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Ogundiran Receives Chancellor's Professor Designation



Akinwumi Ogundiran, a transdisciplinary scholar and professor in the Departments of Africana Studies, Anthropology and History, is now designated as a Chancellor's Professor at UNC Charlotte, in recognition of his outstanding scholarly achievement and demonstrated excellence in interdisciplinary research, teaching, and service.

[Read more](#)

Nominations Sought for First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal

The Graduate School seeks nominations for the 2020 First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal. Recognizing outstanding scholarship, creativity and/or research among senior full-time faculty members, nominations may come from any UNC Charlotte faculty member. The First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal has been awarded since 1988; last year's honoree was Dr. Steven Rogelberg, UNC Charlotte Chancellor's Professor, Psychological Science and Management. The deadline to receive nominations is Friday, November 8. For details visit the [Graduate School website](#).

The Surprising Science of Meetings



Hear how science can turn dull, often useless meetings into short productive ones. Join us for [Personally Speaking with Steven G. Rogelberg](#), UNC Charlotte Chancellor's Professor, international business consultant, and author of *The Surprising Science of Meetings: How You Can Lead Your Team to Peak Performance*, as he talks about using science to create a more successful meeting experience.

- Tuesday, November 12, 6:00 - 9:00 PM, UNC Charlotte Center City ([Register](#))

Summer 2020 Call for Faculty Applications for CRS and CCS Programs

Please "Save the Date" for the Summer 2020 Call for Faculty Applications for the Charlotte Research Scholars and Charlotte Community Scholars programs. Faculty applications will be accepted November 18-December 18, 2019. The Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) Summer Research Programs will begin on Tuesday, May 26 and end on Tuesday, August 2, 2020. For more information, please visit the [OUR website](#) or call 704-687-5316.

Ignite Planning Grants Program - Request for Proposals



Research and Economic Development (RED) is pleased to launch a new [planning-grant program \(Ignite\)](#) to promote new collaborative research efforts and facilitate the development of interdisciplinary teams focused on preparing competitive, large-scale collaborative proposals for significant external funding. Ignite planning grants are intended to enhance existing areas of excellence, accelerate the development of emerging research strengths, and foster interactions between UNC Charlotte faculty and potential collaborators at other institutions. The program aims to lower and eliminate barriers to building collaborative teams and coordinating, planning, and preparing large, interdisciplinary multi-investigator research proposals by providing funds to (1) convene conferences and meetings, (2)

coordinate workshops, (3) support travel costs for potential collaborators from other institutions, (4) hire grant-writing consultants and content specialists, and (5) conduct other proposal-development and team-development activities.

Proposals must be submitted electronically as an email attachment to ignite-planning@uncc.edu by 5:00 pm EDT on December 10, 2019. Questions regarding this program announcement should be directed to [Lesley Brown](#), Director of the Center for Research Excellence.

Two identical information sessions on the Ignite program are scheduled:

- Monday, November 11, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Student Union 261)
- Thursday, November 14, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. (Student Union 267)

J. Murrey Atkins Library News & Events

Dia de Muertos/Day of the Dead Celebration

Join Atkins Library, UNC Charlotte Latinx/Hispanic Faculty Staff Caucus, and Spanish Club CEPA for a Day of the Dead altar building workshop and celebration. Materials to bring: photos of someone you want to honor and something they loved (e.g. food drink, etc.). Snacks and drinks will be provided.

- Monday, November 4, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Quad between COED and CHHS (Altar Building Workshop, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM)

Dr. Elizabeth A. Herbin-Triant Discusses the Politics of Residential Segregation

Please join us for Dr. Elizabeth A. Herbin-Triant's [talk and discussion](#) about her new book, *Threatening Property: Race, Class, and Campaigns to Legislate Jim Crow Neighborhoods*. Focusing on North Carolina, the book explores the politics of residential segregation and investigates who wanted neighborhoods to be segregated by race, how these people brought about their vision, and why segregation has persisted even after segregationist policies were ended.

- Thursday, November 7, 4:00 PM, Halton Reading Room, J. Murrey Atkins Library

Friends of Atkins Library Kickoff

J. Murrey Atkins Library will introduce the Charlotte community to the Friends of Atkins Library organization with a kick-off event at the library on the campus of UNC Charlotte. The event will feature tours of the library, exhibits of rare items from Special Collections and University Archives, children's activities, and refreshments.

- Sunday, November 10, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, J. Murrey Atkins Library ([RSVP](#))

Faculty/Librarian Showcase

Join us to learn how librarians can partner with you to develop instruction lesson plans and in-class activities. The Librarian/Faculty Showcase will present a series of lightning talks by instruction librarians and faculty who have developed innovative collaborations for UWRT and LBST 2301 classes. Meet librarians who can work with you to invigorate your spring classes and gather inspiration from your faculty colleague. Light refreshments will be provided.

- Tuesday, November 12, 2:00 - 3:00 PM, Halton Reading Room, J. Murrey Atkins Library

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](#)

Latest AA News

For up-to-the-minute news from Academic Affairs (faculty awards, research, recognition, initiatives), follow us on Twitter (www.twitter.com/UNCC_Academics) or visit the [Academic Affairs Division News webpage](#).

Upcoming Events

This Week:

- Nov-May** [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events calendar](#)
- Nov-May** [Diversity Events on campus](#)
- Nov 4** [International Speaker Series: Dr. Volker Wissing](#)
- Nov 6** [Lecture: Eating History: Reading Epigenetic Science for a Metabolic Ethics](#)
- Nov 7** [International Coffee Hour](#)
- Nov 7** [Book Talk: Threatening Property: Race, Class, and Campaigns to Legislate Jim Crow Neighborhoods](#)
- Nov 8** [Engaged Scholarship Symposium](#)
- Nov 10** [Friends of Atkins Library Kickoff](#)

Next Week:

- Nov 12** [Faculty/Librarian Showcase](#)
- Nov 12** [Personally Speaking with Steven Rogelberg, The Surprising Science of Meetings](#)
- Nov 16** [Making a Mark: The 1619 Project, Investigative Journalism and Raising the Caliber of Reporting Through Diverse Voices](#)

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

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Send submissions to academicaffairs@uncc.edu.*