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Invitation for Faculty to March at New Student Convocation 2019

We are excited to continue the new tradition of our [Day of Convocation](#). All faculty members are invited to participate in the festivities on Monday, August 19, 2019. Wearing regalia, faculty will report to the faculty line-up area at 10:30 a.m., which will be behind the North Basketball court on the concourse level of the Student Activity Center. The program will run about an hour and will be completed by noon. To participate in the faculty procession, please RSVP [here](#). For additional details including information on regalia rentals, please visit the [New Student Convocation website](#).

Second Summer 2019 and Extended Summer Final Grades

Final grades for the Second Summer and Extended Summer terms can be submitted through My UNC Charlotte starting on Wednesday, July 24. Grades are due by noon on Monday, August 12. After 12pm, instructors will not have access to submit grades online. For each student, select the appropriate grade from the drop down menu. A list of appropriate grades is below: Students that have officially withdrawn from the course have received a grade of "W" or "WE" and do not need a grade assigned. If a student has never attended the course (and they do not have a grade of "W" or "WE"), then assign the grade of "F" from the grade drop down menu. A grade of "I" is assigned at your discretion when a student who is otherwise passing has not completed all the work in a course due to circumstances beyond his/her control. A grade of "IP" is only assigned for prearranged courses extending over more than one semester and is NOT to be used as a substitute for an Incomplete. Please remember that grades of "I" from the Second Summer 2018 and Extended Summer 2018 term will default to a grade of "F" or "U" on August 10. Final grades can also be submitted to Banner using Canvas. Canvas can be accessed through your [My UNC Charlotte](#) account. If you have questions or problems submitting grades or grade changes, please review the [web grading instructions](#) or contact Elise Mickey, Assistant Registrar, at ext. 75485.

Standard

Undergraduate - A, B, C, D, F or I*

Graduate - A, B, C, U or I*

**When submitting a grade of "I", please make sure to confirm the Incomplete Extension Date by clicking Submit on the confirmation page.*

Pass/No Credit

Undergraduate – P (Pass) or N (No Credit) or H (Honors)

Graduate – P (Pass) or U (Unsatisfactory)

Audit

AU (Audit) or NR (No Record)

Webcast re: Best Practices for Improving Institutional Culture & Research Integrity

The Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) will host a webcast August 7 on emerging best practices for improving institutional culture and research integrity. The webcast highlights information from three graduate deans, including Tom Reynolds, Associate Provost and Dean of The Graduate School at UNC Charlotte. Reynolds joins John Klingensmith, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Duke University Graduate School and Judith Stoddart, Senior Associate Dean at Michigan

State's Graduate School to share strategies under way to strengthen research culture on campus. Their comments were recorded at a recent CGS conference. The webcast will air August 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT. Visit [CGS](#) to register.

Pianos & Digital Pianos Available for Public Purchase

UNC Charlotte has had the use of new first-class pianos on a no-cost basis for the 2019-2020 school year. This arrangement is provided through an association with the Rockley Family Foundation. These instruments, instruments provided to other institutions, and instruments made available by various manufacturers will be sold by the Foundation to perpetuate this valuable program. A large selection of grand pianos, baby grands, digital player grands, vertical (upright) pianos, and digital pianos will be available. This event will feature instruments from such famous makers as Yamaha, Steinway & Sons, Kawai, Cable Nelson, Story & Clark, Pearl River, Disklavier, Clavinova, and many others. Most instruments are less than one year old, include a new factory warranty, and are tuned, and ready to go. Delivery and technical services are provided by Miller Piano. Special no-interest financing is available on site. Moreover, the Rockley Family Foundation indicates that in many cases, a substantial portion of your purchase is considered as a charitable contribution to the Rockley Family Foundation and may be tax deductible. You are encouraged to consult with your own tax advisor as to the potential tax deductibility of any such contributions.

There are two ways to view and purchase these instruments:

1. By Appointment: You are invited to attend a special "pre-sale" on Thursday-Friday, August 1-2 and the morning of Saturday, August 3 prior to opening the sale to the general public. This will give you an opportunity to purchase with priority in selection and price reduction. To secure an appointment time, call (704) 661-2792.
2. Final Day: You may attend the final sale day on Saturday, August 3 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. without an appointment.

The sale will be held at Robinson Hall.

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:

July For a variety of gardening learning opportunities offered this summer, check out the [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events calendar](#).

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

*The [OAA News Digest](#) is distributed each Monday to Academic Affairs faculty and staff.
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