



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE

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## Updates from the Director

First - a big thank you to all of the HIA and DSBA alumni who responded to the SDS survey! This is profoundly important to our programs and the School. It gives us invaluable insights as to your successes and opportunities for us to innovate and improve. We are excited to share the results in the coming weeks.

For current students, please keep a close eye on your student account/bill. There are some changes that are in the works for the Tuition Increments both for the HIA and DSBA programs. The changes should not impact current HIA and DSBA students, but it may take time to sort it out with Student Accounts. We appreciate your patience as we sort it out. Please feel free to reach out to Carly or me if you have questions. We send you best wishes for a successful end of semester!

-Josh

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# Student RESOURCES

The graphic features the word 'Student' in a large, elegant, dark green script font, with the word 'RESOURCES' in a smaller, bold, gold-colored sans-serif font below it. The background is a light, textured grey.

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## Featured Student & Alumni

This week we're highlighting Iván Flores Martínez, '23 who will graduate in May with his DSBA and continue studying towards his PhD in Public Policy! Originally from Mexico, Iván was awarded the Graduate School Summer Fellowship and the **Thomas Reynolds Graduate Research Award**.

More of his accomplishments can be found in the **full interview**.



[READ MORE](#)

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## ISACA CLT Chapter Scholarship

The ISACA has a scholarship program offering three scholarships at \$2,000 each this spring, and another four \$2,000 scholarships in the fall. Applications are due April 30!

[Apply Now!](#)

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## Exam Schedule

The [Exam schedule for the Spring Semester](#) is posted. Please be sure to look up your final days and times. If you are unsure of a final day/time, please reach out to the instructor of the course for clarification.

- If a student has three (3) exams scheduled for the same day, University policy allows that student to reschedule the middle exam. A make-up exam is arranged *by mutual agreement* between the instructor and the students.
- If a student has two (2) exams scheduled for the same day and time, a make-up exam is arranged *by mutual agreement* between the student and one of the course instructors.
- If you have an exam conflict, you may submit this [Final Examination Conflict Form](#).
- View the [University Policy 202, Final Examinations](#)

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## Commencement Information



The ceremony for students in the HIAN and DSBA programs will be held on Friday, May 12th. The undergraduate ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 13th. Both events will be held in Halton Arena. The University has a dedicated website for all things related to graduation ceremonies.

### May 2023 Commencement Ceremonies

The School of Data Science is excited to welcome a new group of alumni and celebrate the achievements of our students. As questions arise about graduation, please be sure to reference and share the [Commencement site](#).

- [Friday, May 12 | 3 p.m. Graduate School Ceremony](#)  
Doctoral, Master's, Graduate Certificates for All Programs
- [Saturday, May 13 | 3 p.m. Undergraduate Ceremony](#)  
College of Arts + Architecture  
Belk College of Business  
College of Computing & Informatics

## Summer Courses at Charlotte

If you are enrolled for summer courses at Charlotte, please be sure to double check start and end dates associated with the course. The add/drop deadline for all [summer courses](#) are extremely quick, often only the second day of the course for a Term A or a Term B course so being attentive to materials needed, Canvas and start dates are recommended for overall success.

## Summer Courses at Another Institution

If you are an undergraduate student who is planning on attending **another institution** this summer, please keep in mind that you must submit an Undergraduate Petition. This can be located in Banner under your Student Services/Student Accounts tab and by looking under Student Records. The petition type that should be selected is “transient study”. Once the course is completed and a grade has been assigned, students are responsible for requesting an official transcript be sent to the Charlotte Registrar’s Office to be updated on your Charlotte transcript.

## HIA in the News

*The following news articles come from AMIA’s daily (free) newsletter, Informatics SmartBrief. Sign up today to receive this free resources*

### **Informatics will play key role in combating next pandemic**

Health and clinical informatics helped health care providers adhere to state and federal protocols, analyze data, track symptoms of COVID-19, and spot and monitor different variants of the SARS-CoV-2 virus during the pandemic, and the field can play a vital role in ensuring that entities are better prepared for the next health emergency, senior analytics manager Bhavini Kaneria writes. Another pandemic is inevitable, writes Kaneria, who adds that “[t]he level at which governments and health care organizations are prepared to respond to these threats is key to managing the spread of disease, reducing loss of life, and minimizing long-term economic and health impacts for millions of people around the world.”

