

August 25, 2023



Where to buy UAB merch so you can 'Be Seen in Green' 🍀

UAB employees and fans are encouraged to wear green each Friday to show their support for UAB Football and the Blazer community. Plus, the 19th annual College Colors Day is Sept. 1. Wandering where to get your UAB gear? Read our guide to locations on campus, around town, at Protective Stadium and online.



UAB named one of Forbes' Best-In-State Large Employers for 2023

America's Best-In-State Employers 2023 were identified based on an independent survey of employees working for companies employing more than 500 workers in the United States. UAB ranked third overall and was the top education industry employer.



Share research tools with other UAB labs using this new site

This week, UAB Sustainability launched a hub for surplus lab equipment and supplies (all items are free). UAB investigators can add images of what they have to offer, other labs can send queries, reserve items they want and add equipment requests.



UAB, a leader in robotic surgeries, adds spine robot

UAB Hospital is the only hospital in Birmingham with the technology, which allows surgeons to be more precise and consistent and take on even more complex surgeries.

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

WORK GROUP

WEATHER GROUP

Do you know your workgroup and weather group?

Often, decisions must be made and communicated that affect entities on campus differently. Knowing your workgroup and weather group can help you better interpret policies and severe weather information.

Based on their area of work, UAB employees are assigned to A, C or Faculty workgroups, and all UAB students and employees are a part of Red, Yellow or Green weather groups (click the Weather Group Assignment tab).

- 🎧 Watch this video to hear different groups explained
- 📊 Use these charts to see where you fall
- 📱 Log in to the Workgroup and Weather Group apps to see your designation



Vacation & holiday policies updated, additional holidays designated

Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 are added as designated holidays this year, while a policy change as of Oct. 1, 2023, means eligible employees in their six-month probationary period can use accrued vacation and personal days with supervisor approval.

Working on your performance evaluation?

Staff can use this optional, printable [Staff Self-Reflection Guide](#) and this checklist as they prepare. Find more tools for staff here. Managers can find their own checklist, conversational prompts and more tools here. Find links to on-demand and live (instructor-led) training opportunities before the Sept. 30 deadline to complete performance evaluations.

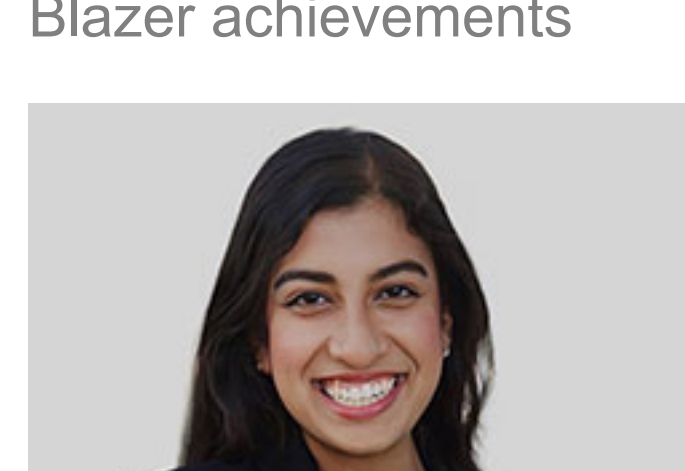
Review changes to UAB Libraries' 3D printing guidelines

As of Aug. 21, print job limit times in 3DPrinterOS are increased from eight hours to 10, and monthly print job submissions are limited to five job submissions for each individual user. If an academic or research project has print requirements outside of those limits, contact Patrick Boggs, technology labs manager, at jboggs@uab.edu.

Road closure from Alabama Power construction on 11th Street South at 10th Avenue South through next week

Work began this week to move overhead power lines underground along 11th Street South, including closure of 10th Avenue South just east of 11th Street South. This road closure is expected to last through the end of next week. Alabama Power estimates that the overall project will continue through the end of November.

