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New Student Convocation - August 21, 2017

We are excited to continue the new tradition of our Day of Convocation. Please mark your calendars for the 2017 Day of Convocation: Monday, August 21, 2017. Evening classes will begin that day at 5:00 p.m. and daytime classes begin on Tuesday, August 22. Day of Convocation is an effort to celebrate and welcome our new students and provide clear academic expectations and an understanding about what it means to be a 49er. The event presents the traditions of the institution, the Noble Niner Honor Code, a faculty keynote address, and a performance by the Pride of Niner Nation Marching Band. All faculty are asked to RSVP and participate in New Student Convocation in regalia. For additional information and updates about New Student Convocation, please visit: http://studentconvocation.uncc.edu.

CONNECT Training

CONNECT is the advising system that replaced Starfish on June 26, 2017. Information on fall training for advisors and faculty for CONNECT can be found on the Academic Advising Technology Training webpage. The CONNECT training sessions scheduled for Fall 2017 will include Early Alert training.   Departments can also request to schedule their own training during any departmental meetings by contacting the Director for Academic Advising Systems.

MyFiles Retiring Early October

MyFiles will be retired on October 3, 2017. MyFiles provides internet access to H/S/J drives. It relies on outdated technology that is no longer supported and is used by very few people. Faculty, please update course content as needed.You can still access your H/S/J Drives using the University's secure VPN (Virtual Private Network). See the below FAQS. For any questions, please contact the IT Service Desk at ext. 7-5500

- How do I access H/S/J drives from off campus using a personal Mac computer?
- How do I access H/S/J drives from off campus using a personal Windows computer?
- How do students access their H drives from on campus using eduroam?

New Disability Services Software Bringing Changes to Service Provision

During Fall 2017, the Office of Disability Services will transition to a new enterprise software system. For faculty familiar with ODS processes, this will bring changes to test scheduling and eventually will provide a way for faculty to view their students' accommodation letters online. As ODS works to reduce paper and increase their capacity to work

with faculty and a growing population of students seeking services, they will keep the campus posted with details and provide answers to frequently asked questions.

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops

Adjunct Faculty Learning Community
A Faculty Learning Community (FLC) is a form of professional development that brings together a small group of cross-disciplinary faculty members to engage over a period of time. An invitation to apply for the Adjunct Faculty Learning Community is due August 31.

Canvas Foundations Online
A convenient way to learn Canvas basics! Work through exercises and activities to learn the most essential Canvas features for teaching...in a convenient asynchronous format! Jessica Kapota, CTL Instructional Designer, will guide you through daily activities to learn key Canvas tools.

- SESSION 1: August 23-30 (20 participants maximum) (*Register*)
- SESSION 2: September 6-13 (20 participants maximum) (*Register*)

Hints and Tricks for your Accessible Canvas Course
Learn how to design your Canvas course so all students can access it easily and ensure they have a similar experience.

- Monday, August 14, 9:30 - 10:45 AM (*Register*)

Teaching with Poll Everywhere
This workshop will introduce faculty/staff to Poll Everywhere, and how to use the student response software in classroom and other learning spaces.

- Tuesday, August 15, 2:00 - 3:30 PM (*Register*)

Upcoming Events

Aug 17	University Convocation
Aug 25	International Welcome Party
Aug 25	Curriculog Training - Creating Proposals
Aug 21	New Student Convocation
Aug 21	Convocation Lecture: Lorcan O'Herlihy
Aug 28	Faculty & Friends Concert: Alissa Deeter, Brian Arreola, and Carl DuPont
Aug 31	International Speaker Series: H.E. Aung Lynn, Ambassador of Myanmar to the U.S.
Sep 1	Curriculog Training - Reviewing & Approving Proposals
Sep 5	Faculty & Friends Concert: The Mirasol Quartet
Sep 7	International Coffee Hour
Sep 7	Curriculog Training - Creating Proposals
Sep 8	Business as Usual: Bob Trotman
Sep 15-16	Faculty Dance Concert
Sep 18	Faculty & Friends Concert: Mira Frisch, Anna Cromwell, and Lisa Nelson
Sep 21	International Speaker Series: Dr. Bernard Weinstein, Global Energy Expert
Sep 27	Fall Study Abroad Fair
Sep 27-Oct 1	Baltimore
Sep 29	On Location
Sep 29-30	North Carolina Honors Association (NCHA) Conference
Oct 2	Sean Caulfield: Air Bleeder

Oct 13	[Spotlight Concert](#)
Oct 14	[42nd Annual International Festival](#)
Oct 16	[Faculty & Friends Concert: Jeffrey Price and Matthew Manwarren](#)
Oct 19	[International Speaker Series: Dean Alexander, Homeland Security Expert](#)
Oct 25	[Lecture: Sylvia Lavin, UCLA](#)
Nov 2-4	[Actors from The London Stage present Measure for Measure](#)
Nov 13	[2/D & 3/D and Graphic Design BFA Exhibitions](#)
Nov 16-19	[Fall Dance Concert](#)
Dec 3	[Defiant Requiem](#)