

#### Office of Academic Affairs

# **News Digest**

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### **UNC Charlotte Votes - Vote Locally**



#### **TOMORROW IS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY!**

If you are already registered to vote in Mecklenburg County, you can cast your ballot for Charlotte's mayoral and city council candidates (Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Board candidates are on the ballot for the general election). To check your registration status or view your sample ballot, please use the <a href="N.C. Voter Lookup Tool">N.C. Voter Lookup Tool</a>. Need to register to vote for the general election? <a href="TurboVote">TurboVote</a> can guide you through the vote registration process.

- PRIMARY ELECTION DAY Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 AM 7:30 PM
- GENERAL ELECTION DAY Tuesday, November 7, 6:30 AM 7:30 PM

#### **Spring 2018 Registration Advising Holds**

With registration right around the corner, it is that time to place advising holds on students' accounts. Requests should be submitted to <a href="mailto:edawson8@uncc.edu">edawson8@uncc.edu</a> by Monday, October 9, 2017. In an effort to ensure advising holds are placed accurately and in a timely manner, we are asking departments to send an Excel spreadsheet that includes a complete list of students needing advising holds. These spreadsheets can be retrieved from <a href="mailto:Report Central">Report Central</a>. A report that could be used is the Cumulative GPA by level, class, college, degree in major order report under the GPA/Credit Hours tab. Please note:

- Freshman automatically receive an advising hold so these students (class of FR) should be excluded from your request.
- Exclude students who have applied to graduate for the current term.
- If you require a custom message to appear with the advising hold (limit of 30 characters), please include it with your request. Example: Contact PBUS advisor
- One request per department should be submitted.

#### **Calls for Nominations**

#### Bonnie E. Cone Distinguished Professorship in Community Engagement

Nominations are being accepted for the Bonnie E. Cone Distinguished Professorship in Community Engagement (formerly known as the Provost's Faculty Award for Community Engagement). This award honors a tenured faculty member whose teaching, research, and service records embody the University's commitment to civic involvement, and whose work strengthens the relationship between UNC Charlotte and the larger community. Nominations should be submitted to Dr. <u>Tamara Johnson</u> by October 20, 2017.

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#### Harshini V. de Silva Graduate Mentor Award

The Harshini V. de Silva Graduate Mentor Award Committee is soliciting nominations for the 2018 award. All regular members of the graduate faculty at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte are eligible to receive this recognition. Nominees should be distinguished, active scholars in their appropriate fields and should have proven records of continuing interest in the growth and success of their students. Required nomination materials should be submitted electronically to <a href="Annette Parks">Annette Parks</a> by November 3, 2017.

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#### First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal

The First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal Committee is soliciting nominations for the 2018 award. Nominations must focus on the excellence and importance of sustained contributions in research and creative activities, including work done over a substantial period of time at UNC Charlotte. Nominations may be made by any UNC Charlotte faculty member and should be electronically submitted to <a href="Annette Parks">Annette Parks</a> by November 10, 2017.

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# **Center for Teaching and Learning Opportunities**

#### Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Grants CFP

The Faculty Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Grants Committee is requesting proposals for this year's round of funding for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SOTL) Grants. The grants are available to individual faculty members, departments, colleges, programs, academies, or standing committees to support them in projects that will examine and reflect upon the teaching and learning practices in their discipline. These projects may be aimed at curricular reforms, research that informs teaching and learning at the local level, or improving the quality of instruction in the undergraduate and graduate programs of the unit or the campus. See the full RFP.

#### **Teachers Observing Peers (TOP) Program**

The TOP program provides UNC Charlotte faculty members with an opportunity to observe peers representing a variety of disciplines implementing interactive methods in a live classroom setting. Learn more: <a href="teaching.uncc.edu/top">teaching.uncc.edu/top</a>

#### **Teach in the Honors College**

The Honors College invites all full-time faculty to consider submitting a proposal to teach in the Honors College for the 2018-2019 academic year. Click <a href="here">here</a> for a link to the online proposal form. For more information about teaching in honors, visit our <a href="website">website</a> and click on "Getting Involved" and "Teaching Resources". Proposals (with uploaded syllabus) are due on or before November 3, 2017. If you have questions about the course proposal process, contact <a href="Childers-McKee">Childers-McKee</a>.

# **MyFiles Retiring October 3**



MyFiles, a system that provides remote access to the H/S/J drives, will be retired on October 3. It relies on outdated technology that is no longer supported and is used by very few people. You can still access your H/S/J Drives using the University's secure VPN (Virtual Private Network). See the below FAQS. Faculty, please update course content as needed. If you have 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?

### **Upcoming Training Opportunities**

#### Facilitating Student Discussions and Developing Students as Facilitators

Stephanie Norander, Executive Director of the Communication Across the Curriculum (CxC) program, will lead this session to help you plan for leading in-class discussions and for preparing students to facilitate.