**FULL  
STORY**

### **HEALTH DATA SCIENCE & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: How AI enhances the patient experience, outcomes**

Artificial intelligence is being deployed in health care to gather information to answer patient questions, get vaccines and drugs to patients faster through speedier clinical trials, boost diagnostics via analysis of big data, and inform treatment decisions by analyzing medical images and helping find abnormalities. AI also helps clinicians communicate more regularly with patients, deliver proactive care and predict patient issues, all of which enhance care and outcomes, experts say.

**FULL  
STORY**

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# Featured Job

## OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for more internships and job postings? Log into [Hire-a-Niner](#) or use their convenient [School of Data Science aggregator](#).

### Full-Time Positions

- **MSC : [Enterprise Data Analytics Rotation role](#)**. MSC is a leading North American distributor of metalworking and maintenance, repair and operations (MRO) products and services.
- **Red Ventures: [Junior Data Science Role](#)**

# Important

## INFORMATION

### IMPORTANT DATES

- [May 2, 2023](#): Last day of classes
- [May 3, 2023](#): Reading Day
- [May 4, 2023 to May 11, 2023](#): Final Examinations begin
- [May 6, 2023](#): Final Examinations for Saturday classes
- [May 12, 2023](#): **Commencement**- 3:00 p.m. | Graduate School Ceremony (*Doctoral, Master's, Graduate Certificates for All Programs*)
- [May 13, 2023](#): **Commencement** - 3:00 p.m. | Undergraduate Ceremony (*College of Computing & Informatics/SDS*)
- [May 22, 2023](#): First Day of Classes- Summer School

### News for HIA Students: Digital Health Highlights for March 2023 from Circle Squared

Below please find a link to download the March edition of Digital Health

Highlights, which contains excerpts from our monthly review of health information technology and consumer health and technology trends.

[VIEW REPORT](#)

## Submit your Resume!

The new Summer 2023 SDS Resume Books are open. In the past, the SDS has set up resume submission sites for students seeking internships or full-time positions for summer. We will share these resume books with industry partners seeking full or internship candidates throughout the spring semester. If you are interested in submitting your resume for consideration, please use the links below:

- [SDS Resume Book- Full-Time Positions Summer 2023](#)
- [SDS Resume Book- Internships Summer 2023](#)

*Important!*

TO READ THE ENTIRE NEWSLETTER CLICK "[VIEW ENTIRE MESSAGE](#)" AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS EMAIL FOR JOB OPPORTUNITIES!

*Mark Your*  
**CALENDAR**

**[FINDING FUNDING AS A GRADUATE STUDENT:](#)  
Julie Goodliffe, Assistant Dean for Funding and Research**

**[Virtual Session | April 25, 2023 - 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM](#)**

Pivot is the world's largest database of funding from government and non-profit organizations, looking to provide money for academic research and education. Currently, over \$107 Billion in opportunities are open in Pivot, with deadlines

coming up this year with billions available for everything from education and social sciences to physical sciences and medicine. Graduate students can search for opportunities, including fellowships, internships, predoctoral grants, and travel funding, and have Pivot send regular emails with new opportunities as they are added. Come learn how to find funding in Pivot, and gain the knowledge you can use as a student, faculty member, clinician, or nonprofit leader.

[REGISTER](#)

## UNC Charlotte/ABD Seminar: Elevating the Automation Mindset

[Dubois Center, Room 501 | April 27, 2023, 4:00-5:00 pm](#)

Swaroop Yalla, Managing Director for Bank of America's Global Risk will offer our final networking session for spring. Swaroop Yalla heads the Process Automation and Optimization center of excellence at Bank of America. His team is tasked with digital transformation to automate, minimize risk in manual processes, reduce costs, and making it easier for the bank to serve clients. Swaroop has also led varied analytical teams in Digital and Risk at Bank of America as Head of Enterprise Portfolio Analytics and Head of Client Intelligence Digital Analytics. In his prior roles, Swaroop was a Wall Street Analyst and Trader covering the real estate sector with Morgan Stanley and was Head of Credit Portfolio Strategies at KeyCorp. Refreshments will be served, please join for this final spring seminar!

