

News Digest

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Summer and Fall 2018 Registration Update

The dates for Summer and Fall 2018 registration have changed! The week of registration will begin on April 2 and go through April 6. Open registration will begin on April 9. The Academic Calendar now reflects the new registration dates. The Summer 2018 schedule of courses will be available to view on the web on December 15. The Fall schedule of courses will be available to view on the web on March 5.

New Google Calendar Design



Google's new Calendar design is now available for all faculty, staff, and students. You can use either the new or old design through January 22, 2018. Starting January 23, the new design will be the only option.

[Learn more >>](#)

2018 Charlotte Research Scholars

Call for Faculty-Submitted Research Projects

Faculty are encouraged to participate in the 2018 Charlotte Research Scholars (CRS) program. Sponsored by the Office of Academic Affairs, the Charlotte Research Institute, the Duke Endowment Special Initiatives Fund, and The Graduate School, the CRS provides funding to participate in a mentored, 10-week summer research experience to approximately 50 UNC Charlotte students each summer. The program also includes weekly professional development training. Compensation for the program: Scholar fellowship = \$5,000; Mentor honorarium = \$750.

The CRS selection process is centered on the quality of the student applicants and appropriate mentor match. To be included in a list of possible mentors, please submit a project title and short abstract by email to nmfried@uncc.edu before January 12 using the attached project submission form. In addition, please provide a set of minimum qualifications you desire your mentee to have if applicable. Finally, if you would like to work with a particular student—assuming they are chosen—please indicate that in the text of the email (but not in the project submission form).

- Friday, January 12: Project submission deadline
- February 2-23: Scholar application timeline
- May 21 - July 27: Program dates (ten weeks)

[Read more >>](#)

Office of International Programs

Save the Dates – UNC Charlotte’s Great Decisions Lecture Series

UNC Charlotte’s Office of International Programs once again looks forward to the annual [Great Decisions Lecture Series](#). Based on topics chosen by the Foreign Policy Association, these five weekly presentations provide an opportunity for citizens to explore pressing issues facing our world. We hope that faculty and staff will be able to join us once again in January and February for the series. More information on the series, including online registration and parking information, will soon be available at the [UNC Charlotte Great Decisions website](#). Feel free to contact the Office of Global Education and Engagement at globaleducation@uncc.edu or 704-687-7755 for additional information.

Great Decisions 2018 Topics as chosen by the Foreign Policy Association

- ❖ The waning of Pax Americana?
- ❖ Russia’s foreign policy
- ❖ China and America: the new geopolitical equation
- ❖ Media and foreign policy
- ❖ Turkey: a partner in crisis
- ❖ U.S. global engagement and the military
- ❖ South Africa’s fragile democracy
- ❖ Global health: progress and challenges



International Speaker Series: “Middle East Meltdown: Causes and Consequences” with Ryan Crocker

Join the Office of International Programs as Ryan Crocker discusses the Middle East Meltdown: Causes and Consequences. Ryan Crocker is a Diplomat in Residence at the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, for the academic year 2017-2018. He is on a leave of absence as executive professor at Texas A&M University where he served as dean of the Bush School of Government & Public Service until August 2016. He also has had appointments as the James Schlesinger Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of Virginia and as the first Kissinger Senior Fellow at Yale University.

- January 18, 3:30 - 5:00 PM, Halton Reading Room

Retirement Receptions

Join EPIC for a reception in honor of Beverly Guessford who is retiring after 14 years of dedicated service to UNC Charlotte.

- Tuesday, December 5, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, EPIC Atrium ([RSVP](#))

The Center for Teaching and Learning is rolling out the red carpet for Sam Eneman. Join CTL in honor of his retirement after 17 years of service.

- Thursday, December 7, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Kennedy 236 ([RSVP](#))

Dean Nancy Gutierrez invites all faculty and staff to join CLAS as they celebrate Bill Hill’s retirement after 35 years of service to UNC Charlotte.

- Wednesday, December 13, 3:30 - 5:00 PM, Robinson Hall ([RSVP](#))

Please join CLAS faculty and staff at a Botanical Gardens “Open House” honoring associate director Paula Gross. Paula is retiring after 20 years in the Gardens.

- Tuesday, December 19, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, McMillan Greenhouse

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:

Dec 4 [Graduate Student Funding - Faculty and Staff Forum](#)

NEXT WEEK:

Dec 13 [Bill Hill Retirement Reception](#)

Dec 16 [Commencement](#)

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

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