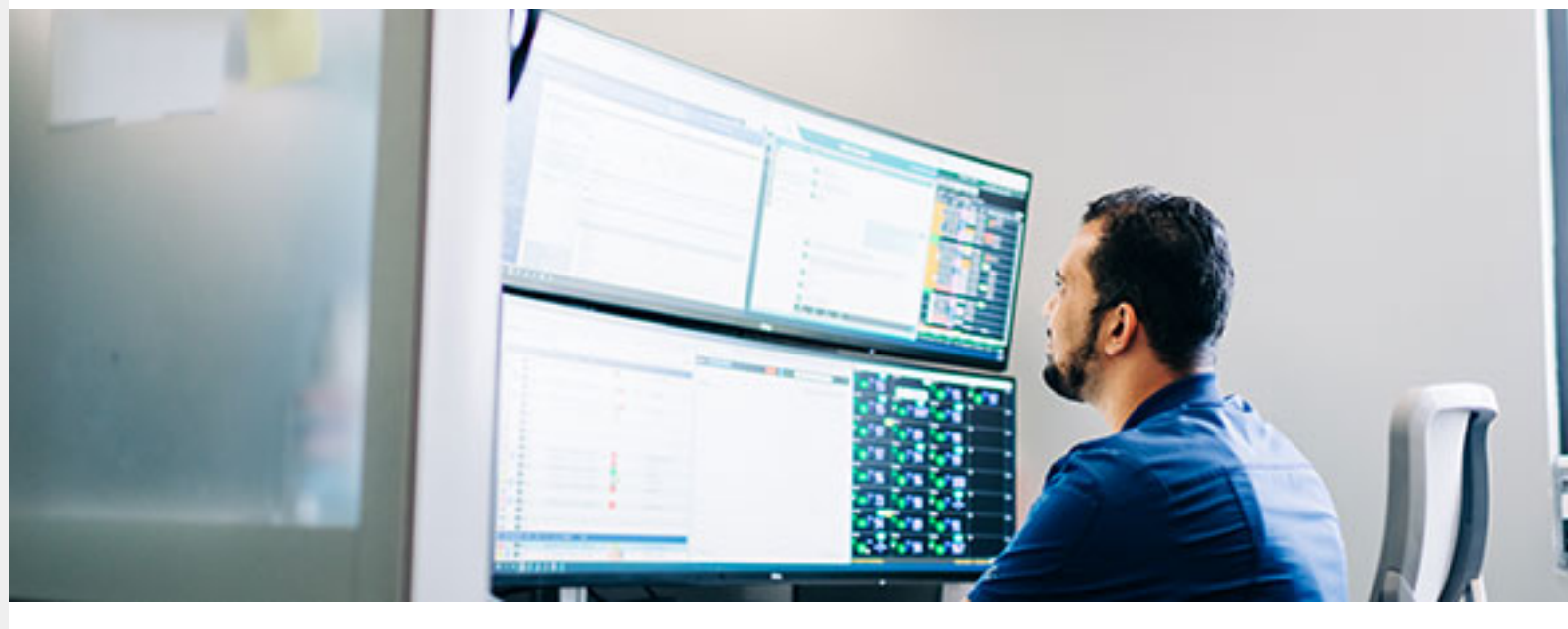


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How did we do? Forging the Future of Patient Care

This semester, UAB students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to provide feedback and influence UAB's next strategic plan — Forging Ahead — which will guide continued, purposeful growth for 2024-2028. As we look ahead, let's revisit the success achieved together through Forging the Future, UAB's current strategic plan. Each week this month, we will dive into a pillar of our mission and the 2018-2023 strategic plan; this week, we celebrate our shared results and positive momentum in patient care.



5 things to know about open enrollment this year

Stay tuned to the UAB Reporter as UAB begins rolling out information to provide benefit-eligible employees time to review upcoming changes and make informed decisions. Open enrollment begins 7 a.m. Oct. 20 and concludes 5 p.m. Nov. 6.



