Welcome to Campus Weekly

New campus construction provides opportunities for minority businesses

As classes begin this week, you may notice that the construction phases of UNC Greensboro’s new Nursing and Instructional building and new Chiller Plant are well underway. What may not be as obvious is that these projects recently surpassed their goals in providing economic opportunities for minority- and women-owned business enterprises (MWBE).

The Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) program at UNCG is part of a statewide initiative to help MWBE contractors and vendors build contacts and foster growth and profitability for their small business.

To receive HUB certification, businesses must be 51 percent owned by minorities who self-identify with one of the following demographics: Black, Hispanic, Asian-American, American Indian, Female or a Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Person, Disabled-Owned or a Disabled Business Enterprise.

The state of North Carolina has a goal of 10 percent HUB participation for all major construction projects completed by state agencies.

The Nursing and Instructional Building is at 32 percent, and the Chiller Plant is at 36 percent.

Together, the two projects have provided over $25.3 million of economic opportunities to businesses that are most in need.

See full story, more photos and a video clip of the construction site at UNCG Now.
UNC Greensboro’s 2018 State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) raised more than $170,000 last year for charities across the community, state, and beyond. The campaign kicked off in September and final donations were accepted in late December.

The campaign saw donations from nearly 800 staff and faculty members, and was supported by nearly 100 SECC team coordinators and volunteers. With a 28 percent participation rate, UNCG tied with the University of North Carolina at Pembroke for the highest participation rate in the UNC System.

“From the two dozen that helped with the primary planning, to the more than one hundred team coordinators, this was a university-wide effort,” said 2018 SECC Campaign Chair Wade Maki. “I’m so grateful for the time, support, and efforts of everyone involved. The dedication and commitment of these volunteers has been inspiring. Too often, we spend our work days in our own zone and a campus-wide project like this really shows how many good people doing good work it takes to make a big difference.”

The SECC helps support more than 900 charitable organizations across the state and beyond, ranging from the Second Harvest Food Bank and YWCA to Duke Children’s Hospital and USO North Carolina.

As the only workplace giving program for state employees, the SECC is a direct way for staff and faculty at the University to help those in need, sustain service organizations, and make a meaningful contribution to the community. The SECC was established as a medium to assure state employees and retirees an avenue and opportunity to support charitable organizations that are accountable, fiscally sound, and committed to improving the quality of life in the state, nation and the world.

“I’m just glad that we all could come together and really make a difference in our community,” said Barbara Tookey, who will take the lead for this year’s campaign as 2019 SECC Campaign Chair. “I’m very proud of UNCG and the volunteers for all the enthusiasm
and energy they brought to the campaign. It doesn’t matter if they gave one dollar or a thousand dollars, we all are participating in the greater good, and I love that.”

By Victor Ayala

Ilyasah Shabazz, daughter of Malcolm X, to speak at MLK Celebration

Author and community activist Ilyasah Shabazz, daughter of Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz, will serve as the keynote speaker for the seventh annual joint Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, presented by UNC Greensboro and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (A&T).

This year’s event will take place in UNCG Auditorium on Wednesday, Jan. 23, from 7-9 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

In addition to Shabazz’s keynote address, the evening program will feature a performance by the UNCG Neo-Black Society Choir, a presentation of UNCG’s MLK Service Award, and a performance by A&T’s MLK Oratory Contest winner. A meet-and-greet and book signing with Shabazz will follow the program.

Shabazz is a professor, social activist, community organizer, speaker, and author of three award-winning publications: “Growing Up X,” a coming of age memoir; “Malcolm Little,” a children’s illustration book; and the award-winning “X, A Novel.”

Shabazz promotes higher education for at-risk youth and interfaith dialogue to build bridges between cultures for young leaders of the world, and she participates in international humanitarian delegations. She holds a Master of Science in education and human resource development from Fordham University; a Bachelor of Science in biology from SUNY/New Paltz; and is currently an adjunct professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City.

