



News Digest

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Office of Proposal Development Workshop

Writing a Competitive Grant Proposal and Understanding Proposal Budgets

This workshop will cover the following topics: developing "fundable" ideas, understanding the expectations of external sponsors, matching your ideas to sponsors' needs, understanding the characteristics of a good proposal, writing for review panels, and creating a timeline for proposal development. This session will also provide an introduction to budgeting terminology used by funding agencies, including a discussion of allowable costs, cost sharing, and the difference between direct and indirect costs. We will also discuss the importance of writing a strong budget justification. Information is at an introductory level and is not intended for those with extensive proposal-writing experience.

- Thursday, November 1, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM, Student Union Room 265

Course and Curriculum Deadlines for 2019-2020 Catalogs

This is a reminder to start submitting course and curriculum proposals. The earlier you start, the more likely the proposal will reach final approval in time for publication in the next Catalog. For more information, visit [Course and Curriculum Deadlines and FAQs](#).

- December 21: Suggested deadline for proposals launch and approval by Originator via Curriculog
- January 31: Deadline for proposals to be launched and approved by Originator via Curriculog
- March 4: Fall 2019 Schedule of Classes posted online
- April 1: Deadline for proposals to be reviewed/approved by the UCCC and/or Graduate Council
- June 1: 2019-2020 Undergraduate Catalog released online
- June 15: 2019-2020 Graduate Catalog released online

OIP Welcomes Shanxi University

The Office of International Programs will welcome 20 faculty and administrators from their newest Chinese and Confucius Institute partner, Shanxi University. The delegation will be at UNC Charlotte from November 5-November 30. While on campus, members of Shanxi University will be engaging in ESL coursework, observing select UNC Charlotte courses, and participating in several workshops. The training program strives to build connections between UNC Charlotte and Shanxi faculty in the hopes of establishing a foundation for future collaboration.

Our Towns: A 100,000-Mile Journey Into the Heart of America

For the past five years, Jim and Deb Fallows traveled across America in a single-prop airplane visiting dozens of small and medium-sized towns. They met hundreds of people as they sought to understand the prospects of places that do not typically draw much notice, except during political campaigns or following natural disasters. Their view of the country - chronicled in their book, *Our Towns: A 100,000-Mile Journey Into the Heart of America*, is as complex and contradictory as America itself, but it also reflects the energy, generosity, compassion, dreams and determination of many who are in the midst of making things better. The Urban Institute welcomes Jim and Deb Fallows for an evening discussion. Books will be available for purchase and signing following the presentation.

- Tuesday, November 13, 6:00 PM, UNC Charlotte Center City ([Register](#))

2nd Annual Southeastern Digital Learning Forum

Save the date for the 2nd Annual Southeastern Digital Learning Forum. The forum, an all day event on Friday, February 8, 2019, at UNC Charlotte's Center City campus, will be hosted by UNC Charlotte, Davidson County Community College, and the ACAO Digital Fellows Program. Further details and registration information to follow.

- Hear from national and regional experts in teaching innovation
- Participate in discipline-based sessions around the use of digital tools
- Explore digital learning tools and best practices to support teaching and learning
- Learn about successful programs and tactics to foster wider use of digital tools
- Connect with colleagues from community colleges and universities to explore the benefits of digital learning strategies for transfer students

Atkins News and Activities

"Atkins Out Loud" Performances Continue

Atkins Out Loud is an initiative sponsored by the J. Murrey Atkins Board of Advisors to give students, faculty, staff, and community members the opportunity to perform for an audience on campus. All performances are held in the Halton Room, and light refreshments are served. Remaining fall schedule:

- Trumpet Ensemble and Brass Quintet: Tuesday, October 30, 7:30 - 8:30 PM
- Flute Ensemble: Monday, November 5, 12:30 - 1:30 PM
- Jazz Trio of Drums, Sax, and Piano: Thursday, November 8, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
- Puppet Show by Professor Mark West: Monday, November 26, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Area 49 Workshops

Atkins Library offers a vast array of workshops and training on the specialized technology and equipment located in Area 49.

- Laser Cutter Training
- 3D Modeling Workshop
- 3D Printer Training
- Carvey CNC Router Training
- Visualization Lab Full Orientation
- EZ Video Studio: Video Podcast Workshop
- Premiere Pro Basics Workshop

Visit the [Area 49 webpage](#) for more information and to register for an event.

Aging Awareness Art Exhibition

Sponsored by the UNC Charlotte Gerontology Program, this exhibit features original art by UNC Charlotte students, faculty, and staff. The artists were asked to take an original photo or create an image of original artwork to represent how they see aging. Prizes will be awarded for student entries and staff/faculty entries will be acknowledged at an Awards Event and Opening on November 5 in the Halton Room in Atkins Library. The exhibit runs November 6-16 in the Library 1st Floor Exhibit Area.

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 30** [The History of Politics of Distributed Biotechnology](#)
- Oct 31** [Celebrating 20 Years of Harry Potter](#)
- Oct 31** [Opening Reception: Obsolescence](#)
- Oct 31-Nov 4** [Twelfth Night](#)
- Nov 1** [Personally Speaking: Combative Politics](#)
- Nov 3** [Forgiving and Forgetting: Shakespeare and Power](#)
- Nov 3** [Native Tree Winter Identification](#)

NEXT WEEK:

- Nov 6** [Opening Reception: Double Vision](#)
- Nov 7** [Faculty Recital: Eric Millard and Jeremy Marks](#)
- Nov 8** [Prayer for Peace](#)
- Nov 10** [Festive Fairy Houses and Holiday Gnome Homes](#)
- Nov 10** [Adult Crafternoon: Fairy Houses and Gnome Homes](#)
- Nov 11** [For Heroes Proved: A Veterans Day Concert](#)

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

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