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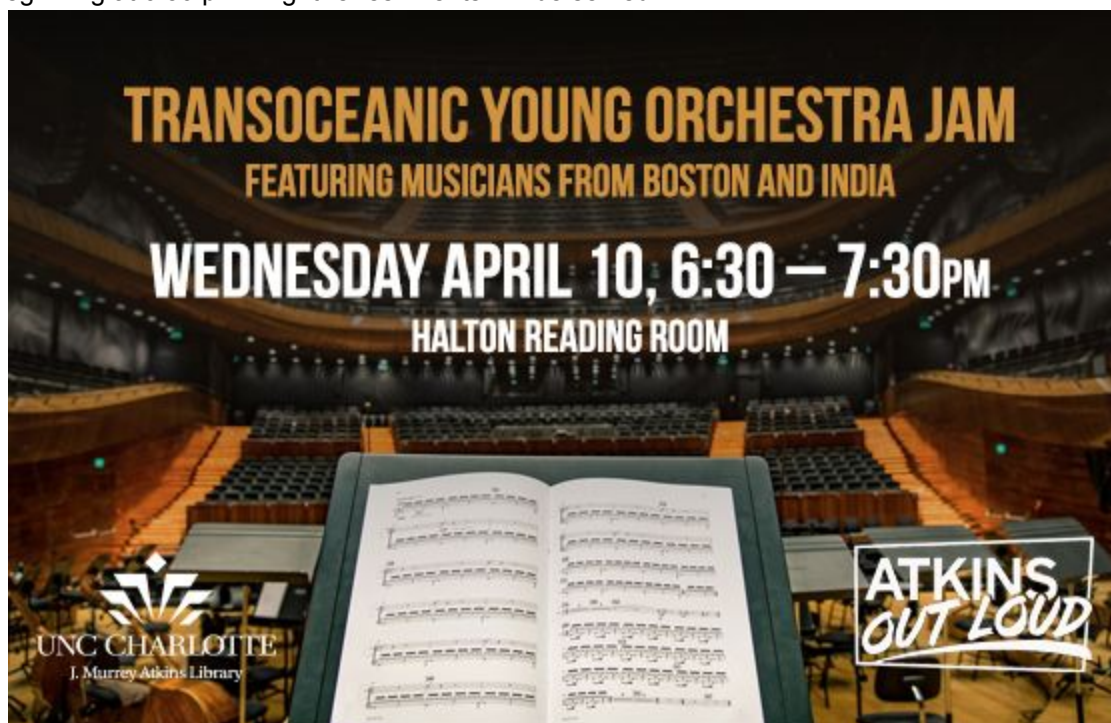
### Chancellor Invites UNC Charlotte Community to ITS Town Hall

Chancellor Dubois [announced](#) last week that, following a comprehensive review of University IT services in Fall 2018, BerryDunn will be back on campus for a Town Hall meeting to discuss the second phase of the assessment. Faculty and staff are invited to the Town Hall to learn more about the progress of the University IT Assessment, as well as to provide feedback and ask questions. BerryDunn will use feedback gained from this Town Hall to refine their final report. To learn more, visit the [IT Assessment page](#).

- Wednesday, April 17, 2:30 – 4:30 PM, Student Union Multipurpose Room

### Atkins Out Loud Features Transoceanic Orchestra

Join Atkins Library for music in the Halton Room featuring student musicians from India, Boston, and Charlotte the Wednesday beginning at 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.



### International Career Panel

The [International Career Panel](#) is an annual event sponsored by the Office of International Programs and The Magellan Society, the young professional branch of the World Affairs Council of Charlotte. It provides an opportunity to network and

hear several early-career professionals discuss the international elements of various careers such as law, business, government, not-for-profit, and education. Panelists speak about their experiences and offer valuable advice to those about to enter the job market and pursue work in international fields. Advisors from UNC Charlotte's Career Center are also on-sight to provide brief resume reviews.

- Thursday, April 11, 5:30 – 8:00 PM, Halton Reading Room, Atkins Library ([Register](#))

## SPIDUR Faculty Fellow Call for Participation

The Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) at UNC Charlotte is seeking a full-time faculty member to serve as the Faculty Fellow for the Summer Program to Increase Diversity in Undergraduate Research Program. The stipend for this position is \$8000. This position will begin in August 2019.

The Summer Program to Increase Diversity in Undergraduate Research (SPIDUR) program is administered out of the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR). The SPIDUR program is focused on recruiting high achieving students from underrepresented groups and/or first-generation students, or students with disabilities from around the country to participate in an 8-week summer research program. Students receive one-on-one, faculty-guided research training, and participate in weekly professional development sessions to better prepare them for graduate school and a future research career. The program culminates in a Summer Research Symposium.

The OUR is seeking candidates with experience mentoring undergraduate students and knowledge about research training programs for undergraduate students.

