



The HSS Report

Spring 2020



Awards & Recognition

The College of Humanities & Social Sciences hosts **Honors Convocation** each year during Academic Excellence Week, a week dedicated to recognizing the academic achievement of students and the scholarly excellence of faculty at UNC. HSS would like to recognize our outstanding students from each of our programs as well as our faculty award winners for the following:

College Scholar Award - Dr. Kyle Ward (Criminology & Criminal Justice)
Diversity in the Classroom Award - Corey Evans (Africana Studies)
Excellence in Teaching Award - Karla Del Carpio (World Languages & Cultures)
Excellence in Service and Advising Award - Chelsie Romulo (Geography, GIS, & Sustainability)

CONGRATULATIONS!

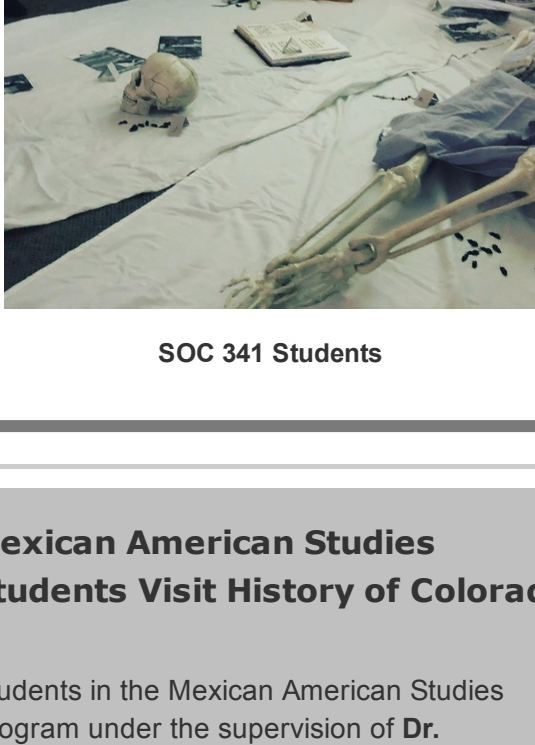
[View the full program of HSS Awardees](#)

Gloria Monzon (World Languages & Cultures) has been awarded the **College of Education and Behavioral Sciences Graduate Scholar Award** from the Teacher Education: Educational Technology, Ph.D. program. This award ceremony was also scheduled to take place during Academic Excellence Week.

Student Highlights

History Students Reenact the Black Plague

The Methods of Teaching Social Studies (SOSC 341) class participated in a reenactment of the black plague. This activity for our future teachers helped them to learn how to do large group activities and help students hone their historical analysis skills.



SOC 341 Students

UPCOMING DATES

Individual Course & Complete Schedule Withdrawal Deadline for Spring Courses

April 17, 2020 (Full semester courses)

