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COA+A Dean Candidate Public Presentations

Public presentations by candidates for the Dean of the College of Arts + Architecture position continue this week; the campus community is invited to attend the presentations. Following each candidate presentation, we encourage you to provide feedback via the candidate evaluation form; the feedback form will be available until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, February 7.

- Wednesday, January 30, 1:45 - 2:30 PM, Storrs 110 - Candidate: Kristin Sosnowsky
- Friday, February 1, 1:45 - 2:30 PM, Storrs 110 - Candidate: Craig Barton

Review of Catalog Programs and Courses

Academic departments should review their programs and courses in the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs, if they have not already been doing so. Requests for changes, edits, or corrections must be submitted via Curriculog only. This will be the only reminder and means of making edits to programs and courses.

The approval process can take as little as a couple of months to as many as several months. The sooner changes are started within Curriculog, the better chance they have making it into the 2019-2020 Catalogs, which will be released online in June. For more information, visit Course and Curriculum Deadlines and FAQs.

Course and Curriculum Deadlines:

- December 21: Suggested deadline for proposals to be launched and approved by the Originator within Curriculog
- January 31: Deadline for proposals to be launched and approved by Originator via Curriculog (however, please note that submission by this deadline does not guarantee entry into the 2019-2020 Catalogs)
- March 4: Fall 2019 Schedule of Classes posted online (only proposals that have reached final approval before this date will be included for Fall 2019 registration)
- April 1: Deadline for proposals to be reviewed/approved by the Undergraduate Course & Curriculum Committee and/or Graduate Council (only proposals that meet this deadline will be included in 2019-2020 Catalogs)
- June 1: 2019-2020 Undergraduate Catalog released online
• June 15: 2019-2020 Graduate Catalog released online

Thank you for taking the time to ensure our students, faculty, and staff receive the 2019-2020 program and course information in a timely manner.

**UNC Charlotte Boot Camps Featured on CHARLOTTE-TODAY**

Last year, Charlotte experienced 51% growth in job postings requiring coding skills compared to just 14% growth the year before. In 2018, Charlotte’s employers tried to fill over 33,000 roles requiring coding skills, over 46,000 jobs requiring data skills, and over 23,000 jobs requiring cybersecurity skills (Burning Glass data). UNC Charlotte Director of Continuing Education, Asher Haines, was featured on CHARLOTTE-TODAY to explain how UNC Charlotte Boot Camps in Coding, Data Analytics, and Cybersecurity are helping adults gain the skills needed to be competitive in today's booming technical and digital-skills job market.

**UNC Charlotte’s Children’s Choir Returns**

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 weeks beginning January 28, students in grades three through five may participate in a choral ensemble under the leadership of artistic director Ginger Wyrick. Professor Wyrick is 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. University music education students will also assist in teaching the choir students. Rehearsals will be in the Robinson Hall for the Performing Arts on Mondays, 4:45-6:00 pm, beginning January 28. Students may be dropped off at the front entrance of Robinson Hall and will be greeted by a Lab Choir Assistant (look for the adult wearing a name badge), and then picked up in the same location. At the end of the semester, a performance of the children’s work will be presented for parents and the community in the Anne R. Belk Theater in Robinson Hall.

**BRIDGES Leadership Program Reception**

The BRIDGES Academic Leadership Program offers UNC Charlotte female faculty and staff the opportunity to develop and strengthen their leadership skills, knowledge, and networking in order to be successful change agents in their communities. Please join us to learn about this unique leadership program and to hear from past BRIDGES participants. This reception will also give you an opportunity to meet and network with other university women.

• Wednesday, February 20, 2:00 - 3:30 PM, Cone 208

**Graduate Faculty Leaders to be Honored**

Nominations will be accepted through March 15 for the new Thomas L. Reynolds Leadership Award honoring excellence in graduate program administration. The recipient will be selected from nominated Graduate Program Directors and Graduate Program Coordinators by a committee of Graduate School staff, graduate faculty and graduate students. Recipients receive an engraved plaque and a cash award. Winners’ names also will be added to a permanent trophy. In establishing the award, Dean Reynolds said, “Graduate Program Directors and Coordinators track and manage students while implementing programs and services to promote their success – all this while managing enrollment. This is a big job and doing it well deserves recognition and praise.” The award will be made annually and anyone can submit a nomination. For more information and to nominate, please visit the Graduate School’s Reynolds Leadership Award page.

**ITS Updates**

**Have you signed up for Duo? It becomes a requirement in 3 Days!**

There are approximately 650 faculty and staff employees who still need to sign up for Duo before January 31. Avoid the frustration of getting “forced” to enroll at an inconvenient time – like when you’re at a smart podium! Starting January 31, you’ll eventually be “forced” to enroll in Duo when trying to access Canvas, My UNC Charlotte, and other systems. Don't wait - sign up today. Follow this FAQ to sign up or contact the IT Service Desk for help at 704-687-5500.
**New Duo Feature: Forgot your smartphone?** You can now get a temporary Duo passcode by going to [ninernet.uncc.edu](http://ninernet.uncc.edu) and clicking the “Get Duo Code” link. It takes you to a page where you'll answer a few self-identifying questions to get a passcode that lasts for one hour. Note: you'll need your UNC Charlotte ID card to use this. Here's a [FAQ](#) with more details.

