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Updates to the Catalog Review Process

Colleges and Academic Departments will not receive their catalog description sections for review in a Word document via email as they have in the past. Instead, these edits must be processed via Curriculog.

- Changes to Degree Programs must be done via the Program Revision form.
- Changes to Courses must be done via the Course Revision form.
- Changes to College/Department descriptions must be done via the new Non-Curricular Catalog Section Revision form.

Instructions to preview and make edits to catalog sections pertaining to College/Department descriptions are available on the Faculty Governance website. Please note that at this time, only colleges and their respective academic departments should submit their description edits via this new Curriculog form. Other campus departments will be given instructions via email at a later date on how to make changes to their non-curricular catalog content.

Deadlines for the 2018-2019 Catalogs

- 01/31/18 - All program and course proposals launched and approved by the Originator via Curriculog
- 03/31/18 - All college and academic department descriptive text launched and approved by the Originator via Curriculog

Targeted Research Internal Seed Program (TRISP)

REMINDER: Charlotte Research Institute (CRI) announces its third annual Targeted Research Internal Seed Program (TRISP) for 2018

Serving as a catalyst for UNC Charlotte faculty, TRISP offers internal funds intended to (1) help generate more compelling grant submissions to federal agencies, (2) initiate new intellectual directions for our faculty, and (3) foster new relationships across colleges, departments or centers. Key considerations include the likelihood that the project can be leveraged to obtain new externally-funded research from mission-oriented funding agencies such as DoD, DoE, DoT, DHS, etc. (typically not NSF or NIH), and whether the project cannot be otherwise initiated using regular department or college resources. Submittal deadline for this year’s TRISP competition is February 5, 2018. Detailed information and submittal guidelines for the 2018 TRISP program are located on the CRI website.

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 Lee Fredrick Bowen, Director for Academic Advising Systems.

**Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops**

Digital Learning Forum on Adaptive & Personalized Learning and Keynote Address: “Reaching Every Student Through Personalized Learning”

Please join your colleagues at the UNC Charlotte Digital Learning Forum on Adaptive & Personalized Learning to find out how Adaptive Learning is being used in your discipline to increase student success.

- Monday, January 22, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM (Register)

Starting with a Fresh Canvas

This workshop is for people who want to build their Canvas course from a clean slate.

- Wednesday, January 24, 2:00 – 3:30 PM (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.

- Thursday, January 25, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (Register)

Canvas Open Swim

Want to explore new areas of Canvas or new instructional techniques with personalized attention available? The Center for Teaching and Learning consultants will be on hand to work with you and answer your questions.

- Thursday, January 25, 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Register)

Moving Your Paper Exams to Canvas the Fast Way - with Respondus

In this workshop, you’ll learn how to use Respondus, a free, campus-licensed tool, to convert your exams - including embedded images - and upload them directly into your Canvas course. With the click of a few buttons, you’ll save hours creating a test.

- Friday, January 26, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (Register)

**Grants and Contracts Administration - Candidate Presentations**

Two finalists for the position of Executive Director of Grants and Contracts Administration will be on campus to present on their vision for how Grants and Contracts Administration can help the Vice Chancellor of Research and Economic Development achieve his vision and mission for research. Resumes for the candidates can be found on the Office of the Provost webpage.

- Thursday, January 25, 2:40 - 3:45 PM, Student Union Room 262 - Candidate: Valerie Crickard
- Tuesday, January 30, 2:40 - 3:45 PM, Student Union 340C - Candidate: Amy Mistretta

**Analytics Frontiers 2018 - Registration Now Open**
Registration is now open for Analytics Frontiers 2018, a one day event, to be held on March 21, 2018, at the Ritz-Carlton in Uptown Charlotte. Analytics Frontiers is an outgrowth of UNC Charlotte’s top-priority Data Science Initiative, with support from prominent corporations and institutions in retail, healthcare, technology, energy and financial services. This initiative aims to put Charlotte at the center of the data management and analytics revolution. Keynote Speakers include Susan Etlinger, an industry analyst with Altimeter Group, who focuses on data and analytics and Jeremy Achin, data scientist turned entrepreneur and CEO of DataRobot. There will be a full day of presentations from data scientists, business executives, entrepreneurs and members of the academic community. Don’t miss the opportunity to connect with key analytic leaders and share ideas! Register for this event at: https://analyticsfrontiers.uncc.edu/. There is special pricing for UNC Charlotte faculty and students. For questions, please email analyticsfrontiers@uncc.edu.

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**Retirement Reception**

Join Information Technology Services (ITS) as they honor Rowanne Joyner. Rowanne is retiring after 20 years of dedicated service to UNC Charlotte.

- Tuesday, January 23, 1:30 - 3:30 PM (RSVP)

**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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**Upcoming Events**

**THIS 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

**NEXT WEEK:**
- Jan 29  Deadline to Request Classroom Presentations: International Student Panel Discussion
- Jan 30  Personally Speaking: To Kill a People
- Jan 31  Great Decisions Lecture Series: China and America: The New Geopolitical Equation - Dr. Cheryl Brown
- Feb 2   Opening Reception: Technocologies (Art)

**UPCOMING:**
- https://provost.uncc.edu/about-academic-affairs/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events

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