How to switch to Gmail while using the same BOL e-mail address?

Problem

You are used to your BOL e-mail address at jbruin@ucla.edu and everyone reach you by this address. One day you decided to switch to Gmail and got yourself jbruin@gmail.com

For some reason (e.g. hard to get everyone to use your new address), you want people to keep sending e-mails to jbruin@ucla.edu. But at the same time, you want to enjoy reading e-mails via Gmail's (excellent IMHO) web interface. Related, this can take advantage of Gmail's anti-spam mitigation measures.

Solution

1. Get BOL to forward all e-mails to your Gmail account: Log into BOL's web interface at http://mail.ucla.edu and then go to Filters → Forward → Create Forward Rule. Enter your Gmail address (e.g. jbruin@gmail.com) and click "Save Changes".
2. Have Gmail put your BOL e-mail address as the sender's e-mail address: Log into Gmail at http://www.gmail.com and go to Settings → Accounts → Add another email address. Enter your name and your BOL e-mail address (e.g. jbruin@ucla.edu) and follow the instruction to verify the address. Then, press "make default" next to this address.

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