

Message from the Dean

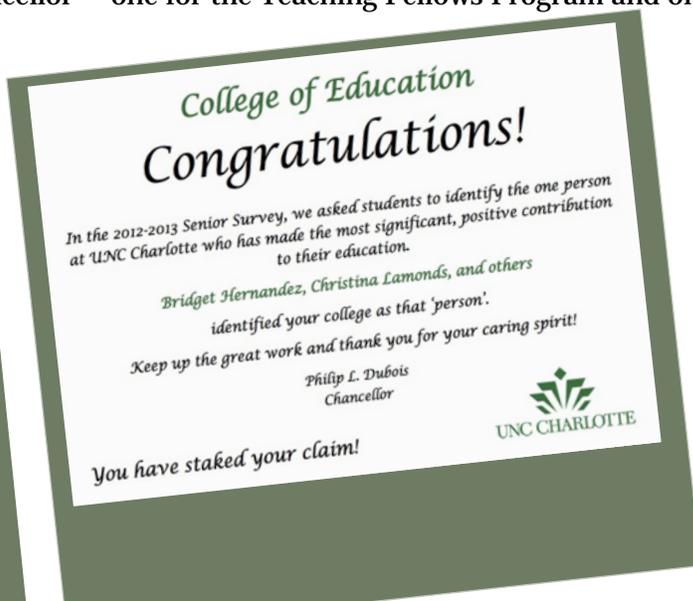
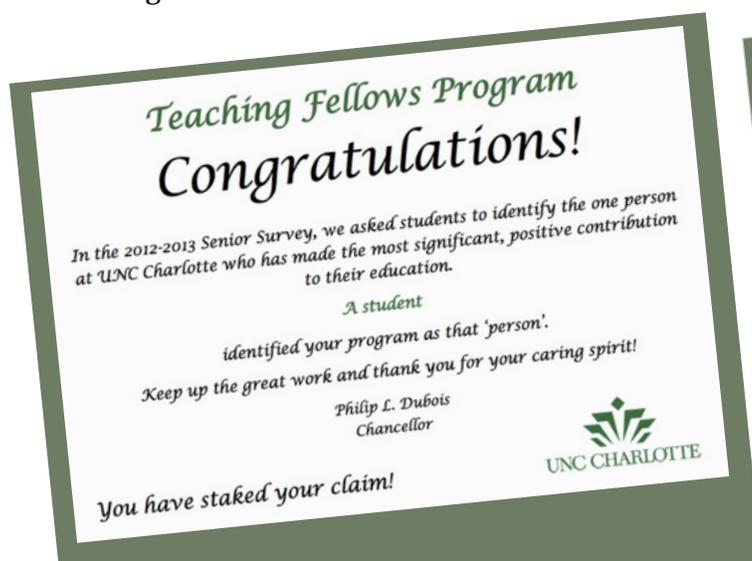
Dear Colleagues,

Thanks, once again, to all of who participated in the NCATE Review. The email from Provost Joan Lorden Monday night was, "Sounded like your team knocked it out of the park! Congratulations!" But then, at the BOE meeting with Chancellor Phil Dubois and Provost Lorden, the team could not stop praising you! Debbie Hill from DPI said she kept hearing from the team, "This is the best I have ever seen!" Thanks to all of YOU -- faculty and staff -- for making this place an incredible College. Thanks again, Melba, for your incredible leadership.

I would also like to say thanks, once more, to those of you who so generously gave to others as part of the Giving Green campaign. I know it is so hard to give right now after so few raises in the last few years. But you *did*, and many people in our Charlotte community will benefit from your generosity. And even more, the College has set a new record for giving! We had 44 percent donate this year, which is double our results from last year. Thank you to Susan and Misty for your leadership.

I know there is no slowing down right now. In fact, things are actually speeding up with all the work around our professional searches. I don't have to tell you how important these are and how we must be very careful to select those who will move our College forward and maintain the positive climate. You can do it; indeed, you have done it over and over. Keep up the excellent work.

Finally, our College received (at least) two notices from Chancellor Dubois about exit interviews of last year's seniors. They asked students to nominate the one person who made the most significant, positive contribution to their education. Some students could not pick just one person, so they nominated entire departments, colleges, centers, or offices. We received TWO nods from the Chancellor -- one for the Teaching Fellows Program and one for the College of Education as a whole.



And now, news from the community:

CMS and UNCC Receive Award

On November 1, **Dr. Lynn Ahlgrim-Delzell** accepted the Shirley S. Schwartz Urban Impact award on behalf of the College of Education from the Council of Great City Schools.



Heath Morrison (CMS Superintendent), Lynn Ahlgrim-Delzell (Assistant Professor UNCC), Ann Clark (CMS Deputy Superintendent), and Mary McCray (Chair CMS Board of Education)

This award honors an outstanding partnership between a university and an urban school system that has a significant impact on student learning. The Charlotte Teachers Institute was a special point of mention in the award, which includes a \$2,000 scholarship to a CMS student to attend UNCC as an education major.

On November 1, **Dr. Brenda McMahon** led a workshop on Student Engagement and the Creation of Positive School Climates at the *Equity, Engagement, Teaching, and Learning (EETL) Conference* held at Brock University in Ontario, Canada.

Congratulations ...

To **Dr. Bobbi Siefert** (Ph.D. Curriculum & Instruction TESL Strand 2013) who has accepted an Assistant Professorship at Furman University, Greenville, SC for January 2014.

And to **Dr. Karen Cross** who received the National Board of Professional Teaching Renewal on October 31.

The mission of the College of Education at UNC Charlotte is to prepare highly effective and ethical professionals who have a positive impact on children, youth, families, community, and schools and who are successful in urban and other diverse settings. This mission is accomplished through teaching, research, and community engagement that lead to improved practice and by working in partnership with schools, communities, and university colleagues.

Featured Upcoming Events

November 9

What's Next for Public Education in the Charlotte Metro? *Panel Discussion featuring Dean Ellen McIntyre as Moderator*

<http://stayingaheadcarolina-orgf.eventbrite.com/>

Sponsored by: Staying Ahead Carolina

November 14

Celebration of Teaching

<http://education.uncc.edu/oeo/events/celebration-teaching>

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Misty Hathcock

November 14-15

Attachment Security Intervention with Caregivers,

<http://education.uncc.edu/oeo/events/attachment-security-intervention-caregivers>

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Phyllis Post

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New Publications

Byrd, W. C., **Dika, S. L.**, & Ramlal, L. T. (2013). [Who's in STEM? An exploration of race, ethnicity, and citizenship reporting in a federal education dataset.](#) *Equity & Excellence in Education*, 46(4), 484-501. doi:0.1080/10665684.2013.838485

Kissau, S., & Salas, S. (2013). Motivating male language learners: The need for “more than just good teaching.” *Canadian Journal of Applied Linguistics*, 16 (1). Available at [http://journals.hil.unb.ca/index.php/CJAL/article/view/21055.](http://journals.hil.unb.ca/index.php/CJAL/article/view/21055)

Jolly, J. L. & **Matthews, M. S.** (2014). Sidney P. Marland, Jr.: The Commissioner (1914-1992). In A. Robinson & J. L. Jolly (Eds.), *A century of contributions to gifted education: Illuminating lives* (pp. 289-301). New York, NY: Routledge.

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