Earlier in the day, A&T will host a faculty and staff reception with Shabazz on its campus from 3-4 p.m. A free shuttle will provide round trip service to and from the event from the UNCG campus. Faculty and staff should call 336-334-5090 or email intercultural@uncg.edu to reserve their seat on the shuttle.
The event is sponsored by UNCG’s Office of Intercultural Engagement, UNCG Bookstore, Parking Operations and Campus Access Management, UNCG Auditorium, Spartan Printing, and Student Affairs. A&T sponsors include the MLK Commemorative Observance Committee, Student Affairs, and Multicultural Student Center, among other student and student affairs groups.

To learn more about the event, visit intercultural.uncg.edu.

Two additional events related to the MLK Day are:

1. A National Day of Racial Healing gathering on Tuesday, Jan. 22, noon, at the Minerva Statue near the EUC, to learn together and celebrate our common humanity. The three speakers will be:
   - UNCG Chancellor’s Fellow for Campus Climate, Julia Mendez
   - Director of UNCG Office of Intercultural Engagement, Augusto Pena
   - Assistant Director, Office of Intercultural Engagement, Carla Fullwood

2. MLK Day Game at the Swarm, presented by UNCG. This special event will be Monday, Jan. 21, 2 p.m. See this web post for details.

What’s new for Spring Semester 2019?

Here are some things to make a note of, for the new semester:

The 2019 student research expos will be held on the same week – on back-to-back days. The 2019 Graduate Research & Creativity Expo will be Wednesday, April 3, 2019. The Thomas Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo will be the next day, Thursday April 4, 2019. More information on these two expos will be in Campus Weekly in the next two weeks.

The Excellence Awards for faculty and staff will have two ceremonies instead of one. One ceremony will be dedicated to staff, one ceremony dedicated to faculty. The Faculty Award Ceremony will take place on Wednesday, April 17, at 4 p.m. in the EUC
Auditorium. (The General Faculty Meeting that day will begin at 2 p.m. in the EUC Auditorium.) A reception will be held in the Alumni House, Virginia Dare Room, immediately after the awards ceremony.

As reported in last week’s CW, the Staff Excellence Awards Ceremony will be on April 25, 2019.

The UNCG Science Everywhere festival, which draws thousands of people to campus each spring, will be April 13, 2019. Activities from departments and programs on campus are being solicited for the festival. See how to participate.

Reviews will be “paperless.” UNCG’s new e-Performance performance management program is designed to be easier and mostly paperless. As noted in an earlier CW, the due dates for both SHRA and EHRA Non-Faculty performance plans have been extended to January 31, 2019, to allow you additional time to complete the required tasks. The SHRA performance appraisal due date will remain March 31, 2019. EHRA Non-Faculty performance appraisals are due June 30, 2019.

Some key dates to be aware of:

Feb. 21 and 22 mark the sixth annual Believe in the G – a 48-hour celebration of Spartan pride for the entire campus community and beyond.

UCLS events:

Carrie Mae Weems – February 7, 6 pm (free admission)
Herbie Hancock – February 12, 8 p.m.
Mark Morris Dance Group – February 27, 8 p.m.
Audra McDonald – March 9, 8 p.m.

UNCG spring opera, Giuseppe Verdi’s “Falstaff” - April 3-5 at 7:30 p.m., April 7 at 2 p.m

“Man of La Mancha” – joint production by Triad Stage and UNCG Theatre – April 28 through May 26

Assembled by Mike Harris
Participate in UNCG Science Everywhere Festival on campus

The fifth annual UNCG Science Everywhere Festival will take place on Saturday, April 13, 2019, from 12-4 p.m.

The festival attracts over 5,000 community members and is always a great opportunity for outreach, to show off our faculty and departments, and to give our students practice in communicating science.

We invite you to join the fun by creating a hands-on activity for families to enjoy.

Stretch the definition of STEM to the limits! We all use “science” everyday. This year’s NC Science Festival theme is “Made in NC!”

All disciplines can participate — create a nature collage, dance with students, identify different musical tones, create origami creatures, touch a fossil, make flavored water, or tell nature stories.

Please check out the SE website for more info, including activity descriptions from 2018.

Please complete the activity form by January 28, 2019.

Have questions? Contact RISE@uncg.edu or Lynn Sametz at l_sametz@uncg.edu

Locating Grant Funding Opportunities

Faculty and graduate students often require external funding for research, scholarship, and creative activity.

