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Cal State L.A. names William Covino as new president

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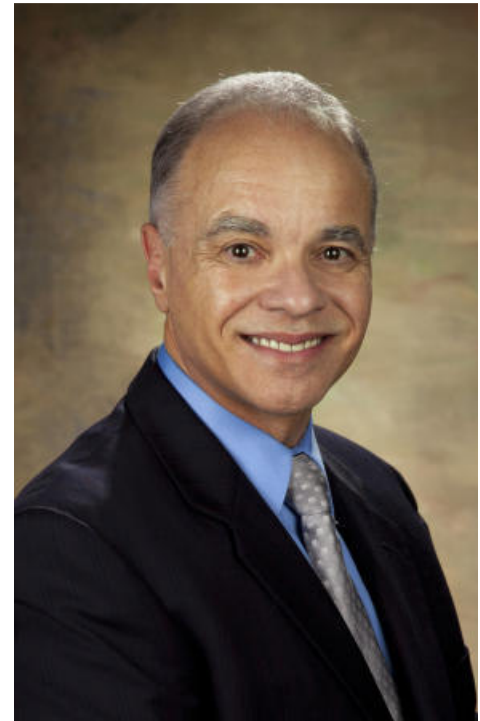
Cal State University Los Angeles has its first new president in 33 years, naming William Covino of Cal State Fresno to the post.

Covino will replace James Rosser, who is retiring June 30 after joining the campus in 1979.

"I am honored to join a university as outstanding as Cal State L.A. and look forward to engaging with students, faculty, alumni and the community to build on its strengths and create opportunities for the future," Covino said in a statement. "The university is uniquely positioned in a global center for the arts, technology and the economy and it boasts a student population as diverse as the city it serves. Cal State L.A. truly reflects the changing face of California in the 21st century."

Covino is a veteran of the Cal State system, serving as provost and vice president of academic affairs in Fresno, and holding the same titles at Cal State Stanislaus from 2006 to 2009.

He holds English degrees from UCLA, Cal State Northridge and USC, where he earned his doctorate.



William Covino (Courtesy photo)

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