



News Digest

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Program Changes

Degree Name Changes

The Office of Academic Affairs would like to announce the following program changes:

Name Change

PREVIOUS NAME: M.S. in Health Informatics

NEW NAME: M.S. in Health Informatics and Analytics

EFFECTIVE TERM: Summer I 2018

Name and CIP Code Change

PREVIOUS NAME: B.S.B.A. in Business Administration (CIP: 52.0201)

NEW NAME: B.S.B.A. in Business Analytics (CIP: 52.1301)

EFFECTIVE TERM: Fall 2018

These changes were endorsed by the Faculty Council and approved by the UNC System Office on March 19, 2018. Please note these in your records and make the applicable changes where necessary.

New and Discontinued Degree Programs

The Office of Academic Affairs is pleased to announce that the University of North Carolina Board of Governors has approved a request to establish a new degree program:

[M.S. in Athletic Training](#) (enrollment begins Summer 2019)

This program replaces the existing B.S. in Athletic Training, which is no longer admitting students. Please make changes to your records accordingly.

Calls for Nominations Extended

2018-2019 Faculty Governance Positions

Please consider how you or someone you respect might become part of the shared governance process at UNC Charlotte. Nominate yourself or another qualified faculty member for any of the 2018-2019 Faculty Council [openings](#). To make a nomination, email facultygovernance@uncc.edu with your nomination(s) by **March 30, 2018**.

Provost's Awards for Excellence

The deadline for the Provost's Awards has been extended to **March 30, 2018**. Nominations for both awards may be sent electronically to Shannon.Homesley@uncc.edu.

The [Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching](#) is granted to an academic department, program, or unit in recognition of the collective responsibility of faculty members for maintaining high-quality teaching. The award is intended to recognize documented efforts that improve student learning and outcomes.

The [Provost's Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Academic Advising](#) is granted to an advising center, academic department, program, or unit in recognition of the collective responsibility of faculty and staff members for maintaining high-quality undergraduate academic advising. The award is intended to recognize sustained efforts that assist students to achieve their educational and lifelong learning goals.

Catalog Edits

As a reminder, Colleges and their Academic Departments may make edits to the catalog text describing their college or department via [Curriculog](#) using Form #9. Word documents for editing will not be emailed for mark-up as they have been in the past. Any edits to these descriptions should be submitted by **April 30** for inclusion in the 2018-2019 Catalogs. Please note, however:

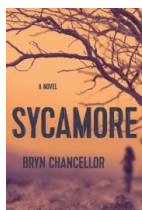
- Changes to Degree Programs must be done in Curriculog using the Program Revision form.
- Changes to Courses must be done in Curriculog using the Course Revision form.

Instructions to preview and make edits to catalog sections pertaining to College/Department descriptions are available on the [Faculty Governance website](#). At this time, only colleges and their respective academic departments should submit their description edits via this new Curriculog Form #9. Other campus departments will be sent instructions via email on how to make changes to their non-curricular catalog content.

Writing Resources Center Seeks Student Tutors

The Writing Resources Center needs your help! They are looking for outstanding students who are strong writers and readers and who enjoy working with their peers to serve as tutors in the center. The WRC is particularly looking for rising sophomores and juniors across disciplines, but rising seniors should also consider applying for the course if they think it would be a good match for their interests. This class is recommended for anyone who is considering working in a field that requires a great deal of written and oral communication; who is planning on attending graduate school; who is looking to improve his or her writing; or who is hoping to go into education. This class does not have any prerequisites, but an application process is required. [Applications](#) for the Fall 2018 tutoring training course (English 4400) will be due March 26. After successful completion of the course, and with the permission of the director, students can subsequently tutor for pay in the center.

Library Happenings



Bryn Chancellor discusses her book, Sycamore

Atkins Library will host author Bryn Chancellor for a discussion of her book, Sycamore. The book discussion is sponsored by the SSGD (Self-Selected Group Development), and Initiative of the Staff Development and Activities Committee at Atkins Library.

