

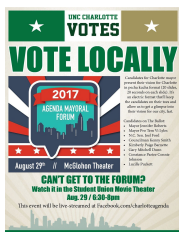
News Digest

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Vote Locally



Candidates for Charlotte mayor present their vision for Charlotte in pecha kucha format (20 slides, 20 seconds on each slide). It's an electric format that will keep the candidates on their toes and allow us to get a glimpse into their vision for our city, fast. Can't get to the forum? Watch it in the Student Union Movie Theater - August 29, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

[Read more >>](#)

Center for Teaching and Learning

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Grants CFP

The Faculty Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Grants Committee is requesting proposals for this year's round of funding for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SOTL) Grants. The grants are available to individual faculty members, departments, colleges, programs, academies, or standing committees to support them in projects that will examine and reflect upon the teaching and learning practices in their discipline. These projects may be aimed at curricular reforms, research that informs teaching and learning at the local level, or improving the quality of instruction in the undergraduate and graduate programs of the unit or the campus. [See the full RFP.](#)

Teachers Observing Peers (TOP) Program

The TOP program provides UNC Charlotte faculty members with an opportunity to observe peers representing a variety of disciplines implementing interactive methods in a live classroom setting. [Learn more.](#)

[Adjunct Faculty Learning Community](#)

A Faculty Learning Community (FLC) is a form of professional development that brings together a small group of cross-disciplinary faculty members to engage over a period of time. [Invitation to apply](#), due August 31.

WebEx Part I: Using WebEx in Canvas

Learn how to enable WebEx in Canvas, schedule WebEx sessions within your course, as well as best practices for managing your WebEx recordings.

- Tuesday, August 29, 9:30 - 10:45 AM ([Register](#))

Teaching with Poll Everywhere

This workshop will introduce faculty/staff to Poll Everywhere, and how to use the student response software in classrooms and other learning spaces.

- Wednesday, August 30, 9:30 - 11:00 AM ([Register](#))

Canvas Foundations Online

A convenient way to learn Canvas basics! Work through exercises and activities to learn the most essential Canvas features for teaching...in a convenient asynchronous format! Jessica Kapota, CTL Instructional Designer, will guide you through daily activities to learn key Canvas tools.

- September 6-13 (20 participants maximum) ([Register](#))

CONNECT Training

CONNECT is the advising system that replaced Starfish on June 26, 2017. Information on fall training for advisors and faculty for CONNECT can be found on the [Academic Advising Technology Training webpage](#). The CONNECT training sessions scheduled for Fall 2017 will include Early Alert training. Departments can also request to schedule their own training during any departmental meetings by contacting the [Director for Academic Advising Systems](#).

Using Curriculog for Course and Curriculum Changes

Because [Curriculog](#) allows us to have a much more accurate picture of the time it takes for course and curriculum proposals to be reviewed, we are now able to establish a set of deadlines to guide this practice going forward. Beginning in the 2017-2018 academic year, we will adhere to the below set of deadlines for course and curriculum proposals.

Course and Curriculum Deadlines for 2018-2019 Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs

- January 31, 2018: Deadline for proposals to be launched AND approved by the Originator via [Curriculog](#)
- April 1, 2018: Deadline for all course and curriculum proposals to be reviewed/approved by the Undergraduate Course & Curriculum Committee (UCCC) and/or Graduate Council
- June 1, 2018: 2018-2019 Undergraduate Catalog released online
- June 15, 2018: 2018-2019 Graduate Catalog released online

[Read more >>](#)

J. Murrey Atkins Library

Faculty Open House

Faculty are invited to take a "progressive" tour of Atkins' five service points: Circulation, Research Help, Instruction, Technology Support, and Special Collections & University Archives. Library faculty and staff will guide you through the tour, stopping at each service point for a brief presentation highlighting the value of each service point to faculty and their students. Enjoy refreshments at each stop! The tours will be held hourly from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm.

- Tuesday, September 12, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM ([Register](#))

Atkins to Host Smithsonian Traveling Exhibition

In 1943, President Roosevelt announced the creation of what would become the largest Mexican guest-worker program in U.S. history. "Bittersweet Harvest: The Bracero Program, 1942-1964," a bilingual (English/Spanish) traveling exhibition from the Smithsonian Institution will explore this chapter of American History. The exhibition will be on view at Atkins Library September 2 through November 12. An opening event on September 14 will feature guest speaker Mireya Loza, Smithsonian curator, and author of *Defiant Braceros: How Migrant Workers Fought for Racial, Sexual, and Political Freedom*.

[Read more >>](#)

Assessment Academy Workshops

Strategies for Effectively and Efficiently Assessing Student Writing

- Tuesday, September 5, 2:00 - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))

Writing SMARTA Student Learning Outcomes

- Tuesday, September 12, 2:00 - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))

Classroom Assessment Techniques: Assessing Prior Knowledge, Recall and Understanding

- Thursday, September 14, 2:00 - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))

Thinking Strategically: Planning and Prioritizing for the Academic Year

- Tuesday, September 19, 2:00 - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))

Office of International Programs



Conversation Partners

The English Language Training Institute (ELTI) enrolls roughly 100 students each semester from around the world, helping them to improve their English to matriculate into degree programs at UNC Charlotte or elsewhere. ELTI students are often interested in meeting English-speaking peers for language and cultural exchange and to practice their English outside the classroom. If you have students who express interest in working with international students or who are in search of service projects where the noted type of experience would be appropriate, then please advise them to contact Jessica Vang at jvang6@uncc.edu by the August 31 deadline.

