John Dahl's career at UCLA spans almost 40 years having performed numerous financial and budgetary functions/roles for a variety of campus organizations, working in External Affairs (fund raising, alumni, communications, and legislative advocacy), UCLA Samueli School of Engineering, UCLA Corporate Financial Services (campus' accounting and financial area) and Academic Planning and Budget (campus' budget and planning office). He was able to apply his educational background in accounting, finance, and computer systems to his many roles, assignments, and projects comprising organizational and campus-wide analytical reporting, processes and systems, and overall support to the university in its mission. He is active in the UCLA Retirees Association and has held positions of President and Treasurer over the last ten years and serves as Interim Vice President and chair of two committees. Lastly, he is currently Treasurer of CUCRA having served in the position since 2012. He regards UCLA and UC as his family.