

## News Digest

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### Final Grading for Session A Only

Final Grades for the Spring 2019 Session A term can be submitted through My UNC Charlotte starting on February 21. Grading will be available until **March 1 at 12:00 p.m.** Students that have officially withdrawn from the course have received a grade of “W” or “WE” and do not need a grade assigned.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 the 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 his/her 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](#). For each student, select the appropriate grade from the drop down menu. A list of appropriate grades is below:

#### 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)

If you have questions or problems submitting grades or grade changes, please review the [web grading instructions](#) or contact Elise Mickey, Assistant Registrar, at 7-5485.

### Residency Determination Office Closing

As you may be aware, the process for initial residency determination, reconsideration, and appeals is now handled centrally for all UNC System institutions by the NC Residency Determination Service (RDS) out of Raleigh. Therefore, the UNC Charlotte Residency Determination Office is closing as of 5:00pm on Friday, February 22. However, because our campus is still responsible for services related to residency compliance, exceptions, processes, and policies, Brenda Sawyer’s role will shift to Residency Compliance Manager. If you are meeting with students who have questions about residency

requirements or how to apply for residency, please direct them to the [Residency Determination Service website](#). The [UNC Charlotte residency website](#) has been updated to support our students in navigating the residency determination process.

## Recruiting for UMC/Associate Faculty Ombuds

The Faculty Executive Committee is seeking nominations for the combined position of University Mediation Coordinator (UMC)/Associate Faculty Ombuds.

### Qualifications of the UMC/Associate Faculty Ombuds

The UMC/Associate Faculty Ombuds will be a senior and tenured member of the faculty who has appropriate knowledge of the University's mediation process and has undergone or is willing to undergo formal training through the International Ombudsman Association (IOA). The individual must follow the Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice of the IOA and must participate in continuing professional education during his or her term of office. At a minimum, the person selected should have good listening and communication skills, be fair-minded, diplomatic, impartial, comfortable speaking to people with varying backgrounds, and sensitive to issues of diversity. The individual should be a good problem-solver who can keep up with details, make sure deadlines are met, and be able to work closely with faculty and administration. For additional information, please see the [University Ombuds Office website](#) and the [Grievance Policy](#).

### Term of Office

The position is typically a three year renewable term, with the term beginning August 15, 2019. The position requires a commitment of 25% effort and normally includes a reduction in workload as determined in consultation with the department and college. Although most faculty are on nine-month contracts, conflicts requiring resolution may require attention during the summer months.

### Nominations

To nominate someone (or yourself) for the combined position of UMC/Associate Faculty Ombuds, please send an email to [facultygovernance@uncc.edu](mailto:facultygovernance@uncc.edu) by Wednesday, March 13, 2019. The email should include a letter of interest, current curriculum vitae, and written agreement by the faculty member's department chair and dean stating that if selected, the faculty member will be able to serve.

## University Receives "Excellence in Assessment" Designation



UNC Charlotte is one of five exemplary colleges and universities nationwide to receive the Excellence in Assessment designation. This distinction recognizes the University's "commitment to the comprehensive assessment of student learning outcomes as a means to drive internal improvement and advance student success at the institution level." The Excellence in Assessment (EIA) designation is the first of its kind, spotlighting institutions that successfully integrate assessment practices across campus, providing

evidence of student learning and using assessment results to guide institutional decision-making and improve student performance.

## Legal Affairs Training re: Employee Legal Protections

### Do You Have My Back?: When Employees Are Legally Protected By the University and When They Are Not

Join Jeff Jensen, Senior Associate General Counsel, as he discusses under what circumstances employees are legally protected by the university. This session is intended for all categories of university employees -- administrators, faculty, and staff. We will discuss situations in which the university would be liable for an employee's conduct and provide them legal representation and indemnification, and other situations when the employee would be personally liable for her/his conduct. The following legal concepts will be explored: (1) scope of employment; (2) fraud, corruption and actual malice; (3) conflict of interest; and, (4) matters not in the best interest of the State of North Carolina.

- Wednesday, February 20, 9:00 - 10:15 AM, CHHS 161 ([RSVP](#))

## Graduate Student Funding Task Force Report

The Graduate Student Funding Task Force was assembled to examine the current state of graduate student funding at UNC Charlotte, and develop recommendations to improve, sustain and scale resources which will meet the needs of our graduate student population both today and moving forward. The Task Force report is complete and can be accessed via the [Graduate School website](#). You are invited to review the report and discuss the findings with your students and colleagues.