**Gartner Research Service is Available to All Faculty, Staff and Students**
In case you're not aware, all faculty, staff and students have access to [Gartner Research](#). What is it? Gartner offers lots of insights regarding the IT industry that can enhance the teaching and learning experience and be used in class curriculums. They provide the UNC Charlotte community with instant access to the world's foremost repository of expert analysis and opinions, including insight on technology trends, information technology careers, cool vendors, technology enabled business strategies, data/analytics, and more. [Here are examples](#) of how faculty/deans, different colleges, and students can use Gartner. Have questions? Reach out to [Brian Gozycki](mailto:brian.gozycki@gartner.com) at Gartner.

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**Atkins Library News and Events**

**Traveling Soles Exhibit**
Atkins is hosting “Traveling Soles,” an exhibit of photographs about detained undocumented immigrants, including many Central American children, by artist Verónica Cárdenas from the bordertown of McAllen, Texas. Her series invites the viewer to learn the story behind some of the shoes that belonged to the immigrants who crossed borders fleeing from violence. “Traveling Soles” will be on display in Atkins First Floor Exhibit area through February 25.

**THATCamp Charlotte 2019**
Atkins Library will host [THATCamp Charlotte 2019](#) on Saturday, April 6, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We welcome those of all levels interested in the humanities and technology, and encourage you to attend if you are thinking about research or teaching in conjunction with technology.

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**Submit a Proposal for the Opportunity Research Symposium**

**UNC Charlotte Opportunity Research Symposium**
**Monday, April 8, 2019 • 2pm-7pm • UNC Charlotte Center City**

You are invited to submit a proposal to present at the second UNC Charlotte Opportunity Research Symposium, to be held Monday April 8, 2019 from 2 to 7pm, at the Center City Campus. Proposals will be accepted until 5:00pm on Friday, February 1, 2019. The purpose of the symposium is to highlight national and local research and evaluation on topics, issues, and recommendations related to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Opportunity Task Force’s Leading on Opportunity Report, which asks: How can all of Charlotte’s institutions help create economic opportunity and mobility for all children and youth?

The Leading On Opportunity Report names three interrelated determinants most likely to influence the opportunity trajectories of our neighbors:

- Early Care and Education
- College and Career Readiness
Child and Family Stability

It also identifies two factors that cut across all three determinants:

- Impact of Segregation
- Social Capital

Presenters are asked to give a 15 minute presentation of in-progress or completed research or evaluation on strategies, programs, or actions intended to positively impact social and/or economic opportunity for vulnerable populations. Proposals should highlight methodology, findings, and implications for scaling positive results. The format will then allow time for moderated table discussion. For more information and to submit an application, please visit the Symposium webpage.

Undergraduate Research Conference Seeks Judges

The 2019 UNC Charlotte Undergraduate Research Conference (URC) is on Friday, March 29, 2019, in the Student Activity Center. The URC registration opens on Friday, January 18. The URC Committee is seeing faculty, staff, and doctoral students to serve as URC judges. Please complete the URC Judge Recruitment form to indicate your availability to judge posters or oral presentations at the URC. The form has all the details regarding the sessions. Also, please encourage your undergraduate students to register for the URC. Visit the URC website for more details.

CONNECT Training and Early Alerts

Numerous CONNECT training sessions are scheduled for Spring 2019. These training sessions will include Early Alert Training. Early Alerts are due for all 1XXX/2XXX courses by noon on Friday, February 1st. 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 Stephanie Westine, Advising Systems Administrator.

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 28 Faculty & Friends Concert: Jessica Lindsey, clarinet
- Jan 29 Personally Speaking with Janaka Bowman Lewis
- Jan 30 There’s A Garden In My Beer: Urban Roots at Free Range Brewing
- Jan 30 Great Decisions Lecture Series: Cyber Conflict & Geopolitics with Dr. Alexa Royden
- Jan 30 Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Career Meetup: Back From Studying Abroad
- Feb 2-3 Basic Botany with Dr. Larry Mellichamp

Next Week:

- Feb 5 35th Annual Witherspoon Lecture: Shamans and Schizophrenia
- Feb 6 Great Decisions Lecture Series: Refugees & Global Migration with Dr. Beth Whitaker
- Feb 7 International Coffee Hour
- Feb 8 2nd Annual Southeastern Digital Learning Forum
- Feb 9-14 Botanical Gardens Annual Orchid Sale
- Feb 10 Ganache at the Gardens: A Chocolate Celebration

Upcoming: provost.uncc.edu/division-news/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events
The OAA News Digest is distributed each Monday to Academic Affairs faculty and staff. Deadline for submission is 11:00 a.m. every Friday.