Final Exams for Spring Courses

May 4-8, 2020

Final Spring Semester Grades Due

May 13, 2020

S/U or Pass/Fail Grading Option Deadline to Submit for Spring Courses

May 29, 2020 - 5:00pm

Diplomas Available

June 29, 2020

12 Week Summer Session Dates

Session runs from 5/18-8/7

Add Deadline May 18, 2020

Drop Deadline May 28, 2020

1st 6 Week Summer Session Dates

Session runs from 5/18-6/26

Add Deadline May 20, 2020

Drop Deadline May 22, 2020

2nd 6 Week Summer Session Dates

Session runs from 6/29-8/7

Add Deadline July 1, 2020

Drop Deadline July 6, 2020

Summer Grades Due

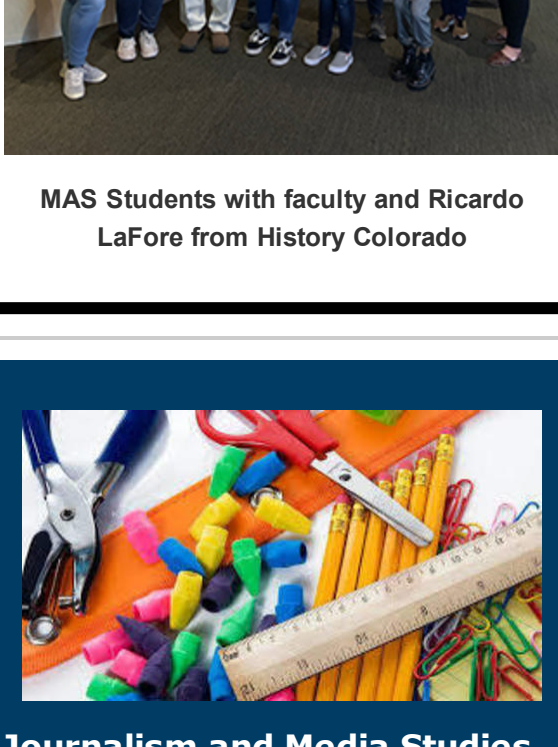
August 12, 2020

Reminder: Submit your events to the [UNC Calendar](#) and [email us](#) your posters and/or event details!

[All Events at UNC >](#)

Mexican American Studies Students Visit History of Colorado

Students in the Mexican American Studies Program under the supervision of **Dr. Jonathan Alcántar** and **Dr. Priscilla Falcon** traveled to History Colorado in late February for the **exhibit on El Movimiento Chicano**. Ricardo LaFore provided a guided tour of the El Movimiento exhibit and also introduced students to the new production of, **"Year of La Chicana"** which featured the celebration of Chicana accomplishments in Pueblo, Denver, and Greeley.



MAS Students with faculty and Ricardo LaFore from History Colorado

Advising Corner

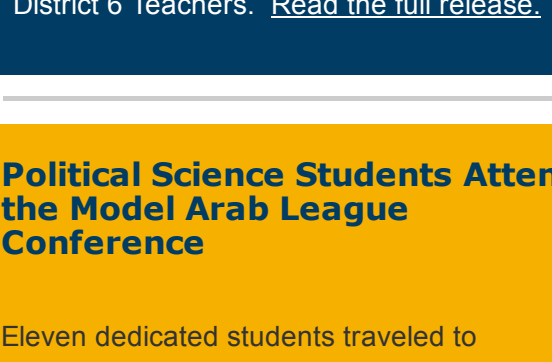
The [Student Success Resource Center](#) supports students in HSS majors, minors, and classes. **The coaches can help students with questions about holds, registration errors, classroom strategies, and COVID support.**

Email hss.student.success@unco.edu or schedule a conversation:

To schedule a conversation with [Hayley Blackburn](#)

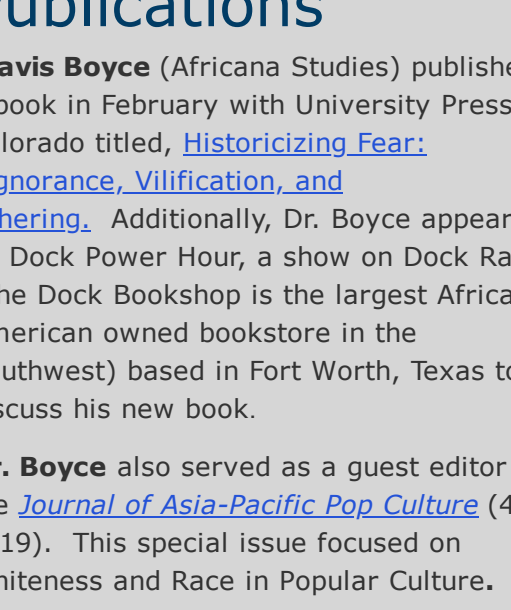
To schedule a conversation with [Rebecca Young](#)

[View the S/U Grading Support Flow Chart](#)



Journalism and Media Studies Class Raises Money for Classroom Supplies

Strategic Communications Campaign Class (JMS 481) raises over \$3,000 to help District 6 Teachers. [Read the full release.](#)



Publications

Travis Boyce (Africana Studies) published a book in February with University Press of Colorado titled, [Historicizing Fear: Ignorance, Vilification, and Othering](#). Additionally, Dr. Boyce appeared on Dock Power Hour, a show on Dock Radio (The Dock Bookshop is the largest African American owned bookstore in the Southwest) based in Fort Worth, Texas to discuss his new book.