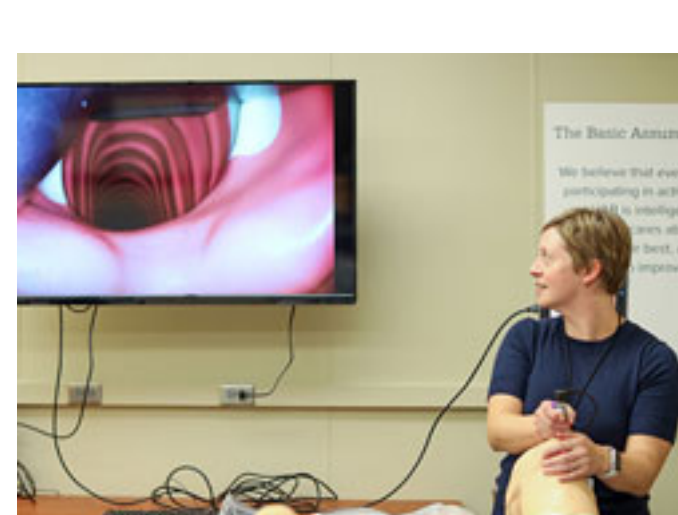
UAB programs continue to rise in 2023 U.S. News rankings

UAB ranked No. 142 out of 435 measured schools in 2023, serving as a testament to the university's continued growth and national exposure. The School of Nursing's undergraduate program landed in the top 10 for the third year in a row. See more rankings of note online.



An award-winning mentor shares her steps to success

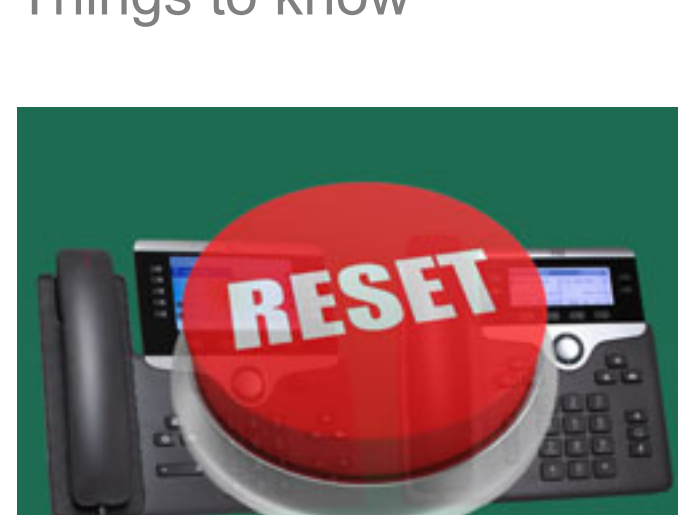
What's the secret to mentoring undergraduates in STEM? Biology Associate Professor Sami Raut, Ph.D., who has mentored nearly 40 students and recently earned a national award from the Council on Undergraduate Research, offers six tips.



Take a look inside UAB's simulation capabilities with these 10 photos

Tour the Office of Interprofessional Simulation's Simulation Center in Volker Hall in these images. *(In last Friday's eReporter, this unit was incorrectly referred to as the Office of Interpersonal Simulation. It is the Office of Interprofessional Simulation. Our apologies.)*

Things to know



Experiencing phone trouble this week? A reset may be required.

After VoIP telephone maintenance this past weekend, there is a chance some phones may require a manual reset. Find step-by-step directions online.

Compensation guidelines, calculator now available online

The FY24 UAB Academic and Administrative Compensation Guidelines are now available online to provide assistance with decisions related to faculty and staff compensation practices. This includes information on the Compensation Calculator — a new tool from Human Resources to provide salary offer guidance to hiring managers. The tool will also ensure enterprise-wide employee and job equity based on job market value, candidate experience and education level. [Read more.](#)

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.

Research & learning



Apply now to teach an Honors course next year

Have a unique idea for a new class? Honors seminars emphasize active learning and critical thinking. Faculty can submit a course proposal for 2024-2025 by Oct. 1.

🤔 😊 **Take my class, please!** Read about one faculty member's experience developing and teaching an Honors seminar on comedy, health and well-being.



Commission on the Status of Women financial planning advice

No matter your age, employment or marital status, it is never too early or late to prepare to reach your financial goals. Learn how at this event. All are welcome.

🕒 11:30 a.m. Sept. 19
📍 virtual
📅 Register online



Turning vacant spaces into vibrant places

Frank Alexander, creator of the Project on Affordable Housing and Community Development at Emory University, will discuss the role of civic engagement.

🕒 noon Sept. 20
📍 Ryals 407
📅 Registration required (lunch is provided)



What are the root causes of perinatal health disparities?

Neonatologist Rasheda Vereen, M.D., will tackle this question in the latest seminar from the Center for Women's Reproductive Health.

