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ANDREW K. BENTON President and Chief Executive Pepperdine University

Andrew Benton has been president of Pepperdine University since 2000. and also serves as chief executive. He serves as chair of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities and is a former chair of the American Council on Education. Benton is past chair of the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities and a member of the American Bar Association, the Council for Higher

Education Accreditation, the President's Cabinet of the West Coast Conference, the Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities and the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. Benton has more than 40 years of experience in university administration and has offered testimony on the importance of transparency before the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development. The 2018/2019 academic year will be his last. He announced plans in March to step down next year.



**NICOLAS BERGGRUEN** 

Chairman Berggruen Institute

Nicolas Berggruen is chairman of the Berggruen Institute, a think tank he founded in 2010 to study and design systems of good governance. Berggruen plans to open a physical space for the institute on a 450-acre campus in the Santa Monica Mountains. Architecture firm Herzog & de Meuron is designing the headquarters for the institute, which grants a \$1 million Berggruen Prize annually to reward philosophical, sociological

and technological ideas that have "the capacity to shape the future for the better." Berggruen, No. 38 on Los Angeles Business Journal's list of Wealthiest Angelenos with an estimated net worth of \$1.9 billion, is on the board of Museum Berggruen in Berlin, which houses his late father's art collection. He also is on the board of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and is a member of the international councils for the J. Paul Getty Trust, Tate Museum and Museum of Modern Art. Berggruen is co-author, with Nathan Gardels, of "Intelligent Governance for the 21st Century." Berggruen and Gardels copublish TheWorldPost, a media partnership between the institute and the Washington Post. Berggruen also is chairman of Berggruen Holdings.



GENE D. BLOCK

Chancellor University of California, Los Angeles

Gene Block is the chancellor of UCLA, overseeing the university's \$7.5-billion budget, more than 43,000 students, 4,300 faculty and 42,000 employees. He is a professor of psychiatry and biobehavioral sciences in the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Block has served on the boards of the Association of American Universities, National Collegiate Athletic Association, Association of Public and Land-grant Universities

and the Association of Pacific Rim Universities. He also has received many awards, including the Commonwealth of Virginia Outstanding Public Service Award and the Los Angeles NAACP Foundation President's Award. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.



LORNE M. BUCHMAN

ArtCenter College of Design

Lorne Buchman is the president of ArtCenter College of Design. He joined the college in 2009 and has overseen campus expansion, endowment growth, and scholarships and financial aid for students. The college is in the midst of constructing new academic facilities and on-



JANE CLOSE CONOLEY

President California State University, Long Beach

Jane Close Conoley is president of Cal State Long Beach. She joined the university in 2014 after serving as interim chancellor of the University of California, Riverside. She has held leadership positions at the University of California, Santa Barbara, Texas A&M University and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Conoley holds a PhD in educational psychology from the University of Texas at Austin. The frequent lecturer has

presented papers throughout the world and was granted fellow status by the American Psychological Association and the Association for Psychological Science. Conoley has authored, co-authored and edited more than 120 books, articles and book chapters. She wrote her most recent book, "Positive Psychology and Family Therapy," with her husband, Collie W. Conoley.



WILLIAM A. COVINO

California State University, Los Angeles

William Covino is president of Cal State L.A. He established the university's Center for Engagement, Service and the Public Good, which emphasizes community service and service-learning opportunities. He also established a bioscience incubator to promote economic development in the region. The school's Civic University partnership with the office of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti helps to train civic

and community leaders. Covino joined Cal State L.A. in 2013 after serving as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Cal State Fresno. He also served as provost at Stanislaus State and as dean of the Schmidt College of Arts and Letters at Florida Atlantic University, and has been on the faculty at the University of Illinois at Chicago and San Diego State. He is the author of five books, including "The Elements of Persuasion" and "The Art of Wondering."



ELIZABETH M. DALEY

Dean, School of Cinematic Arts University of Southern California

Elizabeth Daley is the longest-serving dean at USC. She was named to the post at USC's School of Cinematic Arts in 1991 after serving as chair of the Film & Television Production program. She was founding executive director of the USC Annenberg Center for Communication, is the inaugural holder of the Steven J. Ross/Time Warner Dean's Chair and serves as the executive director of the USC Institute for Multimedia

Literacy. She established the Entertainment Technology Center, a think tank that studies the impact of new technologies, and built the Robert Zemeckis Center for Digital Arts. The former independent producer and media consultant served as director of the film and television subsidiary of the Mark Taper Forum and was a producer for MGM/Television. She serves on the boards of Avid Technologies as well as the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Media, Entertainment and Information. She is a member of the Directors Guild of America and on the Academic Advisory Council of the Motion Picture Association of America. Daley has received the Cine Golden Eagle, the Barbara Jordan Award, the California Governor's Award and the Women in Film Business Leadership Award.



Dean, Marshall School of Business University of Southern California

James Ellis is dean of the Marshall School of Business at USC, a post he assumed after serving as the university's vice provost for globalization, vice dean for external relations and associate dean for the undergraduate program. He received the Marshall's Golden Apple and Teaching Has

campus student housing and launching a capital campaign. Buchman previously was president of Saybrook Graduate School and Research Center in Oakland. His career includes serving as provost and president of California College of the Arts and holding faculty and administrative positions at the University of California, Berkeley. The trained theater director and scholar is the author of "Still in Movement: Shakespeare on Screen." He holds a PhD from Stanford University and bachelor's degree from the University of Toronto. He also was the principal of Buchman Associates, a private consulting firm he founded in 2000 to assist nonprofit organizations in identifying philanthropic and private investment sources.



SORAYA M. COLEY

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Soraya Coley is president of Cal Poly Pomona. Coley, who took office in 2015, is the first woman to be named president of the institution, which has more than 25,000 students and nearly 2,500 faculty and staff. Enrollment has grown by 2,000 students during her tenure. She was previously provost and vice president for academic affairs at Cal State Bakersfield and has held positions at Cal State Fullerton, Alliant

International University and the National Center for Substance Abuse and Child Welfare. Coley is a member of the American Council on Education Women's Network, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, the Pasadena Bioscience Collaborative and the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy and Jobs. She is a former member of the board of directors for Children and Family Futures and the Kern County Schools' "Ready to Start" program. She holds a doctoral degree in social planning and policy from Bryn Mawr College.

No Boundaries awards in 2003. He leads Marshall's invitation-only Freshman Leadership Colloquium, an annual conference for freshmen business and accounting majors featuring researchers, authors, administrators and industry leaders discussing leadership challenges. Ellis is on the boards of the Capital Group and Mercury Insurance, as well as a number of nonprofit organizations.



DIANNE F. HARRISON

California State University, Northridge

Dianne Harrison is president of Cal State Northridge. She joined the university in 2012 after serving as president of Cal State Monterey Bay. She spent nearly 30 years as a faculty member and in administrative leadership roles at Florida State University. Harrison chairs the Steering Committee of the Presidents' Climate Leadership Network and serves as a commissioner on the Western Association of Schools and Colleges

(WASC) Senior College and University Commission. She has twice served on the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, most recently as chair of the commission. She is on the board of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the NCAA Board of Governors and the Division I Board of Directors. She is a member of the Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator Leadership Council, the Los Angeles Coalition for the Economy and Jobs, LAEDC's executive committee and BizFed's advisory council. Harrison holds a PhD from Washington University in St. Louis.

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