

What's New?

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Bronco Kickoff 2017: August 7-15

FSU will launch its academic year beginning Monday, August 7, 2017. The weeklong activities culminate with the first day of classes beginning on Tuesday, August 15. Details of the week's schedule including times and locations are on the FSU website at:

<http://www.uncfsu.edu/academic-affairs/meetings-and-information>

This year's activities include:

Monday, August 7:

- Bronco Kickoff New Faculty Orientation
- Student Financial Liaison Certification Program for Faculty
- Sesquicentennial Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 8:

- Academic Affairs General Meeting
- Deans Meetings with Colleges
- Academic Department Meetings

Wednesday, August 9:

- All-Employees Meeting
- Faculty Development Sessions – Day One (All Faculty)
 - Preparing Students for Career Success
 - New Online Tools for Curricular Pathways

Thursday, August 10:

- Grant Writing and Research
- Mentoring & Connecting with Students
- Military-Affiliated Students
- Faculty-Led Study Abroad
- BroncoConnect
- Computer & Network Security
- How Federal Guidelines Can Level the Playing Field for Learners
- One Drive/Office 365
- Smart Classrooms

Friday, August 11

- Tenure, Reappointment and Post-Tenure Review

Saturday, August 12

- Operation Smooth Move-In (Freshmen)

Sunday, August 13

- Freshman Welcoming & Pinning Ceremony

The REEF and Planetarium Facilities Host Capacity Crowds

During June and July, the REEF (Research Education Enrichment Facility) hosted 33 programs (914 attendees) and the Planetarium hosted 32 programs (1,785 attendees), totaling 3,444 in attendance overall.

The FSU Planetarium, built in 1978, shows the sun, moon, and five planets in their correct positions, and 2,354 stars projected on its 30-foot dome. For four decades, children and adults alike have been entertained and informed by shows in the comfort of the 55-seat facility. Dr. Jonathan Breitzer, Department of Chemistry, serves as director. www.uncfsu.edu/planetarium

"The REEF at FSU is one of the few places in Central North Carolina to experience a coral reef, and interact with reef organisms. The facility has two large reef aquariums (300 and 180 gallons). Visitors learn how a coral reef grows and how to identify some reef organisms and handle coral skeletons, as well as its medicinal uses. The 120 gallon "touch tank" also allows visitors to hold and touch brittle stars, sea urchins, and several species of crabs and lobsters." Dr. Stephen J. Salek, Department of Biology, serves as director. www.uncfsu.edu/reef

Last First Steps New Student Orientation for Fall 2017 on August 5

The last First Steps one-day program that provides information and acquaints new fall 2017 students to the campus will be held on **August 5**. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at 910-672-1371.

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Upcoming Events

Note: First Steps, Bronco Kickoff, Sesquicentennial, Fall Preview, Homecoming, and more

- **August 5:** First Steps New Student Orientation
- **August 7-15:** Bronco Kickoff Week – Fall 2017 – For a complete schedule and details, visit:
<http://www.uncc.edu/academic-affairs/meetings-and-information>
- **August 15:** First Day of Class – Fall 2017
- **September 14:** Fall Convocation and Sesquicentennial Launch Events
- **September 30:** Fall Preview 2017
- **October 21:** Homecoming 2017
- **November 9:** Sesquicentennial Deed Signing Commemoration Ceremony