

UNC FACULTY GOVERNANCE

Newsletter



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February Faculty Council meeting features campus climate discussion panel, fixed-term titles resolution

The Faculty Council will meet on Friday, February 24, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Kerr Hall, room 2001 at the Eshelman School of Pharmacy. The agenda features a discussion panel titled "Navigating Uncertainty: Today's Climate and It's Impact" that will be moderated by Professor

Rumay Alexander, chair of the Community and Diversity Committee. Professor Nancy Fisher, chair ...

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Carolina's Quality Enhancement Plan focuses on creating scientists

Every ten years, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is reviewed by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) for reaffirmation of its status as an accredited institution of higher learning. In September 2016, the University submitted its Compliance Certification report to SACSCOC: a 600-page document affirming the University's compliance with over 90 SACSCOC ...

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Faculty Executive Committee passes resolution supporting those impacted by executive order

At its meeting on Monday, January 30, the Faculty Executive Committee unanimously passed a resolution in support of faculty, students and staff who are impacted by President Trump's recent executive order. The full text of the resolution is available [here](#). An article about the discussion leading up to the resolution's passage is available at The Daily Tar Heel's website [here](#).

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Chair of the Faculty stresses unity in supporting Carolina's international community

Chair of the Faculty Bruce Cairns published a letter to the editor in *The Daily Tar Heel* on February 2, 2017. The full text follows: I am writing in response to the opinion piece "UNC administrators mishandled Trump's ban." I agree with the need for the UNC community to respond strongly

to this development. To that end, it ...

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A note from Chair of the Faculty Bruce Cairns regarding executive order

On January 30, the UNC-Chapel Hill Faculty Executive Committee (FEC) unanimously passed the following resolution in support of the University community (including faculty) who are affected by the recent Executive Order regarding immigrants from certain countries: "As faculty members of the nation's oldest public university, we stand with our colleagues, students, and ...

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Summary of actions from January Faculty Council

The Faculty Council met on January 27, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Kerr Hall 2001 at the Eshelman School of Pharmacy. The following actions were taken: The Educational Policy Committee presented Resolution 2017-1 On Removing Restrictions on Graduation with Multiple Areas of Study for Students Enrolling in a Ninth Semester or Beyond. The resolution allows students who ...

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Storify of January Faculty Council now available

Special guest live-tweeter Professor Paul Jones put together a collection of tweets from the Faculty Council meeting on Friday, January 27, 2016 for those who are interested in seeing the highlights. Please keep in mind that tweets from the meeting reflect the opinions of those participating in the meeting, not necessarily those of the Office of Faculty Governance.

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Honorary Degree nominations due February 24

The Office of Faculty Governance, on behalf of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special

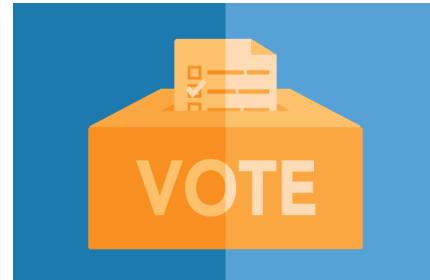


Awards, is now accepting candidates for UNC honorary degrees to be awarded at the 2018 May Commencement ceremony. A maximum of five of these prestigious awards will be given to recognize individuals who have rendered

Faculty elections to take place April 7-19

The Office of Faculty Governance thanks the over 550 faculty who filled out this year's faculty interest survey. The Nominating Committee will meet in February to determine the slate for this year's faculty elections. Please keep an eye on your inbox for emails from Secretary of the Faculty Vin Steponaitis asking you to serve. If you missed your opportunity to ...

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Announcements and events

Faculty Showcase registration now open

The Center for Faculty Excellence and ITS will sponsor the 6th annual Faculty Showcase on Teaching on Friday, March 24 from 8:30am-3:30 p.m. at the Carolina Club. The keynote speaker is Professor Sandra McGuire, Professor Emerita at LSU and author of *Teach Students How to Learn: Strategies You Can Incorporate Into Any Course to Improve Student Metacognition, Study Skills, and Motivation*. Learn about interesting instructional methods being used in Carolina classrooms, pick up new ideas for your own courses, and make some connections across disciplines. Attend a portion of the program or to stay for the entire day. Register [here](#).

Immigration justice panel scheduled for March 1

The Campus Y Criminal Justice Awareness and Action committee will be co-hosting a panel on immigration justice with the UNC Muslim Student Association on Wednesday, March 1 from 6:00 -7:30 p.m. in the Anne Queen Faculty Commons at the Campus Y. Panelists will discuss pressing questions about immigration policy and immigrant justice today, including detention centers, the Muslim ban, and the ethics of immigration policy. Panelists will include Professor Lynn Calder of the UNC Law School Immigration Clinic, local immigration lawyers, and Professor Douglas MacKay (Public Policy).



