

Welcome Back and Happy New Year!



Welcome to 2018 at UNA! We always rejoice when students, faculty, and staff return to campus for another semester. The new year brings ample opportunity for positive change and UNA delights in recognizing success. Therefore, we look forward to Spring 2018! We are confident this semester will be the best one yet! Thank you for your continued dedication to the UNA community. We are glad you are here!

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Office of Institutional Research

The Office of Academic Affairs is pleased to announce the following changes. The institutional research department will now be known as the Office of Institutional Research. Bliss Adkison, Assessment Analyst, has relocated offices to the Office of Academic Affairs. Nathan Pitts, former Senior Research Analyst, has now been named as Interim Associate Director. Congratulations!



Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day

The 4th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day will take place from 10:00am-12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 15, 2018 in the Guillot University Center (GUC) on UNA's campus.

Students and members of the community will have the opportunity to help out their local food pantries by packaging food in an interactive and exciting environment. The first 300 volunteers will receive a free t-shirt for participating. It will be, "A Day On, Not A Day Off," and a great way to honor and remember Dr. King.

UNA Congratulates Dr. Paulk!



On October 11, 2017, Dr. Amber Paulk, University of North Alabama Associate Professor of Sociology and Family Studies, received the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Award for Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising. Dr. Paulk is the first UNA faculty member to receive this honor. Established in 1983, the NACADA Annual Awards Program for Academic Advising honors individuals and institutions making significant contributions to the improvement of academic advising.

Grant Research Proposals

UNA seeks application submissions for 2017-2018 academic research grants. The University Research Committee considers requests for support of scholarly projects in any discipline within the university. All applicants must e-mail research proposals to Dr. Kang, Committee Chair, by January 19, 2018.



Jason McCall, Assistant Professor for the English Department, is a native of Montgomery, Alabama. He holds an MFA from the University of Miami, and his poetry collections include *Two-Face God; Dear Hero;* *Silver; I Can Explain;* and *Mother, Less Child*. He and P.J. Williams are the editors of *It Was Written: Poetry Inspired by Hip-Hop*.

New Faculty

Open Invitation

We invite your feedback and stories to make the newsletter more beneficial to campus. Please send submissions with pictures to:

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