Dr. Boyce also served as a guest editor for the [Journal of Asia-Pacific Pop Culture](#) (4.2, 2019). This special issue focused on Whiteness and Race in Popular Culture.

Harmony Newman (Sociology and Gender Studies) co-authored an article with Adrianna Smell, a Sociology graduate student titled, ["Multi-tiered Mentorship Models: Increasing the Learning Outcomes of Underserved Populations"](#) in the *Journal of Applied Social Sciences*, 14(1), 23-29.

Tara Wood (English) co-authored a journal article, ["Connecting Writing Programs and Faculty with Disability Services"](#) that was published in *Kairos Praxis Wiki: Rhetoric, Technology, and Pedagogy*, vol. 24, no. 2 (Spring 2020).

Faculty Shout-Out
Chelsie Romulo (Geography, GIS, & Sustainability) joined a NoCo project that was formed to create face shield masks for health care workers who are battling the COVID-19 pandemic.

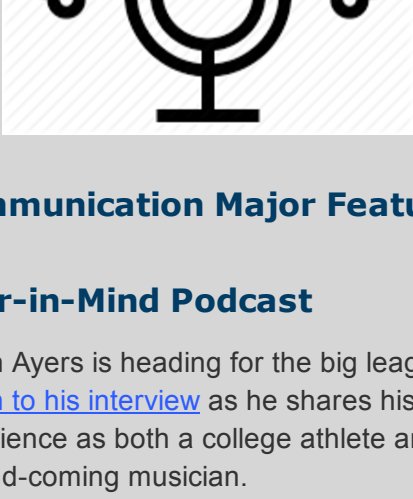
[View the full release.](#)

Political Science Students Attend the Model Arab League Conference

Eleven dedicated students traveled to Brigham Young University in Provo, UT in February to represent UNC at the annual regional Model Arab League conference. Participants spent nearly 13 hours working in formal parliamentary procedure researching, debating, and writing detailed resolutions to help solve real issues that face the Arab world.

UNC's delegates, **Abderahman Sweidan** and **Brandon Marble**, received the **Distinguished Delegation Award** for their representation of the Republic of Yemen.

Katherine Ashcraft and **Matthew Cowher** also received the **Distinguished Delegation Award** for their representation of the Union of the Comoros.



Communication Major Featured on Bear-in-Mind Podcast

Quinn Ayers is heading for the big leagues. [Listen to his interview](#) as he shares his experience as both a college athlete and an up-and-coming musician.

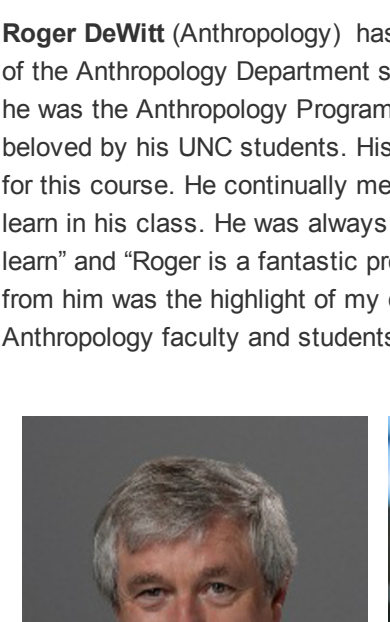
Dearfield Dream Project

Seeking Volunteers!

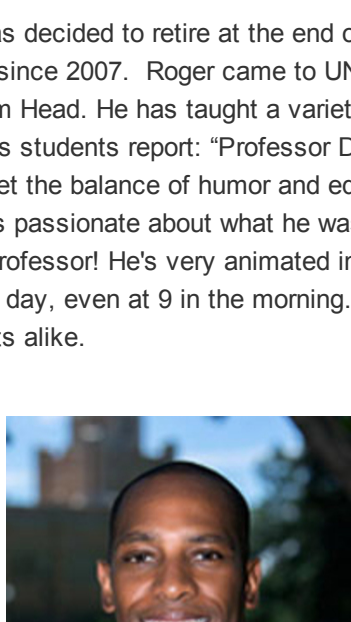
To assist with historic building clean-up and stabilization and installation of anti-vandal security measures from summer through fall. The work will take place in the town of Dearfield, located 26 miles east of Greeley. For more information or to register to volunteer, please contact:

