

Religious Studies Newsletter

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Special Announcements



Happy Pride Month!

- The Department of Religious Studies wishes everyone a Happy Pride Month.



Social Media Summer Check-Ins

- If you are interested in receiving a social media spotlight, please send the following information to our Social Media Intern (Saad Jalisi, sjalisi@uncc.edu):
 - Name (first and last).
 - Department position (faculty, graduate, or undergraduate).
 - A few sentences on what you are doing this summer.
 - Two or three pictures of yourself.

Declaring the Major

How to Declare the Major in Religious Studies

- To declare the undergraduate major in Religious Studies, just fill out [this form](#).
- The major in Religious Studies requires 30 credit hours.
- The minor in Religious Studies only requires 15 credit hours. With a few more classes, you could acquire a Bachelor's degree in Religious Studies.

M.A. in Religious Studies

How to Apply for the M.A. in Religious Studies

- The M.A. in Religious Studies program approaches the academic study of religion and religions from a variety of critical and interdisciplinary perspectives, with an emphasis placed on the global and multicultural aspects of religion.
- The M.A. application is completely electronic via the [Charlotte Graduate School website](#).
- Exceptional undergraduate students at Charlotte may apply for the Early Entry Program and begin work toward the graduate degree before completion of the Bachelor's degree.
 - Check out our promotional [video](#) to understand the Early Entry Program!
- For more information regarding admission requirements or other aspects of the program please contact: Dr. Kent Brintnall - kent.brintnall@uncc.edu.

Programming

A Deep Dive Into Google Forms

- Need to create surveys, graded quizzes? Google Forms is a web-based app used to create forms for data collection purposes.
- Faculty, staff, and students can use Google Forms to make surveys, quizzes, or event registration sheets.
- This course will walk you through the process of how to create and collaborate in Google Forms.
- You can attend this virtual event from **9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on June 21, 2022**. Register [here](#).





International Ice Cream Hour

- Cool off, enjoy some ice cream, and join representatives from the ISSO, the Graduate School, and CAPS from **3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on June 24, 2022** for a co-sponsored, summer event.
- This is a free event and will be held on the first floor of the College of Health and Human Services.



Meal Kit Sign Up

- University Recreation and Chartwells are collaborating to provide FREE meal kits for students, faculty and staff.
- These meal kits include ALL the necessary ingredients to make this simple and healthy meal on your own.
- All meal ingredients must be picked up IN PERSON on the date and time listed in signup at University Recreation 3rd Floor Demo Kitchen, rm 313.
- Click [here](#) to reserve your meal.
- This event takes place on **July 7, 2022 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.**
- You can pick up your free meal at the University Recreation Demo Kitchen 3rd floor, 313.

News



BANK OF AMERICA

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE

Bank of America Invests \$2.5 Million to Support Student Success and Upward Mobility

- The \$2.5 million investment from the bank will expand the University's signature bridge program for historically underrepresented students and support the creation of a Community Innovation Incubator.
- The University Transition Opportunities Program (UTOP) powered by Bank of America will expand UNC Charlotte's signature bridge program by an additional 300 students over a five-year period.
- For the Community Innovation Incubator, local residents and community leaders will work as peers with researchers, students and experts to co-design data-driven solutions for the region.



Two UNC Charlotte Students Named 2022 Marian Drane Graham Scholars

- Avangelyne “Angel” Padilla and Jeremiah Williams have been named 2022 Marian Drane Graham Scholars by the UNC System.
- Padilla and Williams will join two other scholars from the UNC System for an eight-week immersive and experiential summer program, designed to help them develop leadership skills and gain a better understanding of key issues facing public higher education.

Helpful Resources



UREC Personal Training

- Accredited personal trainers are ready to lead you on the path to fitness!
- With an exercise plan tailored specifically to your needs, you are sure to meet your exercise goals.
- Types of training include:
 - Virtual Training
 - In-Person Training
 - Workouts to Go
- Learn more about UREC-offered personal training [here](#).



Center for Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

- The **Center for Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)** is a department within the Division of Student Affairs at UNC Charlotte. CAPS is a component of Health and Wellbeing, an administrative unit whose primary goal is to provide comprehensive wellness-related programs and services to UNC Charlotte students.

- CAPS is conducting initial consultation appointments through Zoom, phone, and in-person.
- To schedule an initial appointment with a counselor, call 704-687-0311 during our business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

News about department events will be emailed to you as well as posted on the [department website](#) and on our [Facebook page](#), [Twitter feed](#), and [Instagram](#). We will host the Loy H. Witherspoon Annual Lecture as well as the Tate Lecture in Judaic Studies this year, both virtually.