The following is your Scholars Forum syllabus for the Spring 2019 semester. Please take time to review it carefully, and refer back to it periodically throughout the semester. Be sure to review the USP 111 Frequently Asked Questions section found at the end of this schedule very carefully. If you have any questions, please visit the USP office (219 Clark Hall) Monday-Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. You may also contact us by phone (919.515.2353) or email (university_scholars@ncsu.edu).

This syllabus and other USP documents are available online at scholars.dasa.ncsu.edu.

*This schedule includes many events sponsored by other administrative and academic departments from across our campus. We try to provide as much information as we can about Forum events and their content in our schedule. Because we can't always know in advance the exact content of those events you may occasionally see and encounter things with which you do not agree. This is part of being a member of a diverse and complex community. The USP staff has made the decision to include many events in the Forum schedule sponsored by other units in order to provide the widest range of opportunities to Scholars Forum students while offering as much flexibility as possible for you to complete your Scholars Forum requirements.

I. USP 111 Attendance and Grading Policy

To receive a grade of “Satisfactory” in USP 111, students must attend 12 approved events on the Scholars Forum calendar by the end of the semester. “Incomplete” grades will not be given in this course. You may have absences during the semester, either excused or unexcused, and you may still receive a grade of “Satisfactory” if you attend 12 approved Scholars Forum events. Please note that ANY event on the Scholars Forum Schedule, including Monday Forum, counts toward your 12 events for the semester. Note: If you are registered for USP 111 and do not drop it by the deadline to drop classes, you will still receive a grade for the course. (Please note: Friday, January 18, 2019 is the last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade.) This grade cannot be removed from your permanent transcript.

Attendance at Scholars Forum events is taken with University Scholars Forum Event Attendance Cards. These cards are distributed at the beginning and collected at the end of events. Students MUST thoughtfully complete both sides of the card to receive attendance credit. Students may only turn in their own card at the end of the event. We value your feedback and review it carefully.

A Final Note: Students who are participating in Scholars Forum cannot receive Forum attendance credit for events that they perform in during the course of the semester. Also, students will receive credit only once for the same Forum event (i.e. If a student attends Counter Culture Coffee Cupping twice, the student can only receive attendance credit for one event).

II. Academic Integrity

Academic misconduct will not be tolerated in this class. Information about the Code of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity are available at: http://policies.ncsu.edu/policy/pol-11-35-01.

III. Statement for Students with Disabilities

Reasonable accommodations will be made for students with verifiable disabilities. In order to take advantage of available accommodations, students should register with the Disability Resource Office for Students at 304 University College Commons, 919.515.7653, http://dro.dasa.ncsu.edu/. For more information on NC State’s policy on working with students with disabilities, please see the Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities Regulation at http://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-20-01.

IV. Registration for Alternate Forum Events

Some events in the schedule require registration, while others do not. This is indicated after each event description in italics. Students register for alternate events that require registration by clicking the link in the event description on the USP website. Students will utilize the Reporter system to register for events and cancel reservations.

Please note the following registration dates and times:

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A. Canceling Alternate Forum Events
If you register for an alternate Forum event, but find that you cannot attend the event, you must go into the Reporter system and cancel your spot for the event at least 72 hours in advance. If it is found that you miss multiple events for which you are registered, or if you are a "no-show" for events that require registration, your registration abilities may be revoked after 2 instances.

V. Scholars Forum Etiquette
Our Forum speakers and performers are guests of the University Scholars and University Honors Programs and NC State University. Sleeping, talking, reading, and text messaging friends are all examples of rude and disrespectful behavior that not only prevent everyone from taking advantage of our guests' expertise and knowledge, but also reflect poorly on the University Scholars and University Honors Programs and their students. All students are expected to adhere to proper rules of etiquette while in Forum: turn off and put away cell phones and laptops; put away newspapers and other texts; sit up and focus on the presentation; and when asking questions of Forum guests, remember to be respectful. Please note that tardiness is also unacceptable. Students arriving to events late will not be given an attendance card and will not receive credit. Students who attempt to leave events early will not be given credit for the event either. If you find you have a schedule conflict with an event you plan to attend, simply do not attend the Scholars Forum event and make plans to attend something else later in the week.

