His collaborations with Irv Geis on artistic representations proteins and DNA alone advanced understanding of biology. Dick thought deeply about evolutionary theory and wrote tracts to attack creationist views."

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Richard E. Dickerson Biochemistry Seminar fund at UCLA [here](#).

For more information, read the UCLA Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry obituary, from which this news is excerpted:

<https://www.chemistry.ucla.edu/news/remembering-distinguished-professor-emeritus-richard-e-dick-dickerson/>.

## Kent Wong, 69, immigrant rights champion and former director of UCLA Labor Center



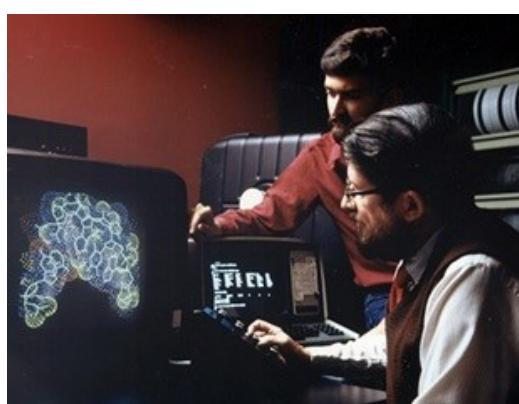
Kent Wong. Photo credit: UCLA Labor Center

Kent Wong, former director of the [UCLA Labor Center](#) from 1991–2023 and professor of labor studies and Asian American studies, died Oct. 8. He was 69. Wong, a community leader, was renowned across Los Angeles and the nation for his advocacy on labor and immigrant rights. As director of the UCLA Labor Center for 32 years and, more recently, its project director of labor and community partnerships, Wong established the center as a groundbreaking hub for research and leadership development programs that serve workers and immigrants.

Wong wrote and edited several books, including [Asian American Workers Rising](#) and [Revolutionary Nonviolence: Organizing for Freedom](#).

"Kent's tireless leadership and dedication helped place UCLA at the forefront of community engagement, academic research and a push for a worker-centered economy in Los Angeles," said Abel Valenzuela, UCLA's dean of social sciences. "For generations to come, Kent's legacy will continue to endure through this center as a profound reminder of our obligation to support research and policy solutions that advance economic justice for all."

For more information, read the UCLA Labor Center obituary, from which this news is excerpted: <https://newsroom.ucla.edu/stories/kent-wong-immigrant-rights-champion-former-director-ucla-labor-center>.



Richard E. Dickerson with then Ph.D. student David Goodsell (now a professor at Scripps) visualizing a DNA structure.

## Our annual Arts & Crafts Exhibit is coming to you this Spring!



We invite you to attend the 48th Sylvia Winstein Emeriti/Retirees Arts & Crafts Exhibit on **Tuesday, May 19, 2026** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the University Club (formerly Faculty Club). This year's lively exhibit will feature 25 artists, with works including paintings, drawings, Chinese calligraphy, prints, photographs, jewelry, sculptures, handmade ceramics, and more.

The tradition of this arts and crafts exhibit began many years ago when Sylvia, the young widow of Chemistry Professor Saul Winstein, had a tea for friends and displayed several paintings. Artistic emeriti friends and spouses were so enthusiastic that Sylvia organized and supported what has become a special yearly celebration.

This event would not be possible without the generous support of the Sylvia Winstein Fund, the

Winstein Family, and contributions from individual donors like you. To make a donation to the art show, scan the QR code or go to: [bit.ly/donate\\_EA](https://bit.ly/donate_EA). Be sure to leave a note with "Art Show Contribution" in your donation so that we may properly thank you.

Scan to Donate



### The UCLA Emeriti Association

The UCLA Emeriti Association advocates at the campus and statewide level on behalf of all UCLA retired faculty, librarians and those with conferred emeritus status. Additionally, the Emeriti Association plans programs for its members, encourages emeriti to stay connected to UCLA, and reaches out to those considering retirement.

