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Student Internship Opportunities

**Marian Drane Graham Scholars**

This six-week immersive and experiential summer program is designed to provide students the opportunity to develop leadership skills and gain a better understanding of key issues facing public higher education. The program is open to rising juniors and seniors attending one of the sixteen constituent institutions of higher education in the University of North Carolina system. Scholars will be mentored by UNC leadership, spend time in the UNC General Administration offices in Chapel Hill, NC, travel to UNC campuses, visit with key NC policy leaders and elected officials in North Carolina and Washington, DC. The application deadline is Friday, February 2, 2018.

[Read more >>]

**Presidential Scholars**

The Presidential Scholars program, formerly known as the Presidential Interns, is open to December 2017 and May 2018 graduates. The Presidential Scholars serve a one year appointment and provide a wide range of professional functions for UNC General Administration. With access to high ranking university officials, scholars have the opportunity to explore and understand the inner workings of an institution that has transformed North Carolina’s economy and is critical to our state’s future. The position will have regular interaction with senior leadership and members of the Board of Governors and will work to research, write, and implement policy. While there are daily responsibilities, Presidential Scholars are frequently presented with unique opportunities and it is expected that they be willing to assume additional projects as they arise. The application deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2018.

[Read more >>]

**2018 Undergraduate Research Conference**

Please remember to spread the word and save the date for the [2018 Undergraduate Research Conference](#), which is Friday, April 20, in the Student Activity Center. Please encourage your undergraduate students who are involved with research to apply for the URC, a university-wide showcase of research projects completed by undergraduate students of all levels from all colleges and departments in the university. The URC is sponsored by Academic Affairs, the Atkins Library, Charlotte Research Institute, the Honors College, and the Levine Scholars program.

- URC Registration opens: Monday, February 12, 2018
- URC Registration closes: 5pm on Friday, March 16, 2018
CONNECT Training and Early Alerts

Numerous CONNECT training sessions are scheduled for Spring 2018. These training sessions will include Early Alert Training. Early Alerts are due for designated courses by noon on Friday, February 2. Information on spring training for advisors and faculty for CONNECT, including the link for registration, can be found on the [Academic Advising Technology Training webpage](#). Departments may also request to schedule their own training session to be held during a departmental meeting by contacting LeeFredrick Bowen, Director for Academic Advising Systems.

Workshops and Seminars

**EPIC Energy Seminar Series: The Penetration of Solar in North Carolina**
- Tuesday, January 16, 5:00 - 6:30 PM, EPIC G256 ([Register](#))

**UNC Charlotte Campus Compact Professional Development Series: Service-Learning 101**
Facilitated by Kim Buch and Enoch Park, this innovative workshop will discuss ways to integrate service-learning into both face-to-face and online courses.
- Tuesday, January 17, 12:00 PM, Center for Teaching and Learning

**I-9 Workshop Sessions for Students** ([On Campus Work Authorization](#))
- Wednesday, January 17, 10:00 AM, CHHS 370
- Thursday, January 18, 10:00 AM, CHHS 370
- Wednesday, January 24, 10:00 AM, CHHS 370

**DSI Seminar: Summer Fellowship - Data Science for Social Good Charlotte 2018**
Improving Communities Through Data Science; N. Gizem Bacaksizlar, Data Science for Social Good Coordinator
- Friday, January 19, 10:00 - 11:00 AM, Woodward 338

**FERPA Refresher**
In our increasingly technological society, we continue to face new questions about what information constitutes a student's education record, what texts or emails might qualify as written consent, and how to protect our students' privacy in various databases and online. Jesh will hit the FERPA highlights, cover new issues he's seen, and spend time fielding questions from the audience.
- Wednesday, January 24, 9:00 - 10:15 AM, Denny 120 ([RSVP](#))

**Great Decisions Lecture Series: Media and Foreign Policy**
Dr. Dean Kruckeberg, UNC Charlotte and Dr. Katerina Tsetsura, University of Oklahoma
Join faculty experts for presentations and discussions of topics selected by the Foreign Policy Association as part of the 2018 Great Decisions Lecture Series. For registration and additional information, please visit the [Great Decisions](#) website.
- Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 - 8:00 PM, CCB 204
**Personally Speaking Looks at Genocide in the 20th Century**

What social, historical, and cultural forces produce genocidal violence? How can seemingly normal humans engage in such cruel, depraved crimes? Learn about genocide beyond the holocaust from John Cox, author of *To Kill A People: Genocide in the Twentieth Century*, and hear the story behind the story at [Personally Speaking](#).

