



# UNCG Gerontology Research Network

Facilitating Transdisciplinary Aging-related Research at UNCG

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **The UNCG Gerontology Research Network's Lunch and Learn Series featuring Dr. Peng Du** \*Press Release Attached\*

-Tuesday, **April 6, 2010** from 12:00-1:00pm following an 11:45 a.m. luncheon held in the Kirkland Room in the UNCG Elliot University Center. The presentation title is "Population Aging and Social Gerontology Research in China".

-If you are unable to attend, there will be a link to the conference on the UNCG Gerontology website allowing you to listen to his presentation live while viewing his presentation slides. You'll have an opportunity to text in questions via a chat feature. A link to Dr. Du's talk on the UNCG Gerontology webpage: <http://www.uncg.edu/gro> will be posted on Tuesday, April 6, 2010. Once you are on the Gerontology website, click on the web-link to Dr. Du's presentation and provide the requested information to join the web conference. If you have any technical difficulties, please call 336.256.1020. Remember, the link will not be 'live' until Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at noon.

### **Aging is Good Business: Opportunities for Entrepreneurs!**

-Wednesday, **April 14, 2010**; 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Cone Ballroom, Elliott University Center, UNC-Greensboro

-**PREregistration is REQUIRED**, Early registration discount through March 31, General registration through April 7.

-Details and the registration form to sponsor, exhibit, advertise, or attend are available at [www.uncg.edu/gro](http://www.uncg.edu/gro).

-Invited speakers explore opportunities for not only those who serve aging populations, but also for "boomers" themselves initiating new careers. Afternoon break-out sessions, hosted by our morning speakers, entrepreneurs, and experts on aging, will engage participant's entrepreneurial aspirations and provide supportive feedback. Continental breakfast and luncheon are included.

-*Free Agent Aging: Reinventing Ourselves in the Second Half of Life* presented by H. R. Rick Moody, PhD, Director, Academic Affairs, AARP, Washington, DC, moderator/provocateur of the Morning Plenary Session.

-*Entrepreneurship Opportunities* presented by Dianne H.B. Welsh, SPHR, Ph.D., Director, North Carolina Entrepreneurship Center, Charles A. Hayes Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship, Bryan School of Business and Economics, UNC- Greensboro

-*The Surprising Prevalence of Later-Life Entrepreneurship* presented by Edward G. Rogoff, MBA, PhD, Professor of Management, Baruch College, The City University of New York; and Co-Author, *The Second Chance Revolution: Becoming Your Own Boss After 50*

-*The New Entrepreneurial Models of Aging* presented by David L. Carroll, MA, Writer and Producer specializing in health and aging issues; and Co-Author, *The Second Chance Revolution: Becoming Your Own Boss After 50*

-**LinkedIn:** To help market the upcoming 2010 Summit: "Aging is Good Business: Opportunity for Entrepreneurs," please add this link to your LinkedIn websites: <http://www.uncg.edu/gro/aigb/aigb2010/index.html>. In addition, please connect with the UNCG Gerontology Department on LinkedIn: <http://www.linkedin.com/in/uncggerontology>.

## LOCAL

### **UNCG Department of Psychology Presents the 2010 Kendon Smith Lecture Series** \*Flyer Attached\*

Maintaining Mental Fitness: Influences and Interventions on **April 30, 2010 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm**, **May 1, 2010 9:00 am – 12:45 pm** at Sullivan Science 101, UNCG Campus

April 30: Brain Aging, its Modifiers and Cognitive Correlates & The Adaptive Brain: Responding to the Challenge of Cognitive Aging and on May 1: The Role of Culture in Developing and Maintaining Mental Fitness & Enhancing Cognition and Brain Health through Physical Activity and Cognitive Training

The Kendon Smith Lectures *are free and open to the public. We encourage you to arrive early for proper seating. Parking is available in the McIver Parking Deck, which is right across the street from the Sullivan Science Building. Additional information on the lectures is available from Melanie Nickerson, [mdnicker@uncg.edu](mailto:mdnicker@uncg.edu), (336) 334-5480, or at [www.uncg.edu/psy/kendonsmith.htm](http://www.uncg.edu/psy/kendonsmith.htm)*

### **1st Annual Creative Aging Symposium: Connecting Arts and Aging** \*Flyer Attached\*

On **May 6-7, 2010** in Greensboro, NC. The Creative Aging Symposium offers both artists and healthcare professionals the opportunity to learn about how to incorporate creative programs and advance culture change in aging service environments. For more information visit [http://www.cca-nc.org/ccanc\\_specialevents\\_symposium.html](http://www.cca-nc.org/ccanc_specialevents_symposium.html).

