



News Digest

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Early Alert Deadline Extended

Due to canceled classes as a result of Hurricane Florence, the Early Alert deadline has been extended for all 1XXX/2XXX courses to 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Wednesday, September 19. 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.

Niner Research Reception

Due to the weather conditions, the Niner Research Reception originally scheduled for September 17 was postponed; efforts are underway to reschedule this recognition event in the coming weeks.

AA Division Director of Communications

Aimee Hawkins joined the Office of Academic Affairs on September 10 as the new Director of Communications for the division of Academic Affairs. Aimee is a professional communicator with diverse experience in organizational communications. Her experience includes communications management for educational institutions, local government, and corporations. Most recently, she led Clariant Corporation's communication function for its North America region. A UNC Charlotte alumna, she holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from UNC Charlotte and a Master of Science degree in Communications Management from the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication at Syracuse University.

Spring Textbook Adoption Information

Supporting students in attaining successful academic outcomes is a top priority for everyone at UNC Charlotte. By providing them with the correct materials at the most affordable prices, we can ensure they are prepared for their first day. Over the last year, we have saved students at UNC Charlotte over \$1,437,910 with our cost-saving textbook options including used, rental, and digital. Textbook rentals continue to be the most popular choice for students followed by used books. When faculty submit their adoptions on-time, it allows us to keep used books on campus, providing the largest selection of rental and used titles. In an effort to comply with Section 133 of the HEOA and to stock the most affordable course material options, we need your textbook adoptions, including term one and term two, submitted by October 19. By adopting course materials early, we can increase compliance with the federal and state requirements while efficiently providing information to students. Visiting [FacultyEnlight](#) is the easiest way for faculty to submit all required, recommended or

suggested course materials adoptions to the campus bookstore. For assistance with FacultyEnlight, contact uncctext@uncc.edu or 7-7072.

[Submit orders via FacultyEnlight to the Main campus](#)

[Submit orders via FacultyEnlight to Center City campus](#)

Student Speakers and Bell Ringers - December Commencement

The Dean of Students Office is looking for student speakers and bell ringers for the December 14-15 commencement ceremonies (one speaker and one bell ringer for each ceremony). Speaker applicants must [apply](#) by 11:45 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10. All students graduating in December 2018 with a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA and in good disciplinary standing are eligible to apply. Please encourage your students to consider applying for these important positions.

Atkins Library: News and Events

Collaborating with Librarians on Critical Thinking Assignments

Academic librarians and teaching faculty are natural partners in working with students to develop and use critical thinking skills. As partners, faculty and librarians work to integrate the concept across the disciplines and throughout the curriculum. This session will focus on ways for librarians and faculty to collaborate on incorporating critical thinking into class assignments, information evaluation, and the research process with a focus on active learning. Presenter: Catherine Tingelstad

- Wednesday, September 19, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, Atkins 125

Ribbon Cutting for Family Friendly Library Room #2

Atkins Library and the ANSWER Scholarship will unveil a new [Family-Friendly Library Room](#) designed for group study where at least one member is with a child. 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.

- 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

Atkins Book Sale

- Friday, September 28, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, UNC Charlotte Only
- Friday, September 28, 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Open to the Public
- Saturday, September 29, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Open to the Public

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:

- Sep 21 [Fall Career & Internship Fair](#)
- Sep 22 [Charlotte KidsFest](#)
- Sep 22 [Explore UNC Charlotte \(Open House\)](#)

NEXT WEEK:

- Sep 25** [Personally Speaking: The Gifted Generation: When Government Was Good](#)
- Sep 25** [Chinese Internet: Open for Business](#)
- Sep 26** [Fall Study Abroad Fair](#)
- Sep 26** [Bosnia and Herzegovina Series](#)
- Sep 29** [Volunteer at the 43rd Annual International Festival](#)
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UPCOMING: provost.uncc.edu/about-academic-affairs/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events

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