Violations of Forum Etiquette during Scholars Forum or any alternate Forum events are prohibited and can result in the loss of attendance credit and/or dismissal from the event.

For University Scholars Only
VI. Honors Contracts
The Honors Contract can be used by University Scholars wishing to earn Honors credit through enriched work in regular courses. The student initiates this application procedure by discussing the possibility with the instructor for the course. The contract may be for work done independently by a student under faculty supervision or may be made between faculty members and teams of students working on a common project. Honors Contracts must involve a full-time faculty member. However, graduate students or part-time instructors could be involved in an Honors Contract if a full-time faculty member provided supervision and endorses the contract. For more information on Honors Contracts and the Honors Contract form, please visit https://scholars.dasa.ncsu.edu/current/approved-coursework/

Note: Students are encouraged to return the signed Honors Contract to the USP office in 219 Clark Hall by Friday, February 8, 2019. Contracts received after Spring Break will not be approved.

VII. Request for Credit: Independent Study or Research Course
In order to successfully complete the University Scholars Program, University Scholars are required to complete 12 hours of approved coursework by the time they graduate. University Scholars may receive up to 6 hours credit towards the 12 hour USP course requirement through successful completion of approved independent study or independent research courses (listed on page 2 of the Request for Credit form: https://scholars.dasa.ncsu.edu/current/approved-coursework/). To receive credit towards the 12 hours of required USP coursework through completion of a 400-level independent study or independent research course, a student must complete this form and submit it to the University Scholars Program office at the beginning of the semester in which the course is taken. [NOTE: Some courses listed on the form can be used to describe experimental courses or other non-individualized study courses. These courses cannot be used towards fulfillment of USP requirements.]
Week 1: January 7 - 13

*Note that registration for events in Weeks 2 - 5 opens Friday, January 11.

Scholars Forum Business Meeting
Witherspoon Campus Cinema
Monday, January 7
3:00 PM
Come learn the in’s and out’s of Scholars Forum, and get to know the staff during our syllabus review. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Quantum Computing—IBM Q-Hub @ NC State
Hunt Library, Creativity Studio (4th Floor)
Tuesday, January 8
10:00 AM
This talk will present an overview of the Quantum Computing world —timeline, basic principles, some existing quantum computing engines, quantum computing as an accelerator, challenges. It will also look at some application areas for quantum computing, and will discuss why basic literacy in quantum computing is desirable in the STEM fields. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

NC State’s Women’s Center: Stalking 101
Talley Student Union, Room 5210
Wednesday, January 9
6:00 PM
Join the Movement Peer Educators as they lead a facilitation surrounding stalking on a college campus. Participants will gain a greater understanding of stalking, potential responses to being stalked and resources related to stalking that are available on and off campus. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. This is an interactive event. Students who attend agree to participate in the conversations that take place during the event.

A/V Geeks - Doomsday for Bugs
Hunt Library, Teaching and Visualization Lab
Friday, January 11
6:00 PM
Bugs! Bugs are everywhere! We love them, we hate them, we love to hate them and hate to love them. Adrian Smith from the Department of Biological Sciences joins A/V Geek’s Skip Elsheimer to watch and talk about classic films about bugs. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

NC Museum of Art Film Screening: Being There
Meet in Clark Hall Lounge
Friday, January 11
7:20 PM
A childlike man’s pithy observations are mistaken for political wisdom, and he is lionized by Washington insiders. Chance the gardener speaks in educated tones and wears his late employer’s tailored suits, bestowing instant credibility on his pronouncements. Biltmore Estate stands in for the D.C. home of an ailing millionaire. Introduced by Daniel Cook Johnson, N&O film writer and Film Babble blogger. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required by emailing Kiera Jonson at kjonson@ncsu.edu.

NC Museum of History: Self-Guided Tour
Meet in Clark Hall Lounge
Saturday, January 12
2:30 PM
Join us for a self-guided tour of the wonderful NC Museum of History in downtown Raleigh. The museum features an excellent collection of artifacts and hands-on exhibits that explain the moments that have made North Carolina the multifaceted state it is today. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required by emailing Scarlett Lucas at kslucas@ncsu.edu.