Blazer achievements



Amazon internship meant 'endless learning'

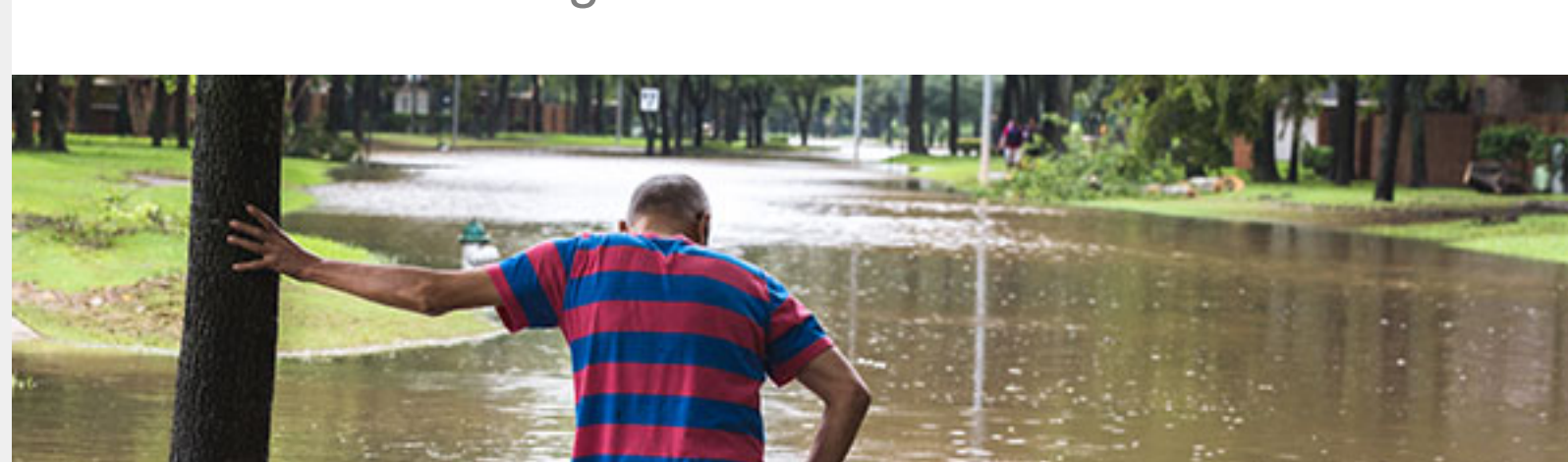
The best thing about her summer position was that "whatever I craved for, I could learn," said senior Neha Moolchandani, who entered UAB on a pre-med track but followed a passion for technology into a computer science major.



Finance major lands coveted internship at investment bank

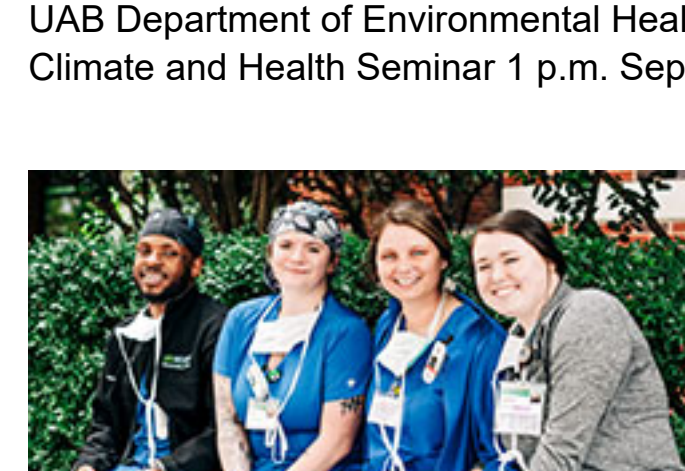
Junior Daniel Massie will be starting a highly competitive internship next summer at Stifel Investments — out of 600 applicants, he was one of only three chosen. Massie said he could not have done it without the network he built within UAB's student organizations.

Research & learning



Learn why older adults are both vulnerable and resilient to climate disasters

Zhen Cong, Ph.D., professor and director of Climate Change and Human Health in the UAB Department of Environmental Health Sciences, will present as part of a NIH Climate and Health Seminar 1 p.m. Sept. 6 on Zoom. [Register online.](#)



Protect your peace of mind and pocketbook while navigating your health care career

This half-day symposium covers personal budgeting, wealth building and more.

