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## Award Given for Research on Adjunct Faculty Learning Communities

Drs. Heather McCullough and Kim Buch were recently honored for winning the [Research & Scholarship award at the 2021 UPCEA Regions Week - South Conference](#). This award emphasizes the value of research as an essential characteristic of the profession of continuing higher education. Drs. McCullough and Buch conducted their research on adjunct faculty learning community (FLC) programs. During the Covid-19 pandemic, they pivoted an existing in-person adjunct FLC to an online zoom-supported synchronous model that was well-received by faculty and offered lessons learned in ways to better serve a diverse and geographically disperse adjunct population. In their [acceptance speech](#), Dr. McCullough thanked UPCEA for the award and dedicated it to UNC Charlotte's "adjunct faculty members in recognition of their immense contributions to the mission of Teaching and Learning and their important role in promoting student success." Dr. Heather McCullough is the Associate Director of Faculty Development for the Center for Teaching and Learning. Dr. Kim Buch is a Professor for UNC Charlotte's Department of Psychology and Faculty Fellow for the Center for Teaching and Learning. [Read more about the winning project.](#)

## Center for Teaching and Learning Workshops

## Instructional Video Part 3: Creating In-Video Quizzes Using Kaltura

- Wednesday, November 3, 10:00 - 11:00 AM ([Register](#))

## Intensify Your Large Class: Large Class Space Mapping

Learn strategies and techniques for managing classroom space (face-to-face, online, and blended) in large classes. We will discuss: Attendance - Student Groups - Physical/Virtual Space: "Movement" - Physical/Virtual Classroom Materials and Tools - Technology, Resources, Mobile Devices - TAs. [Teaching Guide: Teaching Large Classes](#)

- Thursday, November 4, 2:00 - 3:30 PM ([Register](#))

## J. Murrey Atkins Library News and Events

## Library Courtesy Notices

In November, Atkins Library will re-enable automated courtesy notifications. Courtesy notifications are automated emails that remind patrons about upcoming due dates for library materials. If you receive a notification for an item you have already returned, you can review your library account via the library's [webpage](#) by clicking on My Accounts. If you think you've returned a library item that is still appearing on your library account, you can [submit a form to request a search for a returned item](#). For questions about courtesy notifications, contact [libraryaccounts@unc.edu](mailto:libraryaccounts@unc.edu).

## Atkins Celebrates Caldecott Winner, Gail Haley

Atkins Library invites the campus and community to a talk, an art workshop, and an exhibit focused on the life and artistry of Gail E. Haley, who won the Caldecott Medal in 1971 for her children's book, *A Story A Story*.

About the exhibit and events:

- An exhibit on the ground floor of Atkins Library will display materials from the library's [Gail Haley collection](#), featuring artwork from *A Story, A Story*. October 15-November 29.
- A linoleum-cutting workshop in the Makerspace of the Library's Area 49. Participation is limited, so please [register](#). November 3, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- A virtual discussion with Gail Haley and Professor of English Mark West. November 8, 4:00-5:30 p.m. ([Register](#))

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## Lunch & Learn: Celebrate the Insulin Centennial

The discovery of insulin in 1921 was a significant breakthrough for patients with insulin-dependent diabetes. Since that time, new technologies have greatly improved the quality of life for millions of people. Join a [Lunch & Learn](#) on November 9, 12:00-1:00 p.m., either virtually or in the Atkins Library Halton Room. Dr. Tonya Anderson will discuss advances in this field of medicine.

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## Atkins Joins UCOL's Common Reading Experience

The Atkins Library Book Club will join this year's university Common Reading Experience selection of [The 57 Bus](#). Join the [online book club discussion](#) of this nonfiction book for teens about race, class, gender, crime, and punishment as it tells the true story of an agender teen who was set on fire by another teen while riding a bus in Oakland, California.

