

February 12, 2022



### Tell students to make their way to Financial Aid Day

Financial Aid Day is 9 a.m. Feb. 16 in Hill Student Center ballrooms C and D. Students can get help completing their 2022-23 FAFSA, speak with financial aid representatives about current aid and available resources, complete verification requirements and get help completing a special circumstance appeal.



### Construction of new campus child-care facility advances

UAB received approval from the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees Feb. 4 to begin the design phase for a new, larger child development center that will serve more than twice as many children — including 40 more infants. The target date to open is in summer 2023.



### Nominate an employee for the VIP Awards

Nominate an employee whose work has exemplified and embodied one of UAB's shared values — integrity, stewardship, collaboration, accountability, respect, excellence and achievement and diversity and inclusiveness — for a UAB VIP Award. Submissions are due March 3.



### Pledge your support to the Blazer family, Birmingham community with a gift to the Benevolent Fund

Help the Benevolent Fund support the Blazer Kitchen, the Employee Emergency Assistance Program and community partners during their spring 2022 campaign, which runs through Feb. 25. Learn more and give online.

## Things to know



### Know someone who goes above and beyond to mentor graduate students?

The UAB Graduate Dean's Excellence in Mentorship Award recognizes full-time faculty members who are exceptional mentors of graduate students and/or postdocs. Submit nominations by Feb. 15; details are [online](#).



### Do you want to paint the next campus mural?

UAB needs an artist to paint a large, original mural showcasing the rich diversity of the campus community. Qualified muralists can submit their concept for consideration using this [form](#) by Feb. 15; the mural space is an outdoor cement parking garage wall approximately 90 feet by 125 feet.

### Direct students to these job fairs

Students can meet recruiters and hiring managers, learn about job openings and more during the Spring Career Fair (In-Person) 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 15 in the Hill Student Center ballrooms. A virtual option is scheduled 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 18; streaming info is [online](#). Check the [Campus Calendar](#) for more upcoming job fairs.

## More news online

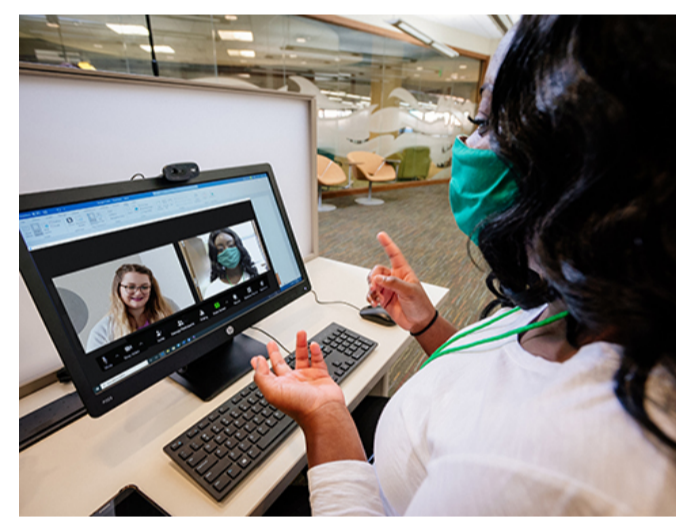
Get campus news at [uab.edu/reporter](http://uab.edu/reporter) and COVID-19 updates at [uab.edu/uabunited](http://uab.edu/uabunited). If you have news you want to share with UAB faculty and staff, use the [Request Publicity form](#) [online](#).

## Research & learning



### Human health meets climate change in Antarctica

Read a Q&A with Paul Erwin, M.D., DrPH, dean of the School of Public Health, and James McClintock, Ph.D., Endowed Professor of Polar and Marine Biology in the Department of Biology, as they discuss their December 2021 trip to Palmer Station and the importance of considering ecological perspectives when understanding public health and climate change.



### Want to learn more about advanced Zoom features?

You can watch pre-recorded Zoom workshops from eLearning — learn about security and managing participants, polling and breakout rooms. More workshops on other topics also are available. Still have questions? Schedule a one-on-one consultation with an eLearning instructional technologist.

### Discover how to support active learning in online courses

Instructors can explore strategies to engage students in the learning process and practice new skills in a virtual eLearning workshop 11 a.m. Feb. 11.

### Explore the experiences of marginalized individuals in STEM

College of Arts and Sciences Dean Kecia Thomas, Ph.D., and Annice Yarber-Allen, Ph.D., dean of the College of Letters and Sciences, Columbus State University, will discuss the culture and climate of academic STEM departments and organizations and their effects on women and marginalized individuals 1 p.m. Feb. 15 on Zoom.

### Don't miss these two funding opportunities:

Concepts for these two chances at funding from the Center for Global Health and the Center for AIDS Research are due in the next 10 days.

- Get up to \$20,000 in funding for global health research
- Get pilot funding to research HIV basic sciences

## Mark your calendars



### Be a tournament champ in Spikeball and Ultimate Frisbee

Employees and students of all skill levels can register by Feb. 24 to compete in URec's Spikeball tournament Feb. 28-March 1 and Ultimate Frisbee tournament March 2-3.



### Turn out for the Women's Basketball Pink Game

UAB Women's Basketball takes on Old Dominion during the Pink Game noon Feb. 13. Packages include a courtside seat, courtside hospitality with a meal and a donation to the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer at UAB. Find regular and Gold member package pricing [online](#).

### See work from Sloss Metal Arts at Art Lab

"Rekindling," an exhibition by artists from Sloss Metal Arts, is on show in Art Lab, Humanities 100, through Feb. 23. A reception is scheduled 4:30 p.m. Feb. 23.

### Get user training for BlazerPulse

Virtual training is open to all UAB employees or students who use or want to use the platform for their community-engagement activities. The training will take place virtually 2-3 p.m. Feb. 15 and will be recorded for those unable to attend. Register [online](#).

## One more thing



### Get a free Valentine's date night with the Department of Music

Hear the Department of Music's Wind Symphony and Symphony Band perform a concert 7 p.m. Feb. 14 in the Alys Stephens Center's Jemison Concert Hall. The show will feature new music of the modern wind band repertoire; admission is free. ❤️

Check the [campus calendar](#) for more events

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