### **A Matter of Balance Coach Training**

Training on **May 12 & 13, 2010** in Lexington, NC. A Matter of Balance is an evidence-based program designed to help older adults manage concerns about falls and increase physical activity. This course will teach participants to lead A Matter of Balance Classes for older adults in their local communities. For more information contact Kim Johnson at [kjohnson@ptcog.org](mailto:kjohnson@ptcog.org) or (336) 294-4950

## STATE

### **Pet Partners Course (12 hours)** \*Registration Attached\*

-On **Saturday, April 10** from 8:30 am – 8:30 p.m. (Bring or buy nearby: lunch, dinner, and snacks ) at the YWCA (new location on Spring Garden Street) in Greensboro, NC. Pre-registration is requested.

-Pet Partners® are person-animal teams who have taken training about how to visit people in hospitals, nursing homes, schools, etc. Pet Partner Handlers are not required to have an animal in order to take the course or to be registered.

-This course is designed for human handlers ONLY. NO PETS ON THIS DATE. Minimum age is 10 years (student less than 17 must have parent onsite).

-Participants will be able to work with any registered Pet Partner animal after completion of course and screening through the Delta Society program. (extra fee to register and pay for liability insurance) See [www.deltasociety.org](http://www.deltasociety.org)

-Local Contact for More Information: Amy Chandler [amchandl@uncg.edu](mailto:amchandl@uncg.edu) Or call her at 336-334-5327 to leave a message.

### **CARES trainings for May 2010** \*Registration forms attached\*

-Effective Social Work Practice in Adults Services: A CORE Curriculum When: May 4-6, 2010 and May 18-20, 2010

Location: Liberty Corner Enterprises in Asheville, NC Registration

Fee: \$65.00 Registration Deadline: **4/27/2010**

Online Registration Link: <https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=1>

-Person Centered Thinking When: May 13-14, 2010 Location: Eastern AHEC in Greenville, NC

Registration Fee: \$50.00 Registration Deadline: **5/6/2010**

Online Registration Link: <https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=375>

-Ethics and Everyday Practice When: May 26, 2010 Location: Jackson County DSS in Sylva, NC

Registration Fee: \$20.00 Registration Deadline: **5/19/2010**

Online Registration Link: <https://www.ncswlearn.org/plp/catalog/curriculum.aspx?cid=236>

-**Online Registration Instructions:** In order to use the ncswLearn.org training system to register for trainings you will first need to create an account. To do so click "Create a User Account" and follow the directions. You will be asked to search for your information in the system. When you do not find your name in our system the first time the system will ask you to do it one more time. If you do not find yourself the second time you will have the opportunity to enter your information. After entering all of your information you will be sent your username and a temporary password. Upon logging in with your temporary password you will be prompted to create your own. If you have an account, type your username and password in the boxes on the left and click the Sign In button. If you have forgotten your password, click the Forgot Username or Password link on the left to have your account information sent to you via e-mail.

-Although we strongly prefer registering online, you can still register via fax (919-962-3653).

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

### **AcademicKeys' e-Flier for Social Sciences**

-This month's issue of AcademicKeys' e-Flier for Social Sciences features 20 faculty openings, 12 senior administrative positions, and 2 post-doc opportunities and links to hundreds more positions in higher education. AcademicKeys.com e-Fliers are now available as [HTML e-mails: http://www.AcademicKeys.com/all/eflier\\_prefs.php?dothis=ap&e=gerontology@uncg.edu&f=h](http://www.AcademicKeys.com/all/eflier_prefs.php?dothis=ap&e=gerontology@uncg.edu&f=h)

-Do you want to receive higher education positions in other academic fields, specific locations, or job categories? Log in or create an account at AcademicKeys.com to change your e-Flier preferences: [http://www.AcademicKeys.com/all/eflier\\_prefs.php](http://www.AcademicKeys.com/all/eflier_prefs.php)

-POST YOUR JOB ANNOUNCEMENT Add your department's positions to our next e-Flier, where 94% of the top 100 institutes in the US advertise their positions: [http://SocialSciences.AcademicKeys.com/client\\_login.php?tag=SO100330m](http://SocialSciences.AcademicKeys.com/client_login.php?tag=SO100330m)

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### **Exploritas K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Research Grant**

-Elderhostel is accepting applications for the Exploritas K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Research Grant. Exploritas K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Research Grant Elderhostel invites applications from doctoral candidates researching lifelong or later-life learning for the Elderhostel K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Research Grant. This \$5,000 grant is awarded annually to a student in various disciplines including, but not limited to, psychology, education, gerontology, cognitive studies, neuroscience, leisure studies, aging and social work. Because the selection committee requires an abstract and description of your current research, you must already be engaged in your dissertation research.

-**The application deadline is Friday, April 30, 2010. Please be sure to have all application material submitted by midnight EDT, including your CV/resume, 2-3 page abstract and at least one of your recommendations.** The recipient will be announced in late June 2010. For further information, including requirements and the online application, please visit: [www.exploritas.org/grants](http://www.exploritas.org/grants).

-Should you have any questions about the Exploritas K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Grant, please email [grants@exploritas.org](mailto:grants@exploritas.org) or call (617) 457-5529.