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Summer 2021 First Half Term Final Grades

Final grades for summer 2021 first half term opened on June 18 and can be submitted through [My UNC Charlotte](#). Grading will be available until July 6 at noon. Detailed final grading instructions can be found on the [Registrar website](#).

Upcoming Launch of Niner Research IRB Module; Retirement of IRBIS

Research and Economic Development announces the upcoming launch of the IRB Human Subjects Niner Research module that will replace our current IRB protocol submission and management system, IRBIS. Niner Research IRB is scheduled to go-live on July 1, 2021. [Additional information about the IRB module and retirement of IRBIS](#).

Legal Affairs Training: BART and Free Speech on Campus

BART and Free Speech on Campus: Challenges and Opportunities in Addressing Higher Education Bias Incidents

This presentation provides guidance for what campus community members can expect from the UNC Charlotte Bias Advisory Resource Team (BART) and how to navigate instances of bias, focusing specifically on:

1. The current legal framework within which BART operates;
2. A forecast of what may be on the horizon in this area;
3. How BART functions at UNC Charlotte;
4. How to submit a BART report; and
5. Challenges and opportunities in navigating alleged bias incidents on campus.

Presented by: Larry Gourdine, Associate Dean and Director of Student Assistance and Support Services, and T'Ajai Carrington, Higher Education Legal Fellow.

- Tuesday, June 29, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, via Zoom* ([RSVP](#))
*Registrants will receive the Zoom link via email prior to the presentation.

Summer Workshop on Thriving Post Pandemic in STEM

UNC Charlotte will host a one-day workshop July 28 to address the challenges that incoming STEM students may face due to their experiences during the COVID19 pandemic. In response to remote learning, social isolation, mental health concerns, reduced college admissions testing opportunities and canceled requirements, colleges will need to make reentry adaptations that will support students' first-year experience. The summit will bring together high school counselors who assist students with making college and career choices, and UNC Charlotte personnel who are engaged with college admissions, first-year instruction, and student success programming. The intent of the summit is to help high school counselors understand how UNC Charlotte admission requirements and preparation standards have adapted due to COVID, and to help UNCC personnel understand how COVID has impacted the preparation and needs of incoming students. Presentations will focus on the social-emotional, academic and career development impacts of the pandemic. The Summit will focus attention on needs particular to students from low income and backgrounds that are underrepresented in engineering fields. If you have any questions about this event, please contact [Dr. Brett Tempest](#).

- Wednesday, July 28, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, via Zoom ([Register](#))

J. Murrey Atkins Library News

Interlibrary Loan Outage Today

Today, June 21, from 1:00-4:00 p.m., interlibrary loan (ILL) services, including the ILL website, request forms, and previous request information, will be unavailable for site maintenance.

Atkins Awarded Federal Grant

Atkins Library, in partnership with seven state university libraries, has been awarded a [\\$49,414 grant to create an interinstitutional mobile hotspot lending program](#). The grant will enable partner libraries to procure a pool of 75 Verizon mobile hotspot devices, cover monthly service fees for 12 months, and loan these devices to students, faculty, and staff who are dispersed throughout the state of North Carolina and have unreliable Internet.

Library Summer Hours

As of July 6, Atkins' summer hours are:

- Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, 1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Hight Architecture Library

- Monday - Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

A UNC Charlotte ID is required for entry after 5:00 pm M-F and on weekends.

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:

- Jun-Aug** [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events](#)
- Jun-Aug** [Diversity events](#)

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

The [DAA News Digest](#) is distributed each Monday to Academic Affairs faculty and staff. To have items included in the digest, complete the [NEWS DIGEST REQUEST FORM](#). Deadline for submission is 11:00 a.m. every Friday.