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SB 225 Repeals 50% Tuition Surcharge

NC Governor Roy Cooper recently signed [SB 225](#) which repeals the 50% tuition surcharge imposed on students who take more than 140 credit hours to complete a 4-year program or more than 110% of the hours necessary to complete a 5-year program. The effective date of the repeal is July 1, 2019, and applies beginning with the 2019-20 academic year. UNC Charlotte will no longer surcharge undergraduate students beyond 140 hours; however, it still remains in the best interest of our students to finish as quickly as possible so they can take advantage of the eight semesters of fixed tuition.

Because the 2019-20 catalog has already been published, the information regarding this surcharge will be removed with the 2020-21 catalog. Websites referencing tuition surcharge should be edited. The criteria for a tuition surcharge is also the criteria for a fixed tuition appeal, so please be cautious when editing website language.

OIP's Cultural Ambassador Program for the Classroom

Are you teaching course content that could be enhanced by hearing the perspectives of international students in your class? The [Cultural Ambassador Program](#) facilitates panel presentations by international students in classrooms and trainings. Faculty interested in having Cultural Ambassadors present in their class should complete the [online Cultural Ambassador Program request form](#). The online request deadline for fall presentations will remain open through Friday, August 23.

REMINDER: NYT.com Cancellation

As announced in early April, Atkins Library is no longer subscribing to the New York Times Online (NYT.com). Due to budget constraints and the availability of access to the articles through other library services, the decision was made to cancel the campus subscription as of July 1. If you wish to access current articles published by the New York Times, you can locate individual articles through two alternative resources, ProQuest and Nexis Uni, which allow you to set up alerts to be notified when new content is available. If you have any questions or concerns, contact [Liz Siler](#) or your [subject librarian](#).

[ProQuest](#) - To create an alert, click on "Create alert" on the publication page.

[Nexis Uni](#) - Review the [information on how to create content alerts](#).

Atkins Library Summer Workshop Series

Atkins Library Research & Instructional Services (RIS) Summer Workshop Series

"The Census and Other Data Resources" - Reese Manceaux

Information on the 2020 Census and the new [Data.census.gov](#) interface will be covered. Reese will also report on Proquest Statistical Abstract, SimplyAnalytics, and other historical census sources.

- Tuesday, July 30, 10:00 AM, Atkins 124 [Add to calendar](#)

"Primary Sources: Research Starters and Local Stories" - Randi Beem

Primary documents in our special collections work as a bridge to provide students across all disciplines with a deeper connection to the Charlotte community. During this session, Randi will share different collections that apply across disciplines and show how these documents can be used by students to develop research questions of their own.

- Tuesday, July 30, 2:00 PM, Atkins 123 [Add to calendar](#)

"Assessing Learning in Library Instruction" - Abby Moore and Nicole Spoor

Not only will you learn why formative assessment is the best way to find out if your students are meeting the class learning objectives, but you'll also leave the session with practical, interactive, and easy ways to incorporate this type of assessment into all of your instruction sessions.

- Wednesday, July 31, 2:00 PM, T3 [Add to calendar](#)

"Design Principles for Librarians" - Marc Bess and Thomas Crocker

Whether you need to make a flyer, create an infographic, or design a PowerPoint presentation, being aware of design principles can help you better communicate with your audience. In this workshop, Thomas and Marc will share basic design principles and examples of how they can be applied.

- Tuesday, August 6, 2:00 PM, Visualization Lab [Add to calendar](#)

"Online Learning and Libraries: Current Trends and Best Practices" - Sam Harlow, Online Learning Librarian and Assistant Professor, University Libraries, UNC Greensboro

Sam will discuss trends in online learning techniques for librarians as well as online instruction strategies that have been implemented at the University Libraries at UNC Greensboro. She will also share information on topics that are frequently the focus of online learning conferences and forums.

- Thursday, August 8, 11:00 AM, Atkins 125 [Add to calendar](#)

Austin, Burmeister Win Dissertation Awards

The Graduate School's 2019 Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award went to [Lauren Austin](#), Public Policy, and [Amanda Burmeister](#), Biological Sciences. This award is presented each year by the Graduate School to recognize outstanding research and scholarship by a doctoral student at UNC Charlotte. For more information, please visit the [Grad School website](#).

FERPA Refresher Training

Jesh Humphrey, Vice Chancellor of Institutional Integrity and General Counsel, reprises our always-popular FERPA refresher course. In our increasingly technological society, we continue to face new questions about what information constitutes a student's education record, what texts or emails might qualify as written consent, and how to protect our students' privacy in various databases and online. Jesh will hit the FERPA highlights, cover new issues he has seen, and spend time fielding questions from the audience.

- Wednesday, July 24, 10:00 - 11:15 AM, CHHS 281 ([RSVP](#))

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:

June-July For a variety of gardening learning opportunities offered this summer, check out the [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events calendar](#).

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