Week 2: January 14 - 20

Scholars Forum presents Scott Ainslie
Witherspoon Campus Cinema
Monday, January 14
3:00 PM
Steeped in traditional music from the deep South, Scott Ainslie is a renowned acoustic blues guitarist, singer and songwriter. He learned southern old-time ballads, banjo and fiddle from senior musicians in North Carolina and West Virginia and blues from his black elders in North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia and Mississippi: his roots are deep. (cattailmusic.com). This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Dinner with Scott Ainslie
Quad Commons Multipurpose Room (2nd Floor)
Monday, January 14
6:00 PM
Join us for a dinner with blues musician Scott Ainslie to learn more about his life’s work. There are 24 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Global Film Series - The True Cost
D.H. Hill Library, Auditorium
Tuesday, January 15
6:30 PM
The price of clothing has been decreasing for decades, while the human and environmental costs have grown dramatically. The True Cost is a groundbreaking documentary film that pulls back the curtain on the untold story and asks us to consider, who really pays the price for our clothing? In partnership with the Office of Global Engagement and NC State’s Program in International Studies. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

“The I Am A Man” Exhibit and VR Experience Opening
Witherspoon Student Center (2nd Floor)
African American Cultural Center Art Gallery
Wednesday, January 16
5:30 PM
The “I Am A Man” exhibit’s award-winning virtual reality experience returns to NC State for a three-week run in the African American Cultural Center’s Art Gallery. Join us for the opening event and visit the exhibit through February 4, 2019. Participants experience the perspective of an African American sanitation worker during the 1968 sanitation workers’ strike in Memphis and the civil rights movement before and immediately after the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. “It is expected that in order to receive credit for this event you must participate in the VR experience and stay for at least 1 hour.”
**Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Speaker Symone Sanders**

Meet in Clark Hall Lounge  
(Actual event location at McKimmon Center. See details below.)  
Thursday, January 17  
3:30 PM  
Join us as we welcome strategist, communicator and commentator Symone Sanders as this year’s Martin Luther King, Jr. Campus Commemoration speaker. Sanders will highlight King’s ability to push boundaries to achieve what others had not done before as she speaks on MLK, Jr.: The Realist.  
**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR 28 PEOPLE WHO REGISTER IN ADVANCE. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO GET TO THE MCKIMMON CENTER ON YOUR OWN, YOU WILL STILL RECEIVE CREDIT FOR THIS EVENT.**  

**NCSU Library VR Studio Orientation and Free Play**

D.H. Hill Library VR Studio West Wing 2nd Floor  
Thursday, January 17  
6:00 PM  
Virtual Reality has really come of age in the last few years from video games and movies to completely new interactive experiences. Have you ever tried it? Did you know that D.H. Hill Library has an awesome Virtual Reality Studio? Come out for an evening of orientation followed by free play in the VR studio and see what all the hype is about. There are 11 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required.  
This event is scheduled to last until 8 PM. Attendance will be taken by Scarlett Lucas.  

**Gregg Museum Artist Talk with Matt McConnell**

Meet at the Gregg Museum  
Thursday, January 17  
6:00 PM  
Join the staff of the Gregg museum as sculptor Matt McConnell discusses his participation in and work created for the 20th Edition Islamic Arts Festival at the Sharjah Arts Museum in the United Arab Emirates in 2017. This event does not require advance registration.  
Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  

**NCMNS Science Cafe: Exploration of Exoplanets**

Meet in Clark Hall Lounge  
Thursday, January 17  
6:15 PM  
Thousands of planets have been found orbiting stars other than our Sun. Most of the early discoveries are strange worlds, unable to sustain life as we know it. Come learn about some of the most interesting planets in our Universe that have parallels to our home planet! There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  
*Please note that the group will be returning to campus around 9:00 PM.*  

