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Plant AI project aims to grow food — and future scientists

With a \$1 million-plus grant from the National Science Foundation, Shahid and Karolina Mukhtar, associate professors in the Department of Biology, will use machine learning to identify new ways to boost crop production and train high school science teachers in cutting-edge gene studies.



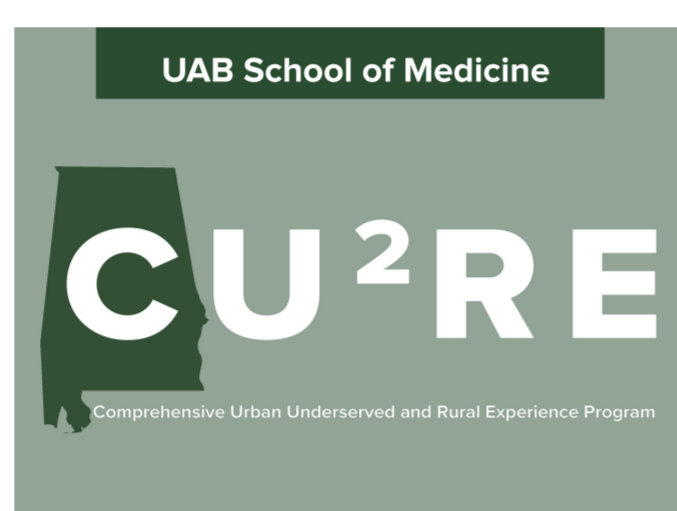
3 things to know about a change in the general wage structure

The two-digit code, or grade, UAB uses to categorize job titles within salary ranges will be replaced with a three-digit code, effective Sept. 1.



Lightner earns outstanding educator award

Roy Lightner, MFA, assistant professor of theatre, received the Dorothy Schwartz Outstanding Educator Award from the Alabama Conference of Theatre for his contributions to the craft in Alabama.



CU2RE program receives \$5.2 million to increase offerings

The supplemental award from the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration will help increase educational activities for medical students, redesign family medicine clerkship curricula, provide CU2RE students with stipends to offset education costs and implement professional development initiatives.



FROM THE EXPERTS: Get the facts with Dr. Faircloth

The director of Student Health Services, addresses hot-button COVID topics.

- ▶ How can I convince others to get vaccinated?
- ▶ What is a variant?
- ▶ How do I recognize vaccine disinformation?

Things to know



Theatre UAB celebrates 50 years, announces new season

"Godspell," Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing," "The SpongeBob Musical" and "Echo," an original play by a Theatre UAB alumna, all are set for the 2021-22 season — Theatre UAB's 50th anniversary of performances.



Don't forget your mask at Campus Rec

In keeping with UAB's indoor, campus-wide mask policy, masking is required inside the Campus Recreation Center. Read more about health and safety practices that can keep you safe from COVID on uab.edu/uabunited.

UAB Football single-game tickets now on sale

Guarantee your place in history by purchasing tickets for the inaugural UAB Football season at Protective Stadium. UAB plays at home five times this season, and single-game tickets start as low as \$20.

Donate hygiene items to Blazer Kitchen through today

Donate items through Aug. 31 to stock the on-campus food bank with personal hygiene items such as feminine hygiene products, toilet paper and soap. Donations can be given to Staff Council representatives or dropped off at the 1613 Building.

More news online

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

Mark your calendars



What is Quality Matters?

Learn about UAB's Quality Matters (QM) initiative, professional development opportunities and course review processes 10 a.m. Sept. 3 on Zoom.

Apply by today to join the UAB Microbiome Center

UMC members can access microbiome cores, annual symposia and pilot grants to further pursuits of microbiome-related work across disciplines, schools and colleges. Apply online through August.

Direct students to on-campus job opportunities

Students can learn about part-time and work-study positions in UAB departments for the upcoming academic year at the virtual On-Campus Job Fair 11 a.m. today.