🕒 12:30 p.m. Sept. 22
📍 virtual
📅 Register online



How AI can help — or hurt — your research

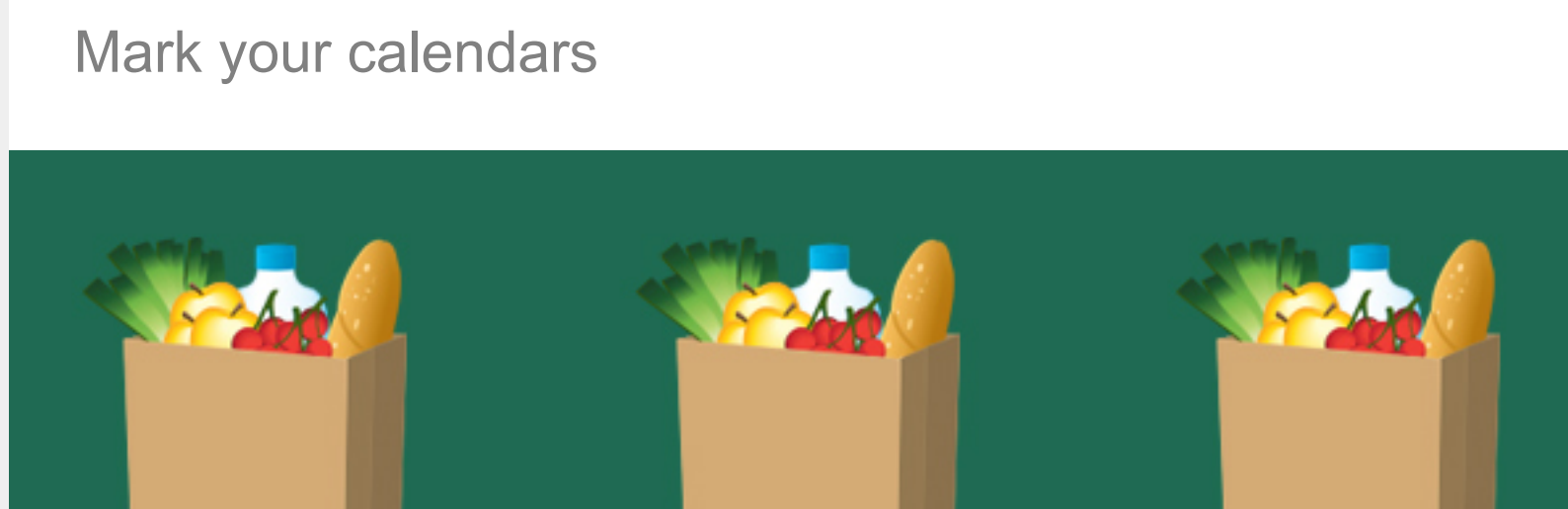
Learn how to use keywords and utilize AI to write emails and update CVs — and how its use could hinder your research process.

🕒 5 p.m. Sept. 27
📍 Sterne Library 163
📅 Register online

Do you want to answer the Southeast's biggest health questions?

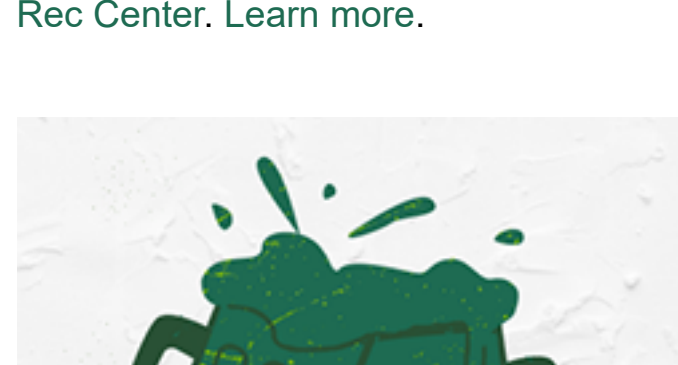
The Center for Clinical and Translational Science Partner Network is accepting pre-applications to their pilot program, which seeks to mitigate health conditions that disproportionately affect the Southeast. See a list of current pilot program awardees. Pre-applications due Oct. 25.

