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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### For UNCG Students

The University Libraries and the University Writing Center are teaming up to help students with end-of-the-semester papers. Writing Center Consultants will be available on the first floor near Reference and Instructional Services in Jackson Library from 9 pm to midnight on Nov. 30-Dec. 2 and Dec. 5-6. Assistance is first-come, first-served. It is not possible to sign up early for appointments. Refreshments will be served all five nights.

## Looking ahead to 2011, please plan to join us! \*flyer attached\*

On Wednesday, January 26, 2011 The UNCG Gerontology Research Network welcomes Guest Speaker Geoffrey Dunbar, MD, presenting Dementia, Alzheimer's Disease, and Drug Delivery Efforts.

Dr. Dunbar is Senior Vice President of Clinical Development and Regulatory Affairs and Chief Medical Officer of Targacept, Inc., a Winston-Salem company exploring pharmaceuticals that selectively interact with neuro-nicotinic receptors to promote therapeutic effects.

Location: UNCG Elliott University Center (EUC) in the Dogwood Room from Noon-1:00 p.m.

Reservations are recommended and appreciated. Contact Lori Kerr, *lakerr@uncg.edu*, 336-256-1020. This event is free and open to the campus and the community courtesy of the UNCG Gerontology Research Network. Park in the Oakland Avenue parking deck at \$1/hour, which is only one block from the event in UNCG's Elliott University Center.

## **NEWS - LOCAL**

## UNC Institute On Aging Seminar for Fall 2010 \*flyer attached\*

The final IOA Seminar of the Fall 2010 Semester will be an ECRA Seminar (Ethnicity, Culture, Race and Aging) and is scheduled for: Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:00 p.m. It will be located at the UNC Institute on Aging, 2nd floor conference room (directions attached in flyer).

The Speaker will be Toni Miles, MD, PhD, a Professor at University of Louisville, the Kent School of Social Work/School of Medicine. The topic of the seminar will be "Health Reform and Health Care Inequity: History, Hype, Hope."

This seminar is free and open to the public. Please help us spread the word to anyone with an interest in this topic. Free parking is available.

For more information, please contact Diane Wurzinger at 919-843-2647 or at diane\_wurzinger@unc.edu.

#### Upcoming Event for Caregivers \*flyer attached.\*

The Adult Center for Enrichment is hosting an upcoming education event for caregivers. There are so many family caregivers in our community that feel isolated. The guest speaker will be Rabbi Havivi has been so gracious to be our guest speaker as it will be hosted at the Synagogue.

For more information, contact Deborah Valiton-Carnish, the Caregiver Support Coordinator with the Adult Center for Enrichment, Inc., at 336-274-3559 or at *dcarnish@acecare.org*. The website is *www.acecare.org*.

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## UNC Institute on Aging \*form attached\*

For more information, contact Libby Phillips, the CARES office assistant, at 919-962-0650 or through email at *ephilli@email.unc.edu*.

# January 2011 CARES Training Events:

Ethics in Everyday Practice When: January 13, 2011

Location: Senior Services, Inc. in Winston-Salem, NC

Registration Fee: \$20.00 Registration Deadline: 1/6/2011 Online Registration Link:

https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=236

Substance Use and Older Adults

When: January 19, 2011

Location: Lee County Senior Services at the Enrichment Center in Sanford, NC

Registration Fee: \$20.00

Registration Deadline: 1/12/2011

Online Registration Link:

https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=235

Beginning With the End in Mind: Refining Your Skills in Termination

When: January 26, 2011

Location: Wilkes County Senior Center in Wilkesboro, NC

Registration Fee: \$20.00

Registration Deadline: 1/19/2011

Online Registration Link:

https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=233

Although they strongly prefer registering online, people can still register via fax (919-962-3653) or mail (see the address below). A registration form is attached to this email.

#### Person-Centered Thinking Training Events:

All registrations for our Person-Centered Thinking events must be processed online via: http://www.abcsignup.com/view/view\_month.aspx?as=60&wp=350&aid=BHRP.



