



The UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA *at*
CHARLOTTE

*University Convocation and
General Faculty Meeting*

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The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Tuesday, August 18, 2009
McKnight Hall, Cone University Center

Refreshments for the opening reception were furnished by the
UNC Charlotte Chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

There will be a ten-minute break before the General Faculty Meeting.
All members of the campus community are invited to remain for the meeting.

Notes

University Convocation

<i>Welcome</i>	Dr. Philip L. Dubois Chancellor
<i>Greetings and Remarks</i>	Ms. Margo E. Gross President of the Staff Council Mr. Joseph M. Lemons President of the Student Body
<i>The Faculty Agenda for 2009-2010</i>	Dr. Alan R. Freitag President of the Faculty
<i>Recognition of 25 Years of Service</i>	Chancellor Dubois
<i>Recognition of Promotions to Full Professor</i>	Dr. Joan F. Lorden Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
<i>Recognition of Bonnie E. Cone Early-Career Professor in Teaching</i>	Provost Lorden
<i>“Planning for the Future, Sticking to the Mission“</i>	Provost Lorden
<i>“If You're Going Through Hell, Don't Stop!“</i>	Chancellor Dubois

General Faculty Meeting

<i>Presiding</i>	Dr. Alan R. Freitag President of the Faculty
<i>Question and Answer Session</i>	Chancellor Dubois Provost Lorden

Faculty Members With 25 Years of Service

Dr. W. Douglas Cooper
Department of Business Information Systems and Operations Management

Dr. M. Taghi Mostafavi
Department of Computer Science

Ms. Deborah E. Ryan
School of Architecture

Dr. Stanley S. Schneider
Department of Biology

Dr. Farid M. Tranjan
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Dr. Karen D. Wood
Department of Reading and Elementary Education

Dr. David T. Young
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

New EPA Staff - Division of Student Affairs

Karen A. Muehl, Psychologist
M.S., Virginia Commonwealth University

Sophia H. Parrow, Social Worker/Case Manager
MSW, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Housing and Residence Life

Kevin R. Gaughenbaugh, Residence Education Coordinator
M.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Gregory B.J. King, Residence Education Coordinator
M.S., Colorado State University

Kathleen J. Lehman, Residence Education Coordinator
M.A., Ohio State University

Student Health Center

Renita P. Eason, Medical Physician
M.D., University of Tennessee College of Medicine

Shastra Solomon, Medical Physician
M.D., University of Connecticut

New EPA Staff - Division of Business Affairs

Christopher B. Ervin, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs
B.A., Catawba College

Risk Management, Safety, and Security

Henry D. James, Jr., Associate Vice Chancellor
M.B.A., Amberton University

New EPA Staff - Division of Development & Alumni Affairs

University Development

Heather M. Shaughnessy, Director of Development,
College of Health and Human Services
B.A., State University of New York at Geneseo

New EPA Staff - Division of Student Affairs

Counseling Center

Susan Funk-Bulatovic, Psychologist
Psy.D., Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Elizabeth M. Malone, Psychologist
Ph.D., University of Mississippi

Faculty Members Promoted To Full Professor

Dr. Marvin J. Croy
Department of Philosophy

Dr. Teresa A. Dahlberg
Department of Computer Science

Dr. James W. Douglas
Department of Political Science

Dr. Andrew J. Hartley
Department of Theatre

Dr. Richard G. Lambert
Department of Educational Leadership

Dr. Benjamin Russo
Department of Economics

Dr. Susan M. Sell
Department of Bioinformatics and Genomics
and The Graduate School

Faculty Members Awarded Tenure

Dr. Pilar Blitvich
Department of English

Dr. David B. Brodeur
Department of Art and Art History

Dr. Shen-En Chen
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Dr. Martha C. Eppes
Department of Geography and Earth Sciences

Dr. Nathaniel M. Fried
Department of Physics and Optical Science

Dr. Virginia Gil-Rivas
Department of Psychology

Dr. Yuri Godin
Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Dr. Aaron C. Gwyn
Department of English

Dr. Tsing-Hua Her
Department of Physics and Optical Science

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Atkins Library

Stanley J. Wilder, University Librarian
MLIS, Columbia University

Somaly Kim Wu, Business Reference Librarian and Assistant Professor
MLIS, Wayne State University

Information and Technology Services

S. Robin Weaver, Director, Enterprise Information Management
M.S., University of Southern California

Institute for Social Capital

Camille Parara-Rogers, Director of Project Planning and Research
M.P.H., Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

Metropolitan Studies and Extended Academic Programs

Continuing Education, Extension, and Summer Programs

Diane M. Gover, Workforce Development Program Manager
M.B.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Mathematics and Statistics

Xia Ji, Visiting Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Peking University

Philosophy

Emanuela Bianchi, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., New School University

Physics and Optical Science

Yuri Nesmelov, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Kazan State University

Religious Studies

Joseph R. Winters, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Princeton University

Sociology

Stephanie Moller-Smith, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Faculty Members Awarded Tenure

Dr. Charles B. Hutchison
Department of Middle, Secondary, and K-12 Education

Dr. Scott D. Kelly
Department of Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Science

