



**Chancellor Gene D. Block**  
**UCLA**

Dr. Gene Block became chancellor of UCLA in August 2007. As chief executive officer, he oversees the university's three-part mission of education, research and service. A biologist, he holds faculty appointments in the David Geffen School of Medicine and the College of Letters and Science.

A champion of public universities, Chancellor Block has called for UCLA to define for California and the nation the role of a great public research university in a major urban center in the 21st century. The priorities he has set for UCLA during his administration include academic excellence, diversity, civic engagement and financial security.

Previously, Dr. Block served as vice president and provost of the University of Virginia. He received a master's and Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Oregon and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Stanford University, where he also completed a postdoctoral fellowship.