A “Show Me the Money! Locating Grant Funding Opportunities” workshop will be held Thursday, Feb. 21, 2019, 9:30-11:30 am, Bryan 221.

This workshop will explore how to get the most from grant seeking databases, including SPIN,
GrantSelect, Grant Advisor Plus, and the Foundation Center. Participants learn to search for possible funding opportunities, practice identifying eligibility, and realize the importance of key words. Attendees will have opportunities to access databases and engage in searches related to their topic of interest.

The workshop is presented by University Libraries and the Office of Sponsored Programs.

Register at https://workshops.uncg.edu

**Leadership transition at Middle College at UNCG**

Angela Polk-Jones, the inaugural principal of the Middle College at UNCG, will become principal of The Early College at Guilford later this month.

A UNCG alumnus, she has served as the inaugural principal of the Middle College at UNCG for the past eight years.

The school has been nationally recognized for its achievements over that period. Polk-Jones and staff accepted the prestigious America’s Best Urban Schools Gold Award from the Center for Urban School Transformation in San Diego earlier this school year. The Middle College at UNCG was the only high school in the country to receive the organization’s coveted Gold Award.

The school district plans to complete a position search in time for a new principal to begin work this summer. Beginning this week, David Moody and Charles Burns will begin a transition as co-interim principals at the Middle College at UNCG. Moody is a former assistant superintendent in Chatham County Schools, who also served as co-interim principal at The Academy at Smith and at Kiser Middle School. Burns is a retired principal at Kernodle Middle School and the former co-interim principal at The Academy at Smith. Both of them also provided interim support to Grimsley High School. Moody has begun working together with Polk-Jones this week, to ensure a smooth transition. Burns will join Moody later this month.

**1960s fashion at the Weatherspoon? Far out!**

Grab your go-go boots and come enjoy a fun evening talk on 1960s fashion styles.

Kit Rodenborough, founder of the cool vintage store Design Archives, will share her love for fashion and 1960s clothing at the talk.

The event is Thursday, Jan. 24, 6 p.m., at the Weatherspoon Art Museum.
The museum is open till 9 p.m. on Thursday evenings, so it’s a great chance to see the “1960s: A Survey of the Decade” and other great exhibitions.

It is presented in conjunction with the campus-wide initiative 1960s: Exploring the Limits.

This event is made possible by Lincoln Financial Foundation.

“Surfing in the Age of Fake News” and more lectures coming to campus

This spring, the UNCG chapter of the American Association of University Professors will present three lectures on campus.

**Dr. Sam Wineburg: “Surfing in the Age of Fake News: Media Literacy for College-Level Readers”**
*January 22 at 7 p.m. in the EUC, Alexander Room*

Sam Wineburg is the Margaret Jacks Professor of Education and a professor of history at Stanford University. Educated at Brown, Berkeley, and Stanford, he holds an honorary doctorate from Sweden’s Umeå University. His study “How Young People Make Decisions about What to Believe on the Internet” has been featured in such places as the Wall Street Journal, Time Magazine, the New York Times, and NPR. His 2002 book, “Historical Thinking and Other Unnatural Acts”, won the Frederic W. Ness award from the Association of American Colleges and Universities for work that makes the most important contribution to the “improvement of Liberal Education and understanding the Liberal Arts.” His latest book is “Why Learn History When It’s Already on Your Phone” (University of Chicago Press). In 2013, Wineburg – who is the brother of UNCG professor Robert Wineburg – was named a fellow of both the National Academy of Education and the Obama-Nehru Distinguished Chair by the US-India Fulbright Commission.

**Dr. Nancy MacLean: “The Deep History of the Radical Right’s Stealth Plan for America”**
*February 25 at 7 p.m. in the EUC Auditorium*

Dr. Nancy MacLean is the William H. Chafe Professor of History and Public Policy at Duke University and author, most recently, of “Democracy in Chains: The Deep History of the Radical Right’s Stealth Plan for America,” a finalist for the National Book Award and the winner of the Los Angeles Times Book Award in Current Affairs and the Lillian Smith Book Award.