- Wednesday, March 28, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, Halton Reading Room ([Register](#))

"Atkins Out Loud" Campus Community Performance

Rhythm and Strings: Odissi Dance with Live Music performance featuring Kaustavi Sarkar, visiting assistant professor of dance.

- Thursday, April 5, 12:30 - 1:30 PM, Halton Reading Room

Romare Bearden Exhibit Opening and Lecture

Atkins Library presents Li'l Dan The Drummer Boy - and exhibition of original watercolor and marker drawings from the only children's book ever written and illustrated by Romare Bearden.

- Thursday, April 5, 4:00 - 6:00 PM, First Floor Graduate Study Room ([Register](#))
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Julian D. Mason Talk on Rare Books

Dr. Leslie Howsam will give a presentation on book history at the next Julian D. Mason Talk on Rare Books. The title of her talk is, "Book History: a niche for nerds, or essential knowledge?" The event is co-sponsored by Atkins Library Special Collections & University Archives and Sigma Tau Delta.

- Tuesday, April 10, 4:00 PM, Halton Reading Room ([Information](#))

Faculty/Staff Social

Join your fellow faculty and staff members for socializing and networking. Light hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer, and soft drinks will be provided. Sponsored by Chancellor Philip L. Dubois.

- Thursday, April 12, 4:30 - 6:00 PM, Harris Alumni Center ([Register](#))

Security Essentials Training

EDUCAUSE has ranked Information Security as the #1 issue for 2018 (again)! Join IT Security Industry Leader, the SANS Institute, as they deliver an intensive week-long cyber security course at UNC Charlotte. This coursework prepares participants for the GSEC certification that meets the requirement of the DoD 8570 IAT Level 2. State, local government, and educational institutions receive a discounted cost of \$2675.00 (full price is \$6210.00) (attend in-person code: 51540UNCC; attend online code: 51540ONLINE). The course runs May 21-26, 2018, and will have limited seating. The registration deadline is April 15.

Faculty Showcase 2018

The Office of Assessment and Accreditation invites you to roundtable discussions with faculty to showcase improvements made in their curriculum as a result of their participation in professional development activities around campus.

- Tuesday, April 24, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM, Cone 210 ([Register](#))

University Writing Program Wins Certificate of Excellence



NC Charlotte's University Writing Program has earned a 2017-2018 CCCC Writing Program Certificate of Excellence, as one of only nine honorees to receive the national award. The award was presented on Friday, March 16 at the Conference on College Composition and Communication's annual convention in Kansas City, Mo. CCCC is a constituent organization within the National Council of Teachers of English. Established in 2004, this national award honors up to 20 writing programs a year. To be eligible for this award, programs must be able to demonstrate that the program imaginatively addresses the needs and opportunities of its students, instructors, institution, and locale; offers exemplary ongoing professional development for faculty of all ranks, including adjunct and contingent faculty; treats contingent faculty respectfully, humanely, and professionally; uses the best current practices in the field; shows that the program administrator has academic credentials in writing; uses effective, ongoing assessment; uses effective placement procedures; creates appropriate class sizes; and models diversity and serves diverse communities.

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:

- Mar-Apr** [International Film Festival Continues Through Spring](#)
- Mar 26** [Symposium: Dense Emptiness](#)
- Mar 27** [Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Reception](#)
- Mar 27** [13th Annual International Women's Day Celebration](#)
- Mar 27** [Challenges of Storytelling: ESPN's NATURE BOY Ric Flair and Other Sports Stars](#)
- Mar 27** [International Film Festival: The Music of Strangers: Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble](#)

NEXT WEEK:

- Apr 2** [Panel Discussion with Yazidi Survivors of ISIS Occupation](#)
- Apr 2** [Mindfulness is Dead! Long Live Mindfulness!](#)
- Apr 2-6** [OEA Study Abroad Week](#)
- Apr 5** [International Career Panel](#)
- Apr 7** [Sounder \(movie\)](#)
- Apr 7** [Variety of Classes at Botanical Gardens Through Spring](#)

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

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