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UAB among 'America's Best Employers for Diversity'

UAB was selected by Forbes based on an independent survey of more than 50,000 employees working for companies employing at least 1,000 people. "As the largest single employer in Alabama, with more than 23,000 employees, our richly diverse workforce makes Birmingham and our region a better place to live, work and play," said President Ray Watts.



Vickers to lead American Surgical Association

Selwyn Vickers, M.D., dean of the School of Medicine, was recently named president of the nation's oldest and most prestigious surgical organization. He is the third Black/African American president in association history and the second surgeon from UAB to serve as president.



UAB again receives honors for commitment to healthy trees

For the seventh year, UAB is recognized by the National Arbor Day Foundation for its work to nurture more than 4,400 healthy trees and engage students and employees in conservation. UAB also was honored with a Tree Campus Healthcare designation for the second time.

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.

Things to know



Drive to campus? Update your account and avoid a ticket

All UAB parking permit-holders should update their vehicle registration information or get a free replacement permit in April to ensure they are complying with parking policy.

Vote in faculty senate election through April 26

All faculty may vote for senators to represent their academic unit, plus the chair-elect and associate chair of the UAB Faculty Senate online.

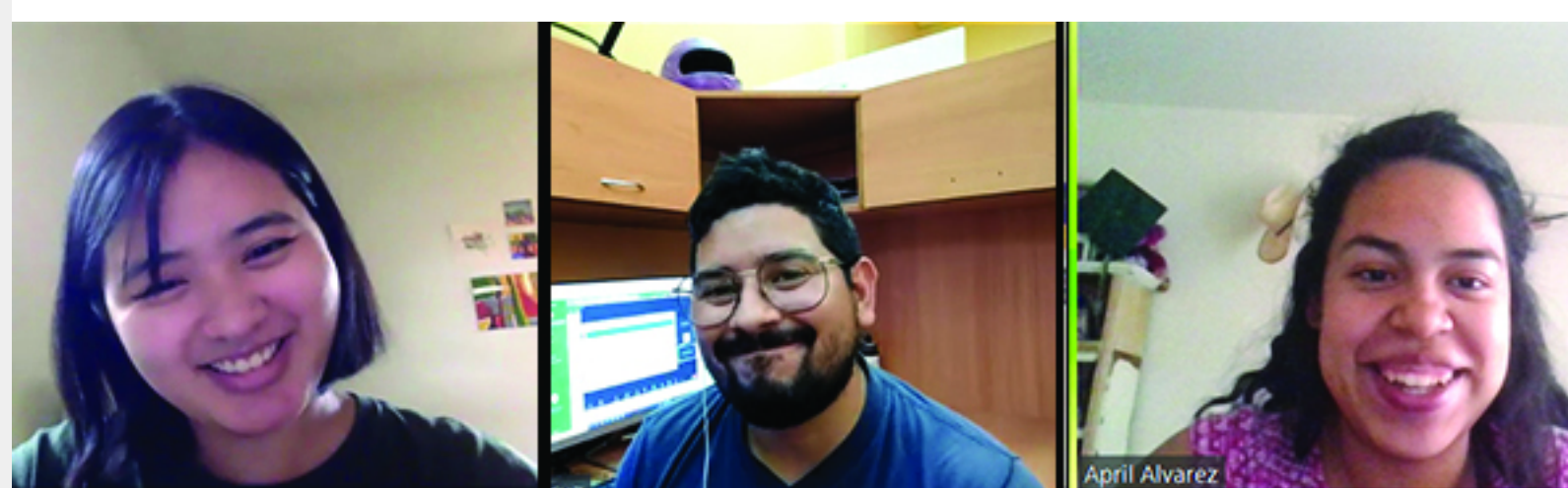
File annual ethics report by April 30

UAB supervisors whose job includes management of state funds in certain capacities or who meet a salary threshold of \$81,000 are required to complete an annual Statement of Economic Interests form. Employees whose primary assignments are in the UAB Hospital are exempt.

Volunteers needed for vaccination sites

UAB Medicine is asking leaders to organize an effort within their areas of responsibility to redeploy a team of employees and encourage their spouses, adult children, friends and neighbors to volunteer as a team of up to 20 volunteers. Sign up online to volunteer.

Lectures and learning



Remote partnership improves care, cultural understanding

With international travel on pause, a virtual internship enables students to be a part of change here and abroad and help develop better outcomes for adolescents in Nicaragua.



What 10 mentors learned from teaching grad students, postdocs

Ten graduate faculty were honored with the UAB Graduate Dean's Excellence in Mentorship Award for exceptional work with graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Here's what they have to say about their experiences.

Research and discovery



Locke secures third R01 grant in four years

Jayme Locke, M.D., director of the UAB Comprehensive Transplant Institute and Division of Transplantation, received a five-year, \$3.2 million grant for a project to use tele-navigation to overcome geographic disparities in living donor kidney transplants.

Faculty development grants awarded to 21

The Faculty Development Program supports junior faculty as they explore research initiatives, creative works, publications and presentations. Learn more about the recipients and the funded projects.

Get latest info on new NIH Biosketch, Other Support Forms

The UAB Office of Sponsored Programs will host two virtual town halls, April 27 and April 29, to review UAB's implementation of the new NIH Biosketch and Other Support forms included in all NIH grant applications and annual progress reports submitted on or after May 25.

Learn more about pilot funding available:

- LOIs due May 3 for community health pilot grants
- Apply online by May 28 for new pain and/or addiction research projects

One more thing



Perks of being on campus today

Each Friday may be its own reward, but UAB employees get extra perks. From 7-10 a.m. faculty and staff can get a free pastry with a purchase of any grande, venti or trenta beverage at Starbucks in Hill Student Center. And lunch at the Commons is only \$5 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Other discounts are available everyday throughout the city; learn about them at uab.edu/perks.

Check the campus calendar for more events



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