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Carson Cook new director of Equal Employment/Affirmative Action



Carson Cook has been named to head the office of Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action at the University of Memphis. He is currently assistant vice provost for equal opportunity at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

Cook has lengthy experience in the field of equal employment opportunity and affirmative action. He has held similar positions at Mississippi State University, Cal State in Pomona, the University of North Florida in Jacksonville and Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.

He holds a B.A. degree from Roosevelt University in Chicago and his certificate in dispute resolution from North Carolina Central University School of Law in Durham. He has done post-graduate study at the University of Chicago Graduate School of Education. Cook will assume his duties April 1. He succeeds Michelle Banks, who retired from that position with the U of M in June 2012.

Honors students will present at research conference



Thirteen University of Memphis honors students will present their research projects at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research (NCUR), which will be held April 11-13 at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Since its inception in 1987, NCUR has become a major annual event, drawing more than 3,000 undergraduates, faculty members and administrators.

The students are: Sarah Barnes, senior psychology major; Kirsten Berding, senior health and human performance major; Blake Daniels, senior biology major; Melissa Gross, senior psychology major; Jeanne Hanna, senior anthropology major; Riley Nicholson, senior psychology major; Thien-Khoi Phung, junior biomedical engineering major; Alexandra Slater, junior psychology major; Melanie Sparks, senior chemistry major; Hamman Tasneem, senior biomedical engineering major; Haley Taylor, senior health and human performance major; and Jessica Walker, senior psychology major.

For more information on the Honors Program, call 678-2690. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/mar13/conference.htm>.

Registration opens April 1 for summer and fall courses

Registration for University of Memphis classes this summer and fall will begin Monday, April 1. Information for summer school is available online at www.memphis.edu/summer. The site provides links to admissions, class schedules and the registration process, as well as information about first-time students, multiple class sites and online courses.

Complete information about the enrollment process, including calendars of important dates and deadlines, class offerings, financial aid, advising and fee payment, is available online from the Registration Center at www.memphis.edu/registrar/student/register. The U of M offers courses in more than 30 departments in 10 colleges and schools. For registration help, call the Registrar's Office Help Line at 678-2810.

Green Tip



"Guests in the Garden" speaker series will deal with varied aspects of gardening

Whether your interest is sustainability, community gardens or the spiritual aspect of gardening, there will be a program for you during the "Guests in the Garden" speaker series at the U of M. Sponsored by TIGUrS, the Tigers Initiative for Gardens in Urban Settings, at the U of M, the series will feature a different speaker each week. They will all take place in the UC from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 678-2359.

The schedule of topics and speakers is as follows:

April 3: "Making a Garden Out of a Wasteland: A Christian Theological Perspective on Food Justice" by theologian Dr. Emily Holmes. She will discuss the relationship between the land, religion and ethics, and the meaning and symbolism of food beyond just the value of nutrition. The event will be in the UC, room 308.

April 10: "Community Gardening in Memphis: Then, Now and Tomorrow" by Chris Peterson, executive director of GrowMemphis. He will explore the history and importance of community gardens in Memphis, the state of community gardens today and explain how his organization supports gardens throughout the city. The event will be in the UC, room 308.

April 17: "Sustainable and Edible Landscapes for the Mid-South" by Kalki Winter of eScapes. He will offer his expertise on how to create sustainable, site-specific landscape design using native and zone-appropriate plants along with recycled and repurposed building materials. The event will be in the UC, room 304.

Announcements



Olympic gold-medalist Shawn Johnson April 1 visit postponed

Shawn Johnson, who won gold and silver medals at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China, has postponed her April 1 U of M visit to a date yet to be determined.

MemphisCRESH now accepting applications for summer program

High school students interested in participating in the summer MemphisCRESH program (College Research Experience for Students in High School) should submit applications now. Applications for the 2013 program will continue to be accepted until all positions are filled.

MemphisCRESH provides the opportunity for rising high school juniors and seniors to acquire first-hand experience of life as a scientist beyond a lecture hall setting. For more information,

visit <http://www.memphis.edu/cresh>.

Submit 2013 "Great Colleges to Work For" program surveys due April 15

The University of Memphis is participating in *The Chronicle's* "Great Colleges to Work For" program, a study designed to gather benchmarking data within higher education and to recognize institutions that have built great workplaces. Survey participants were randomly selected. If you were selected and have not completed the survey, please take a moment and complete the survey today. A high response rate helps ensure accurate results and demonstrates the commitment of our workforce. The deadline to complete the survey is April 15. For more information, contact the Office of Employee Relations and Engagement at emprelations@memphis.edu, 678-3076 or 678-2603.