🕒 8:30 a.m. Aug. 30
📍 Spain Auditorium
📅 Register online

Learn basic business research skills and resources

Register for the Business Research Toolkit course to discover free online sources and UAB subscription databases available through UAB Libraries.

🕒 Sept. 1-Oct. 19
📍 virtual
📅 Register by Aug. 27

Learn e-mail tips from the pros

The next edition of the Improving Your "Outlook" micro-learning series takes on creating Calendar items from emails. Upcoming sessions will focus on Scheduling Assistant and FindTime. Missed a session? See the archive here.

🕒 11 a.m. Aug. 28
📍 virtual
📅 Register online

Learning from Leaders

Maria R. Shirey, Ph.D., dean of the School of Nursing, will discuss elements of authentic leadership in the September edition of this monthly program.

🕒 11 a.m. Sept. 7
📍 virtual
📅 Register online

What is the role of translational science in CCTS pilot projects?

Pilot awardees Byron Lai, Ph.D., and Sara Cooper, Ph.D., will share firsthand experiences.

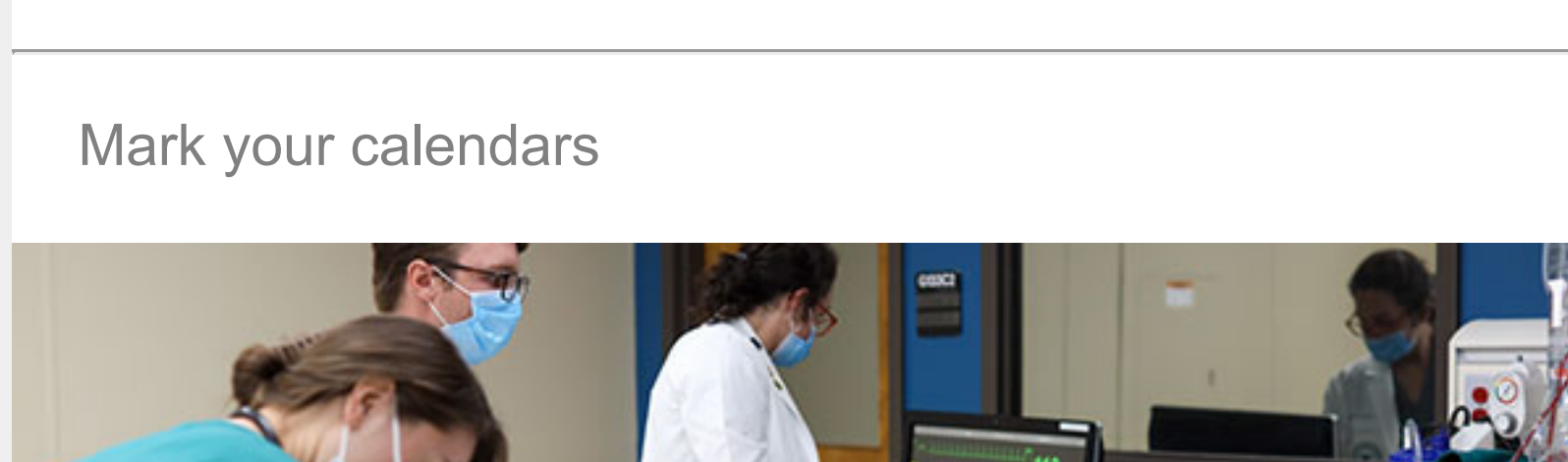
🕒 noon Sept. 7
📍 virtual
📅 Register online

UAB Journaling Club in-person meeting

Discover self-growth with guest Tami Long, Ph.D., of EACC and learn to craft your workshop journal with Carrie May.

