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Spirit Week 2020 - #49erSpiritWeek



The banner features a green background with a white grid pattern. At the top, two white silhouettes of athletes in mid-air are positioned above a large white banner that reads "UNC CHARLOTTE SPIRIT WEEK 2020". Below this, the dates "OCT. 18 - OCT. 24" are displayed in white. A central gold ribbon contains the website "SPIRITWEEK.UNCC.EDU". The bottom left corner shows the UNC Charlotte logo and name, while the bottom right corner includes social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram, along with the hashtag "UNCCHOMECOMING".

While COVID-19 may have cancelled our plans to bring alumni and friends back to campus for Homecoming, we will not let it dampen Niner Nation's love for UNC Charlotte! Spirit Week is designed for us to highlight our pride of Niner Nation. Join us in promoting UNC Charlotte Spirit Week — a virtual celebration of Niner spirit, traditions and camaraderie — which takes place for Oct. 18 to Oct. 24, 2020.

- To learn more about the week of activities and events, visit spiritweek.uncc.edu. The full event listing is [here](#).
- Looking for Spirit Week social media images, graphics and social media post ideas? We've got you covered [here](#) with a Spirit Week Communications Toolkit.

If you have any questions, please contact [Kam King](#) or [Isaac Cowles](#).

49erNext Expands Transfer-Friendly Program to More Community College Students



49erNext is extending UNC Charlotte's partnership to more North Carolina community colleges to benefit students who plan to transfer to UNC Charlotte to pursue a bachelor's degree. This unique program promotes student success by offering collaborative advising and guided transfer pathways (Meta-Majors) that help students progress toward timely degree completion, coordinated financial aid planning, career advising, and other benefits through the 49er ID card. Faculty and advisors are encouraged to learn more about [49erNext](#) in the event that prospective students contact them with questions related to how the transfer-friendly program allows them to seamlessly transfer to UNC Charlotte as a junior. Questions can be emailed to 49erNext@uncc.edu.

Fall 2020-21 Enrollment Status:

- Gaston College: 23 Students (target 20)
- Mitchell Community College: 28 Students (target 25)
- Central Piedmont Community College:
 - 164 new students this year and 94 students continuing from last year.
- Wake Tech slated for Spring 2021 launch; recruitment begins late October.
- MOUs under review: Catawba Valley and Rowan-Cabarrus Community Colleges

Course and Curriculum Deadlines for 2021-2022 Catalogs

This is a reminder to start submitting course and curriculum proposals. The earlier you start, the more likely the proposal will reach final approval in time for publication in the next Catalog. Only timely course and program proposals will be included. For more information visit [Course and Curriculum Deadlines and FAQs](#)

- October 31: Start deadline for 'Course Revision' proposals (launched and approved by Originator)
- December 31: Start deadline for all course and curriculum proposals (launched and approved by Originator)
- March 15: End deadline for 'Course Revision' proposals (must reach the Banner Step by this date to receive Fall 2021 effective term and appear in the 2021-2022 Catalogs)
- April 30: End deadline for all course and curriculum proposals (must reach the Banner Step by this date to receive Fall 2021 effective term and appear in the 2021-2022 Catalogs)
- June 1: 2021-2022 Undergraduate Catalog released online
- June 15: 2021-2022 Graduate Catalog released online

Curriculog proposal help opportunities (open swims):

- Monday, October 26, 4:00 - 5:00 PM
- Tuesday, December 15, 1:00 - 2:15 PM

To learn more about Curriculog and to register for the training sessions, visit [Curriculog Training](#).

2020 Phi Kappa Phi "The Love of Reading Book and Supply Drive"



The UNC Charlotte chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi has partnered again with Kappa Delta Pi to share our "Love of Reading" with a fall book drive through the month of October. Our goal is to support 52 classrooms in both Niner University Elementary and Reedy Creek Elementary with books and supplemental school supplies. The donated books will be added to classroom libraries for students and teachers to read for years to come. The supplemental school supplies will allow these classrooms to offer materials to every student in support of their learning. We hope that you will consider helping to support these schools with us. Please use the links below to access their wish lists:

[Reedy Creek Elementary](#)
[Niner University Elementary](#)



After you select items from the wish list, you will be able to send them directly to the school during the checkout phase. In the Shipping Section, select the school in your "Other Addresses," then continue to your payment screens. Please review the [Phi Kappa Phi website](#) for further information.

J. Murrey Atkins Library News and Events

49ers Make Good Trouble: From Campus Activism to the Ballot Box

Join Atkins Library and Charlotte Mecklenburg Library for a virtual event that will bring together Charlotte City Council member Braxton Winston along with campus activists and local leaders who all made “good trouble” to push for positive change in their communities and how that spirit and energy can be harnessed this election season. Learn about the legacy of activism from 49ers past and hear from the students, faculty, and community leaders who are pushing for justice and equity in Charlotte today.