- Tuesday, November 16, 3:00 - 4:00 PM ([Register](#))

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## Charlotte Race and Social Equity 2021 Fall Forum - Houseless Close to Home: Stories From Our Own Backyard

This forum will address racial and social equity issues as it relates to being unhoused. Attendees will hear directly from an alum who experienced being houseless as a student. A panel discussion will feature local leaders who will share innovative strategies to eliminate the number of people being unhoused. The [UNC Charlotte Race and Social Equity Fall Forum](#) is sponsored by Atkins Library and the Race and Social Equity Academy in the School of Social Work.

- Wednesday, November 17, 12:00 - 1:30 PM ([Register](#))

## Retirement Reception Honoring Dr. Yogendra Kakad

On November 5 from 3:30-5:00 p.m., the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE) will be hosting a [reception](#) to honor Dr. Yogendra P. Kakad's dedicated service as faculty of UNC Charlotte for the past 45 years and congratulate him for his retirement. Dr. Kakad has made valuable contributions to the ECE department's infrastructure development and provided outstanding performance in teaching, research, and service. In particular, his contributions on course and curriculum development, laboratory development, graduate student support and supervision, and faculty development in the area of control systems and automation have been valuable for the growth and enhancement of the ECE and the College of Engineering as a whole. Dr. Kakad has won several distinguished awards including the Alcoa Award for Outstanding Graduate Professor, the IEEE Region 3 Outstanding Engineering Award, and has been the finalist on two occasions for the Bank of America Award for Teaching Excellence.

## November 11 Engaged Scholarship Symposium

As we chart a new path for Charlotte, how do we continue to form reciprocal teaching and research community partnerships to co-produce transformative solutions to the region's challenges? Join the Office of Urban Research and Community Engagement to address this question at the virtual [UNC Charlotte Engaged Scholarship Symposium](#).

## Finalists Named in 3MT Competition

Finalists selected for the 2021 3-Minute Thesis (3MT) final competition come from a wide range of programs. The 3MT, hosted by the Center for Graduate Life and Learning, is an international academic competition that challenges graduate students to describe their research in three minutes or less, using only one static slide. 3MT allows our graduate students to practice communicating the importance of their work to policy makers, potential funders, and the media. The finals competition will be held on November 12, 4:30 p.m., in the Rowe Auditorium. For more information, including the list of finalists, visit the [3MT competition webpage](#).

## Join Andre Perry of the Brookings Institution at the Urban Institute's November 18 Forum

We've been talking about economic mobility in Charlotte for a long time, but have we really moved the needle? And what steps can we take that will make a concrete difference for people in our community, enabling better access to jobs, education, health and the opportunity to improve their quality of life? That's the focus of the *2021 Schul Forum: Moving the Needle in Charlotte and Beyond*. The forum will address the challenges facing us and the solutions that can be implemented to help our community. [Join us on November 18 for a virtual event](#) with a keynote address by Andre Perry of the Brookings Institution and a panel featuring Dr. Byron P. White, UNC Charlotte Office of Urban Research and Community Engagement; Laura Clark, United Way of Central Carolinas; Sherri Chisholm, Leading on Opportunity; and W. Teddy McDaniel, III, Urban League of Central Carolinas, Inc.

## Academic Suspension Appeals System End User Training

A team of Enrollment Management and Academic Advising staff have been working together, in conjunction with OneIT, to create a streamlined appeal tool to provide students with a user-friendly portal to submit appeals. In May, the team launched the Financial Aid SAP Appeal in the tool and later this month, the Academic Suspension Appeal will be added to the tool. [Register for system end user training](#).

## Faculty Council News

Please visit the Faculty Governance website for the latest news from the Faculty Council including:

- [Meeting Schedules](#)
- [Agendas/Minutes](#)
- [Latest News](#)

## 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](#) or visit the [Academic Affairs Division News webpage](#).

## Upcoming Events

### This Week:

Nov-Dec [UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens events](#)

Nov-Dec [Diversity events](#)

### Next Week:

Nov 11 [UNC Charlotte Engaged Scholarship Symposium](#)

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

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