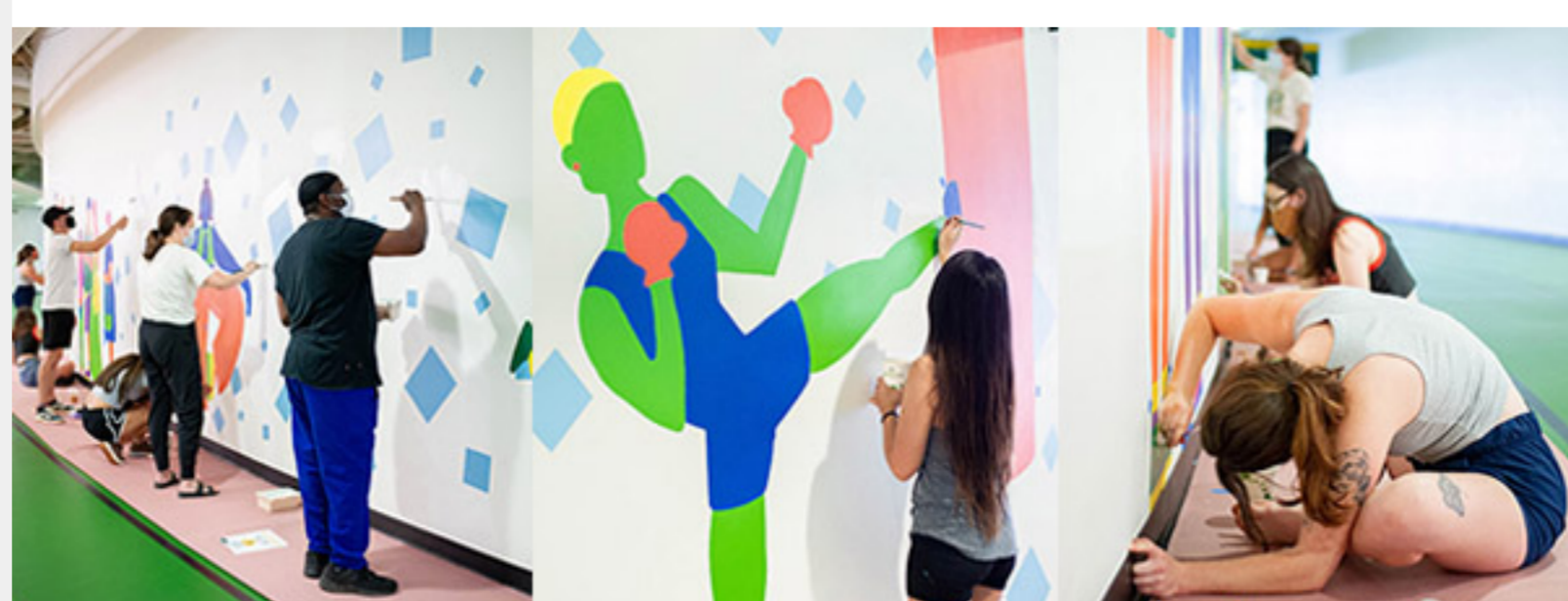
Learn how to develop, lead interdisciplinary teams

Take this eight-week, no-cost course to learn how interdisciplinary work is critical for scientific discovery and translational research and get tips on creating and managing teams 10 a.m. Fridays Sept. 10-Oct. 29.

Explore public health every Wednesday

Join the Office of Public Health Practice to learn about topics from mental well-being to public health and disabilities during weekly webinars noon Wednesdays this semester, beginning Sept. 1.

One more thing



Art students design new UAB Campus Recreation Center mural

Spent the semester Department of Art and Art History's summer course "Art and Exercise" students the developing art projects inspired by sports, fitness and exercise — including this new mural on the interior wall of the indoor track inside the Campus Recreation Center.

Check the campus calendar for more events

Lectures	Arts	Athletics
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