**Dr. Michael Roberto: “The Coming of the American Behemoth: The Origins of**
Fascism in the United States”  
March 28 at 7 p.m. in the EUC, Alexander room


No forum this week for UNCG Online dean candidates; See new schedule

The UNCG Online dean candidate open forum originally scheduled for Jan. 16th was cancelled.

A new schedule for the UNCG Online dean open forums is below. The finalists will provide a 15-20 minute presentation on their vision for online learning at UNC Greensboro, followed by a question and answer session.

The open forums are scheduled in the School of Education Building, Room 114 as follows:

Candidate 1: Tuesday, January 22nd, 2:15-3:30 pm
Candidate 2: Thursday, January 24th, 2:15-3:30 pm
Candidate 3: Tuesday, January 29th, 2:15-3:30 pm
Candidate 4: Thursday, January 31st, 2:15-3:30 pm

A brief reception will be held immediately after each open forum.

Finalists names and CVs will be made available three days before each visit. A video recording and survey will also be posted after each open forum. All information can be accessed at https://sites.google.com/a/uncg.edu/uncg-online-dean-search/.

Library webinar series offers resources for campus community

UNCG Libraries has created a new webinar series, “Research and Applications,” for students,
staff, faculty, instructors and librarians. The series runs throughout the Fall 2017 semester and cover topics on library resources and research tools. The 30-minute webinars will be recorded in the WebEx Meeting Center and made available on the UNCG Libraries website. To sign up for the webinars, visit workshops.uncg.edu/workshops-by-category.jsp?cat_id=77001727.

Coming up at UNCG’s GPS downtown

From film, to Tibetan paintings, to songwriting, the Greensboro Project Space on Lewis St. hosts a wide variety of interesting exhibits and events. Here are some events to look forward to in the coming weeks:

- “Somebody In Your Corner: A short film” by Jagmeet Singh Mac about a mother who lost her daughter to homicide, and a friendship that grows in the aftermath. The film will be at the GPS Terminal from January 7th-31st.
- Traditional Nepali Thangka Paintings: Artist Madhu Krishna Chitrakar. The artist will travel from Nepal to Greensboro to exhibit his Thangka paintings and interact with the community. Chitrakar is a renowned Thangka painter, from a long line of traditional artists whose work is used for a variety of religious practices. The exhibit will run January 14th-February 18th. Opening is February 1st, from 6-8 p.m.. On January 25th, at 6 p.m., anthropologist Ana Lopes will give a lecture on Tibetan Buddhist art.
- Gate City Songwriters: A biweekly gathering of songwriters, open to all genres and levels of experience. Occurs the first and third Sunday of every month, 7-9 p.m.
- Upstairs at GPS: A monthly guided conversation about current issues in the arts. Hosted by UNCG faculty Andrew Wasserman, Francis Bottenberg, and Mariam Stephan. Welcome to all. The discussion is 8-10 p.m., January 24th, February 21st, March 21st, and April 18th.
- Grateful Dead Documentary Series Parts Three and Four: The second screening of the six-part Grateful Dead Documentary series will focus on the band’s fans, “Dead Heads”, with the episodes “Let’s Go Get in the Band” and “Dead Heads.” Dr. Rebecca Adams will lead a discussion. The event is February 8th, 6:30 p.m.

UNCG best online nursing program among NC public colleges, says USN&WR

US News & World Report ranked the best online graduate nursing programs.

UNCG Nursing’s online program was rated 13th nationally among all universities. The program was the highest rated among North Carolina’s public universities.
The other public North Carolina universities to make the top 100 in this category were ECU at number 27, Winston-Salem State at 53, and UNC Charlotte at 62.

UNCG’s Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program offers concentrations in nursing administration and nursing education, and is uniquely designed for working registered nurses.

The results were announced Jan. 15.

UNCG’s School of Education had great news too. The ranking for Best Online Graduate Education Programs was 61st nationally among all universities.

UNCG’s School of Education offers three online master’s programs: the MEd in Birth-Kindergarten Interdisciplinary Studies in Education and Development, the MEd in Teacher Education with a concentration in Elementary Mathematics, and the Master of Library and Information Studies, with concentrations in school library licensure and instructional technology.