**PMC Lecture: Black Women and Civil Rights Music**

Thompson Hall, Kennedy-Mcllwree Studio  
Thursday, January 17  
7:00 PM  
Kernodle is a leading authority on African American music. She is the author of Soul on Soul: The Life and Music of Mary Lou Williams (2004), and associate editor of the three-volume Encyclopedia of African American Music (2011). This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  

**Author Event - Therese Anne Fowler, A Well-Behaved Woman**

Hunt Library, Auditorium  
Thursday, January 17  
7:30 PM  
Join best-selling author and NC State alumnae Therese Anne Fowler in conversation about her new book A Well-Behaved Woman: A Novel of the Vanderbilts, based on the life of Alva Smith, who became Alva Vanderbilt and went on to lead the women’s suffrage movement. Co-presented with NC State’s MFA in Creative Writing Program. Books will be available for sale on-site from Quail Ridge Books, and Fowler will sign books following the program.  
This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  

**Coffee & Viz: Up Close and Entomological: Visualizing Arthropod Diversity through Macro Photography**

Hunt Library, Teaching and Visualization Lab  
Friday, January 18  
9:30 AM  
Arthropods -- including insects, spiders, and mites -- are all around us, yet often go unnoticed. In this presentation, Dr. Matt Bertone, entomologist at NC State’s Plant Disease & Insect Clinic, will focus on the use of traditional and advanced macro photography techniques to capture and communicate images of arthropods in ways our eyes alone cannot. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  

**Super Student Stories: Chloe Tenn: Oxford Study Abroad**

Quad Commons Multipurpose Room (2nd floor)  
Friday, January 18  
12:00 PM  
Super Student Stories is an ongoing series of presentations by students just like you who are doing really cool things that we hope inspire you to do similar things. Today’s presentation features Chloe Tenn talking about her experience studying abroad on the NC State Oxford Study Abroad Program. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required.  
Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  
*Please note that pizza will be served, so come hungry!  

**Volunteer Service at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina**

Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge  
Friday, January 18  
12:15 PM  
The Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina provides nutritious food to hundreds of thousands of families in need throughout the region. Join us in helping them make this possible.  
There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.  
*Please note that you must wear closed-toe shoes and that the group should be back on campus by 4:30 PM.*  

**NC Museum of Art: Self-Guided Tour**

Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge  
Saturday, January 19  
10:00 AM  
Explore the permanent collection at Raleigh’s own North Carolina Museum of Art. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by Rachel Finkelstein.  

**Week 3: January 21 - 27**

**Scholars Forum canceled for MLK Jr. Memorial Holiday**

Monday, January 21  

**Lunch and Learn with Jason Miller**

Witherspoon Student Center, (2nd Floor)  
African American Cultural Center Art Gallery  
Tuesday, January 22  
12:00 PM  
Join Professor of English Jason Miller as he speaks on the legacy of the recently unearthed 1962 speech that Martin Luther King, Jr. gave at a segregated high school in Rocky Mount, North Carolina several months prior to his famous “I Have a Dream” speech in Washington.
Until recently, no one beyond the crowd present for the speech in 1962 had heard it. Recovered from a Rocky Mount library and remastered, the speech is now believed to have inspired King's pivotal I Have a Dream speech delivered in Washington nine months later. There are 9 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

NC State Women's Center: Stalking is NOT Romantic
Talley Student Union, Room 5210
Tuesday, January 22
5:00 PM
During this workshop we will talk about media examples of stalking being romanticized and have a discussion with students, faculty, and staff about the impact this has on the perpetuation of power-based violence and our willingness to accept stalking as a romantic gesture versus a type of interpersonal violence. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. This is an interactive event. Students who attend agree to participate in the conversations that take place during the event.

NC State Women's Center: Healthy Relationships 101
Talley Student Union, Room 5210
Tuesday, January 22
7:00 PM
Join the Movement Peer Educators as they provide participants with introductory information regarding healthy relationships. Participants will recognize the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships, know that healthy relationships are attainable and become aware of resources available in regards to relationship violence. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. This is an interactive event. Students who attend agree to participate in the conversations that take place during the event.

