

HUMAN RESEARCH LECTURE

JAMES WEYHENMEYER

James A. Weyhenmeyer is senior vice president for research for the Research Foundation of SUNY (RF) and senior vice provost for research for SUNY. In light of UB's plans to obtain Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP) accreditation, Weyhenmeyer's visit is particularly timely. A member of the board of directors of AAHRPP, Weyhenmeyer led the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to AAHRPP accreditation.



James A. Weyhenmeyer will give a lecture titled "The Future of Human Research: Concerns and Possibilities," on April 1 at the Center for Tomorrow. His talk is the second in the UB Human Research Protection Program Distinguished Speakers Series.

In addition to promoting research opportunities among SUNY campuses, he coordinates SUNY's Empire Innovation Program; leads the research, development and technology programs of the RF; and serves as primary liaison to the university centers and medical campuses.

As a cell biologist/neuroscientist, Weyhenmeyer has been published extensively on degenerative brain disorders from his research funded by the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation and the American Heart Association.

Weyhenmeyer has also served as chief scientific officer for a medical device company, chief operating officer for a drug delivery company, and as a scientific and business consultant for start-up companies. He sits on several scientific advisory boards and other committees for companies in the gene technology and drug development sectors, and is a member of the American Heart Association's National Research Committee.

The Human Research Protection Program Distinguished Speakers Series was created at the OVPR to highlight human research, in particular the importance of protecting research subjects, and to bring UB's commitment to this ethical obligation to the university and Western New York constituencies. Lectures are free and open to the public.