



News Digest

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Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SOTL) Grants

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.](#)

NinerScholars Portal Open to 2018-19 Scholarship Applications

The NinerScholars Portal is now open to scholarship applications for the 2018-19 academic year. As a reminder, scholarship funds which currently do not have a sufficient balance to make a 2018-19 award but receive the necessary funding to make an award before February 1, 2018, may still be opened in NinerScholars. Please contact the University Scholarship Office (USO) if a scholarship that is currently closed to applications should be opened. The USO will host a training session for the NinerScholars Administrator and Reviewer Portals in early January. The session will offer resources and in-depth training on current and new functionality in the portals. The system enhancements will streamline your application review, recipient selection, and award administration processes. All new and continuing scholarship administrators are encouraged to attend; more details will be made available in the coming month. You may contact the USO at 704-687-5871 or by emailing scholarships@uncc.edu.

Racial Justice Advocacy Program

The Racial Justice Advocacy Program presents *An Examination of Race, Ethnicity, and "Othering" in American Religious Traditions* featuring Dr. Julia Robinson Moore, Associate Professor, Department of Religious Studies, UNC Charlotte, and Dr. Rodney Sadler, Associate Professor of Bible, Union Presbyterian Seminary, and moderated by Rabbi Judy Schindler, Associate Professor of Judaic Studies, Queens University. The discussion will be held on Thursday, October 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Barnhardt Student Activity Center Salons D and E.

[Read more >>](#)

Film Screening: The Guestworker

Since 1986, thousands of Mexican men have legally entered the United States to work here, because of the little known H-2A guestworker program, put in effect during the Reagan years. Filmed on both sides of the border, the documentary chronicles the life of such farm-workers while looking at the issues surrounding the program.

- Tuesday, October 16, 2:00 - 3:00 PM, Atkins Library Visualization Lab (2nd Floor)

[Read more >>](#)

Faculty Council Meeting

The Faculty Council will meet this Thursday, October 19, 2017, from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. in Cameron 101. The [agenda and meeting materials](#) are available on the Faculty Governance website as well as the [meeting schedule](#) for the year. This is an open meeting.

Office of International Programs



Final Call: Funding for International Education Week Programming

International Education Week (IEW) - November 13-17, 2017 - offers an opportunity to recognize our ongoing commitment to global and international awareness and understanding on our campus. Limited funding is available through OIP to support and co-sponsor departmentally organized initiatives, which advance campus internationalization for inclusion in [International Education Week 2017](#). Faculty are encouraged to submit programs for inclusion in this week of lectures, presentations, and performances organized to celebrate our campus commitment to global and international understanding. Find the [student](#) event submission and [faculty](#) event submission and funding request forms as well as listings of events from previous celebrations at global.uncc.edu. **Deadline to submit is Friday, October 20.**

Global Learning Across Disciplines: STEAM'D

The Office of International Programs, in collaboration with the UNC Charlotte Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars Mu Chapter, cordially invite interested faculty and staff to participate in the global learning 60-minute eSeminars offered by [AAC&U](#) and [NAFSA](#). In the seminars, participants will explore models of integrating global learning into the curriculum and co-curricular activities of the STEAM'D (sciences, technology, math, art, and design disciplines) fields to address world problems and learning goals. Visit the NAFSA site for a full [session description](#).

- Thursday, October 26, 2:30 - 3:30 PM, CHHS 207 ([Register](#))



Phi Beta Delta Honor Society Nominations

The Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars Mu Chapter invites you to consider nominating students, faculty, and staff at UNC Charlotte to join the society. PBD is the first honor society dedicated to recognizing scholarly achievement in international education and intercultural engagement.

Please review the nomination criteria and complete the [online nomination form](#) by noon Friday, October 27, 2017. Self-nominations are also accepted. Additional details are available [online](#).

Center for Teaching and Learning

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.

- Tuesday, October 17, 2:00 – 3:30 PM ([Register](#))

Mid-Semester Feedback

Join the CTL for a webinar where you'll learn why and how to implement mid-semester evaluations in your courses. Tracy Rock, Faculty Fellow, Center for Teaching & Learning, and Lynn Wahl, Instructional Designer, Center for Teaching and Learning, will lead the session.

- Tuesday, October 17, 12:30 - 1:00 PM ([Register](#))

Hints & Tricks for your Accessible Canvas Course

This workshop provides information about how to design your Canvas course so all students can access it easily and ensure they have a similar experience. Khaleel Eksheir, Assistive Technology Specialist, Office of Disability Services, and Caryl Gordon, Technology Support Analyst – Advanced, Center for Teaching and Learning will lead the session.

- Thursday, October 19, 12:30 - 1:00 PM ([Register](#))

Retirement Reception: Debbie Black

Join Research and Economic Development as they celebrate the [retirement of Debbie Black](#).

- Monday, October 23, 2:00 - 3:30 PM, Student Union 340C

Dissertation Defenses

The dissertation defense is one of the ways a new scholar demonstrates readiness to join the academy and is an opportunity to share their research widely.

[View All Dissertation Defense Announcements](#)

Upcoming Events

THIS WEEK:

- Oct 16** [OUTSpoken Presents Julio Salgado: I'm A Queer Artist of Color and Still Alive](#)
- Oct 16** [The Annual Tate Lecture in Judaic Studies: The Apocalypse and Its Jewish Afterlives](#)
- Oct 17** [CTI Presents an Evening for Educators](#)
- Oct 17** [Confucius Institute Presentation](#)
- Oct 18** [University Chorale](#)
- Oct 19** [Chancellor's Speaker Series: Laura Linney](#)
- Oct 19** [Romani Music Recital](#)
- Oct 20** [Music in the Gardens](#)
- Oct 20** [IEW Student Event Submission Deadline](#)
- Oct 20** [IEW Faculty Event and/or Funding Submission Deadline](#)

NEXT WEEK:

- Oct 24** [Fertility for Colored Girls: Debunking Racial Myths by Narrating Stories About \(In\)Fertility](#)
- Oct 24** [Poverty Simulation in Spanish](#)
- Oct 25** [Rachel Carson's Environmental Ethic and North Carolina Today](#)
- Oct 26** [Global Learning Across Disciplines: STEAM'D](#)
- Oct 27** [Phi Beta Delta Nominations Deadline](#)
- Oct 25-29** [Women of Trachis \(Theatre\)](#)

UPCOMING: <https://provost.uncc.edu/about-academic-affairs/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events>

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