



News Digest

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Celebrate CLT250 at Atkins

Stop by the library today, December 3, between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. for an [array of activities](#) to mark the 250th Anniversary of the Queen City. Start your visit in Area 49 on the second floor. Enter to win prizes by participating in any of these activities:

- Interact with a Charlotte historical figure and answer a trivia question about them
- Make a Charlotte-themed crown in the Makerspace and play trivia
- Mining Memories: Make a video about your own experience in Charlotte or at UNC Charlotte in the EZ Video Studio to be preserved by the University Archives
- Enjoy an immersive Bonnie Cone multimedia experience in the VisLab
- Take a selfie with the bust of Queen Charlotte in the Special Collections Reading Room.
- Enjoy a display about Charlotte history, and see an original letter written and signed by Queen Charlotte

Faculty Mediators Needed

Part of the [faculty grievance process](#) involves mediation. There is a need for faculty to act as mediators in that process. If you are a certified mediator, or have an interest in being trained, and would be willing to serve as a mediator, please contact [Todd Steck](#), University Mediation Coordinator (7-8534).

Reps Needed to Accompany Levine Scholars on Expedition - Deadline Extended

The Levine Scholars Program is seeking two members of the UNC Charlotte community to accompany the incoming freshman scholars on a [23-day expedition with the National Outdoor Leadership School \(NOLS\)](#). The campus representatives will travel with the students to and from Wyoming and be a full participant on the backpacking expedition. The trip is scheduled from July 7, 2019 through August 2, 2019 (dates include round-trip travel). Requirements for the liaisons include full-time employment at UNC Charlotte and working knowledge of academic programs across the University. Those interested must possess a high level of familiarity with the student culture on campus, and both academic and extracurricular opportunities available to undergraduates. Those interested must also be interested in establishing an ongoing mentoring relationship with students. Individuals with backpacking experience and a high comfort level of being in close interaction with students over a protracted period of time are best suited for this opportunity. The Levine Scholars Program will cover all programmatic costs required for participation. To apply for the liaison position, please submit a statement of interest and resume by **December 12** to [Billy Roosenberg](#), Coordinator of Scholar Support, Levine Scholars Program.

Call for Proposals: Graduate Research Symposium

[The 19th Annual Graduate Research Symposium](#) will take place on Friday, March 15, 2019, in the Popp-Martin Student Union. This is an interdisciplinary graduate student-run conference that will allow graduate and professional students to showcase their research. We encourage all graduate students who are conducting or have concluded research to present at the Symposium. An additional incentive is the option to compete for a monetary prize. Submissions are due by 11:59 p.m. on January 28, 2019. Please share this opportunity with your students and colleagues. We are also in need of faculty and staff members to serve judges. Please contact the [GRS Chair](#) if you are interested in serving as a judge.

Advisor Institute / New Advisor Orientation

The Advisor Institute will be offering a New Advisor Orientation on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for faculty and staff members who serve in an academic advising capacity. The training will review the history of advising at UNC Charlotte, speak to the universal expectations of advising on campus, and provide a general overview of advising tools. The UNC Charlotte Advisor Institute is a professional development program open to all faculty and staff advisors and student support professionals. The Institute strives to create and maintain a common culture of advising at UNC Charlotte. For more information and to register for the orientation, please visit the Institute [webpage](#).

Faculty Mentors Needed for 2019 Summer Research Experiences

The Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) is recruiting Faculty Mentors for the Charlotte Research Scholars Program and the Charlotte Community Scholars Program for the 2019 Summer Research Experience. The Summer Research Experience for both programs will be held May 28-July 26, 2019. Faculty Mentors will be paid a stipend of \$750 for their participation. The deadline for applications is December 18, 2019. If you are interested in being a Faculty Mentor, please contact Dr. Erin Banks, Assistant Dean, Office of Undergraduate Research at ebanks10@uncc.edu or 704-687-5540.

Atkins News and Activities

Area 49 Workshops

A number of workshops will be held this week (Tuesday and Wednesday) in Area 49 to train users on various technology and equipment in the Maker Space and Visualization Lab. For more information and to register, visit the Library's [Area 49 Workshops webpage](#).

Paws for Exam Therapy

Atkins' therapy dog sessions aren't just for students! Stop by one of the sessions below to spend some quality time and de-stress with our certified furry therapists. This year, we'll hold the sessions at the back of the Atrium on the first floor.

- Thursday, December 6, 6:00 - 8:00 PM
- Sunday, December 9, 6:00 - 8:00 PM
- Monday, December 10, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
- Tuesday, December 11, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

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 3** University Chorale
- Dec 4** The Lumbee Indians: An American Struggle
- Dec 4** Men's and Women's Choruses
- Dec 5** A Green and Healthy New Year
- Dec 6** Global Learning for 21st Century Workforce Development
- Dec 8** Closing Reception, Art Of Teaching Exhibition

Upcoming: provost.uncc.edu/division-news/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events

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