First Amendment Protected Speech

The First Amendment has protected the right to free speech since the passage of the Bill of Rights. But in an age of hate speech, internet trolls and cyber stalking,

how do the courts and the University address this important topic? The Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs is sponsoring a Carolina Conversations with General Counsel Mark Merritt on the this topic on Thursday, February 23 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at the Aquarium Lounge at the Student Union. All are welcome to attend.

Fostering Interdisciplinary Research Explorations (FIRE) grants due March 6

The FIRE grant program encourages radically interdisciplinary innovation that transcends the boundaries of conventional partnerships, integrating the strengths of varying perspectives and methodologies, and fostering a collaborative and creative research infrastructure at UNC. For more information, visit: <https://research.unc.edu/offices/research-development/fire-grants-fostering-interdisciplinary-research-explorations/>.

30th Annual Carolina Indian Circle Pow-Wow scheduled for March 4

The American Indian Center encourages you attend this year's powwow and explore the rich culture of Indigenous Peoples in North Carolina, many of which are also part of the UNC campus community. There will be Native dance exhibitions, displays of traditional arts and crafts, and opportunities available for the public to taste genuine traditional foods. All are welcome to this family-friendly event! The event will take place on Saturday, March 4 at 11:00 a.m. at Fetzer Gym. Admission is \$4 or \$2 with student ID.



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APPLES service-learning course development grants available

APPLES Service-Learning is accepting proposals for \$5,000 service-learning course development grants from faculty and instructors who teach undergraduate, graduate and professional students. Up to seven grants will be awarded to develop new or modify existing courses that successfully integrate community-based service into the curriculum and promote the pedagogy of service-learning at UNC. For eligibility criteria and application information, visit [funding opportunities](#). Apply by Feb. 24 at the [Carolina Center for Public Service Application and Nomination Portal](#). Current APPLES faculty are also eligible to apply to develop a new course. For questions, contact [Kim Allen](#).

Registration open for spring HAVEN training

HAVEN (Helping Advocates for Violence Ending Now) provides students, faculty, staff and Post Doctoral Fellows with tools to be an ally to someone who has experienced sexual or interpersonal (relationship) violence or stalking. The 3-hour training emphasizes the importance of listening, responding compassionately, and connecting survivors to resources on campus and in the community. HAVEN training for faculty/staff will be offered this spring on February 24 from 9:00 a.m. - noon and Tuesday, March 14 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Click [here](#) to register.

Campus Rec sponsors



EMPLOYEE WELLNESS WORKSHOP

- March 1 12p - 1p**
HEART HEALTH FAIR
Stop by to find out how heart-healthy you are and learn how to make changes for optimal heart health.
- March 28 12p - 1p**
CDS COOKING DEMO
Sign up for a free lunch and learn about health and wellness from the CDS Registered Dietitian and Sous Chef.
- April 17 12p - 1p**
SUSTAINABILITY PROMO
Learn how to make a difference for a healthier you and a cleaner environment.

LOCATION The End Zone in Rams Head Dining Hall (2nd floor)

RSVP ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE
Kyle Harmon
keharmon@email.unc.edu

heart health activities

RSVP to keharmon@email.unc.edu one week in advance if you are interested in attending the Heart Health Fair on March 1, the Carolina Dining Services Cooking Demo on March 28, or the Sustainability Promo on April 17. All of these events will take place from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the End Zone in Rams Head Dining Hall on the second floor.

Office of Faculty Governance calendar

Please note that meetings are subject to schedule changes on short notice. See all meetings and events at: <https://facultygov.unc.edu/meetings/>.



- February 22: Faculty Welfare Committee; Committee on Intercollegiate Sports at UNC
- February 24: Faculty Council
- February 27: Faculty Executive Committee
- February 28: Community and Diversity Committee; Advisory Committee on Undergraduate Admissions
- March 1: Nominating Committee (Closed); University Government Committee
- March 2: Honorary Degrees and Special Awards Committee
- March 3: Educational Policy Committee
- March 6: Copyright Committee; Administrative Board of the Library
- March 7: Chancellor's Advisory Committee
- March 8: Faculty Welfare Committee
- March 10: Agenda Committee; Committee on the Status of Women
- March 20: Faculty Executive Committee
- March 21: Faculty Athletics Committee
- March 24: Faculty Council