• Tuesday, September 12, 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (Register)

#### **New Early Alert Process Using CONNECT**

Learn how to raise early alerts using CONNECT, the new early alert system, by identifying students at-risk of failing based on current performance. LeeFredrick Bowen, Director for Academic Advising Systems in the Office of Undergraduate Education, will lead this session.

Wednesday, September 13, 11:00 - 11:30 AM (<u>Register</u>)

# Secondary Employment, Outside Commitments, and Employee Liability Protections - Applicable Policies and Best Practices You Should Consider

For any employee who has another job outside the university, who owns or operates his/her own company, who consults regularly, or who participates on outside boards, this session will address the questions and concerns that might be circulating around those activities. Join Jeff Jensen, Senior Associate General Counsel, as he explains the university policies that govern these relationships as well as what employee protections might come into play with university-related work.

• Thursday, September 14, 9:00 - 10:15 AM, Cone 113 (*Register*)

#### **Teaching with Poll Everywhere**

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

• Thursday, September 14, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (*Register*)

# **Office of International Programs**



# International Speaker Series: Dr. Bernard Weinstein, Global Energy Expert Maintaining a Diverse Portfolio: the Key to Global Energy Dominance

The ways in which energy is produced and consumed around the globe are undergoing rapid and remarkable change. Dr. Bernard Weinstein will share his outlook on the future of global energy. Weinstein, a widely published and consulted energy economist, will discuss his perspective on the greatest challenges facing the U.S. and world in terms of energy resources, renewable energy, and the latest technologies for reducing global emissions. Faculty are encouraged to reserve space to attend with their classes and/or arrange for an extra-credit sign-in sheet for their students. Please email globaleducation@uncc.edu to arrange a sign-in sheet for your class or if you have any questions.

• Thursday, September 21, 3:30 - 5:00 PM, Halton Reading Room (*Register*)



# **UNC Charlotte Resident Director at Kingston University**

The Office of Education Abroad in the Office of International Programs (OIP) invites tenured faculty to apply for the Resident Faculty Director position at UNC Charlotte's longstanding partner, Kingston University London (KUL) in Kingston upon Thames, a Royal Borough of London. The Resident Director serves as the primary on site liaison between the OIP and KUL during the academic year. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, support to UNC Charlotte students studying at KUL, coordination of cultural excursions, and team teaching the KUL British Life and Culture Course. Applications are being accepted for Academic Years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. The application submission deadline is Wednesday, November 1.

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# **Upcoming Events**

Sep 11	Bible Nation: The United States of Hobby Lobby with Candida Moss
Sep 11	Bringing Democracy Down: What Can Be Learned From Weimar Germany?
Sep 11	FACE Application Deadline
Sep 12	WGRA Book Club: Piecing Me Together
Sep 14	Bittersweet Harvest Exhibit Opening Reception
Sep 15-16	Faculty Dance Concert
Sep 17	Exploring North Carolina During The Great War: 100 Years On
Sep 18	Faculty & Friends Concert: Mira Frisch, Anna Cromwell, and Lisa Nelson
Sep 20	Constitution Day: Drones and the 4th Amendment
Sep 20	Annual Bertha Maxwell Roddey Distinguished Africana Lecture
Sep 21	The Story of the Charlotte Girl: Economic Mobility
Sep 21	International Speaker Series: Dr. Bernard Weinstein, Global Energy Expert
Sep 26	Personally Speaking Looks At How We Are What We Eat
Sep 27	Artist/activist Kate Evans on Threads: From the Refugee Crisis
Sep 27	Fall Study Abroad Fair
Sep 27-Oct 1	Baltimore (Theater)
Sep 29	GESP Application Deadline
Sep 29	On Location (Architecture)
Sep 29-30	North Carolina Honors Association (NCHA) Conference
Sep-Oct	Fall Workshops & Classes in the Botanical Gardens
Oct 2	Sean Caulfield: Air Bleeder (Art)
Oct 13	Spotlight Concert
Oct 13	Botanical Gardens Annual Fall Sale
Oct 14	42nd Annual International Festival
Oct 16	Faculty & Friends Concert: Jeffrey Price and Matthew Manwarren
Oct 19	Chancellor's Speaker Series: Laura Linney
Oct 19	International Speaker Series: Dean Alexander, Homeland Security Expert
Oct 20	Music in the Gardens
Oct 25	Lecture: Sylvia Lavin, UCLA The Story of the Charlotte Girl: Violence, Trauma and Abuse
Oct 26	Explore UNC Charlotte
Oct 28	UNC Charlotte Resident Director at Kingston University Application Deadline
Nov 1	Actors from The London Stage present Measure for Measure
Nov 2-4	2/D & 3/D and Graphic Design BFA Exhibitions
Nov 13	Personally Speaking: Thomas Wolfe and Lost Children
Nov 14	Fall Dance Concert
Nov 16-19 Dec 3	Defiant Requiem
Mar 17	Explore UNC Charlotte
War 17	Explore LINC Charlotte

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Deadline for submission is 11:00 a.m. every Friday.