



News Digest

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Search for the Dean of College of Computing and Informatics

Dates and times have been announced for the public presentations of candidates for the position of Dean of the College of Computing and Informatics. For additional details, please visit <http://provost.uncc.edu/jobs/aa/dean-cci>.

Spring 2017 Probation/Suspension Notifications

The date that the Office of the Registrar will send end-of-term academic standing probation/suspension notifications has been changed to Wednesday, May 17, 2017. Students will be notified a day earlier of their end of term academic standing status for those placed on probation and suspension. This change also will give administrative offices an extra day to work with students prior to the start of summer school.

Grad School Info Session for Employees

The Graduate School will host a one-hour information session April 19 at 12:00 PM for UNC Charlotte employees interested in learning about the admission process, costs, and tuition support available for those interested in pursuing a graduate degree.

[Read more >>](#)

Camps on Campus Spotlight: Star Wars LEGO Engineering

UNC Charlotte Camps on Campus invites you and your 1st through 6th grader to consider our JEDI LEGO™ Engineering camps, a partnership with Play-Well TEKnologies. These camps are a half day in length and are conveniently located on the UNC Charlotte campus.

[Read more >>](#)

Center for Teaching and Learning

Finalizing Your Canvas Gradebook

In this workshop, you will explore the necessary steps to set up your Assignments and Gradebook so that the Canvas grades are the correct final grades. We will also guide you through the process to use the Canvas to Banner Grade Submission tool to correctly, and successfully export your Canvas grades into Banner.

- Tuesday, April 4, 2:00 – 3:30 PM ([Register](#))

KEYNOTE: Overcoming Hidden Biases & Creating an Inclusive Curriculum

Nona McDuff, Director of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at Kingston University, is the featured speaker for an event that will kick-off a week of workshops open to faculty and students on the topic of diversity and inclusion in the curriculum.

- Thursday, April 6, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM ([Register](#))

Inclusive Learning and Teaching Practices

In this workshop, Nona McDuff, Director of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at Kingston University, will assist faculty in the development and implementation of course and curricular goals for understanding diversity. Attendees will discuss inclusive strategies as they apply to three key areas of the teaching and learning practice: Course Content, Teaching Styles, and Assessment.

- Thursday, April 6, 12:30 – 3:15 PM ([Register](#))

Students' Pathway to Success: A Faculty Guide - Diversity, Inclusion & Cultural Awareness

Join your colleagues, Tina Katsanos, Lecturer in the Department of Religious Studies, and Vaughn Schmutz, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology, as they discuss the purpose and use of diversity initiatives on UNC Charlotte's campus.

- Friday, April 7, 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM ([Register](#))

Faculty Influence Over Course Materials Survey

UNC Charlotte has been invited to participate in Faculty Watch, an important industry survey conducted by OnCampus Research and published by the National Association of College Stores. Faculty is the driving force behind change in course materials. This industry-wide survey investigates faculty's attitudes toward the value of course materials, preferred formats, the adoption process, OER, and the role of the campus store. Faculty are asked to please complete the survey. The survey is 15-20 minutes in length. One participant from our campus will win a \$100 Visa gift card. Click [here](#) to complete the survey.

Name Pronunciation Software Being Used for May Commencement

NameCoach, a software designed to assist commencement ceremony leaders with name pronunciation, has been adopted by UNC Charlotte and will be used for the upcoming May ceremonies. Graduating students (undergraduate and graduate) will receive an email from the University's commencement manager requesting that students utilize the NameCoach system to provide the proper pronunciation of their name.

Dropbox to Release Improved Interface; New Storage "Soft" Limit Begins



Dropbox, a file storage and collaboration tool used by almost 1,700 University customers, announced they will release an improved customer interface on April 4. Additionally, a new file storage "soft" limit of 500GB (which is still huge—over half a terabyte) is being set for all University Dropbox accounts in an effort to reduce expenses. For details, please see [this announcement](#).

Office of International Programs

International Career Panel

The International Career Panel offers students the opportunity to network and hear from several early-career professionals about international elements of their careers in law, business, government, not-for-profit, and sciences. The FREE program is in partnership with The Magellan Society, the young professional branch of the World Affairs Council of Charlotte. Free event but space is limited! Non-UNC Charlotte guests are welcome.

- Tuesday, April 4, 6:30 - 8:00 PM ([Register](#))

Short Term Study Abroad Program Development Workshop

Faculty members interested in developing a short term study abroad program for spring break or summer 2018 or later are encouraged to attend our program development workshop. The workshop will cover importance of short term programming, faculty roles, working with the Office of Education Abroad, program considerations, program design and implementation. Please join OIP to learn more about how you can lead a group of students abroad.

- Friday, April 21, 10:00 - 11:30 AM ([Register](#))

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.

Topics include:

- Security Improvement in Cloud Computing Environment Through Memory Analysis
- Utilization of Wireless Signal Strength for Mobile Robot Localization in Indoor Environments
- Existing Barriers to Care for HIV Positive Black MSM Leaving Prison

[View All Dissertation Defense Announcements](#)

Upcoming Events

- Apr 1-4 [Spring Dance Concert](#)
- Apr 3-7 [International Film Festival \(complete listing\)](#)
- Apr 4 [Federal Prosecution and a Legal Career](#)
- Apr 4 [Minds, Madness, and Mystical Things](#)
- Apr 4 [International Career Panel](#)
- Apr 5 [Food & Precision Medicine Lunch Workshop](#)
- Apr 5 [2017 Law School Admissions](#)
- Apr 5 [Tree Campus USA Day](#)
- Apr 6 [International Coffee Hour](#)
- Apr 6 [The Right to the City: Global Human Rights and Local Activism](#)
- Apr 7-8 [Paul Taylor Dance Company](#)
- Apr 11 [Managing Your Debt: A Talk About Money for Graduating Seniors](#)
- Apr 12 [Campus Cleanup](#)
- Apr 12 [Migration, asylum and belonging: an old German issue in a changing world](#)
- Apr 14 [Spring Plant Sale at Botanical Gardens](#)
- Apr 17 [Percussion Ensemble](#)
- Apr 19 [Earth Day Festival](#)
- Apr 19 [Earth Day Red Cross Blood Drive](#)
- Apr 20 [Jazz Ensemble](#)
- Apr 20-25 [Trikster](#)
- Apr 21 [Undergraduate Research Conference](#)

- Apr 21** [Short Term Study Abroad Program Development Workshop](#)
Apr 21 & 23 [Opera Workshop](#)
Apr 23 [UNC Charlotte Science & Technology Festival](#)
Apr 24 [Muslim Cool \(rescheduled\)](#)
Apr 25 [Symphonic Band](#)
Apr 26 [Wind Ensemble](#)
Apr 27 [Chamber Orchestra](#)
Apr 29 [Film Screening and Discussion: Planet of the Apes](#)
May 1 [University Chorale](#)
May 2 [Men's and Women's Choirs](#)
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