Faculty Fellow Roles/Responsibilities:

- Assist in recruiting students and faculty for the program. Please note: This may involve travel to recruit students.
- Be actively engaged during 8-week summer program
- Serve as point of contact for SPIDUR faculty mentors
- Serve as point of contact for student participants
- Serve as the liaison between the SPIDUR program and The Office for Undergraduate Research
- Work with the OUR to implement programming for summer research experiences
- Organize SPIDUR Selection Committee
- Review SPIDUR faculty mentors and student applications
- Participate in the OUR Faculty Fellow Advisory Committee planning meetings that are held during the academic year

To apply for this position please submit a letter of application, a current CV, and an endorsement from your chair to [Dr. Erin Banks](#) by Friday, April 12, 2019.

## Roos Awarded International PEO Scholarship

Lydia Roos, doctoral student in Health Psychology, received the 2018 [P.E.O. International Scholarship](#) from the P.E.O. Sisterhood, an organization focused on helping women around the world participate in graduate study in the U.S. and Canada. Roos was nominated for the award by the local PEO chapter, then competed with nominees nationwide. She also is a previous recipient of the Hershel and Cornelia Everett Foundation Fellowship offered through The Graduate School. Learn more about the award from [The Graduate School](#).

## Faculty Invited to Campus STEM Summit

### Insights into Student Success and Student Engagement in STEM

The STEM summit is open to all faculty, staff, and administrators from STEM disciplines. We encourage departments to send teams of faculty who teach the same course. This will facilitate rich conversations about the challenges instructors face teaching critical progression STEM courses and potential solutions to these challenges. Participants will explore best practices for increasing student learning in STEM courses and examine existing practices through this lens, with the goal of implementing deeply engaging and effective practices in critical progression courses.

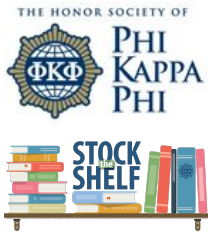
Keynote Address: [Dr. Chris Rasmussen](#), San Diego State University

Dr. Rasmussen will report on results from two national studies of STEM courses. The first project identified the factors that influence student success in critical progression courses. The second project is investigating departmental change that contributes to teaching and learning environments that improve student learning, with a particular focus on active learning strategies. It highlights case studies of departments that have successfully made transformations in department culture, norms, and practices. Departmental and institutional leadership, such as course coordination, use of data, student

resources such as tutoring centers, and professional development, have been mutually supportive to initiate, implement, and sustain these changes.

- Thursday, May 16, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM, Kennedy 236 ([Register](#))

## PKP/CLGO Book Drive



The UNC Charlotte chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) has partnered with the Children's Literature Graduate Organization (CLGO) to host a book drive from March 15 - April 30. This book drive will help Read Charlotte, a local organization focused on doubling the percentage of third graders in Charlotte reading on grade level from 39% in 2015 to 80% by 2025. We are seeking donations for new and used children's books for ages 0 to 18. Novels, non-fiction and specialty books for all ages are also accepted. Please review the [Phi Kappa Phi webpage](#) for donation box locations and further information. Donations will also be collected at the Phi Kappa Phi initiation ceremony on Sunday, April 14, 2019, between 3:00-4:00 p.m. in the McKnight Hall lobby of Cone University Center.

## Retirement Reception: David Young

Please join The William States Lee College of Engineering for a

### RETIREMENT RECEPTION

honoring

*David Young*

For 34 years of outstanding service as a faculty member,  
department chair and EPIC associate director.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH

1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | EPIC ATRIUM

KINDLY RSVP BY APRIL 19TH TO  
SARA WATSON | [SWATSO34@UNCC.EDU](mailto:SWATSO34@UNCC.EDU)

## 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 8 [Stravinsky's Les Noces \(Music\)](#)

Apr 9 [Witness in Residence Initiative: A Conversation about Transgender Lives](#)

- Apr 9** [Jazz Ensemble with Dick Oatts](#)
- Apr 10** [Beyond OPT Workshop](#)
- Apr 10** [Lecture: Charles Renfro](#)
- Apr 10** [Fulbright U.S. Student Workshop](#)
- Apr 11** [International Career Panel](#)
- Apr 11** [Lecture: Barbara Schreiber](#)
- Apr 11** [Orchestra Concert](#)
- Apr 11-14** [Botanical Gardens Annual Plant Sale](#)
- Apr 12** [Reception: Vessels Aplenty](#)
- Apr 13-14** [Denial: The Final Stage of Genocide](#)

**Next Week:**

- Apr 16** [International Education Awards Celebration](#)
- Apr 17** [Student Travel Signature Walk-in Clinic](#)
- Apr 18** [International Coffee Hour](#)
- Apr 18** [Exploring Global Learning eSeminar: Assessment of Global Learning Toward Accreditation](#)

**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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