



News Digest

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Chancellor's Speaker Series: Dr. Michio Kaku

One of the most widely recognized scientists in the world today, Dr. Michio Kaku is a theoretical physicist, bestselling author, acclaimed public speaker, renowned futurist, and popularizer of science. He is an authority in Einstein's unified field theory predicting trends affecting business, medicine, finance, and our way of life, based on the latest research in science. As co-founder of String Field Theory, Dr. Kaku carries on Einstein's quest to unite the four fundamental forces of nature into a single grand unified theory of everything. He has written four NY Times Best Sellers. His latest, *The Future of Humanity*, discusses the future of the space program, when one day we might explore the stars. His previous best seller, *The Future of the Mind*, hit #1 on the NY Times, Amazon, and Barnes and Noble Best Sellers List, making it the #1 hardcover, non-fiction book in the country.

- Tuesday, October 16, 2:00 - 3:00 PM, Popp Martin Student Union Multi Purpose Room ([Register](#))

Charlotte Kids Fest



Hosted on the UNC Charlotte campus, [Charlotte Kids Fest](#) seeks to inspire and motivate young minds with professional artistic, creative, educational, and playful experiences. We are looking for faculty and students to participate in this festival – introducing over 4,000 kids and their families to activities that will encourage them to play, discover, learn, and create. This year's festival takes place on Saturday, September 22, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. To learn more about how you and/or your students to get involved, email [Jordan Harris](#).

Potential Job Scams for Students

Job scams have become very common on university campuses across the nation; many of them pretending to be from the university. Please help our students be aware -- remind them to be vigilant, learn about common scams, and remember to always ask if they feel something might be a scam. The University Career Center does not send resumes directly to an employer unless it is a part of an "opt-in" Resume Book within Hire-A-Niner. Students are encouraged to take the time to research any position that comes into their email for any red flags that might lead them to believe they are dealing with a job scam. Information on avoiding job posting scams can be found on the UCC's [resources page](#). Students

can drop by the Career Center Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or they can make an appointment through their Hire-A-Niner account.

Faculty NinerNET Grade Period Now 150 Days

Faculty NinerNET credentials are now active for 150 days, increased from 120 days, after the contract end date. This will particularly help part-time faculty who teach one semester but not the next. For any questions, contact the IT Service Desk at 7-5500 or help.uncc.edu.

The 2018 Presidential Election in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Please join the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, the College of Computing and Informatics, and the Office of International Programs as they explore the 2018 presidential election in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

- The Disintegration of Yugoslavia, the Dayton Accords, and the Formation of B&H
Wednesday, September 12, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, CHHS 281
- The Political and Electoral Institutions of B&H: How can this possibly work?
Wednesday, September 26, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, CHHS 281
- The 2018 Presidential Election: Parties and Candidates
Wednesday, October 3, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, CHHS 281
- The Election Results and What They Mean for Bosnia
Wednesday, October 17, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, CHHS 281
- A Candidate's Journey: A Discussion with Mirsad Hadžikadić
Monday, October 22, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, CHHS 281

Fall 2018 Football Faculty Coach Program

The Charlotte 49ers football coaches and staff will continue the Football Faculty Coach program with the 2018 campaign. The program goal is to introduce UNC Charlotte faculty members to the football program, coaches, and players. The 2018 season of the program will continue the tradition of close collaboration between student-athletes, coaches, and teachers. For each home game, two faculty coaches will be selected to participate. They will learn more about the program, meet the coaches, attend practice, have dinner with the team, and receive a special access game-day pass. For more information on how to register, visit <https://coefs.uncc.edu/tschmit4/faculty-coach/>

Atkins Library: News and Events

"For All The People" Exhibit and Programs

This [traveling exhibition](#) is located on the first floor of Atkins Library. Three programs on the topic are scheduled:

- Wednesday, August 29, 12:00 PM, Atkins 125
Data Governance in the Era of Digital Health
By Dr. Michael Dulin, Director of the Academy for Public Health Innovation
Evaluation of Community Interventions Using Electronic Health Data
by doctoral students Carlene Mayfield and Maggie Gigler
- Wednesday, August 29, 4:30 - 6:30 PM
Fix It - Healthcare at the Tipping Point (documentary and panel discussion)
- Thursday, August 30, 4:30 - 6:30 PM
Presentation and Talk by Dr. John Clarkson (from Healthcare Justice - North Carolina)

Library Social and Faculty Award Ceremony

Join Atkins Library as they present the 2018 J. Murrey Atkins Library Faculty Engagement Award to Dr. Consuelo Carr Salas, and meet with librarians who can support your research, instruction and

scholarship in numerous ways. Learn how you can take advantage of these resources and maybe be the next Atkins Faculty Engagement Award winner!

