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**UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute Appoints John H. Pryor  
as Director of Cooperative Institutional Research Program,  
Associate Director of Institute**

The Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA's Graduate School of Education & Information Sciences is pleased to announce the appointment of John H. Pryor as associate director of the institute and director of the Cooperative Institutional Research Program.

As director of the program, Pryor will coordinate survey development and administration, and advance the use of the data for institutional planning and national research in higher education.

Pryor comes from Dartmouth College, where he was director of student affairs planning, evaluation and research in the Office of the Dean of the College, and research assistant professor at Dartmouth Medical School. He is a psychologist by training. His specific interests are in survey research methodology, including Web-based surveys; college student alcohol use; health issues; and at-risk behaviors. He brings expertise in institutional research, student affairs issues, program evaluation and survey methods to the institute.

The Higher Education Research Institute serves as an interdisciplinary center for research, evaluation, information, policy studies and research training in postsecondary education. The institute's research program covers a variety of topics including undergraduate education, the outcomes of postsecondary education, faculty work-life issues, federal and state policy, and educational access and equity.

The Cooperative Institutional Research Program is the longest-running survey of higher education, encompassing 39 years of data collection on entering college students, more than 20 years on students' college experiences and triennial surveys of undergraduate teaching faculty.

For further information about the institute, visit their Web site at <http://www.gseis.ucla.edu/heri>.