[George Junne@unco.edu](mailto:George.Junne@unco.edu) or [Robert Brunswick@unco.edu](mailto:Robert.Brunswick@unco.edu)

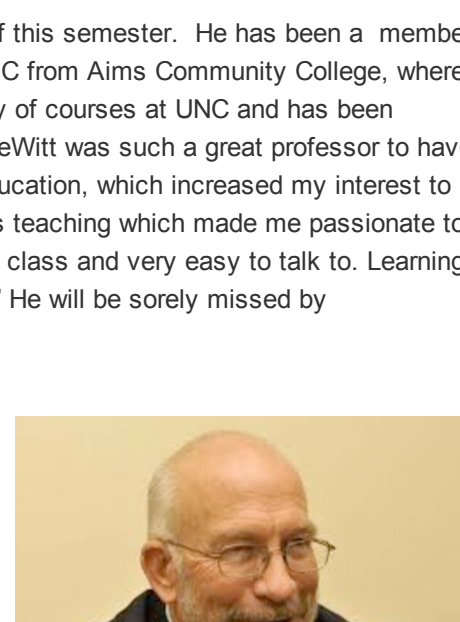
More information is available on the UNC Engage Dearfield [website](#).



Alan Price



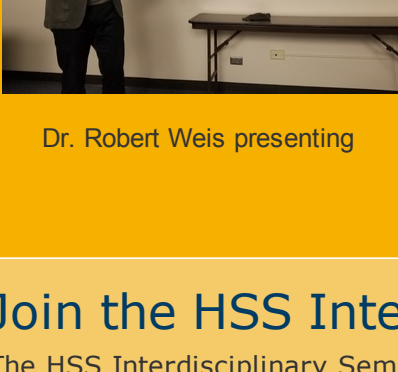
Dr. Travis Boyce



Roger Dewitt



Dr. Christian Appy presenting the release of the the pentagon papers



Dr. Robert Weis presenting

Scholarly Activity

Dr. Christian Appy from the University of Massachusetts Amherst came to visit as our **William E. Hewitt Distinguished Scholar**. He spoke to classes and gave a lecture on the **release of the pentagon papers**. Students also got to learn about collecting oral histories, listening to stories, and the Vietnam War.

Tara Wood (English) has been invited as a **featured Summer Scholar** from North Dakota State University to teach a concentrated graduate course in Fargo, ND this June. Each year Graduate Studies invites a nationally recognized scholar to participate in their one-week intensive graduate course.

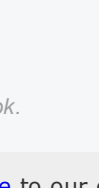
Dr. Robert Weis (History) presented **"Clumsy, Terrorists: Youth, Religion, and Violence in 1920 Mexico"** as part of the **HSS Interdisciplinary Seminar Series** in February. The presentation was based on his recently published book, **For Christ and Country**. The seminar offered new insights on how diverse sectors experienced the aftermath of the Revolution by exploring religious, political, and cultural contentions of the 1920s.

Join the HSS Interdisciplinary Seminar Series

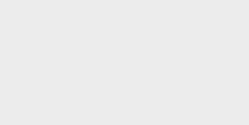
The HSS Interdisciplinary Seminar Series, founded by **Dennis Aguirre** in Mexican American Studies, will include monthly talks that feature the latest scholarship in Humanities and Social Sciences. Dr. Aguirre has once again **been awarded a grant from the William E. Hewitt Institute for History and Social Science Education** to support the series. Speakers include UNC faculty from across campus as well as speakers from universities around the country. These seminars foster collegiality, intellectual exchange, and encourage creativity and scholarly achievement. Undergraduate and Graduate students are encouraged to attend. The intent of the Interdisciplinary Seminar Series is the promotion of the vibrant intellectual culture at UNC exemplified by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Call for Presenters—Those interested in presenting their research as part of the HSS Interdisciplinary Seminar Series are invited to submit a short abstract and C.V. to Dennis.Aguirre@unco.edu.

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