



Dear colleagues,

I am delighted to share the following organizational changes within the [Division of Finance and Administration](#):

After an extensive search, I am pleased to announce that **Lori Husein** accepted the position of controller and assistant vice chancellor of [Accounting & Fiscal Services](#) effective Monday, January 6, 2020. Lori has served as special assistant to the CFO and vice chancellor since July of 2019. Lori is a mission-oriented leader who has built first-class client service teams of staff and professionals through diverse hiring practices, on-going mentoring, and professional development. She holds a B.A. in economics and accounting from Claremont McKenna College, and has over 30 years of financial experience. A certified public accountant, Lori brings significant experience in higher education financial management and strategy, and previously served as vice president of Finance and Administration for Sweet Briar College, vice president of Finance and Administration, Claremont University Consortium, and vice president and controller at Loyola Marymount University.

I extend my sincerest appreciation to **Brian Fahnestock**, who has served as interim assistant vice chancellor of Accounting & Fiscal Services since July of 2019. Brian will return to his role as special assistant to the CFO and vice chancellor, continuing to lead special projects for Accounting and Fiscal Services.

I am grateful to the search committee, led by Mary Clark, for their hard work and contribution to the search process.

**Allen Shiroma** has been appointed as assistant vice chancellor of [Facilities Management](#) effective Wednesday, January 1, 2020. Allen has served as the interim assistant vice chancellor of Facilities Management since August of 2018 and has nearly 40 years of experience in his field. He has been at UCI for almost 12 years and has played a significant role in managing \$95 million of campus deferred maintenance and infrastructure improvement projects as well as implementing steps to improve renovation processes and accelerate the completion of critical campus projects. He holds a B.S. in industrial engineering and received his MBA from UCI.

Please join me in congratulating Lori and Allen in their new appointments.

Sincerely,

**Ronald S. Cortez**  
Chief Financial Officer  
Vice Chancellor, Division of Finance and Administration