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Fall 2019 Session A Final Grades

Final Grades for the Fall 2019 Session A can be submitted through My UNC Charlotte starting on October 1. Grading will be available until October 14 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). For each student, select the appropriate grade from the drop down menu. The appropriate grades are listed below. Students who have officially withdrawn from a course and received a grade of “W” or “WE” do not need a grade assigned. If a student has never attended the course (and they do not have a grade of “W” or “WE”), then assign a grade of “F” from the grade drop-down menu. A grade of “I” is assigned at your discretion when a student who is otherwise passing has not completed all the work in a course due to circumstances beyond their control. A grade of “IP” is only assigned for prearranged courses extending over more than one semester and is NOT to be used as a substitute for an Incomplete. Final grades can also be submitted to Banner using Canvas. Canvas can be accessed through My UNC Charlotte. If you have questions or problems submitting grades or grade changes, please review the web grading instructions or contact Elise Mickey, Assistant Registrar, at ext. 75485.

Standard
Undergraduate - A, B, C, D, F or I*
Graduate - A, B, C, U or I*
*When submitting a grade of “I”, please make sure to confirm the Incomplete Extension Date by clicking submit on the confirmation page.

Pass/No Credit
Undergraduate – P (Pass) or N (No Credit) or H (Honors)
Graduate – P (Pass) or U (Unsatisfactory)

Audit
AU (Audit) or NR (No Record)

Calls for Nominations

Bonnie E. Cone Professorship in Civic Engagement
The Bonnie E. Cone Professorship in Civic Engagement award honors a tenured faculty member whose teaching, research, and service records embody the University’s commitment to civic involvement, and whose work strengthens the relationship between UNC Charlotte and the larger community. All UNC Charlotte faculty, staff, and students or any Charlotte area community member may nominate a faculty member for this honor. Nominations should highlight the candidate’s outstanding career achievement in the following areas:

- Student engagement in the community
- Community-engaged research or creative scholarship
- Public Service

Please send a letter of nomination to Dr. Tamara Johnson by 5:00 p.m. on October 18, 2019.
Thomas L. Reynolds Leadership Award
Honoring excellence in graduate program administration, the Thomas L. Reynolds Leadership Award recognizes excellent leadership and outstanding service by a Graduate Program Director or Coordinator. Graduate Program Directors and Coordinators are leadership positions for the University and play an important and pivotal role in the success of our graduate degrees. Graduate Program Directors and Coordinators must not only manage and shape the direction of their programs to ensure the academic success of their students, but must also serve as advocates for graduate education at all levels. Doing this well, deserves recognition and praise. The recipient receives a cash award, an engraved plaque, and their name engraved on a perpetual trophy. For additional information and to submit a nomination, visit the Reynolds Leadership Award web page.

Religious Accommodations for Fasting Holidays
Please be mindful that some of your students may be fasting during upcoming religious holidays and may request accommodation. As part of the University Policy 409, Religious Accommodation for Students, faculty are asked to make reasonable accommodations for religious observances. This includes the opportunity to make up a test or other work missed due to an excused absence for a religious observance. Students may not perform at their peak during times of fasting, therefore accommodation may be requested.

Yom Kippur, a Jewish high holiday which requires fasting, will be observed October 9. For dates of other upcoming religious holidays, please see the religious holidays calendar on the Diversity website.

Ventureprise Launch NSF I-Corps Fall 2019 Cohort
Are you interested in receiving up to $5000 in funding to expand your research and look into possible commercial possibilities? Apply to participate in the Fall 2019 Ventureprise Launch National Science Foundation I-Corps cohort. The program provides UNC Charlotte faculty, staff and students with commercialization training and up to an initial $5000 in NSF funding. The goal of the program is to identify potential commercial uses and prepare for more substantial commercialization funding opportunities. The next stage is a six month $50,000 NSF I-Corps Teams grant. The cohort will run October 11 - November 15. A complete schedule and application form can be found on the Entrepreneurship website. To learn more, please contact Principle Investigator Devin Collins (7-8058). Applications are due Friday, October 4.

Charlotte Kids Fest
Hosted on the UNC Charlotte campus, Charlotte Kids Fest seeks to inspire and motivate young minds with professional artistic, creative, educational, and playful experiences. We are once again looking for faculty and students to participate in this festival – introducing over 6,000 kids and their families to activities that will encourage them to play, discover, learn, and create. To learn more about the festival and how you and/or your students can get involved, email Jordan Harris at jordanharris@uncc.edu.

- Saturday, October 5, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., CRI Campus, UNC Charlotte (Register)

Charlotte Teachers Institute
Charlotte Teachers Institute will announce its 2020 seminars and showcase new teaching ideas developed by local teachers at CTI’s Evening for Educators event Evening for Educators features engaging new curricula Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools teachers developed for their own students in the arts, sciences, humanities during CTI seminars and summer research experiences. The teachers, from a wide variety of subject areas and grade levels pre-K through 12, will discuss their new curricula and share poster presentations at Evening for Educators. The event includes refreshments and is free and open to the public.

- Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 - 8:00 PM, Discovery Place Education Studio (Register)

Undergraduate Research Conference 2020
Save the Date for the Undergraduate Research Conference (URC) 2020, which will be on Friday, April 17, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The URC 2020 registration will open in January. Please encourage your undergraduate students to submit their research projects for presentation at the URC 2020.
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:
- **Oct-Nov**  UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events calendar
- **Oct 2**  Chinese Folk Music Performance
- **Oct 2**  Global Studies Exhibition Reception
- **Oct 2**  Employment and Payment of Non-Residents Workshop
- **Oct 3**  International Coffee Hour
- **Oct 3**  Exhibition Reception, Rowe Galleries
- **Oct 3-5**  Annual Fall Plant Sale
- **Oct 4**  China Studies Lecture

Next Week:
- **Oct 8**  CTI Evening for Educators
- **Oct 9**  Black Acting Methods: The Fields and the Text
- **Oct 10**  Graduate School Recruitment Fair
- **Oct 10**  Reception: Burnt Generation Iranian Photography
- **Oct 11**  Wind Ensemble Concert

Upcoming:  provost.uncc.edu/division-news/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events

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