Discussion Series: A Look at CRISPR
Clark Hall, Room 205
Wednesday, January 23
12:50 PM
Gene editing has reached a new milestone with the CRISPR technique now being used in widespread genetic applications from agriculture to medicine. What are the potential benefits? What are the potential hazards? Learn more and discuss with your peers. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by Chester Brewer.

State of Sound Stories: NC State's Cypher
D.H. Hill Library, Fishbowl Forum
Thursday, January 24
3:00 PM
“Cypher” refers to a cyclical line of rappers, taking turns improvising, surrounded by a ring of onlookers. NC State Cypher, “the dopest freestyle cypher in the known universe,” regularly draws crowds at the Free Expression Tunnel. In this conversation with Cypher organizers, learn about the history of the movement and how it supports some of North Carolina's finest freestyle rappers and underground artists. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Gregg Museum Lecture: In the Realms of the Self-Taught
Meet at the Gregg Museum
Thursday, January 24
6:00 PM
Roger Manley, Director of the Gregg Museum, gives his talk on art by self-taught artists, and leads the audience on a trip through the offbeat world of self-taught creativity. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note this event is scheduled to last until 8:00 PM.

NCMNS Science Cafe: Research from Rubbish
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Thursday, January 24
6:15 PM
Join us for a look back at paleontological research in the 1890s. Learn about scientists' competitive relationships and about the surprising ways that new discoveries about dinosaurs sometimes happened. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note that the group will be returning to campus around 9:00 PM.

Super Student Stories featuring Gracie Hornsby: Water in Africa
Quad Commons Multipurpose Room (2nd floor)
Friday, January 25
12:00 PM
Super Student Stories is an ongoing series of presentations by students just like you who are doing really cool things that we hope inspire you to do similar things. Today's presentation features Gracie Hornsby talking about her experiences working in a remote village in Africa to help with sustainable and drinkable water resources. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note that pizza will be served, so come hungry!

Volunteer Service at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Friday, January 25
12:15 PM
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Rise and Climb
Carmichael Gym Climbing Wall
Saturday, January 26
10:00 AM
Get up and get motivated with your friends at the NC State Climbing Wall located in the Carmichael Gymnasium. Learn the basics of belay techniques and then step up to the wall to challenge yourself. A great way to start the day and get active. There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note this event is scheduled to last until 11:30 AM.

Phil Wiggins Blues House Party
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Saturday, January 26
6:45 PM
The blues of the Piedmont, the hilly region stretching from Georgia to the Chesapeake, is one of the oldest forms of the blues. It draws heavily on earlier fiddle and banjo string band music that served as a staple at country parties, hoedowns, and square dances. While country blues began as dance music, it is today most often heard in concert settings. In Phil Wiggins Blues House Party, a delightful trio led by blues harmonica master Phil Wiggins joins up with dance virtuoso Junious Brickhouse to celebrate this tradition and “reconnect the dance with the dance music.” There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by Ken Johnson.
NC Opera presents Carmen
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Sunday, January 27
1:15 PM
The alluring gypsy Carmen can have any man she wants and today she wants the army corporal Don José. But when she leaves him for a dashing bullfighter, the soldier’s obsessive attraction proves fatal. You’ll recognize all the melodies because every song is a hit—from the tempest “Habanera” to the seductive “Seguidilla” to the rousing “Toreador Song.” Bizet’s beguiling score along with the hypnotic dancing and pulsating human drama will make you powerless to resist this Carmen conducted by Keitaro Harada (NCO’s The Thumb of the Screw). There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Drones from Here to Africa
D.H. Hill Library, Auditorium
Tuesday, January 29
7:00 PM
Back by popular demand! Students at NC State will discuss how they used drones during a cross-disciplinary, two month field experience in Namibia. Dr. Larry Silverberg of the College of Engineering will also share how NC State is teaching students about drone technology and its exciting current and future applications. Co-presented with the Global Training Initiative, and the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at NC State. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note that dinner will be served and the event is scheduled to last until 8:00 PM.