To learn more about graduate education at UNCG, visit grs.uncg.edu. For more information about UNCG’s online degree offerings, both at the undergraduate and graduate level, visit online.uncg.edu.

UNCG alum EJ O’Keeffe named Men’s Soccer head coach

EJ O’Keeffe, a two-time Big South Coach of the Year, has been named the men’s soccer head coach after a national search. The move represents a homecoming for O’Keeffe, who played at UNCG for three seasons, serving as team captain and leading the Spartans to the 2008 Southern Conference championship and NCAA Sweet Sixteen.

“This is an exciting day for our men’s soccer program,” said Director of Athletics Kim Record. “EJ was chosen following an extensive national search and stood out with a proven track record of success and as an alum has the passion for what the history and tradition of UNCG soccer is all about. With his leadership and experience — including a trip to the Sweet Sixteen as a player and his coaching success, we fully believe he is the right fit for our program. His intensity, enthusiasm and passion reflect our commitment to seeking
excellence in all that we do. ”

The Greensboro native joins UNCG after spending the last nine years at High Point, including four seasons as head coach where he was twice named Big South Coach of the Year and had the Panthers ranked as high as No. 12 nationally last season. O’Keeffe is also an official US Soccer National Team Scout and is a member of the United Soccer Coaches National Ranking Committee, United Soccer Coaches Regional Ranking Committee and the NCAA Regional Ranking Committee along with being a MLS Combine Scout/Liaison.

Prior to his time with the Panthers, O’Keeffe was the Director of Recreation, Championships, Discipline and Appeals for the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association where he managed a yearly $900,000 budget.

“I’m excited to come home,” O’Keeffe said. “I’d like to thank Chancellor Gilliam, Kim and Sport Oversight Jody Smith. UNCG is close to my heart along with so many alums. There is a rich tradition at UNCG Soccer and I look to add to that. We have a lot of work to do but I’m excited and humbled to lead the program moving forward.”

UNCG will hold an official welcome for O’Keeffe today (Wednesday, Jan. 16) at 12:15 p.m. in Coleman Building, Room 137. It will be streamed via YouTube and the link can be found here.

To view the full release, visit uncgspartans.com.

Amendments to records retention/disposition schedule

Amendments to the UNC System retention and disposition schedule have been approved by the NC Division of Natural & Cultural Resources and UNC System leadership.

A web post lists the specific changes.

If you have any questions, contact Bryce Porter (bryce.porter@uncg.edu), UNCG’s Chief Information Security Officer.

Jeanne Madorin will be leader of Human Resources

Jeanne Madorin, currently at UNC Charlotte where she serves as the Executive Director of Human Resources, will be UNCG’s Chief Human Resources Officer and Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources. Vice Chancellor Charlie Maimone made the announcement:
Dear Colleagues,

I’m pleased to announce that Jeanne Madorin has accepted the appointment as Chief Human Resources Officer and Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources. Jeanne comes to us from UNC Charlotte where she serves as the Executive Director of Human Resources. She has worked in the Charlotte Human Resources Office for the past 22 years and is an accomplished professional with an excellent record for service and human resources expertise.

I would like to express thanks to the search committee for their fine work and appreciation to Dr. Victoria Benson, our Deputy Director. Victoria stepped into the role of Interim and has done an exceptional job leading the department and advancing the HR services.

Please join me in welcoming Jeanne Madorin, to the UNC Greensboro community. She will begin work on February 7, 2019.

Dr. Dianne Welsh

Dr. Dianne Welsh (Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Hospitality & Tourism) received new funding from the Coleman Foundation for “Coleman Foundation Entrepreneurship Faculty Fellows.” The Coleman Entrepreneurship Fellows program supports the ongoing Cross-Disciplinary Entrepreneurship Program at UNCG with 40-plus courses in 26 departments and programs across campus. The program includes the Coleman Entrepreneur in Residence that works with faculty, staff and students across campus in classes and with their business ideas to bring ideas to actions through course preparation.

Welsh is the Hayes Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship and the director of the Entrepreneurship Cross-Disciplinary Program. She is a globally known scholar in international franchising, family business, and entrepreneurship with over 150 publications.

