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Elena "Lin" Weaver is a speech applications software developer, a linguist and a multi-media journalist and radio/TV producer. She has worked for the live radio show "Insight" at Capital Public Radio in Sacramento. Lin has produced many UC Davis related stories and interviewed many faculty members and distinguished speakers for the program. She is currently working on a web series of articles and audio interviews titled "Profiles in Foster Courage" for the Chronicle of Journalism for Social Change. Lin also produces and hosts a TV interview program at Davis Media.

Lin was born in Europe into a bilingual Italian and French family. Her father was Italian and a career diplomat. Her mother was a pianist. As a child, she lived in Germany, the UK, Poland, Albania, Switzerland, Italy and France. She attended a French girls school in Geneva and went on to graduate from the University of Geneva with a BA in Translation and Interpretation, and later in the US, an MA in French literature from Tufts University.

Lin is a Trustee Emerita of the UC Davis Foundation Board and served two terms from 2011-2017. She is a former member of the International House Davis Board of Directors, a member of the City of Davis Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), and a Yolo County Red Cross volunteer.

Lin's late husband, Dr. David L. Weaver, was a biophysics researcher and a professor at Tufts University. Dr. Weaver was impressed with the research and faculty at the UC Davis Genome Center. He planned to spend his sabbatical year, 2006-2007, conducting research at the UC Davis Genome, but he passed away before his sabbatical began. Lin and her sons established an endowed lectureship series at UC Davis in his honor to ensure that the UC Davis scientific community could benefit from his knowledge and passion for research. The series, hosted by the UC Davis Genome Center and the College of Biological Sciences, is the "David L. Weaver Endowed Lectures in Biophysics and Computational Biology."

In the Boston area, when her children were young, Lin worked as a translator, court interpreter, editor and software developer for various international companies, recorded audio books for the visually impaired and produced programs for the local access television station. She also taught comparative linguistics and advanced French language and literature courses at Wellesley

College. Later on, Lin held full-time positions in the software industry traveling extensively to Malaysia, Singapore and Europe for her work. She moved to Davis from Boston in 2006.

Lin has three sons: Christopher is an oceanography and climate change researcher at the EPA in Washington, DC. Tim is a paleoanthropologist at UC Davis, and Ash is a software architect in Boston. Lin belongs to various professional societies and has personal interests in music, art, science, poetry, politics and traveling. She is trilingual in Italian, French and English.