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Chasing answers through time and space in Baja 🗥

Greer Dolby, Ph.D., assistant professor in the Department of Biology, leads an NSFfunded team using geogenomics to uncover new insights on the rules of life in Baja California. The emerging field requires "deep communication" across specialties and datasets — a critical need for 21st-century breakthroughs.



5 questions for an undergraduate genetic analyst

Senior Nate Fehrmann finds new treatment options for patients with puzzling diseases as part of the research consultation service in UAB's Hugh Kaul Precision Medicine Institute. Their detective work is "incredibly rewarding," Fehrmann said.



**Hear results of the campus** engagement survey

Response rate to the survey conducted Feb. 6-20 was 42%, with nearly 28% of faculty and adjuncts and 52% of staff responding. Rich Boyer, of ModernThink, will present survey results 10 a.m. April 19 in the Hill Student Center Alumni Theater. President Ray Watts and Provost Pam Benoit will answer questions.



**My Health Rewards offers** incentives for making healthy choices 💛

This past year, more than 4,700 employees activated their My Health Rewards accounts, and more than 3,600 logged enough healthy behaviors to receive a payout of \$50 or more. Activate your account and explore



4 appointed to endowed positions

new ways to earn cash rewards.

Trustees voted to appoint one chair and three professors to endowed positions during its Feb. 3 meeting. Those honored are Jeffery T. Walker, Lewis Shi, Farah Lubin and Brant Wagener.

The University of Alabama System Board of

#### 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.

### Things to know



As parents, seeing them start careers without heavy debt is reassuring." -DeWayne Bice



Attending UAB was 'a win all the way around' for the children of this employee 🐎

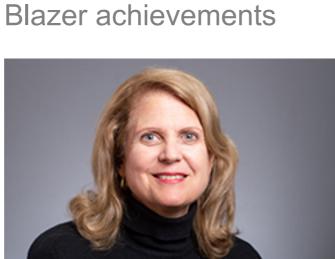
For Anna Kate and Jameson Bice, children of UAB alum and UAB Hospital biomedical equipment technician DeWayne Bice, the combination of UAB's "stellar education" opportunities alongside scholarships and the employee assistance benefit made attending UAB an easy decision. Learn how you can refer your child or any young person you know to UAB through the Refer a Future Blazer program.

File annual ethics report by April 30

UAB supervisors whose job includes management of state funds in certain capacities or who meet a salary threshold of \$97,000 are required to complete an annual Statement of Economic Interests form. Learn more at uab.edu/ethicsrequirement.

Nominations open for Excellence in Teaching awards

Nominations are being accepted for the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching. The award recognizes full-time regular UAB faculty who have demonstrated exceptional accomplishments in teaching. The selection criteria and nomination form are online; submit by April 30.



**Demark-Wahnefried** honored by American **Society of Preventive** Oncology

Wendy Demark-Wahnefried, Ph.D., earned the 2023 Joseph F. Fraumeni, Jr. Distinguished Achievement Award, which is given to an outstanding scientist in the area of preventive oncology, cancer control and/or cancer prevention.



**Howard named leading stroke** scientist by American Stroke

**Association** George Howard, DrPH, earned the David G. Sherman Lecture Award, which recognizes lifetime contributions for investigation, management, mentorship

and community service in the stroke field.

# Research & learning

## **EMPOWERMENT** THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

**Hear a Black History Month** panel discussion with UAB,

local experts

Birmingham.

Explore the past, present and future of the African American community in and around

5:30 p.m. March 2 Negro Southern League Museum Register online



During the Faculty Academic Technology Fair, each weekday will feature two technology vendors sharing Zoom sessions about their products; some sessions will

Feb. 28-March 7 **?** virtual Register online

**Consolidated Framework for** Implementation Research Topics will include digging into the original framework, 2.0 updates and the CFIR-ERIC Matching Tool.

7 10 a.m. March 2 yirtual Details online

**Different: Gender Through the Eyes** of a Primatologist Frans B. M. de Waal, Ph.D., will explore how a distinction between cultural gender and biological sex is useful to draw attention to the eternal

interplay between nature and nurture. 5 p.m. March 2 HSC Alumni Theater

Register online

**Discover academic** technologies available at UAB

include testimonials from faculty.

**School of Dentistry Scholars Symposium** 

Attend a celebration of Dentistry's history and scholarly achievements of students, residents and faculty.

West Pavilion first-floor atrium

noon-5 p.m. March 2

31 Details online

Paying for the Past: Understanding Why **Governments Pay Reparations** Claire Greenstein, Ph.D., will share data from her international fieldwork to explain why governments implement reparations programs and why reparations are increasingly relevant and widespread.

7 11:45 a.m. March 3 Sterne 174 Register online

## Mark your calendars



**Colon on the Corner (with** coffee!) is coming March 2

Stop by the Kirklin Clinic to visit a 16-foot inflatable colon, get free Dunkin' coffee and learn about the importance of colorectal cancer screenings.

7-9 a.m. March 2 The Kirklin Clinic Details online

**30-minute Virtual Chair** Yoga Take a stretch during your lunch break with University Recreation.

noon March 1 yirtual Register online

**UAB's Got Talent** See UAB students showcase their unique skills for scholarship money during UAB's Got Talent, hosted by Blazer **Production Assistants and** Blazer Spirit Council.

6:30 p.m. March 2 ASC Sirote Theatre 31 Details online

Fair Donate blood to the Red Cross, tie-dye T-shirts

**Health and Wellbeing** 

and enter to win a wellness package featuring Birmingham Barons and Birmingham Squadron tickets.

7 10 a.m.-2 p.m. March

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