- Thursday, September 6, 4:00 PM, Halton Reading Room ([RSVP](#))

Ribbon Cutting for Family Friendly Library Room #2

Atkins Library and the ANSWER Scholarship will unveil a new [Family-Friendly Library Room](#) next to the first child-friendly study room that opened in 2017. Bring your kids and join us for the celebration!

- Wednesday, September 19, 4:30 - 6:30 PM, Atkins 206

Area 49 Grand Opening

Atkins will soon unveil [Area 49, six technology and learning spaces](#) designed to encourage cross-disciplinary exploration, experimentation, and collaboration. Comprised of the Visualization Lab, EZ Video Studio, Gaming Lab, Multimedia Lab, Makerspace, and the Teaching and Technology Theater (T3), Area 49 provides students and researchers access to specialized equipment that enables these spaces to serve as the catalyst for ideation, innovation, and entrepreneurial research and development.encompasses.

- Tuesday, September 25, Atkins Second Floor Technology Space
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM: Open House

CONNECT Training and Early Alerts

Numerous CONNECT training sessions are scheduled for Fall 2018. These training sessions will include Early Alert Training. Early Alerts are due for all 1XXX/2XXX courses by noon on Friday, September 14th. Information on fall training for advisors and faculty for CONNECT, including the link for registration, can be found on the [Academic Advising Technology Training webpage](#). Departments may also request to schedule their own training session to be held during a departmental meeting by contacting LeeFredrick Bowen, Director for Academic Advising Systems.

CTI Accepting Faculty Proposals for 2019 Seminars



[Charlotte Teachers Institute](#) (CTI), an educational partnership with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS), UNC Charlotte, and Johnson C. Smith University, is accepting faculty proposals for 2019 seminars. University faculty lead a seminar of 13 CMS teachers over the course of seven months. Teachers, known as Fellows, write original curricula which they teach to their students. To date, more than 450 CMS teachers in grades P-12 have completed seminars led by 60 university faculty, teaching more than 103,000 students. Proposals will be shared with the Teacher Steering Committee, made up entirely of CMS teachers, for feedback. Deadline to [submit a proposal](#) is September 3, 2018. Please contact Scott Gartlan, CTI Director, for more information.

Walk-In Hours for University Advising and University Transfer Centers

Fall 2018 hours for the University Advising Center and University Transfer Center, located in Colvard 2200, are as follows:

- August 21 - September 14: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - walk-in hours for ALL students
- September 17 - October 5: by appointment only for UCOL students
- October 8-9: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - walk-in hours for ALL students
- October 10 - November 20: by appointment only for UCOL students; walk-in hours for non-UCOL students on Wednesdays and Fridays, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- November 26 - December 21: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - walk-in hours for ALL students

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:

- Aug 28** [Empire of Cotton: Global Origins of Modern Capitalism](#)
- Aug 30** [Fall Vegetable Gardening](#)
- Aug 31** [CFP Deadline: UNC Charlotte 5th Annual Conference on Writing Studies](#)

NEXT

WEEK: [International Student Panel Discussions: Classroom Presentations Application Deadline](#)

Sep 3 [International Speaker Series: Ambassador Ryan Crocker](#)

Sep 5 [What's Wrong With My Plants?](#)

Sep 6 [CTI's Summer Research Experience for Teachers](#)

Sep 6 [International Coffee Hour](#)

Sep 6 [Botanical Macro Photography](#)

Sep 9

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

UPCOMING:

*The [OAA News Digest](#) is distributed each Monday to Academic Affairs faculty and staff.
Deadline for submission is 11:00 a.m. every Friday.*