- Tuesday, October 20, 7:00 PM ([Register](#))

Atkins Library celebrates Open Access Week 2020 October 19-25

As part of Open Access (OA) Week, Atkins will host an Overview of Open Access Publishing webinar in collaboration with the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL). You can register for this webinar through [CTL's workshop portal](#) and attend to learn more about the importance of OA publishing and how you can start or continue your open scholarship. Atkins launched an [Open Access News](#) section of our website where you can learn more about OA, find upcoming events, and meet some of your colleagues who are participating in open scholarship in our Open Access Champions section. These colleagues have shared why they think OA is important and how they have participated in open scholarship. If you publish OA and would like to be featured as a future OA Champion, reach out to [Bethany Blankemeyer](#). Please join us in learning more about and supporting OA at UNC Charlotte.

- Thursday, October 22, 12:30 PM ([Register](#))

Election 2020: Researching Political Candidates and Issues Workshop

In this [virtual workshop](#), you'll learn about credible non-partisan resources for political and election news. Attendees will gain strategies for finding reliable information about political issues and learn about how to apply these strategies.

- Monday, October 26, 4:00 - 5:00 PM ([Register](#))

W+GRA Hosts Panel Discussion on Intimate Partner Violence

Please join us for a moderated discussion on Intimate Partner Violence and the impact of COVID-19. We will cover the latest updates on prevention and intervention at the federal level, safety and housing contingencies for victims and survivors, access to resources, barriers to services, and the different experiences in communities of color. Our panelists are Dr. Shanti Kulkarni, Professor of Social Work, researcher of the impact of trauma, violence, and abuse on vulnerable populations; Dr. May Ying Ly, Post-Doctoral Research Associate with W+GRA, currently conducting intimate partner violence research with the Hmong American community; and Henrietta Thompson, Transitional Housing Coordinator for the Safe Alliance Domestic Violence Shelter.

- Tuesday, November 10, 12:00 - 1:00 PM, via Zoom ([Register](#))

Training re: Classroom Recordings & FERPA

Smile - You're on Classroom Camera!: A Guide to Classroom Recordings & FERPA

As classroom technologies continue to evolve, and especially during times when remote or hybrid classes are necessary, more instructors are using video and audio recordings of class sessions and student projects. Recordings are sometimes used to allow enrolled students to watch a missed class session or to review an earlier session they attended, to share with another currently-enrolled class or a future class, or for accreditation purposes. Depending on how the recordings are created and edited, they may include personally identifiable information (PII) about students and thus constitute education records that are protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) — the federal student privacy law. This training session will provide guidelines for acceptable practices in making and using video and audio recordings in the classroom setting. Registrants will receive the Zoom link via email prior to the presentation.

- Tuesday, October 20, 10:00 - 11:00 AM (Register via email to [Melanie White](#))
Presenters: Amy Kelso, Senior Associate General Counsel; Leslie Zenk, Assistant Provost; Kim Buch, Faculty Fellow, Center for Teaching & Learning and Professor, Department of Psychological Sciences

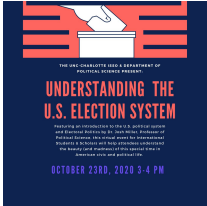
Office of International Programs News and Events



International Education Week

Each November the Office of International Programs joins institutions across the United States and around the world in hosting events recognizing international students, education abroad, and internationalization. Faculty/staff and students are encouraged to submit relevant events that will occur

during [International Education Week](#) for inclusion in our online calendar and in printed publications. Faculty/staff may also apply for small programming grants offered by The Office of International Programs in support of programming submissions to enrich UNC Charlotte's IEW celebration. The deadline for [event submissions and funding requests](#) is Monday, October 19 at 5:00 pm. Please contact globaleducation@uncc.edu if you have any questions.



Understanding the U.S. Election System

The Office of International Programs and the Department of Political Science are pleased to host an event aimed at explaining the ins and outs of U.S. elections to international students (or Americans who want a Civics refresher). The virtual event will be held on October 23 from 3:00-4:00 p.m.. Occurring less than two weeks before the historic 2020 November 3rd General Election, the event will feature an introduction to the U.S. political system and electoral politics by Dr. Josh Miller, Professor of Political Science, to help attendees understand the beauty (and madness) of this special time in American civic and political life. Please recommend to your international students or others who may be interested, all of whom can register by [clicking here](#). The access link will be emailed to registered participants 30 minutes prior to event start.



Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars: Nominations Open

[Phi Beta Delta](#) (PBD) is an international honor society open to faculty, staff and students. PBD has as its purpose the recognition of experience in the areas of international education exchange and/or international scholarship. It also serves as a means for encouraging interdisciplinary interchange and serves as a catalyst for developing a network among faculty, students, and staff involved. Please consider nominating faculty, staff or students to PBD by using the [PBD nomination form](#).

Virtual Panel on Sustainable Development

On October 27 from 4:00-5:30 p.m., please join a free virtual panel titled "Sustainable Development" to discuss designing resilient cities in the face of pandemics and climate change. The panel is sponsored in part by the Department of Geography and Earth Sciences. Panel participants include: Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Planning Director, City of Charlotte; Brad Bartholomew, CEO, Odell; Liz McCormick, Assistant Professor, UNC Charlotte College of Arts + Architecture; Brook Muller, Dean, UNC Charlotte College of Arts + Architecture; and Shannon Binns, Founder/Executive Director, Sustain Charlotte. Clean Air Carolina board member and Odell architect Allison Shockley will moderate the panel. [More information and free event registration](#).