Gregg Museum presents Inspired Echo: Faculty Dances
Meet at the Gregg Museum
Thursday, January 31
6:00 PM
Teaching Associate Professor and Department Head Beth Wright Fath (Health and Exercise Studies NC State), Panoramic Dance Project Director and Lecturer Francine Ott (Dance Program/Arts NC State), and Teaching Associate Professor and Dance Minor Coordinator Autumn Mist Belk (Health and Exercise Studies NC State) will present an evening of choreography surrounded and inspired by Vernon Pratt’s artwork. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Virtual Reality has really come of age in the last few years from video games and movies to completely new interactive experiences. Have you ever tried it? Did you know that D.H. Hill Library has an awesome Virtual Reality Studio? Come out for an evening of orientation followed by free play in the VR studio and see what all the hype is about. There are 11 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. *This event is scheduled to last until 8 PM.

NCSU Library VR Studio Orientation and Free Play
D.H. Hill Library VR Studio West Wing 2nd Floor
Thursday, January 31
6:00 PM
Award-winning Washington Post reporter Cleve Wootson takes us behind #LivingWhileBlack, where black people going about their everyday lives had the police called on them—while doing absolutely nothing wrong. Washington Post reporter Cleve Wootson takes us behind the headlines of his coverage of the issue. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Alumni Stories
Quad Commons Multipurpose Room (2nd Floor)
Monday, January 28
6:30 PM
Join us for an evening conversation and dinner with one of our alumni to learn what they’ve been up to since they finished college. There are 17 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person. *Please note that dinner will be served and the event is scheduled to last until 8:00 PM.

Book Club: New Dark Age by James Bridle
Clark Hall, Room 205
Wednesday, January 30
6:00 PM
As the world around us increases in technological complexity, our understanding of it diminishes. Underlying this trend is a single idea: the belief that our existence is understandable through computation, and more data is enough to help us build a better world.

In reality, we are lost in a sea of information, increasingly divided by fundamentalism, simplistic narratives, conspiracy theories, and post-factual politics. Meanwhile, those in power use our lack of understanding to further their own interests. Despite the apparent accessibility of information, we’re living in a new Dark Age.

There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance registration is required. To sign up for this event and receive your copy of the book, contact Chester Brewer at ckbrewe2@ncsu.edu or stop by the University Scholars Office at 219 Clark Hall.

Week 4: January 28 - February 3

NC State Women’s Center: Bystander Behavior 101
Talley Student Union, Room 5210
Thursday, January 31
6:00 PM
Join the Movement Peer Educators to connect to YOUR role as a bystander and identify ways that YOU can intervene to make our community a safer place given the obstacles students face. This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

Fidelity Investments Leadership in Technology Speaker Lance Berberian: The Impact of Healthcare on New Healthcare Models
Engineering Building 2, Room 1231
Thursday, January 31
6:30 PM
LabCorp has radically altered the healthcare industry by combining diagnostic and drug development capabilities within one company. This transformation is heavily dependent upon the rapid adoption of modern technology; including AI/ML, big data, modern software development techniques, bioinformatics, and many other advancements. During this presentation, Lance will share the business case for this new approach to healthcare as well as a
variety of technology initiatives that support LabCorp’s mission.
This event does not require advance registration. Seating may be
limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis.
Attendance will be taken by a USP staff person.

**Burning Coal Theatre presents Ashe in Johannesburg**
Meet in Clark Hall Lounge
Thursday, January 31
6:45 PM
In the late 60s/early 1970s, a meteor shot across the sportsworld, a
young African American man named Arthur Ashe. He won the US
Open in 1968, becoming the first black man to win a ‘major’. In
1970, the won the Australian Open and in 1975, wearing the
‘whites’ of the All-England Club, he defeated the brash Jimmy
Connors to claim the Wimbledon crown. But it was a little known
competition that he entered in 1973, one that took him into the
heart of Apartheid South Africa, that saw Ashe fight, and win, his
greatest battle. And it wasn’t on a tennis court. There are 14
spaces available for this event and advance registration is required.
Attendance will be taken by Ken Johnson.

