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Campus lab tackles light pollution

Working with UAB Facilities, students and Physics faculty member Michelle Wooten, Ph.D., in the Campus Safe and Healthy Illumination for the Nighttime Environment lab, known as SHINE, aim to dim negative effects for on-campus students, wildlife and the environment.



Mullins to serve in new VP for Strategic Initiatives role

Chief Financial Officer Stephanie Mullins will serve as UAB's inaugural Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, effective Oct. 1.



Sign up to build UAB's next Habitat House

Individuals with a willingness to work can register to volunteer on BlazerPulse, UAB's community engagement platform, for slots available 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on eight dates in September, starting Sept. 6 and ending Sept. 28. Can't be there but want to support the build? Make a contribution online.



Free trial: Kick up your mental focus and self-confidence

A 12-week course in Okinawan karate can help develop physical and mental skills while mastering powerful strikes, blocks and more from Aug. 26-Dec. 6. Free preview class dates are Aug. 29 and Sept. 5. Registration ends Sept. 6. Cost and more details online.

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



Tell students about this on-campus job fair

This career event, held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 29 in the Hill Student Center Ballrooms, is for all UAB students seeking employment opportunities in work-study positions and as student assistants, interns and more. See details online.



Get better at your job over a weekend with these skills

UAB's Resa E. Lewis, M.D., co-author of "Micro Skills: Small Actions, Big Impact," will explain how small skills, learnable in two days, can help you build your career without breaking yourself in a talk 9 a.m. Sept. 4 in West Pavilion, Conference Room E; details online.



New name for student email and you can get on the list

UAB's student-centered email newsletter transitioned to a new name and template this week. Blazer Weekly will continue to be distributed on Wednesdays to all enrolled UAB students. Faculty and staff who would like to subscribe may do so via the UAB Subscription Center.

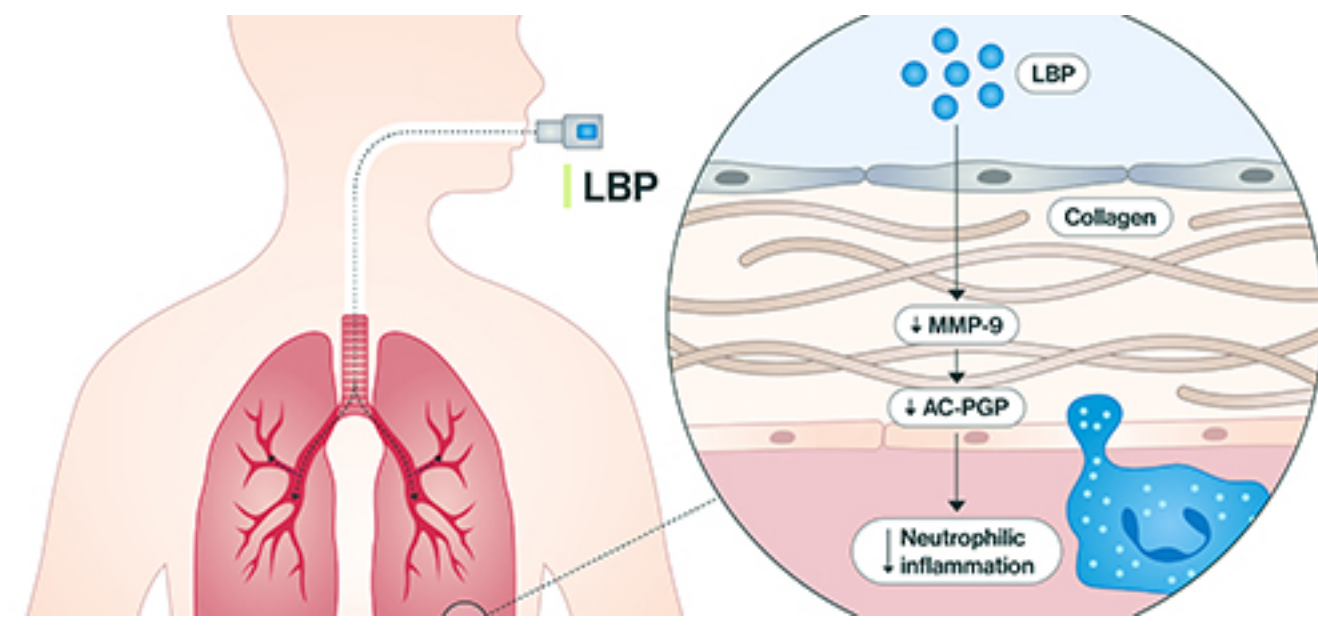
Staff Council to meet Aug. 28

Elected representatives will give updates at the virtual gathering at 8:30 a.m. next week. Staff Council meetings are open to any UAB staff member; register to attend online.

Encourage students to apply for Capitol Scholars Program

The Capitol Scholars Program summer internship in Washington, D.C. gives participants intensive experience with congressional offices, executive branch agencies and advocacy groups to learn leadership skills and the arts of policy research, analysis and advocacy. Applications are due by noon Sept. 23. Learn more at an interest session at 5 p.m. Sept. 10 on Zoom and find additional details online.

Research & learning



Inhaling live bacteria improves lung function

UAB researchers used a powder mixture of Lactobacilli to reduce neutrophilic inflammation and reduce a broad swath of inflammatory markers in preclinical models of the lung diseases COPD and bronchopulmonary dysplasia, which affect millions of older adults and premature infants, respectively.



What is the state of human rights in 2024?

The first Social Justice Cafe of the semester will feature UAB faculty Robert Blanton, Claire Greenstein, Jordan Kiper and Tina Kempin Reuter.

4 p.m. Aug. 28
virtual
Details online



UAB's talent makes us a 2024 APLU awards finalist

The Association of Public and Land-grant Universities has named six university finalists for its 12th annual Innovation & Economic Prosperity Awards. Last year, UAB won the Innovation Award. This year, we are vying for the Talent Award. Winners will be announced in November.



Apply now for 2024 cohort of Innovate Fellows

Innovate Fellows are grad students and postdoctoral fellows who help the Harbert Institute team manage the newest inventions on campus while also exploring careers within technology transfer. Applications will be accepted until Sept. 20.

More learning opportunities

Performance Evaluation: Staff Making the Most of Your Review (in person), 1 p.m. Aug. 27

Performance Evaluation: Staff Making the Most of Your Review (virtual), 9 a.m. Aug. 28

Salesforce Marketing Cloud Training, 12:30 p.m. Aug. 28

Global Health Seminar: Hepatitis B Virus Cure Work, noon Aug. 29

Mark your calendars



Grab your \$10 tickets, your families and your gear

Employees and their families can get \$10 tickets to the season-opening football game against Alcorn State next Thursday, Aug. 29, at Protective Stadium. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

Not sure what to wear or how to pack for stadium security? Check out the overalls and backpacks in this demure video from our stadium team.

Need new Blazers gear for the game? Shop at the UAB Bookstore on campus or on the web and at major retailers around town. See a list online.

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