



News Digest

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Summer and Fall 2019 Advising Holds

With summer and fall registration right around the corner, it is time to place advising holds on students' accounts. In an effort to ensure advising holds are placed accurately and in a timely manner, we are asking departments to send an Excel spreadsheet that includes a complete list of students needing advising holds. The [Report Central](#) report called "Cumulative GPA by level, class, college, degree in major order" under the GPA/Credit Hours tab is a good resource for this information. Requests should be submitted to [Beth Dawson](#) by Monday, February 25, 2019.

Please note:

- Freshmen automatically receive an advising hold so these students (class of FR) should be excluded from your request.
- Exclude students who have applied to graduate for the current term.
- If you require a custom message to appear with the advising hold (limit of 30 characters), please include it with your request. Example: Contact PBUS advisor
- One request per department should be submitted.

Chancellor's Diversity Challenge Fund Call for Proposals

The Council on University Community is accepting proposals for the Chancellor's Diversity Challenge Fund. The purpose of the Fund is to support initiatives promoting the daily value of diversity in the intellectual life of the campus. Students, faculty, and staff are eligible to apply for awards up to \$5,000. Restrictions on state funds apply. Potential uses of the Fund include:

- Presentations, workshops, trainings, cultural programs, exhibitions, films, or speakers that address issues of diversity
- Research on issues related to diversity
- Programs to integrate diversity into the classroom
- Programs that increase diversity in the academic pipeline
- Projects that promote diversity through linkages with the Charlotte community

Deadline for submission is March 11, 2019. For more information about the Fund, including descriptions of previously funded projects and details on how to apply, please visit the [Challenge Fund webpage](#).

2019 Ventureprise Launch NSF I-Corp Program

Have an idea or research finding that the National Science Foundation may be interested in funding? Want to receive up to \$5000 for your research or business idea? Ventureprise is kicking off its 2019 Ventureprise Launch NSF I-Corp program and is seeking students, faculty and staff to participate in the Spring 2019 cohort. The program provides participants with commercialization advice, 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 February 8 through March 22 on Friday afternoons. Applications are due Friday, February 1. A complete schedule and application form can be found on the [program webpage](#). To learn more please contact [Laura Smailes](#) at 704-687-5675.

ITS Updates



Duo Update & New “Get Duo Code” Feature

Eighty percent of faculty and staff have signed up for Duo –that’s a big jump within one week! However, there are still approximately 950 who still need to sign up before January 31. Don’t wait - sign up today. This [FAQ](#) will help you get started.

“Get Duo Code” Feature - Forget your smartphone? We understand life happens. You can now get a temporary Duo passcode by going to [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 an [FAQ](#) with more details.

Have questions? Click the infographic which answers seven of the most common ones. And as always, please contact the IT Service Desk should you need assistance.



Google Updates Contacts with New Look

Last week, Google updated Contacts with a newer, more colorful look. You can switch back and use the classic view until February 12; after that date, the new view will be permanent. More details about the new Contacts view are found in Google’s [Learning Center](#). See [this FAQ](#) to switch back to the classic view.

Atkins Library News and Events

Penn State Professor to talk Mourning Spaces for the Living

Mariana Ortega, an associate professor at Penn State University, will present “[Memento Vivere: Shadow Ground, Aesthetic Memory and the Border](#)”. Dr. Ortega will discuss the production of spaces of mourning in connection to memory practices, not for the dead but for the living. She will employ photographs from “Traveling Soles,” a series featuring images by artist Verónica Cárdenas of undocumented immigrants, including many Central American children. Dr. Ortega notes that aesthetic memory is a way to honor all those immigrants who have become invisible as humans and “hypervisible as criminals.”

- Thursday, January 24, 2:30 PM, Halton Reading Room, J. Murrey Atkins Library

“Beyond the Myths: The American Civil War in History and Memory” Opening Presentation and Reception

Dr. Paul Escott, Reynolds Professor of History Emeritus at Wake Forest University, will speak on North Carolina’s role in the Confederacy - the history, controversies, and resistance. He will contrast the history with the myths and discuss the history of the Confederate monuments in North Carolina. Dr. Escott is an authority on North Carolina’s history during the Confederacy and is the author of numerous books and articles on the topic.

- Thursday, February 21, 6:30 PM, Halton Reading Room, J. Murrey Atkins Library ([Register](#))

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 22** Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Study Abroad Alumni Networking
- Jan 23** Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Talking about Study Abroad in an Interview
- Jan 24** Exhibition Reception: A New Mark
- Jan 24** Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Adding Your International Experience to Your Resume
- Jan 25** Student Spotlight Concert
- Jan 25** Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Missing Life Abroad? How to Get Involved at UNC Charlotte

Next 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 and Geopolitics with Dr. Alexa Royden
- Jan 30** Royden
- Feb 2-3** Study Abroad Alumni Career Workshop: Career Meetup: Back From Studying Abroad Basic Botany with Dr. Larry Mellichamp

Upcoming:

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