**Super Student Stories: Jackie Lanning of the Period Project**
Quad Commons Multipurpose Room (2nd floor)
Friday, February 1
12:00 PM
Super Student Stories is an ongoing series of presentations by
students just like you who are doing really cool things that we hope
inspire you to do similar things. Today’s presentation features
Jackie Lanning talking about her experiences helping women in
need through the Period Project. There are 14 spaces available for
this event and advance registration is required. Attendance will be
taken by Crystal Marik. *Please note that pizza will be served, so
come hungry!*

**Volunteer Service at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern
North Carolina**
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Friday, February 1
12:15 PM
The Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina provides
nutritious food to hundreds of thousands of families in need
throughout the region. Join us in helping them make this possible.
There are 14 spaces available for this event and advance
registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff
person. *Please note that you must wear closed-toe shoes and that
the event is scheduled to last until 4:00 PM.

**NCMNS Groundhog Day**
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Saturday, February 2
10:15 AM
Meet Sir Walter Wally the groundhog and get his prognostication for
the next six weeks! The museum will feature a series of special
exhibits focused on the weather and animals from the live
collections. There are 14 spaces available for this event and
advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by a USP staff
person. *Please note we should be back on campus by 1:00
PM.

**NC State LIVE: Movement is Art**
Meet in the Clark Hall Lounge
Saturday, February 2
7:30 PM
Celebrated on some of the world’s most prestigious stages and
viral on YouTube, choreographers and dancers, Jon Boogz and Lil
Buck, join forces to examine and encourage social justice. Building
joy and compassion through an intricate hybrid of street dance
styles, born from popping and jookin, this powerful work highlights
the work of spoken word artist Robin Sanders and features an all-
star cast of dancers. There are 24 spaces available for this event
and advance registration is required. Attendance will be taken by
Chester Brewer.
University Scholars Program Staff

All of us on the USP staff look forward to working with you. Please feel free to visit us in 219 Clark Hall or to call us (919.515.2353) if you have any questions about your participation in the University Scholars Forum or the University Scholars Program.

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Scholars Forum FAQs:

Where can I find the complete list of Scholars Forum events for the entire semester?
The complete calendar of events for the entire semester is available online: http://scholars.dasa.ncsu.edu/forum/schedule.

Am I required to attend a certain number of alternate forum events (i.e. field trips, plays, etc.) in partial fulfillment of my USP 111 attendance requirements?
Yes. There are only 11 sessions of the regularly scheduled Monday Forum and you must attend a total of 12 events to pass the course. This means that you will need to attend at least one alternate Forum event before the end of the semester. When you do choose to attend an alternate event, we encourage you to plan and register in advance since many of the options have limited spaces available.

Can I choose to attend one of the alternate events in place of my regularly scheduled Forum every week?
Yes, there is no limit on the number of weeks that you may choose to attend one of the alternate events listed on the Scholars Forum calendar.

May I attend more than one event during a week and “save up” events that I have attended and use them to fulfill my Forum requirement for a later week?
Yes. Students are required to attend at least 12 Forum events by the end of the semester. This means that you could attend more than one event in any week, as long as you attend at least 12 total.

When should I turn in my attendance card?
All USP Attendance Cards must be turned in at the end of the event at which they are distributed. No late USP Attendance Cards will be accepted. Please keep in mind that it is your responsibility to follow the attendance guidelines listed for each event in the schedule. Also, when filling out the Attendance Card, please print your name and student ID number legibly.

How do I register for events?
Students register for alternate events that require registration using the links provided in the event descriptions. These links connect to the Reporter registration system which is utilized to register for or cancel participation in events. More information can be found at https://scholars.dasa.ncsu.edu/forum/reporter/.

How can I find out how many events I have attended?
You can use Wolfare to view the events you’ve attended online at https://wolfware.ncsu.edu/.

What if I am missing credit for an event I attended?
Please note that it will typically be several days before your attendance is entered after an event. If you believe you are missing credit for an event, you can call or email the USP Office [919.515.2353; clwalla2@ncsu.edu] to inquire about the event. Please make sure to include the title, date and week of the event when you make your inquiry.
Scholars Forum Attendance Record - Spring 2019
Use this form to track the Monday Forum and alternate events you plan to attend or have attended this semester.

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