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Your questions answered from Jan. 8 employee town hall

Senior leaders respond to queries on vaccine distribution, the spring semester, UAB's commitment to diversity and more.



Women name UAB 'Best Hospital' in six areas

The America's Best Hospitals designation from the Women's Choice Award was bestowed on UAB for obstetrics, orthopedics, plus heart, stroke, cancer and breast care. The Women's Choice Award is an independent referral source to enable women to make better health care choices.

More news online

Get news updates at uab.edu/reporter and the latest on COVID-19 policies and procedures at uab.edu/uabunited.

Things to Know



Events set for King Week

Celebrate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. during a weeklong series of events and service initiatives at UAB and throughout Birmingham starting Jan. 15. See the list of events online.

University to close for MLK Day, no bus service

UAB will close Jan. 18 to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Although most campus operations will be suspended on this day, essential services will continue. Blazer Express, shuttles and roadside services will be interrupted. Safety Escort service is available both days; use the TapRide app to request a ride.

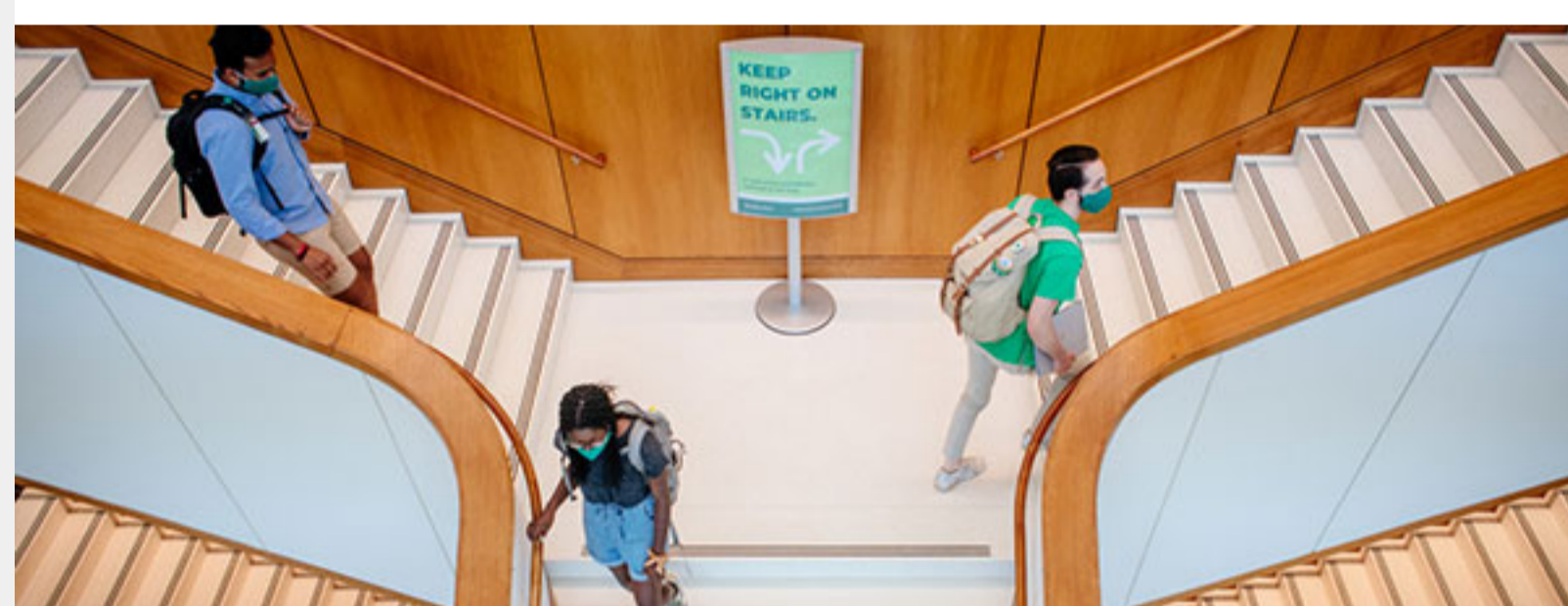
Register to get important updates by text from UAB

Employees may opt to receive news and information texts from UAB, and if you change your mind, you can easily opt out by replying STOP.

Got COVID-19 symptoms? Find the right test option for you

UAB provides testing for faculty and staff who are showing symptoms of COVID-19 or who have been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19. Use this online flow chart to determine the best testing option for your situation.

Lectures and Learning



Resiliency training gives all students the tools to bounce back

Blazers Bounce Back, which has already helped thousands of students develop resiliency skills, will be available to all UAB students in Canvas for the spring semester.

Workshops, 1-on-1 sessions can help faculty engage students

Workshops and one-on-one sessions are being offered to help faculty prepare for engaging students in all types of course delivery and to become more familiar with classroom technology. Workshops also are available to help familiarize students with Zoom, Canvas and other resources. Explore this list online and register.

Research Resources Toolkit updated

The toolkit focuses on a variety of meta-literacies including efficient research strategies, evaluation of source material and appropriate techniques for documenting sources, among others. The toolkit now includes voiceovers, updated interactive activities and APA/MLA modules. Learn more online.

New online tutoring solution available to students

TutorMe, an online service available to all UAB students in spring 2021, provides on-demand tutoring without the need to schedule an appointment. Learn more and review FAQs for students and faculty.

Library to offer training for data-management tools

These introductory sessions for librarians and researchers to be held 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Jan. 22, Feb. 26, March 26 and April 23 will cover data-management tools such as OpenRefine and Git. Get more information on sessions and register online. Direct questions to Kay Smith or Dorothy Ogdon.

Lecture to explore racism, reproduction, white fragility Jan. 22

Erica Marsh, M.D., professor of reproductive medicine, University of Michigan School of Medicine, will present "Racism, Reproduction and White Fragility: Where Do We Go From Here?" 12:30 p.m. Jan. 22 on Zoom. Register online.

Research

K12 RFA information session is Jan. 19

Attend a virtual information session Jan. 19 to learn more about ways the UAB K12 Career Development Program prepares early-career faculty with a doctorate for an independent career investigating heart, lung, blood or sleep disorders in persons living with HIV. Funding also is available for postdoctoral fellow and early-career faculty from under-represented groups in biomedical research.

Apply for global health pilot grant funding

These internal grant applications propose research and public health practice and global health projects that support the Sparkman Center for Global Health mission. The deadline for the two-page concept paper is Feb. 1. UAB faculty and fellows with advanced degrees (M.D., Ph.D., DrPH, etc.) are eligible to apply, and one or two awards up to \$20,000 may be funded.

Register for rare disease genomics symposium

Explore the use of next-generation technology to manage rare diseases during this free virtual symposium noon-5:15 p.m. Feb. 26. Register online at ChildrensAL.org/genetics.

One more thing



Pandemic forces us to balance home life and work

In the classroom, Associate Professor Robin Ennis, Ph.D., encourages her education students to take time for self-care activities to sustain their well-being — something this mother of triplet boys has to do as she juggles between classroom and remote teaching and home-schooling. "It's good to be a part of the united spirit to support one another during these times," she said. Hear more of her story.

Check the campus calendar for events



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