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Spring 2018 Schedule of Classes

The Spring 2018 Schedule of Classes is now available! Registration times have been scheduled from October 30-November 3. Open registration begins on November 6. The Registration Time Table can be viewed here. The Add/Drop and Registration Overrides period begins on October 30 and runs through January 15.

UNC Charlotte’s 42nd Annual International Festival

iFest is this weekend! The UNC Charlotte International Festival is a celebration of people, places and culture vibrantly displayed through exhibition booths staffed by UNC Charlotte international students and members of Charlotte’s international community. Art, crafts, costumes, food, music, dance, performances, and games combine to create the experience of traveling the globe in one day. UNC Charlotte’s longest running tradition continues to attract over 20,000 student, faculty, staff, and community attendees each year to experience the cultures of the world. Additional details are available online at ifest.uncc.edu. Parking and entry are free. Service dogs only. The International Festival is for people of all ages.

Chancellor’s Speaker Series: Laura Linney

Golden Globe, SAG, and Emmy award-winning actress Laura Linney will present at the 2017 Chancellor’s Speaker Series - one of three annual events featured in the UNC Charlotte Civic Speaker Series presented by Bank of America. The Civic Speaker Series brings nationally recognized speakers to the UNC Charlotte and greater Charlotte communities for thought provoking conversation. Linney will bring focus to the importance of infusing creativity into all aspects of our lives, both for those in the corporate space and for students as she distinguishes how the arts enrich everything we do and allow us to live fuller, more prosperous lives. It is an intelligent examination of professionalism and creativity, in which one cannot thrive without the other.
One of the highlights of UNC Charlotte’s Commencement is the recognition of individuals for exceptional and distinctive service to the University or the larger community with an honorary degree from UNC Charlotte. A nomination should include the full name of the nominee, a vita, resume and/or biography (if available), and a statement of the rationale for the nomination. The nomination must also include the name of the nominator in order to be considered by the Committee. Confidentiality is very important. Therefore, the nominee should not know of his or her nomination. In addition, if you have previously nominated an individual and would like to share any additional contributions of that nominee, you are welcome to submit supplementary materials. The deadline for nominations is October 31, 2017. Nominations should be directed to Matthew Wyse, Faculty Governance Assistant, Office of Academic Affairs, 501 Reese Building.

UNC Charlotte is participating in the upcoming community event, On The Table CLT. On Wednesday, October 25, more than 5,000 people will gather across Charlotte in small groups for meals in restaurants, city parks, coffee shops and living rooms to exchange ideas and interact. All perspectives are welcome. All topics are On The Table. While no one solution exists for all of the challenges that Charlotte faces, progress in any area will require sharing, listening and trust-building among those of us who live and work here. By coming together as part of On The Table CLT, you are creating meaningful connections. We believe that big ideas can spring from small gatherings and that people invest in what they help create. These moments we share together are a first step toward a more responsive community. Community Relations, the Multicultural Resource Center, and the Office of the Provost are coordinating a limited number of conversations over simple meals on October 25, and we welcome participation from faculty, staff, and students across campus. If you are interested in joining an on-campus discussion, please register. (Because space is limited, registration is required.)

Common Reading author, Cristina Henríquez will be on campus to discuss her novel, The Book of Unknown Americans. The Book of Unknown Americans is the Fall 2017 UNC Charlotte Common Reading Experience text. For more information on the book, please visit the Common Reading Experience and Library’s guide webpage.

- Thursday, October 12, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Student Union 340

Need some time and space to work on your current article, manuscript, grant, or creative piece? Join us for three hours of uninterrupted writing. A limited number of laptops will be available or bring your own. All you need to do is show up and write.

- Friday, October 20, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Atkins 125 (Register)

Film Screening: The Guestworker
Since 1986, thousands of Mexican men have legally entered the United States to work here, because of the little known H-2A guestworker program, put in effect during the Reagan years. Filmed on both sides of the border, the documentary chronicles the life of such farm-workers while looking at the issues surrounding the program. Event Info

- Monday, October 16, 2:00 - 3:00 PM, Atkins Library Visualization Lab (2nd Floor)

Camino Português de Santiago Talk
Dr. Susan Harden, Assistant Professor in the Cato College of Education, will speak about her pilgrimage on the Camino Português de Santiago, known as the "Way of St. James." Light refreshments to follow talk and Q&A.

- Tuesday, October 24, 2:00 - 3:30 PM, Halton Reading Room, J. Murrey Atkins Library

**Atkins as Art Contest**
Faculty, tell your student artists to submit their representation of the Atkins Library building, in any medium, that reflects its role in their academic experience and/or the community. The deadline to enter is October 31. Submitted artwork will be judged by a panel of UNC Charlotte faculty members. More information at https://library.uncc.edu/AtkinsAsArtContest

**New Counseling Center Facility**
As of October 2, the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services (formerly the Counseling Center) has moved to a new facility next to the Student Health Center at the corner of Mary Alexander and Cameron Blvd. The phone number remains the same (704-687-0311).

**Upcoming Training Opportunities**

**DegreeWorks Open Sessions**
Open sessions continue throughout October for faculty and staff to provide an overview of DegreeWorks and answer questions about the new degree evaluation system.

- Thursday, October 12, 2:30 PM, Colvard 2006 (Register)
- Monday, October 16, 3:30 PM, Grigg 131 (Register)
- Wednesday, October 25, 10:30 AM, Kennedy 115 (Register)

**Annual Legal Affairs Symposium**
After registering, please visit the symposium website Symposium Fall-2017 a few days before the event for materials. Please note that you do not need to be present for the entire day (you may pick whichever sessions interest you the most). Continental breakfast and buffet lunch will be served.

- Thursday, October 26, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM, SAC Salons (Register)

**Hiring Announcement - Academic Affairs Budget Assistant Director**
The Office of Academic Affairs is pleased to announce that Alicia Bartosch will be joining the staff of Academic Affairs Budget and Personnel as Budget Assistant Director effective Monday, October 23, 2017. To learn more about Alicia's new role and her background, please see the full announcement.

**International Education Week Submission Deadlines**
International Education Week (IEW) offers an opportunity to recognize our ongoing commitment to global and international awareness and understanding on our campus. Limited funding is available through OIP to support and co-sponsor departmentally organized initiatives, which advance campus internationalization for inclusion in International Education Week 2017. Faculty are encouraged to submit programs for inclusion in this week of lectures, presentations, and performances organized to celebrate our campus commitment to global and international understanding. Find the student event submission and faculty event submission and funding request forms, as well as listings of events from previous celebrations at global.uncc.edu. Deadline to submit is Friday, October 20.

**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

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