🕒 10:30 a.m. Sept. 14
📍 Learning Resource Center room 114
📅 Register online (seating is limited)

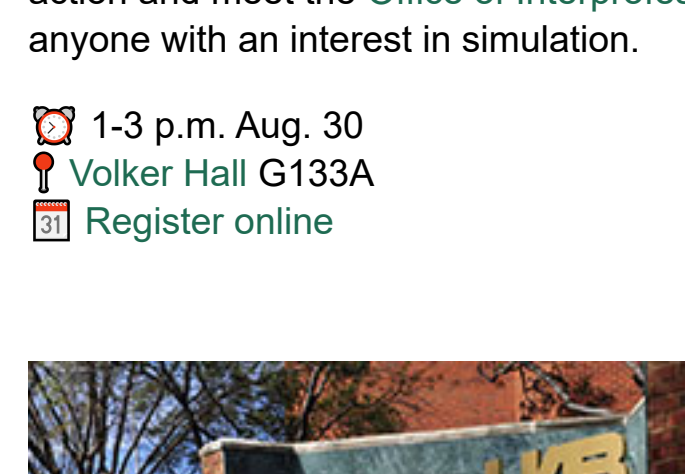
Mark your calendars



Tour the updated Volker Hall Simulation Center

Learn more about simulation capabilities at UAB, see manikins and other equipment in action and meet the Office of Interprofessional Simulation team. The event is open to anyone with an interest in simulation.

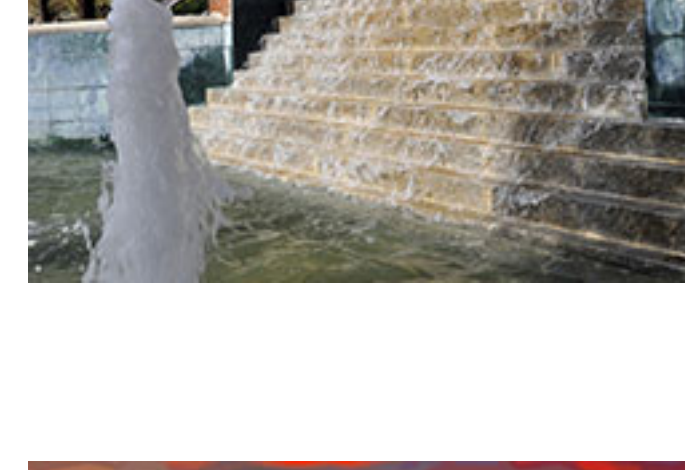
🕒 1-3 p.m. Aug. 30
📍 Volker Hall G133A
📅 Register online



Learn about ODEI at UAB, meet the staff on Monday

The Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion encourages faculty, staff and students to learn about the resources and services the office provides and ways to get involved.

🕒 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Aug. 28
📍 Campbell Hall room 401
📅 Register online



Hike and raft in Tennessee

Immerse yourself for three days in some of the Southeast's most beautiful wilderness on this URec guided trip. Food, transportation, park entry and gear are included; mandatory pre-trip meeting is 6 p.m. Aug. 28.

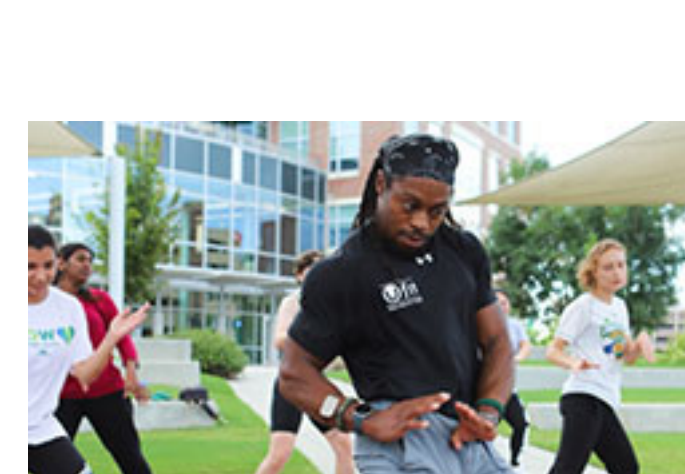
🕒 Sept. 1-4
📍 Great Smoky Mountains
📅 Register online



Dance at sunset on the Green

What is your sundown groove? Find out at this event from URec on the Go.