Center for Teaching and Learning Resources and Workshops

SoTL Grant Resources

- Did you miss the recent workshops on best practices for writing a SoTL proposal? We recorded a session on October 7, 2020:
 - [Developing a Fundable SoTL Proposal](#) (pre-recorded webinar)
 - [Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Grants](#) (informational website)
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Observe an Online Course

Get great ideas for your own course by observing a peer's course! The [Teachers Observing Peers \(TOP\) program](#) provides UNC Charlotte faculty members with an opportunity to observe peers representing a variety of disciplines.

Planning Your Online Exams

- Canvas Quizzing (Creating Exams in Canvas)
 - Wednesday, October 21, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ([Register](#))
 - Monday, October 26, 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM ([Register](#))
- Converting Paper Tests to Canvas Quizzing
 - Wednesday, October 28, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))

- Best Practices in Developing and Delivering Final Assessments
 - Thursday, October 22, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ([Register](#))
 - Wednesday, October 28, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ([Register](#))

Engaging Students

- Active Learning in Online Classes (Open Discussion Forum)
 - Tuesday, October 20, 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM ([Register](#))
- Teaching with Poll Everywhere
 - Tuesday, October 27, 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM ([Register](#))
- Bridging Synchronous and Asynchronous Learning
 - Thursday, October 29, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ([Register](#))

Teaching & Learning Essentials Certificate Workshops

- Enhancing Cultural Awareness
 - Wednesday, October 21, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ([Register](#))
- Using Feedback to Improve Teaching and Learning (asynchronous delivery)
 - Monday, October 26 - Monday, November 2 ([Register](#))
- Syllabus 101: Roadmap to Success (asynchronous delivery)
 - Monday, November 16 - Wednesday, November 18 ([Register](#))

NSFS Recruiting 2021 Orientation Counselor Team

New Student & Family Programs (NSFS) is looking for our next group of student leaders to serve on the 2021 Orientation Counselor (OC) team! Orientation Counselors at UNC Charlotte use their leadership skills to welcome new Niners and their family members to campus annually. Each year, the NSFS selects a group of dedicated undergraduate student leaders to serve as Orientation Counselors. During this leadership position, OCs serve as small group facilitators, peer educators, resource guides, and role models to first-year students, transfer students, families, and guests as they transition to UNC Charlotte. Being an Orientation Counselor is a valuable leadership experience that allows for growth in the following areas: teambuilding, public speaking, communication and interpersonal skills, problem solving, conflict management, and confidence as a leader at UNC Charlotte. Orientation Counselors also help facilitate Gold Rush and Family Weekend programming.

Nominate a Student

We need your help! If you know of any students that you think would excel in this role, nominate them [here](#). When you nominate a student, our staff will reach out to them via email with more information. Please nominate all students by Wednesday, October 21, so that they have ample time to complete their application.

Want to know more?

You can also pass along information about our upcoming interest sessions for the position. These sessions are a great opportunity to hear first-hand from former Orientation Counselors about what it's like to be an OC, and to learn more about the application process. A full list of interest sessions and registration links are available at tinyurl.com/nsfslead.

The job description and application can be found at tinyurl.com/nsfslead and is due on Friday, October 23 at 12:00 p.m. EST. For additional information, students can contact New Student & Family Services (NSFS) at oc-team@uncc.edu.

Thank you in advance for your help in finding the best students to serve as 2021 Orientation Counselors!

Resources for Instructors Teaching During Fall 2020

Resources for instructors teaching during Fall 2020 are available on the [Office of the Provost website](#). This includes suggested syllabus policies, how to handle student absences during COVID, a list of faculty mentors for remote instruction advice, Q&A from the General Faculty meeting and other helpful resources.

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](#)

Latest AA News

For up-to-the-minute news from Academic Affairs (faculty awards, research, recognition, initiatives), follow us on Twitter (www.twitter.com/UNCC_Academics) or visit the [Academic Affairs Division News webpage](#).

Upcoming Events

This Week:

- Oct-Dec** [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events](#)
- Oct-Dec** [Diversity events](#)
- Oct 19** [2021-2022 Faculty Research Grants \(FRG\) Program Proposal Deadline](#)
- Oct 20** [49ers Make Good Trouble: From Campus Activism to the Ballot Box \(virtual\)](#)
- Oct 21** [Sigma Xi Discussion re: Evolution, Anthropology and Culture \(virtual\)](#)
- Oct 24** [Fall Virtual Open House \(Undergraduate Admissions\)](#)

Next Week:

- Oct 27** [Sustainable Development Virtual Panel Discussion](#)
- Oct 28** [Personally Speaking: Africa's International Relations, Beth Elise Whitaker](#)

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

*The [DAA News Digest](#) is distributed each Monday to Academic Affairs faculty and staff.
Deadline for submission is 11:00 a.m. every Friday.
Send submissions to academicaffairs@uncc.edu.*