International Speaker Series: H.E. Aung Lynn, Ambassador of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the United States

Aung Lynn was appointed on July 18, 2016, as the ambassador to the United States from Myanmar. It is the first time in more than 50 years that a career member of the Foreign Ministry has held the post. Myanmar's transition to democracy marks a new stage for the country and its bilateral relations with the U.S. and others. Ambassador Lynn will share his outlook on Myanmar's future, the continued efforts of reconciliation and political and institutional reform, as well as his insight on Myanmar-U.S. bilateral relations. Faculty are encouraged to reserve space to attend with their classes and/or arrange for an extra-credit sign-in sheet for their students. Please [email](#) to arrange a sign-in sheet for your class.

- Thursday, August 31, 3:30 - 5:00 PM ([Register](#))

New University Virtual Walking Tour

Undergraduate Admissions has launched a new interactive virtual walking tour to introduce UNC Charlotte to prospective students. This new virtual walking tour tells our school's unique story in a way that inspires students to want to know more. The virtual walking tour is designed to emulate a real-life campus tour, showing off our beautiful campus, academic opportunities, and resources through 360-degree panoramic photos, traditional 2D photos, and videos. We hope this online tour will entice students to visit, learn more about our university in person, and apply for admission. The virtual tour is mobile-friendly and located at virtualltour.uncc.edu.

Keynote Presentation for National Postdoc Appreciation Week

Philip Clifford, Ph.D., a University of Illinois career development advocate, will address practical steps to career growth on September 18 at 10:00 a.m. in Bioinformatics 105. Clifford is Associate Dean for Research in the College of Applied Health Sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago. His presentation is entitled *What Got You Here Won't Get You There*. More information and registration is available on the [Post Doc Fellows](#) site.

Football Faculty Coach Program

The 49er Football coaches and staff are pleased to announce the 2017 Football Faculty Coach program. For each home football game of the 2017 season, two faculty coaches will be selected (first come, first served). The game week activities will include team/position meetings, facility tour, practice, team dinner, and attend the game. It is anticipated that faculty coaches will be available to attend all functions. [Register/request your game](#).

Upcoming Events

- Aug 28** [Faculty & Friends Concert: Alissa Deeter, Brian Arreola, and Carl DuPont](#)
- Aug 30** [Faculty Research Grants Overview](#)
- Aug 31** [International Speaker Series: H.E. Aung Lynn, Ambassador of Myanmar to the U.S.](#)
- Aug 31** [Faculty Research Grants Overview](#)
- Aug 31** [Conversation Partners Application Deadline](#)
- Sep 1** [Curriculog Training - Reviewing & Approving Proposals](#)
- Sep 5** [Faculty & Friends Concert: The Mirasol Quartet](#)
- Sep 7** [International Coffee Hour](#)
- Sep 7** [Curriculog Training - Creating Proposals](#)
- Sep 8** [Business as Usual: Bob Trotman](#)
- Sep 9** [Explore UNC Charlotte](#)
- Sep 11** [FACE Application Deadline](#)
- Sep 15-16** [Faculty Dance Concert](#)
- Sep 18** [Faculty & Friends Concert: Mira Frisch, Anna Cromwell, and Lisa Nelson](#)
- Sep 20** [Constitution Day: Drones and the 4th Amendment](#)
- Sep 21** [Annual Bertha Maxwell Roddey Distinguished Africana Lecture](#)
- Sep 21** [International Speaker Series: Dr. Bernard Weinstein, Global Energy Expert](#)
- Sep 26** [Personally Speaking Looks At How We Are What We Eat](#)
- Sep 27-Oct 1** [Fall Study Abroad Fair](#)
- Sep 29** [Baltimore](#) (Theater)
- Sep 29-30** [On Location](#) (Architecture)
- Oct 2** [North Carolina Honors Association \(NCHA\) Conference](#)
- Oct 13** [Sean Caulfield: Air Bleeder](#) (Art)
- Oct 13** [Spotlight Concert](#)
- Oct 13** [Botanical Gardens Annual Fall Sale](#)
- Oct 14** [42nd Annual International Festival](#)
- Oct 16** [Faculty & Friends Concert: Jeffrey Price and Matthew Manwarren](#)
- Oct 19** [Chancellor's Speaker Series: Laura Linney](#)

- Oct 19** [International Speaker Series: Dean Alexander, Homeland Security Expert](#)
 - Oct 25** [Lecture: Sylvia Lavin, UCLA](#)
 - Oct 28** [Explore UNC Charlotte](#)
 - Nov 2-4** [Actors from The London Stage present Measure for Measure](#)
 - Nov 13** [2/D & 3/D and Graphic Design BFA Exhibitions](#)
 - Nov 14** [Personally Speaking: Thomas Wolfe and Lost Children](#)
 - Nov 16-19** [Fall Dance Concert](#)
 - Dec 3** [Defiant Requiem](#)
 - Mar 17** [Explore UNC Charlotte](#)
 - Apr 21** [Explore UNC Charlotte](#)
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