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New alternate work options approved for campus staff

UAB will offer remote-work options and flexible scheduling to select Workgroup A employees following a successful pilot program. Data and feedback confirmed that some employee duties can be completed off site without a change to the experience of our students, faculty, staff and the community we serve, says UAB Chief Human Resource Officer Janet May.



Sign up to build UAB's next Habitat House

Groups of employees and students with a willingness to work can indicate preferred volunteer days using [this form](#); the Benevolent Fund will schedule each group for a volunteer day and open individual time slots for group participants on BlazerPulse. Slots will be available 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday-Saturday Sept. 29-Nov. 5.



Summer commencement ceremonies are Aug. 12-13

Nearly 1,000 students will graduate from UAB this weekend. The graduate ceremony is 6 p.m. Aug. 12, and the undergraduate ceremony is 9:30 a.m. Aug. 13, all in Bartow Arena. Find more info [online](#). The mace will be carried by Eugenia Kharlampieva, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of chemistry.

ICYMI: Read how accounting professor Jamey Worrell, Ph.D., crafted a new stand for the UAB Mace, one of UAB's most recognizable icons, using skills taught by his woodworker father and locally sourced wood that represents some of the university's best qualities: strength, resiliency, knowledge and passion.

More news online

Get campus news at uab.edu/reporter and uab.edu/news and COVID-19 updates at uab.edu/uabunited. Check the [Campus Calendar](#) for more events on campus, and submit your own. If you have news you want to share, use the [Request Publicity form](#) online.

Research & learning



These 6 free webinars will share fun facts and life advice on trending topics:

This fall, the UAB National Alumni Society will offer free virtual seminars featuring tips and knowledge from academics and experts in their fields. Register online for each:

- To Infant and Beyond: Looking at Nutrition through the Lifecycle, 7 p.m. Aug. 25
- Estate Planning: Understanding the Basics, noon Aug. 30
- Brain Food, noon Sept. 14 (Missed part one of this series on diet and brain health? You can watch it [here](#).)
- Blockchain and Web 3.0 - A Decentralized World, noon Sept. 22
- Witches: Representations and Retellings, 7 p.m. Oct. 27
- What Pet Parents Should Know About Obesity and Diabetes, 7 p.m. Nov. 8

→ **Pro tip: Set reminders for events you're interested in:** Sign into the [UAB Campus Calendar](#) with your BlazerID, then click the "I'm interested" button to get email updates for the event. [Learn more Calendar tips.](#)

Funding opportunity: Apply for up to \$50,000 to increase personnel and productivity

Researchers whose work was impacted by caregiving responsibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic can apply for awards from CARES at UAB aimed at funding additional personnel and resources and augmenting productivity. [Apply](#) by Aug. 26.

Mark your calendars



Get fired up for Blazer football

The 2022 UAB Football season is fast approaching — UAB opens the season against Alabama A&M 7 p.m. Sept. 1 at Protective Stadium. Check these boxes to make sure you're ready to cheer on the Blazers:

- Buy your [single-game tickets](#) or [season tickets](#) and parking passes online — ticket packages start at \$90, and single-game tickets start at \$20
- Buy passes for the 2022 Alumni Tailgate every home game at The Southern Kitchen and Bar
- Plan ahead for Homecoming Week Oct. 2-8 — think the Gurney Derby, the Homecoming Parade and more, culminating with UAB Football vs. MTSU 2:30 p.m. Oct. 8 at Protective
- And don't miss out on other themed home games dedicated to families, teachers, service-members and more — see a [full schedule online](#)

Don't forget: The Faculty Senate meets today

Meetings are open to all faculty; check your email for a Zoom link from your representative, and see an [agenda online](#).

One more thing



Sending kids back to school? UAB experts share advice on navigating the transition

As school years begin for K-12 students, UAB physicians and experts offer tips to stay well during schedule changes, shopping trips and a return to the classroom.

- [Schedule these 4 appointments](#) to help protect your child's health
- [Stay on budget with these 5 back-to-school financial tips](#)
- [Get advice to reduce stress in kids and families](#) during the adjustment from summer to school

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