



News Digest

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New Student Convocation - August 20, 2018

Please mark your calendars for the 2018 Day of Convocation: Monday, August 20, 2018. **Evening classes will begin that day at 5:00 p.m. and daytime classes begin on Tuesday, August 21.** Day of Convocation is an effort to celebrate and welcome our new students and provide clear academic expectations and an understanding about what it means to be a 49er. The event presents the traditions of the institution, the Noble Niner Honor Code, a faculty keynote address, and a performance by the Pride of Niner Nation Marching Band. Faculty are asked to RSVP and participate in New Student Convocation in regalia. For additional information, visit the [New Student Convocation website](#).

Civic Action Plan

On January 19, 2016, Chancellor Phil Dubois signed Campus Compact's 30th Anniversary Action Statement of Presidents and Chancellors, which committed UNC Charlotte to develop a Campus Civic Action Plan, as a call to marshal engagement resources to address challenges arising from exploding inequality and political polarization. After thoughtful discussions about economic and social mobility currently occurring in the Charlotte community, and as a result of robust inter-divisional collaboration, our Civic Action Plan is ready! Read more about the issues that [UNC Charlotte's Civic Action Plan](#) seeks to tackle and the bold commitments we make to our campus and community.

Searching for Scientific Womanpower: Laura Micheletti Puaca

Women in STEM: Challenging Gender Stereotypes

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to join Dr. Laura Puaca for a discussion of Women in STEM: Challenging Gender Stereotypes. Laura Micheletti Puaca, author of *Searching for Scientific Womanpower: Technocratic Feminism and the Politics of National Security, 1940-1980*, and assistant professor of history at Christopher Newport University, will lead a discussion of past and present "technofeminism". Her research traces contemporary feminist interest in science to the World War II and Cold War years. Anxiety over America's supply of scientific brainpower was matched by suspicion about women's rights. Puaca discusses the ways in which feminist reformers navigated these concerns to advance women's education and employment, laying the groundwork for the proliferation of women's societies in science and feminist reforms in science and society.

- Tuesday, April 24, 2:00 - 3:15 PM, CHHS 161

Science + Society 2018 - Discovery Place

Discovery Place, in partnership with UNC Charlotte, will welcome award-winning author Laura Micheletti Puaca for the Science + Society 2018 event. Hear the untold story of how the efforts to educate and employ women in STEM fields, using national security rhetoric and scientific "manpower concerns" from World War II to the Cold War, helped pave the way to equality.

- Tuesday, April 24, 6:00 PM, Discovery Place Science ([RSVP](#))

University Center for Academic Excellence - New Schedule

The UCAE will be implementing a new operational schedule beginning May 7. In summer terms, the UCAE will be open Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:00. In fall/spring terms, they will be open Monday-Thursday, 8:00-7:00, Friday, 8:00-5:00.

Faculty/Staff Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi

The following faculty and staff were inducted into Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society on Sunday, April 22, 2018:

- Michele Bissiere, Department of Languages and Culture Studies
- Christine Reed Davis, Dean of Students Office
- Robin Hainline, School of Nursing
- Saugat Karki, College of Health and Human Services
- Jules Keith-Le, Center for Teaching and Learning
- Richard Leeman, Department of Communication Studies
- Fatma Mili, College of Computing and Informatics
- Janet Morse, Graduate School
- Alan Rauch, Department of English
- Steven Rogelberg, Department of Psychological Science
- Thomas Schmedake, Department of Chemistry
- Chuang Wang, Department of Educational Leadership
- Jennifer Webb, Department of Psychological Science

Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society, and its mission is to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others. Please visit the [PKP website](#) for more information about UNC Charlotte's Phi Kappa Phi chapter.

DSI Seminar Series

System Dynamic Models for Scenario Analysis of Mobility on Demand Systems

Dimitris Papanikolaou, Assistant Professor, jointly between the School of Architecture and the Department of Software and Information Systems, will discuss his research in which he investigates how the study of system dynamics, social behavior and information technology can inform new design strategies for intelligent urban, building, and mobility systems.

- Friday, April 27, 10:00 - 11:00 AM, Woodward 338

Writing Resources Center - Final Exam Hours

Open tutoring appointments at the [Writing Resources Center](#) are going fast. Since the WRC is so busy, faculty are asked to please take a moment in class to remind students that they need to plan ahead and book appointments in advance. Please also let students know the WRC is trying to accommodate them as best they can. Clients may always walk-in if they are unable to schedule an appointment through the [online system](#); however, the no-show rate has been low lately and there is no guarantee that the WRC will be able to take walk-ins. Faculty are encouraged to post in Canvas the below schedule when WRC tutors will be available to work with students on final papers. E-tutoring will be available during all WRC open hours to accommodate students who are unable to come to the WRC at these times.

- Wednesday, May 2 - CLOSED for Reading Day
- Thursday, May 3, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Cameron 125
- Friday, May 4, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Cameron 125
- Sunday, May 6, 1:00 - 6:00 PM, E-tutoring only
- Monday, May 7, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Cameron 125
- Tuesday, May 8, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Cameron 125

Library Happenings

Opening Reception - Student Mural Exhibit - "Fragments from The Library of Bable"

Work from the Fall 2017 Mixed-Media/Print Media 3 class taught by Maja Godlewska and Erik Watersotte
Sponsored by J. Murrey Atkins Library and the College of Arts + Architecture

- Monday, April 30, 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Hight Architectural Library, Storrs Hall 2nd Floor

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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:

- Apr 23** [CLAS Excellence in Teaching Awards](#)
- Apr 23** [For Love of the Prophet: The Art of Islamic State-Making in Sudan](#)
- Apr 24** [Women in STEM: Challenging Gender Stereotypes](#)
- Apr 24** [Science & Society 2018](#)
- Apr 24** [Faculty Showcase \(Professional Development Presentation\)](#)
- Apr 25** [Percussion Ensemble](#)
- Apr 26** [Symphonic Band](#)
- Apr 26** [Global Perspective Series: Promoting Global Education through Film](#)
- Apr 26** [The Intimate Geopolitics of US War Resister Migration to Canada](#)
- Apr 27** [Chamber Orchestra](#)
- Apr 28** [University Chorale](#)
- Apr 29** [2018 UNC Charlotte Science and Technology Expo](#)

NEXT WEEK:

- Apr 30** [Wind Ensemble](#)
- May 1** [Jazz Ensemble & Combos](#)
- May 1** [GESP Application Deadline](#)
- May 1** [Global Gateways Application Deadline](#)
- May 2** [Music in the Gardens](#)
- May 2** [Study Abroad Photo Exhibit Opening Ceremony](#)
- May 4** [Gestures of Power: An Asian Studies Workshop](#)

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