**ABD SOCIETY**

### ELEVATING THE AUTOMATION MINDSET

**LIVE DISCUSSION**

**SWAROOP YALLA,**  
**PHD CFA**  
BANK OF AMERICA  
MANAGING DIRECTOR, GLOBAL  
RISK MANAGEMENT; HEAD OF  
OPTIMIZATION AND  
AUTOMATION COEP

ANALYTICS AND BIG DATA (ABD) SOCIETY  
&  
THE SCHOOL OF DATA SCIENCE AT  
UNC CHARLOTTE

THURSDAY, APRIL 27  
4:00 - 5:00 PM

UNC CHARLOTTE CENTER CITY  
ROOM 501  
320 E 9TH ST.  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

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## Moody's Technology Career Fair

[Tuesday, May 2, 2023 | 4:00 - 6:00 pm, Moody's Charlotte Office](#)

Come join Moody's on Tuesday, May 2 as we host a Technology Career Fair in our Charlotte, NC office. You will have the opportunity to socialize with our technology leaders and learn how we are disrupting the integrated risk assessment space with our cutting-edge technology.



LEARN MORE & REGISTER

## 2023 NC Public Health Data Summit & Hackathon

May 15-16, 2023 | Benton Convention Center, Winston-Salem

We are on a bold path forward to strengthen the NC public health data ecosystem – through connection, capacity, and clarity. Let's gather & help fuel the momentum to assure that North Carolina's Local Health Departments, and their stakeholders, have the data they need, when and how they need it, to drive improvement & support community-wide well-being. Who should attend: State and local public health leaders and staff, epidemiologists, programmers, qualitative researchers, data analysts, program evaluators, college and university faculty and students, community-based organizations, state and local leadership, or anyone who loves data, public health, and the intersection of the two! (**Draft Agenda**)

Registration will be limited to 300 attendees, so don't wait, **register now!**

- \$140/person for both days
- \$75/day for either Monday or Tuesday
- Student Registration is \$50 for both days, \$25 for one day

## Inclusive Data Hackathon





A [digitalpage.org](https://digitalpage.org) Hackathon

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**May 13th - June 16th | Virtual**

The Inclusive Data Hackathon is a five-week virtual event organized by [Digital Page](https://digitalpage.org), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Charlotte, NC, with a mission to change the face of the Technology and Design Industry while empowering the under-represented. Digital Page is teaming up with Capgemini, bringing a unique training focused hackathon designed to give future leaders the edge needed to succeed in tomorrow's data-driven landscape.

- **Who can participate?** Post-Graduate students, pursuing or having recently completed a data & analytics related Master's, Ph.D. or Certificate Program or working professionals with less than 3 years of experience.
- **Themes** – Generative AI & ESG
- **Registration Link**

MORE  
INFO

**To Learn More and Register for  
Upcoming SDS Events  
Visit the [SDS News & Events Page](#)**

# Alumni

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### Updating Alumni Information



Keep your contact information current, you'll be sure to receive the latest information on SDS alumni events, news, announcements and more. With more than 100,000 UNC Charlotte alumni and 500 (and growing) from the School of Data Science, you can connect with other fellow graduates around the globe. Click [here](#) to update your contact and/or professional information.

### Campus Wide Recruitment: UNC Charlotte's Career Center

If your company is looking to target new talent, a reminder for alumni that Hire-a-Niner is still available to you- *as an employer*. You can limit your reach to students- graduate and undergraduate- enrolled in the School of Data Science or target the entire campus. *Please let us know when you post and we will make sure that it also gets featured in the regular SDS newsletters.*

#### **Posting Jobs & Internships**

Setting up an Employer Hire-A-Niner Account:

1. Visit <https://hireaniner.uncc.edu/employer>
2. Please note this is your first invitation to view our policies. "Welcome Employers! Please read our [Employer Policies](#). By using Hire-A-Niner, you agree to adhere to these policies. Please contact our employer team with any questions at [recruitUNCC@uncc.edu](mailto:recruitUNCC@uncc.edu)."
3. Click "Register For A Hire-A-Niner Account"
4. Complete the information, and click "Submit"
5. You will receive a system-generated email confirming receipt of your registration request
6. Within 2 business days, your account will be reviewed for approval

Once you have access to Hire-A-Niner, you will be able to post/manage positions and choose from the many different recruiting services and events we offer each semester. If you are interested in discussing other recruitment and

branding opportunities with the University Career Center, we encourage you to connect with our Employer Engagement Team at [recruit@uncc.edu](mailto:recruit@uncc.edu).

**GET CONNECTED with SDS!**  
Feel free to join the School of Data Science GroupMe and Slack Channel for regular updates.

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