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**NEWS - NATIONAL** 

Student Opportunity: Apply as the AGHE Student Representative on the AGHE Executive Committee, March 2011-2012

Application Deadline: December 17, 2010

AGHE is fast becoming the international leader in advancing education on aging and is the only institutional membership organization devoted primarily to gerontology and geriatrics education since 1974. AGHE's mission is two-fold (1) To advance gerontology and geriatrics education in academic institutions; and (2) To provide leadership and support of gerontology and geriatrics education to faculty and students in educational institutions. AGHE is the educational unit of The Gerontological Society of America (GSA).

The role of the AGHE Student Representative is to facilitate student interests and address student concerns within AGHE. Responsibilities include: serving as a voting member of the AGHE Executive Committee; chairing the AGHE Student Committee; sitting on various AGHE Committees and Task Forces as requested; running events at Annual Meetings of AGHE and GSA; collaborating with Sigma Phi Omega, GSA Emerging Scholars and Professions Organization (ESPO), and coordinating with the AGHE Student Institutional Representatives.

This is a great opportunity for you to assume a leadership role in the gerontology community. The position offers an excellent learning experience involving broad networking and leadership preparation. If you are concerned with student affairs and gerontological education, are innovative, and work well with others, consider applying. Details below:

CRITERIA:

To be considered for the Student Representative position, you must be enrolled in an undergraduate, masters, doctoral, or fellowship program, and must retain student status (full or part-time) for the next two years. In addition, you must be a student at an AGHE member institution (international or non-international). This first year you would serve as the Student Representative Designee (March 2011 through March 2012) to be immediately followed by a year as the Student Representative (March 2012 through March 2013). Finally, you should be able to attend both the GSA and AGHE Annual Meetings, and participate in a monthly AGHE executive committee conference call.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Email a cover letter expressing your interest in applying for the position. Within this letter please address why you are interested in being selected the next AGHE student representative. A current copy of your curriculum vitae should also be attached in this email.

Send these materials to Angela Baker at abaker@aghe.org by December 17, 2010. Send yours in today! For more information about the position, please do not hesitate to contact Jessica Krok, AGHE Student Representative, at <a href="mailto:jkrok@mail.usf.edu">jkrok@mail.usf.edu</a>.

# ITEMS OF INTEREST

Free Coffee for UNCG Students During Exams

Location: Jackson Library, 1st floor

When: 9 pm until it runs out; December 7, 8, 9, 2010 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

The Libraries will provide free coffee, hot chocolate and tea to help you get through that late night studying. Best of luck on exams and have a great holiday!



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## Vote Now for the Alzheimer's Association

The MetLife Foundation invited four non-profit agencies - Alzheimer's Association, the Food Bank of NY, Jump Start, and KaBOOM to participate in a week long Thanksgiving charitable program. Starting Nov 21, MetLife will reach out nationwide and encourage the public to vote for their favorite charity on the program's website. Each charity will receive a minimum donation of \$75,000 to a maximum of \$150,000 based on the number of votes received. Take action and vote for the Alzheimer's Association starting Nov 21 at <a href="https://www.metlife.com/thanksgiving.">www.metlife.com/thanksgiving.</a>

# Entrepreneurship Graduate Classes

The North Carolina Entrepreneurship Center at UNCG, which is run through the UNCG Bryan School of Business and Economics, has three new Entrepreneurship Grad Classes that are in danger of being canceled due to class size. Classes are open to any Visions student (non-degree seeking) which basically means anyone can take it. They have to have an undergrad degree from any accredited college and fill out the application at the Graduate School. <a href="http://www.uncg.edu/grs/visions/">http://www.uncg.edu/grs/visions/</a>. The new student would pay the 3 credits and a small app fee—about \$55 or less. They are also open to any grad student on campus. For more information, contact Jan Szelkowski, the University Program Associate, at <a href="mailto:jiszelko@uncg.edu">jiszelko@uncg.edu</a>, call 336-256-8649, or visit their office at 418 Bryan. You can also visit the website at <a href="http://entrepreneur.uncg.edu">http://entrepreneur.uncg.edu</a>.

### Educational Source: Southern Gerontologist Newsletter

To access the <u>Southern Gerontologist Newsletter</u>, please access it on the SGS website: www.southerngerontologicalsociety.org.

## Two New Courses Offered at UNCG in Spring 2011

ENT 605 Entrepreneurial Family Business and ENT 606 International Entrepreneurship. For more information, please contact Jerry Walsh in the UNCG Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at 336-334-5672.