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Rapper T-Pain to headline Welcome Back Concert Aug. 26

While supplies last, faculty and staff can pick up two free tickets to the show featuring the Grammy Award-winning rapper and producer. Faculty and staff tickets, if available, may be picked up Aug. 23-25 at the Alys Stephens Center box office and Aug. 26 at the Hill Student Center. See times and locations for ticket pickup, plus more details, online.

Celebrate grand opening of South Science and East Science Halls Thursday

A ribbon cutting at 9 a.m. Aug. 17 will officially open the facilities — part of the Science and Engineering Complex — on 14th Street South between University Boulevard and 10th Avenue South. Register online.

Change your commute route Aug. 16-20 for student move-in

As students begin arriving on campus for the fall semester, UAB Transportation recommends traveling an alternative route to work during times when the most students will be moving into on-campus housing. This map will help you plan.

New technology to study causes of dry eye disease developed by UAB

With a $1.8 million grant from the National Eye Institute, School of Optometry researcher Yuqiang Bai, Ph.D., will study non-invasive assessments and inform the development of new treatments.

More news online

Get campus news at uab.edu/reporter and uab.edu/news. 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

Nominate an employee for the VIP Awards

Do you know an employee whose work exemplifies and embodies one of UAB's shared values — integrity, stewardship, collaboration, accountability, respect, excellence and achievement, and diversity and inclusiveness? Submissions for third-quarter nominees are due Aug. 23. 🌟

The Farm Stand returns next week

For the first time since the pandemic began, the UAB community will be able to stock up on locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables from Chilton County's Boozer Farms. The Farm Stand at UAB will be set up in the first floor atrium of The Kirklin Clinic on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., starting Aug. 22. Get details and find out how to sign up for an email with updates, coupons and recipes at uab.edu/farmstand.

Download Rave Guardian and never walk alone again

Set a timer as you travel to your destination and pick a virtual guardian who will see your trip. Upon arrival, dismiss the timer to let your contact know you've made it safely. Rave Guardian also turns your smartphone into a personal panic button and enables users to send eyewitness tips of unusual activity. Download for free on Apple and Android.

Annual performance evaluation cycle is open now

Here's what you need to know: Eligible employees in workgroup A complete self-evaluations in the Performance App and managers must have conversations with employees and complete evaluations by Sept. 30. Check your workgroup here and visit the Performance Management site for tools, FAQs and training.

Celebrating student success

🎓 Cap, gown — here's how it went down! 💚

Catch the highlights of last Friday's commencement ceremonies in this Instagram video, then meet four new graduates in the stories below.

Caregiving leads student to pediatric ICU nursing

For years, Jada King's after-school activity was racing home to help care for her sister, Deji. That experience brought King to UAB to study nursing and a job at Children's of Alabama. "This profession requires patience, passion and compassion, and I thank my sister for preparing me," she said.

International graduate student finds formula for overcoming culture shock

Maksim Dolmat came to Birmingham from Belarus in 2018 for UAB's chemistry Ph.D. program. The transition was "a lot to process," Dolmat said, but his five years working with mentor Eugenia Kharlampieva, Ph.D., opened his eyes to the potential impact of his research.

Building an anatomy site to help health students at UAB — herself included

Caroline Davies created a comprehensive website packed with learning tools as part of her master's degree in anatomy. She is putting it to use now in her medical studies at the Heersink School of Medicine.

From Tennessee to Hawaii, by way of UAB

As he worked on his doctorate in chemistry education, Josh Forakis created immersive experiences for UAB undergraduates to put their knowledge into practice. His next step after graduation is taking him across the Pacific for a deep dive into plastic pollution.

Research & learning

Essential prep for the most important day of class: the first

What happens on the first day in the classroom sets the tone for the whole course. Scott L. Phillips, Ph.D., outgoing director of the Center for Teaching and Learning, explains how to welcome students, focus their attention, review the syllabus and more in Teaching Effectiveness: First Day of Class, 11:30 a.m. Aug. 16 in the Commons on the Green. Lunch is provided; register online.

Learn about estate planning Thursday

Nancy Ball, J.D., will discuss core documents and strategies to consider in this fourth event in the Bloom series from the Commission on the Status of Women.

11:30 a.m. Aug. 17
virtual
Register online

Do you have an idea to improve patient safety through AI?

The UAB Informatics Institute and the Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences are seeking proposal submissions for the 2023 U-Brite Hackathon. This year's event is Sept. 9-10; project proposals are due Aug. 25.

Do you want to tackle big problems with genomics?

The Center for Genomic Medicine is accepting applications from postdoctoral trainees from various disciplines for a two-year period of research and education. The UAB-HudsonAlpha Genomic Medicine PostDoctoral Training Program provides mentorship and clinical research training that enables trainees to solve problems in prevention, diagnosis and treatment of human disease. Learn more and apply online.

Frontiers in Biomedical Engineering - Distinguished Guest Lecturer
Joseph Wu, M.D., Ph.D., president of the American Heart Association and director, Stanford Cardiovascular Institute, will give a talk titled "Stem Cells & Genomics: From Precision Medicine to Clinical Trial in Dish."

noon Aug. 15
Spain Auditorium
Details online

DISC - Understanding Your Behavioral Style
The DISC Model offers insights on communication preferences and tendencies. This workshop will help you understand your behavioral style and how it influences your actions.

9 a.m. Aug. 16
Medical Towers 419A
Register online

eLearning One-on-One Virtual Training
Need assistance with Canvas, Zoom, Kaltura or any of the other available academic technologies? Schedule a consultation with an eLearning expert. Appointments available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aug. 16-18, 21-23.

virtual
Register online

Making Feedback Work for You as a Manager
This workshop series supports managers' work in developing their employees by providing feedback that addresses the right issues and cultivates a positive culture of feedback for your department, unit or team.

9 a.m. Aug. 17
virtual
Register online

2023 Endocrinology Update Conference
Hear from UAB clinical and research faculty on topics related to diabetes technology, osteoporosis, thyroid cancer, radiofrequency ablation and more.

8 a.m. Aug. 19
Hilton Birmingham at UAB
Register online

Performance Evaluation: Planning and Conversations for Managers
An in-person offering covering feedback, conversation recommendations and action steps to submit an annual evaluation form.

2 p.m. Aug. 22
Medical Towers 421
Register online

Performance Evaluation: Staff Making the Most of Your Review
This workshop covers action steps, including self-assessment and preparation tips for a successful two-way conversation.

10 a.m. Aug. 24
virtual
Register online

One more thing

No cash needed for this cab

Vocabby's World is a free program for children 5 and under that uses song, movement and creativity to teach new vocabulary. Free books, curricula and art materials reinforce the new words learned. The monthly events this fall begin 10:30 a.m. Aug. 19 at Woodlawn UMC.

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