Mark your calendars



Sign up today to fight hunger this Sunday

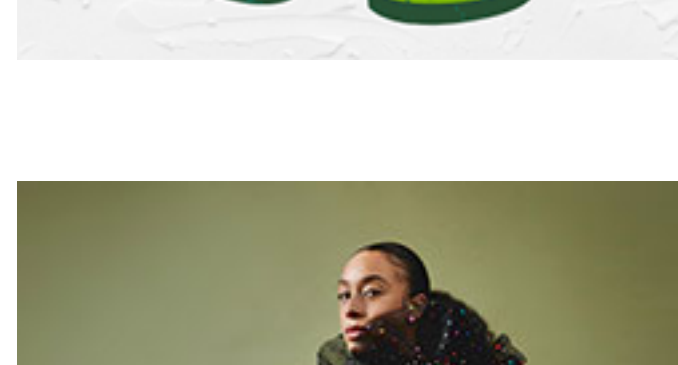
The UAB Benevolent Fund and Collat School of Business are partnering to pack 50,000 healthy, non-perishable meals for individuals on campus and in the local community. A gift of \$24 provides 100 meals. You can sign up to pack from 2-4 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Rec Center. [Learn more.](#)



Raise a glass at Blazer Hops

Get your first drink courtesy of the UAB National Alumni Society at this no-commitment, no-agenda event. Mingle with fellow alums and try your hand at a singing version of bingo.

🕒 6 p.m. Sept. 20
📍 Social Taco
📅 Register online



Get discounts for Corinne Bailey Rae concert

A limited number of discounted tickets are available for UAB employees while supplies last for this stop on the singer-songwriter's years-in-the-making "Black Rainbows" tour.

🕒 6 p.m. Sept. 24
📍 Alys Stephens Center
📅 Buy tickets

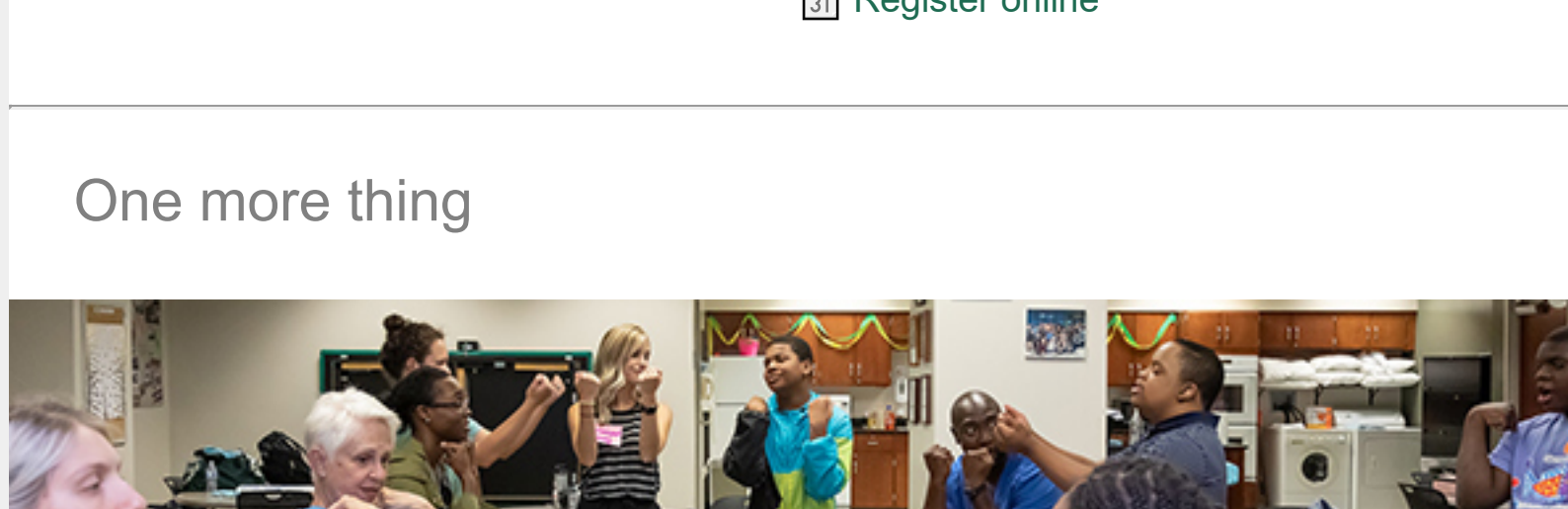


Have a child at UAB? Celebrate your Blazer bond

The annual Legacy Pinning Ceremony bridges past and present — parents who graduated from UAB present a symbolic pin to their children who are currently enrolled.

🕒 5:30 p.m. Oct. 6
📍 Alumni House
📅 Register online

One more thing



Dance for health: How movement benefits brain and body

Human bodies are made to move, says UAB Arts in Medicine artist-in-residence Melissa Turnage, and when they do, "magical" energy can happen in the brain. Turnage leads classes for adolescent and geriatric patients in the UAB Medicine Center for Psychiatric Medicine and for those in addiction recovery. [Read her tips for adding dance to your day.](#)

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