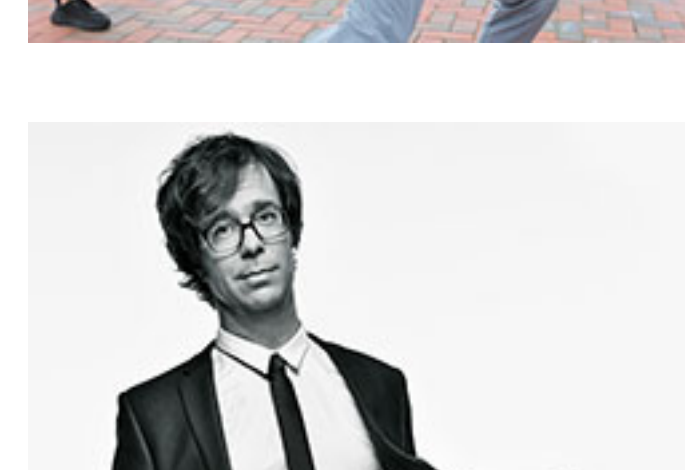
🕒 5:30 p.m. Aug. 31
📍 Campus Green
📅 Register online



See piano-pop rocker Ben Folds at ASC

Folds, one of the major music influencers of his generation, brings his "What Matters Most" tour to Birmingham.

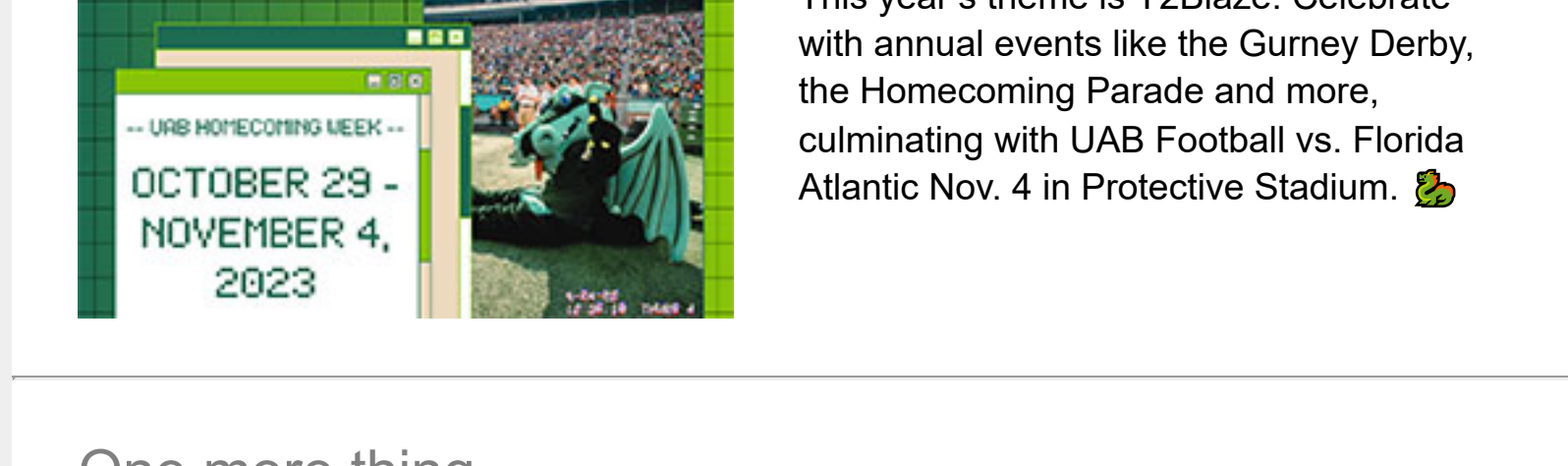
🕒 6 p.m. Sept. 17
📍 ASC Jemison Concert Hall
📅 Buy tickets



Plan ahead: Homecoming Week is Oct. 29-Nov. 4

This year's theme is Y2Blaze. Celebrate with annual events like the Gurney Derby, the Homecoming Parade and more, culminating with UAB Football vs. Florida Atlantic Nov. 4 in Protective Stadium. 🍀

One more thing



Moved in, started class, got the T-shirt

Check out slideshows and videos of our photo, video and social teams documenting freshman move-in, the first day of class and First-Year Student Convocation.

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