Dr. Spona Jovanovic

Dr. Spoma Jovanovic (Communication Studies) received new funding from the National Communication for the project “Voice, Activism, and Democracy: Free Speech Conference.”

This conference will enable students, community members, and faculty to share their scholarship, creative products, and activist interventions surrounding contested campus and
community issues (ex: toppling of the Confederate statue Silent Sam, decisions to disinvite campus speakers, the legacy of Occupy Wall Street, anti-immigration protest and speeches). In addition to academic presentations on free speech, the conference will be further designed to include informal events, intergenerational meetings between students and grassroots activists, and cooperative activities with the goal to enhance political friendships among scholars, community members, and students.

Dr. Holly Sienkiewicz

Dr. Holly Sienkiewicz (Center for New North Carolinians) received new funding from Hispanics in Philanthropy for the project “Latino Community Coalition of Guilford County (LCCG).” The project will address the scarcity of resources that serve the Guilford County Latino community in culturally competent ways. The LCCG seeks to establish itself as a forum of discussion and an empowerment coalition, and to improve Latino access to local leadership training or positions to influence community change. Specific goals include strengthening the leadership skills of the existing Latino leaders, encouraging emerging leaders in the development of new skills, informing the larger community about the issues facing Latinos in Guilford County and surrounding areas and promoting local Latinos’ talents and contributions. The Latino Community Coalition is currently comprised of over 130 professionals who represent and serve the local Latino community in various agencies across Guilford County. The main focus revolves around Advocacy, Education and Networking to strengthen and support the Latino Community in Guilford County.

Dr. Dana Dunn

Dr. Dana Dunn, provost and executive vice chancellor, received new funding from The Cemala Foundation for the project “Giant Steps: Enhancing Arts Education and Outreach and Scaling Student Success.” Dr. Peter Alexander, dean of CVPA, is co-principal investigator on the project.

From the abstract:

“UNCG is requesting funding from The Cemala Foundation to support two strategic initiatives that focus on two strengths of the university: enhancing arts education and outreach, and scaling student success. Through an expansion of the University Concert and Lecture Series (UCLS), UNCG’s College of Visual and Performing Arts will be able to attract more world-class artist while providing longer in-residence periods allowing for additional master classes, lectures, and panels. This expansion will benefit CVPA’s students and faculty, and provide for a richer, broader community impact. The Scaling Student Success initiative will draw from
existing programs to create a cost-effective coaching-based academic success program designed to promote higher retention, academic achievement, and graduation rates for an additional 150 new freshmen each year. These initiatives will enrich the Greensboro community through the provision of rich arts programming and highly qualified and workplace ready graduates.”

**Looking Ahead: January 16, 2019**

**Artist Talk: Ricardo Dominguez**  
Thursday, Jan. 17, 5:30 p.m., Weatherspoon Art Museum

**Women’s Basketball vs. Samford**  
Thursday, Jan. 17, 7 p.m., Fleming Gymnasium

**Guest Artist Recital: Duo Montagnard**  
Friday, Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m., Organ Hall

**Women’s Basketball vs. Mercer**  
Saturday, Jan. 19, 4 p.m., Fleming Gymnasium

**Music: À la carte (Zither to early Baroque to Dvorak)**  
Saturday, Jan. 19, 7:30 p.m, Recital Hall.

**Faculty Recital: Donald Hartmann, voice**  
Jan. 20, 5:30 p.m., Recital Hall

**The Profs Do the Movies: ‘Pictures at a Revolution: In the Head of the Night’**  
Sunday, Jan. 20, 1:30, School of Music Collins Lecture Hall (217)

**MLK Jr. Day at the Swarm presented by UNCG**  
Monday, Jan. 21, 2 p.m., Coliseum complex

**Men’s Basketball vs. Citadel**  
Thursday, Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Greensboro Coliseum

**Guest Artist Recital: Sarah Busman, flute**  
Jan. 25, 5:30 p.m., Organ Hall

**Women’s Basketball vs. Western Carolina**  
Saturday, Jan. 26, 2 p.m., Fleming Gymnasium

**Men’s Basketball vs. Mercer**
Saturday, Jan. 26, 5 p.m., Greensboro Coliseum