## 25Live Update

The University space scheduling system has been upgraded from Resource 25 (R25) to 25Live. Effective March 1, 2019, the R25 version will no longer be available to University users.

- [Calendar.uncc.edu](#) now provides links to University scheduling and calendar resources
- Please see the [25Live FAQs](#) for more information
- For questions, please contact [25liveadministration-group@uncc.edu](mailto:25liveadministration-group@uncc.edu)

## Admitted Student Events - Undergraduate Admissions

On Friday, February 22, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions will welcome our newly admitted freshmen (class of 2023) to campus for tours, information sessions and more. The event runs from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with 500+ students and family members attending. Please note traffic may get backed up in the morning especially around Union Deck so please allow yourself some extra travel time. If you see these future 49er families on campus, be sure to say "Welcome to Niner Nation!" Additional Admitted Students Day events are scheduled for Friday, March 22 and Friday, April 26.

## Office of International Programs News and Events



Join James A. Walsh, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), for a presentation and discussion on Transnational Crime & Technology: Emerging Threats in our Globalized World, part of the [International Speaker Series](#).

- Wednesday, February 20, 3:30 – 5:00 PM, SAC, Salon D ([Register](#))

## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual International Women's Day Nominations & Celebrations

[International Women's Day](#), as acknowledged by the United Nations on March 8, is a time to reflect on progress made and a call for change. Most importantly, International Women's Day (IWD) is a celebration of acts of courage and determination by ordinary women who have played an extraordinary role in the history of their countries and communities. The UNC Charlotte campus community has

celebrated [IWD](#) since 2006. This annual event includes historical information and recognition of faculty, staff, and students who have been nominated for their impact on the lives of women locally and globally. [Nominations](#) are now open and will be accepted until Monday, March 11, 2019. The event is co-sponsored by the Office of International Programs, the Office of Identity, Equity, and Engagement, and the World Affairs Council of Charlotte. The event is open to the campus community.

- Thursday, March 28, 3:30 - 5:00 PM, Student Union Multipurpose Room 340



### **Country-Culture Workshop: India**

In collaboration with UNC Charlotte colleagues, the Office of International Programs invites interested faculty, staff, and administrators to register for the upcoming [Country-Culture Workshop featuring India](#). A traditional Indian lunch is included. This workshop is a great opportunity to increase your knowledge about India and learn about the needs of our Indian students at UNC Charlotte. There are a limited number of spaces. Additional details and [registration](#) are available online.

- Friday, March 22, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Halton Reading Room

## **Atkins Library News and Events**

### **Genealogy Workshops Planned for "Beyond the Myths" Series**

Atkins Library will sponsor two [genealogy workshops](#) next week as part of "Beyond the Myths: The American Civil War in History and Memory" - a series of events designed to shed light on the current controversy surrounding Confederate monuments and provide factual historical information about North Carolina's role in the Confederacy. The first workshop will be presented by North Carolina Genealogist and former Atkins Librarian Donna Gunter; the second by Librarian Marcellaus Joiner geared for African Americans who face distinct challenges when trying to uncover their ancestors' stories.

## **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:**

- Feb 18** [Lecture: Maria Aiolova, Terreform ONE \(Architecture\)](#)
- Feb 19** [Personally Speaking with Karen Cox](#)
- Feb 19** [Great Decisions Lecture Series: The United States and Mexico: Partnership Tested](#)
- Feb 20** [Multi-Language Poetry Slam](#)
- Feb 20** [International Speaker Series: Transnational Crime and Technology: Emerging Threats in our Globalized World](#)
- Feb 20** [Office of Education Abroad: Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship Workshop](#)
- Feb 20-24** [The Servant of Two Masters \(Theatre\)](#)
- Feb 21** [CTI: Exploring American Sacred Values](#)
- Feb 21** [North Carolina in History and Memory](#)
- Feb 21** [International Coffee Hour](#)
- Feb 23** [Winter Walk](#)

**Next Week:**

- Feb 25** [Great Decisions Lecture Series: The Rise of Populism in Europe with Dr. Imdat Ozen](#)
- Feb 28** [Diversity Day](#)
- Feb 28** [International Speed Friending](#)
- Feb 28** [Rolling application deadline for opportunity with Japan Studies Institute in California](#)

**Upcoming:** [provost.uncc.edu/division-news/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events](http://provost.uncc.edu/division-news/weekly-news-digest/upcoming-events)

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