



UNCW DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

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February 2016

Welcome

Spring 2016 has brought us to a place of change and new beginnings. You've embarked on a fresh semester with new classes, and Disability Resource Center finds itself welcoming new staff and current staff in new roles as well. Last semester marked the end of a long and impactful career for Dr. Peggy Turner, DRC Director. Dr. Turner retired after many years in education, the last 18 spent serving UNCW. While plans are made for the future of the department, I will be acting as Interim Director. You may find it more difficult at times to drop in without an appointment, but our goal is to ensure DRC sustains high quality, student-focused service at the level to which we've become known.

With change comes renewal, and for our office it is no different. DRC is always considering how to better support individuals with disabilities and those working with them at UNCW and in the community. That's why we are excited to have a new Disability Resource Coordinator, **RJ Kilgore**, with us. You can read more about him (below), but RJ's skills and interests make him a huge asset to DRC and we hope to you as well. Please stop by if you haven't met him and to introduce yourself. I'm certain he'll make an impression.

We encourage you to take full advantage of the accommodations and services available through DRC, including SEA.lab, test proctoring, and our quiet areas for studying and working during the day.

All the best in 2016~



Dr. Chris Stone
Interim Director

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Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm*

*Closed until 9:30 am, Tuesdays

*No Tests Scheduled After

1:00 pm on Fridays

(Office open for regular business)

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**I Am Not Afraid of Storms, For I Am Learning
How to Sail My Ship. ~Louisa May Alcott**



INTRODUCING RJ: DRC WELCOMES ITS NEW COORDINATOR

Greetings everyone,

My name is Richard Kilgore, but everyone calls me "RJ." I am new to the staff here at UNCW DRC and I am excited to have the opportunity to assist students in achieving their education goals. I'm a native of Charlotte, NC. I attended Winston-Salem State University for my undergrad and graduate school, and have a background in Rehabilitation Counseling. It's afforded me the opportunity to work with students with disabilities in various academic settings. In my spare time I enjoy outdoor activities such as hunting and fishing. I also enjoy cooking/grilling and experimenting with new recipes. My favorite items to grill are leg of lamb, pork shoulders, and briskets.

I am looking forward to working with each of you. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at the DRC. Thank you!

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Feb 19 Deadline for Voter Registration

In order to vote in the upcoming primaries, eligible voters will need to be registered with their home states and districts by February 19.

NC and out-of-state voter applications are available at DRC, but The Office of Student Leadership and Engagement, in conjunction with Student Government Association, will be tabling throughout the week to ensure that students are able to get registered.

February 15	10 am-2 pm: In front of the Library
February 16	10 am-2 pm: Fisher Student Center
February 17	10 am-2 pm In front of the Library

Students can also stop by OSLE from 8:00am – 5:00pm, Monday through Friday and submit their voter registration paperwork.



“The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.”
~ Confucius

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ADVOCATE?

In 2013, a small group of students formed the **Disability Advocacy Council (DAC)**, a student organization aimed toward advocating on behalf of students with disabilities at UNCW. These organizers were a combination of individuals with disability and allies committed to providing a forum in which members could:

- 1) address challenges faced by disabled students on campus,
- 2) discuss possible solutions, and
- 3) develop strategies to present these issues to the University.

DAC has been inactive of late and is danger of being lost if not reregistered soon. In an effort to help, DRC would like to arrange an informational meeting for students who may be interested in providing leadership for the remainder of this semester and forward into the next year.

Disability Advocacy Council Informational Session

Meetings will be scheduled based on interest & availability:

<http://doodle.com/poll/gzzpkx85trgt6tv9>

Check out the DRC website for more information, including previous newsletters with messages from **Campus Recreation and Campus Activities & Involvement (CAIC)**:

<http://uncw.edu/disability/>

The UNCW Counseling Center's *In-Harmony* program invites you to **Meditation: 4-5 pm, Tuesdays, through April 26.**

Fisher Student Center, 2019

<http://uncw.edu/counseling/inharmony/>

Career Services: Supporting Your Career Search

The UNCW Career Center is a comprehensive career counseling and resource center dedicated to empowering students and alumni as active participants in their own career development. Their goal is to meet the needs of UNCW students, alumni, faculty, staff, and parents.



Career Success Week is February 15-17. Visit their website for information about these events and more: <http://www.uncw.edu/career/careersuccessweek.html>

- Network & Etiquette Night - February 15
- Career Fair - February 16
- On-Campus Interview Day - February 17
- Financial Planning Workshop - February 17



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