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**Biography**
The following is adapted from a biography provided by the UCI Libraries' UCI Stories project in 2016:

Thomas A. Parham was Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs at UC Irvine from 2011-2018 and also served as an adjunct faculty member from 1985-2018. Prior to these positions, he served as Assistant Vice Chancellor for Counseling and Health Services, Counseling Center Director, and Director of the Career and Life Planning Center at UCI. Before that, Parham held an appointment on the faculty at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Parham received his B.A. in social ecology from UCI in 1977. He completed his Master's degree in counseling psychology at Washington University in St. Louis, and received his Ph.D. in counseling psychology at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He currently serves as an ad hoc reviewer for the Journal of Black Psychology, and served as a treating clinician for the NFL program for substance abuse. He also served as chair of UCI's Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium for 10 years, helped charter the Orange County chapter of the 100 Black Men of America, and is a past president of the National Association of Black Psychologists and the Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development. He is also a fellow of both the American Psychological Association and the American Counseling Association. He has also been recognized as a “Distinguished Psychologist” by the Association of Black Psychologists. For the past 30-plus years, Parham has focused his research efforts in the area of psychological nigrescence and has authored 6 books and over 40 journal articles and book chapters in the areas of identity development, African psychology and multicultural counseling. Parham has received numerous honors and awards for his academic contributions and community service. Parham was succeeded by Willie L. Banks Jr. in 2019 as Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs.

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