### LET US WELCOME

*The following faculty and emeriti via conferral have joined our ranks.*

**September 1-November 30, 2025**  
**Congratulations!**

#### Charles Alexander

Academic Advancement Program (Director)

#### Jeffrey "Jeff" Holmquist

Institute of the Environment & Sustainability  
White Mountain Research Center

#### Aldons "Jake" Lusis

Medicine  
Microbiology, Immunology & Molecular  
Genetics  
Human Genetics

#### William "Bill" Parks

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center  
Associate Dean, Graduate Research Education  
Director, Graduate Program in Biomedical and  
Translational Sciences  
Women's Guild Lung Institute

#### Michael Rotblatt

Olive View-UCLA Medical Center, Internal  
Medicine

#### S. Lawrence "Larry" Zipursky

Biological Chemistry  
Howard Hughes Biological Institute

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## FROM THE CENTER



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### ♦ UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**Save the Date!**—The next **ERRC at the Opera will be: Akhnaten on Sunday, March 8 at 2 p.m.** Registration will open Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m. You must register on the UCLA Retirees website, [www.retirees.ucla.edu](http://www.retirees.ucla.edu), under Upcoming Events.

**Eddie Murphy as Harriet Tubman—A One Woman Show.** Please join the ERRC on **Thursday, March 19 at 1:30 p.m.** at the University Club as Eddie Murphy brings Harriet Tubman radiantly back to life. Through this powerful portrayal, UCLA will experience the extraordinary story of a true American hero. [Click here to register.](#)



*Eddie Murphy, former director of the UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center (ERRC).*

**Linguistics in Spring with Pam Munro.** Some may remember Professor Pamela Munro, Distinguished Research Professor Emeritus of Linguistics, from her highly engaging and lively “Slang at UCLA and Beyond” program. Great news—Professor Munro is back to join us in person this time on **April 1** at the Young Research Library for another linguistics program. More details to follow!

### ♦ FIDELITY GUIDANCE CONSULTATIONS

Emeriti, retirees, and active employees can ask questions about their retirement accounts remaining with the UC Retirement System or review financial planning for specific situations by meeting with Fidelity Retirement Planner, Andrew Fung, CRPC®, at the ERRC. To make an appointment, please contact Andrew Fung directly at: [andrew.fung@fidelity.com](mailto:andrew.fung@fidelity.com). Andrew will be at the ERRC on January 20, February 10, and March 10.

### ♦ RETIREE PERKS/PRIVILEGES

**Notary**—As a benefit provided by the UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center, **complimentary notary services** are available to retired faculty and retired staff of UCLA and their spouses/partners. Email [emeriti@errc.ucla.edu](mailto:emeriti@errc.ucla.edu) or call (310) 825-7456 to schedule an appointment.

**UCLA Central Ticket Office**—Discount tickets for: Theme parks, Movie theaters, CAP UCLA (formerly UCLA Live)\*, Public transportation. \*Not all CAP UCLA events are eligible for retiree/emeriti discounts. Present your Retiree BruinCard in person at the box office for a 10% discount on CAP UCLA tickets. [Click here for more info.](#)

**UCLA Rec**—UCLA Emeriti/Retirees are eligible to purchase Rec Membership for access to JWC, KREC, Drake Stadium, Pools, SCRC, and Tennis Courts. [Click here for more info.](#)

**Emeriti Strength & Balance**—Winter quarter sessions are available! Check out 2026 virtual instructional classes, which include Emeriti Strength & Balance and more. Please note the Strength & Balance course is open to all UCLA retirees. Classes are for January, February & March. Click here to register: <https://bit.ly/rec2026>

**UCLA Extension (UNEX)**—As a UCLA retiree, you can enroll in an Extension course at a 25% reduced fee discount. Join your fellow retired staff and faculty and take advantage of this great opportunity. Fill out the [discount form](#) and email it to us at [emeriti@errc.ucla.edu](mailto:emeriti@errc.ucla.edu) for verification. Once we have the form signed and returned to you, submit it to UNEX to get your 25% off discount.

## ♦ EMERITI AWARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations are now open for the annual Emeriti Awards, which recognizes distinguished service to the University since retirement. Help us honor the ongoing contributions of our emeriti colleagues by submitting a nomination.

