

February 17, 2021



On-campus events to be permitted — with stipulations

The temporary restriction on in-person student events expired Feb. 14, and safety behavior exhibited by students, faculty and staff has allowed us to maintain relatively low COVID transmission. As a result, UAB leadership is working to reduce some restrictions that will enable students to enjoy certain programming that had been suspended within strict, established guidelines.



Spark Your Fire competition winners announced

The arts competition's first-place winners Tanvi Bhadkamkar and Dina Kasman will receive \$500 scholarships, and finalists Melissa Hall, Syeda Fatima and Mikayla Hammock will receive \$100 scholarships.



Budhathoki, Thukral are Blazer Way Award winners

Graduate student Sachin Budhathoki and undergraduate Saakshi Thukral are the student recipients of the 2021 Blazer Way Award, presented by Student Affairs to those who exemplify the tenets of honor and integrity, scholarship, innovation, service and diversity. Also recognized were alumna Jasmine Prince and Samiksha Raut and Andrew Colson, the faculty and staff recipients, respectively.

Things to know



Blazer-created mental health app puts wellness in student hands

B Well helps students easily access resources on mobile devices and build a self-care plan that encourages healthy habits.

Membership in UAB Student Alumni Society is free

Throughout the year, the UAB Student Alumni Society provides students with opportunities to engage with each other and alumni and helps sponsor various activities on campus including the Homecoming Gurney Derby, Mr. and Ms. UAB Scholarship Competition, Backpacks to Briefcases, Blazer Splash and UAB Unite Day.

Interested in joining a campus organization next fall?

More than 17 organizations are actively recruiting new members. To learn more, complete the Preview & Preparation experience — a self-paced, online activity that enables you to see the list of orgs and watch videos associated to those that interested you. The application to join an organization is available on Engage.

Can you tell your story in six words?

Say It In 6 challenges you to tell your story — about your studies, your UAB experience or your life — using only six words and a visual aid in one of five categories: community, balance, resilience, curiosity and motivation. Submit an entry online by March 3. Three winners in the faculty/staff division will receive gift baskets and other goodies.

You can report non-compliance with safety precautions

Students and employees must comply with COVID-19 safety precautions, including maskwearing, while on campus. Non-compliance concerns can be reported through the UAB Ethics Hotline.

Get your news and information reported

Complete the online publicity request form, and we'll see what we can do to help you spread the word. And get more news at uab.edu/students.

Deadlines ahead



Nominate a Blazer for the Student Excellence Awards

The awards honor students, student organizations, faculty and staff for outstanding contributions to leadership and service in campus life. Students and employees can submit nominations through March 7 for one or more of the 14 available awards. Email getinvolved@uab.edu for more info.



Aura Literary Arts Review is accepting submissions

Aura Literary Arts Review is seeking pieces that focus on harmony, diversity and the unique talents of our city. Established and emerging voices are both welcome; submissions are due by March 5.

Two dates set for Safe Zone 201

Examine your own identities and learn about systemic privilege, oppression and social justice in the students-only third Safe Zone training session 5-6:30 p.m. Feb. 23 and March 31.

Occupational health and safety grants available

Funding is available to faculty and students for small/pilot research projects that emphasize the National Occupational Research Agenda in areas such as agriculture, forestry and fishing, construction, healthcare and social assistance, manufacturing, mining, services, transportation, warehousing and utilities and wholesale and retail trade. Deadline to apply is March 12. Details online.

Apply for summer experience in experimental and computational materials research

In the 10-week-long National Science Foundation – Research Experiences for Undergraduates program held May-August, undergraduate students can earn \$5,000 to conduct 400 hours of remote/hybrid research with some of UAB's best scientists. Applications are due March 15.

Mark your calendars



Learn more about scientific literacy, writing in this undergraduate research series

Learn ways to get involved in undergraduate research, find opportunities and get connected during the Undergraduate Research Workshops 4-5 p.m. each Wednesday through March on Zoom. Explore ways to boost reading comprehension today and improve writing skills Feb. 24. RSVP to Gareth Jones at ghjones@uab.edu.



Explore the intersection of public health, state policy Feb. 25

Learn more about the way bills become law in Alabama, public health professionals can inform policy development and citizens can engage leaders to create change during "Government Affairs &

Public Health: Learning to Make an Impact," hosted by the Maternal & Child Health Student Association 5-6 p.m. Feb. 25.

Join the Health & Well-being Fair today

Join in URec's virtual Health and Well-being Fair to be held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. through Feb. 18. Interact with more than 40 vendors, partner with local and national organizations and be eligible for free prizes.

Play virtual trivia Feb. 24

Participation is free, and no registration necessary. Just show up 7 p.m. Wednesdays on Kahoot and Zoom. See dates and topics are online.

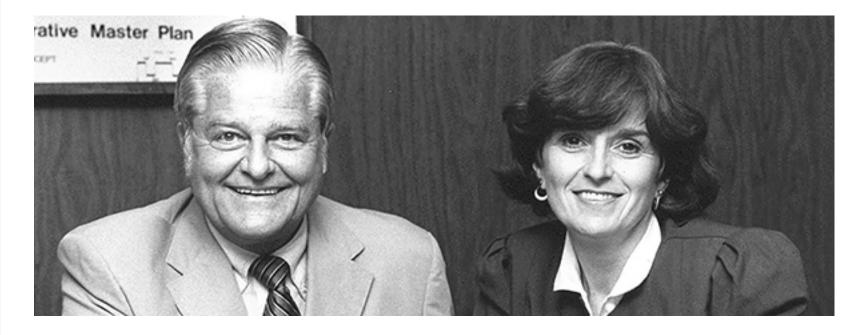
Attend a reading and writing workshop with Tina Mozelle Braziel

Aura Literary Arts Review will host a reading and writing workshop with Tina Mozelle Braziel, author of Known By Salt and Rooted by Thirst, 6 p.m. Feb. 25.

Explore basic budgeting, building credit and looking forward Feb. 25

Learn ways a budget, crafted for your individual lifestyle, can help you meet your goals during "Backpacks to Briefcases: Blazing Ahead — Basic Budgeting, Building Credit and Looking Towards the Future" 6 p.m. Feb. 25.

One more thing



Looking after each other is a Blazer tradition

In 1984, UAB President S. Richardson Hill Jr. signed the first pledge card for the new Benevolent Fund. Now, one hour of pay or 1% of your income per month can help Blazers and others in the community get through tough times.

Check the campus calendar for more events

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