- Tuesday, January 30, 6:30 PM, UNC Charlotte Center City ([Register](#))

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**Great Decisions Lecture Series: China and America: The New Geopolitical Equation**

Dr. Cheryl Brown, UNC Charlotte, Associate Professor and Associate Chair

Join faculty experts for presentations and discussions of topics selected by the Foreign Policy Association as part of the 2018 Great Decisions Lecture Series. For registration and additional information, please visit the [Great Decisions](#) website.

- Wednesday, January 31, 6:30 - 8:00 PM, CCB 204

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**Title IX Coordinator - Candidate Presentations**

Interested students, faculty, and staff are invited to meet the three final candidates for UNC Charlotte’s open Title IX Coordinator position. Each candidate will give a twenty minute presentation on how the Title IX Office can help address sexual misconduct issues that affect the university community. The candidate will then spend twenty minutes answering questions. If you’d like to submit questions ahead of time for consideration, please email them to [Melanie White](mailto:).  

- Thursday, January 18, 9:30 - 10:15 AM, Cone 112 - Candidate #1  
- Monday, January 22, 9:30 - 10:15 AM, Cone 112 - Candidate #2  
- Tuesday, January 23, 9:30 - 10:15 AM, Cone 112 - Candidate #3

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**Graduate School Philanthropic Awards**

The Graduate School’s Philanthropic Awards are funded by donors and are intended for outstanding graduate students. These need-based and merit awards recognize excellent students for their academic achievement and provide assistance to those who demonstrate financial need. Students will need to log in to the [NinerScholars site](#) to complete an applicant profile before they can be matched to any awards. For award information and eligibility criteria, please visit the [Graduate Fellowships webpage](#). For more information, contact [Julie Green](mailto:). The deadline to apply is March 15, 2018.

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**UNC Charlotte Children’s Choir**

The Department of Music at UNC Charlotte is again offering to elementary-aged children a free opportunity: the UNC Charlotte Children’s Choir. For fourteen (14) weeks beginning January 22, 2018, students in grades three through five may participate in a choral ensemble under the leadership of artistic director Ginger Wyrick. Professor Wyrick is a widely sought-after choral conductor, pedagogue, and expert in children’s choral music and is leading the Children’s Choir this year. This opportunity is being offered to students free of charge. You can find more information, including registration forms, on the [Department of Music website](#) or you may contact [Fred Spano](mailto:) in the Department of Music.

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**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:
- Jan 16 EPIC Energy Seminar Series: The Penetration of Solar in North Carolina
- Jan 17 Service-Learning 101: UNC Charlotte Campus Compact Professional Development Series
- Jan 17 Opening Reception: Susan Brenner, The State of Things (Art)
- Jan 17 I-9 Workshop Session for Students
- Jan 18 International Speaker Series: Middle East Meltdown: Causes and Consequences
- Jan 18 I-9 Workshop Session for Students
- Jan 19 ¡VIVA! Opening Reception (Art)

NEXT WEEK:
- Jan 22 Faculty & Friends Concert, Kristen Swanson
- Jan 24 Great Decisions Lecture Series: Media and Foreign Policy with Dr. Dean Kruckeberg
- Jan 24 I-9 Workshop Session for Students
- Jan 25 International Speaker Series: “U.S. – Canada Relations and NAFTA” with Honorable Andrew Leslie, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Canada)
- Jan 27 Botanical Gardens Symposium: Urban Roots

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