**The Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award**, created by a bequest from Professor Panunzio of UCLA, honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service (e.g. service in professional, University, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental or editorial posts, or committees) performed since retirement by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the Humanities or Social Sciences. Each campus may submit **one nomination** to the Panunzio Award Selection Committee. Submit a nomination at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/panunzio2026>

**The Edward A. Dickson Award** was created by a gift endowment from the late Edward A. Dickson, a Regent of the University of California from 1913 to 1946. The award honors outstanding research, scholarly work, teaching, and/or educational service (e.g. service in professional, University, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental or editorial posts, or committees) performed by an emeritus or emerita professor since retirement. Each of the UC campuses has received funds that will support one or more awards each year. Nominations for this award should highlight the nominee's distinctive research, scholarly work, and/or educational service since retirement.

**The Carole E. Goldberg Award** was created in 2014 to honor outstanding service in professional, University, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental or editorial posts, or committees performed at UCLA by an emeritus or emerita professor since retirement. Nominations for this award should highlight the nominee's distinguished service to UCLA since retirement.

Departments are limited to one nomination each year for each award. Submit a nomination for the Dickson Award or the Goldberg Award here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/emeritiawards26>

To receive emailed invitations and the opportunity for in-person events and Zoom sessions from the ERRC, you can sign up online at [bit.ly/errcnews](https://bit.ly/errcnews) or scan this QR code:



## Call for Volunteers—EA Board needs you!

Several EA Board positions are currently open by appointment in 2025/26:

- Newsletter Editor
- Archivist
- Member-at-Large

Information on these positions are detailed in the EA [Bylaws](#). The EA Board has monthly hybrid meetings, on-campus and Zoom, during the academic year. If you are interested in serving on the Board, email [emeriti@errc.ucla.edu](mailto:emeriti@errc.ucla.edu) or call (310) 825-7456.

## UCLA Play Readers (on Zoom) at 7 pm

- January 22 – *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare
- February 12 – *His Girl Friday* by Charles Lederer, based on a play by Ben Hecht & Charles MacArthur
- March 12 – *The Devil's Disciple* by G. B. Shaw
- April 23 – OPEN MIC, play readers selections
- May 14 – *Henry IV Part I* by William Shakespeare

Interested in attending? Email Rochelle Caballero, [rrcab90272@cs.com](mailto:rrcab90272@cs.com) or phone 310-749-3354 (mobile). Please cite how you found out about Play Reading. Also open to new members as play readers.



**MEMBERSHIP for 2025-2026**

To join or renew your membership to the UCLA Emeriti Association, use this form to pay by check **OR** complete the form electronically (paying by check or with a credit card via PayPal) by going to <https://emeriti.errc.ucla.edu/join>.

Dues are \$25/year for an individual or \$35/year for a member and spouse/partner (Associate). There is no charge for the initial year of first-time membership. The UCLA EA Membership year runs from September 1 to August 31.

Individuals who attain age 85 become eligible for Honorary membership and are exempt from paying Emeriti Association dues. Honorary members need only complete this form stating they wish to be Honorary members. Optionally, Honorary members may wish to make a contribution to the Emeriti Association.

**Member Information**

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**Complete the fields below OR check here  if there are no changes to your information, since last renewal:**

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Email \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Postal Service \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership**

Individual Member (\$25)  Individual Member and Spouse/Partner (\$35)

First-Time Member (dues waived)

Honorary Member, age 85 or older (no dues required)

**Contribution (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT (Check payable to UCLA Emeriti Association):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check if you are interested in serving on an Emeriti Association committee or the Board** \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail form and payment to UCLA Emeriti Association Membership, c/o UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center, 1116 Rolfe Hall, Box 951437, Los Angeles CA, 90095-1437

## Meet the Emeriti Association's Board of Directors

The UCLA Emeriti Association advocates at the campus and statewide level on behalf of all UCLA retired faculty, librarians and those with conferred emeritus status. Additionally, the Emeriti Association plans programs for its members, encourages emeriti to stay connected to UCLA, and reaches out to those considering retirement. Who serves on the Emeriti Association's Board of Directors? We are:

### 2025-2026 EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD

Fernando Torres-Gil  
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