Dr. Martha E. Kropf
Department of Political Science

Dr. Suzanne G. Lamorey
Department of Special Education and Child Development

Dr. Dennis R. Livesay
Department of Bioinformatics and Genomics

Dr. Sean P. McCloud
Department of Religious Studies

Dr. Kirk Melnikoff
Department of English

Dr. Amy H. Peterman
Department of Psychology

Dr. James A. Piazza
Department of Political Science

Faculty Members Awarded Tenure

Dr. Srinivas S. Pulugurtha
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Dr. Anita Raja
Department of Software and Information Systems

Dr. Arun A. Ravindran
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Dr. Amy H. Ringwood
Department of Biology

Dr. Ronald R. Sass
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Dr. Afife Y. Sireli
Systems Engineering and Engineering Management Program

Dr. Chandrasekar Subramaniam
Department of Business Information Systems and Operations Management

Dr. David C. Wilson
Department of Software and Information Systems

Dr. Mark R. Wilson
Department of History

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Jillian A. Tullis Owen, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of South Florida

English

Janaka Lewis, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Northwestern University

Rebecca Roeder, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Michigan State University

Geography and Earth Sciences

Amanda Adams, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison

History

Carol Alexander, Visiting Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Duke University

David Johnson, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of California, Irvine

Ritika Prasad, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles

Languages and Culture Studies

Jing Wang, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Allison Burfield, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Central Florida

Social Work

Amy Barsanti, Lecturer
M.S.W., Fordham University

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Africana Studies

Oladimeji Aborisode, Visiting Professor
Ph.D., Claremont Graduate University

Biology

Michelle Pass, Lecturer
M.S., North Carolina A & T State University

Chemistry

Marcus Jones, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Cambridge

Communication Studies

Margaret M. Quinlan, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Ohio University

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Administration and Athletics

Athletics

John Cullen, Head Women's Soccer Coach
B.A., UNC Charlotte

Sarah J. Denton, Assistant Women's Soccer Coach
M.Ed., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Andrew DiBitetto, Assistant Golf Coach
B.S.B.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Robert A. Gary, Assistant Director of the Athletic Annual Fund
B.S., Virginia Commonwealth University

Kevin Langan, Assistant Men's Soccer Coach
M.A.A., University of the Incarnate Word

Robert K. Rochelle, Assistant Baseball Coach
B.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Edwin T. Schlichter, Assistant Track Coach
B.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

College of Arts + Architecture

School of Architecture

Ryan C. Buysens, Computer Applications Lecturer
M.F.A., Cranbrook Academy of Art

Christopher Jarrett, Director, School of Architecture; and Professor
M.S., Columbia University of New York

Kristina M. Luce, Visiting Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Michigan

Art and Art History

David A. Gall, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Pennsylvania State University

Kimberly Hoover, Lecturer
B.A., American Intercontinental University

Dance

Gretchen Alterowitz, Assistant Professor
M.F.A., University of Iowa

Jean Denney-Grotewohl, Lecturer
Ph.D., Texas Women's University

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Engineering Technology

Dong Chen, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Iowa State University

Na Lu, Assistant Professor
D.Ed., Clemson University

Sara McMillan, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., UNC Chapel Hill

Ahmad Sleiti, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Central Florida

College of Health and Human Services

Public Health Sciences

Crystal Piper, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of South Carolina

School of Nursing

Defloris (Dee) Baldwin, Professor
Associate Dean and Director, School of Nursing
Ph.D., Georgia State University

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Janice Hinson, Professor and Department Chair
Ed.D., University of Virginia

Special Education and Child Development

Sandraluz Lara-Cinisomo, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Teachers College Columbia University

Teacher Education Advising and Licensure (TEAL)

Rebecca Bertke, Academic Advisor
B.A., University of South Florida

Lisa Morrison, Academic Advisor
M.Ed., University of South Carolina at Columbia

The William States Lee College of Engineering

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Jonathan Bird, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison

Ian Ferguson, Professor and Department Chair
Ph.D., University of St. Andrews, Scotland

Yong Zhang, Bissell Distinguished Professor of Engineering
Ph.D., Dartmouth College

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

Music

Brian Arreola, Visiting Assistant Professor
M.M., Indiana University at Bloomington

David Russell, Anne Reynolds Belk Distinguished Professor of Music
M.M., Cleveland Institute of Music

Theatre

Brandon R. McWilliams, Assistant Professor
M.F.A., Carnegie Mellon University

Richard C. Moll III, Lecturer
B.C.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Belk College of Business

Accounting

Stephen M. Komer, Lecturer
M.S., University of Akron

Business Information Systems & Operations Management

Haya Ajjan, Visiting Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

New Faculty & EPA Staff - Division of Academic Affairs

College of Computing and Informatics

Yi Deng, Dean
Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh

Bioinformatics and Genomics

Jessica A. Schlueter, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Iowa State University

Shannon D. Schlueter, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., Iowa State University

Software and Information Systems

Ehab Al-Shaer, Associate Professor
Ph.D., Old Dominion University

College of Education

Counseling

Laura J. Veach, Associate Professor
Ph.D., University of New Orleans

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Educational Leadership

Mark M. D'Amico, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Lisa G. Driscoll, Associate Professor
Ph.D., Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Lisa Merriweather Hunn, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Georgia

Jimmy R. Watson, Clinical Assistant Professor
Ed.D., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Middle, Secondary, and K-12 Education

Barbara Blackburn, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Marsha Brigman, Lecturer
M.Ed., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Heather M. Coffey, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Reading and Elementary Education

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