

UC Irvine Emeriti Association (UCIEA) Report for October 2022

Meetings: With our retirees association we very recently co-hosted our first in-person reception since the COVID pandemic. Nearly 200 attendees heard UCI Chancellor Howard Gilman report on UCI's status and future plans. He also responded to audience questions on the issues. The UCIEA Executive Committee continued to meet remotely by Zoom, although we plan to attempt hybrid meetings as soon as the AV equipment has been updated.

Awards: We continue to work with our Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER) and the UCI Administration on various awards such as the Edward A. Dickson Professorship, the Outstanding Emeritus/a-Award and the upcoming Constantine Panunzio Award. Our webpage for Emeriti/ae Awards is: [Emeriti/ae Spotlight — UCI Emeriti Association](#)

Graduate Student Dissertation Fellowships: We have established and awarded the first UCIEA Graduate Student Fellowships which offer two graduate students financial support to write their thesis upon research completion.

Programs: Our sister UCI Retirees Association, in coordination with our CER, continues to organize in-person events such as walks, hikes, bicycle rides as well as hosting a Social at the UCI Pub for newest retirees and emeriti/ae. A joint anticancer walk team raised nearly \$9,000. An in-person tour of Sherman Gardens is scheduled in December. All such events are open to emeriti/ae. CER continues to offer Medicare 101, Fidelity Financial Sessions and other helpful lectures via Zoom.

Parking on Campus: Our parking service continues to offer free parking to emeriti (and retiree) association dues-paying members who are not on any paid-recall status.

Health Insurance and Retirement: Concern has continued regarding UCOP-RASC operations and response to issues with retirement, survivor benefits and health plan changes.

Faculty Retirement Liaison: Professor Emeritus of Physics, Bill Parker continues in this part-time position at UCI.

View our newsletters, recent awards, link to our past lecture recordings, and other highlights at our website: <https://sites.uci.edu/emeraliti/>.

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