U of M students will display research at Forum on April 1

The U of M's 25th annual Student Research Forum will be held April 1 in the UC Ballroom. Poster presentations will run from 10 to 11:15 a.m., followed by an awards ceremony at 11:45 a.m. The Student Research Forum, which is free and open to all, will feature research by graduate and undergraduate students. This year more than 100 students will participate. Up to \$3,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to students whose research is judged exemplary. The multidisciplinary showcase is sponsored by the Graduate School and the Helen Hardin Honors Program. For more information, call 678-4212 or visit <http://www.memphis.edu/srf>.

Volunteers needed for a study at the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders

The School of Communication Sciences and Disorders is conducting a study on the human hearing system. The study explores a diagnostic test called otoacoustic emissions. This test has helped to revolutionize our understanding of how the human ear processes acoustic information. It is a test specific to the inner ear, or cochlea, considered the human organ of hearing. Investigators are looking for young adults 20 to 30 years old with normal hearing. Research participation supports the goals of the University and is the foundation for the development of diagnostic testing in many fields of study. For more information or to participate, contact 678-5832 or 848-7880.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / More listings at events.memphis.edu

Monday/April 1

Library exhibit: "Impact and Influence: The Church Family of Memphis" (through May 9) - Rotunda of the Ned R. McWherter Library - [More details](#)

Memphis Healthy U event: Desk to 5K

Biomedical Engineering seminar: "Ultrahigh Molecular Weight Polyethylene: Past, Present and Future" by Mark Morrison, Smith & Nephew - Engineering Administration, room 203 - 3:30 p.m. - Contact 678-3733 - [More details and](#)

training - Meet at Elma Roane Fieldhouse track - 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - Contact bbertram@memphis.edu - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Art exhibit: "Best of Memphis Juried Student Exhibition" (through April 12) - Art and Communication Building, room 100 - Call 678-2216

Student Research Forum: 25th annual Student Research Forum, a multidisciplinary showcase for student research - UC Ballroom - poster presentations at 10 a.m., followed by an awards ceremony - Call 678-4212 - [More details](#)

Tuesday/April 2

Tigers Teach workshop: Hands-on workshop for STEM educators - Dunn Hall, room 109 - 4 to 5:30 p.m. - Free event - RSVP to tigersteachrsvp@memphis.edu

Baseball: Memphis vs. Ole Miss - AutoZone Park - 6:30 p.m. - Visit gotigersgo.com

Italian Film Festival: *Cesare Deve Morire (Caesar Must Die)* - UC Theatre - 7 p.m. - Email cgaudenz@memphis.edu - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Wednesday/April 3

Memphis Healthy U event: Desk to 5K training - Meet at Elma Roane Fieldhouse track - 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - Contact bbertram@memphis.edu - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Lunch and Learn: "Meet Your Memphis Non-profits" by non-profit panelists from the Memphis community - UC Bluff Room - 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. - Contact 678-2239 - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Cognitive Science seminar: "Neurophysiological Correlates of Categorical Speech Perception" by Gavin Bidelman - FIT, room 405 - 4 to 5:30 p.m. - [More events](#)

[upcoming events](#)

Chemistry seminar: "Structure and Function of Carotenoid Pigments: Nature's Ubiquitous Solar Energy Collectors" by Harry Frank, University of Connecticut - Smith Hall, room 102 - 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. - Contact xhuang4@memphis.edu

Annual Memphis International Guitar

Festival: Concert by Lily Afshar - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - Admission charged; free for U of M students, faculty and staff with valid University ID - Contact 678-2541 - [More details](#)

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Festival: Master class with David Mozqueda - Harris Concert Hall - 1 to 6 p.m. - Contact 678-2541 - [More details](#)

Annual Memphis International Guitar

Festival: First round of competition - Harris Concert Hall - 9 a.m. - Contact 678-2541 - [More details](#)

Art exhibit opening reception: "Time Pools: Accessing the Aquifer" by The League of Imaginary Scientists in collaboration with the U of M (through May 24) - Art Museum - 5 to 7:30 p.m. - [More details](#)

Saturday/April 6

Baseball: Memphis vs. UCF - FedExPark - 2 p.m. - Visit gotigersgo.com

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Art exhibit: "Time Pools: Accessing the Aquifer" by The League of Imaginary Scientists in collaboration with the U of M (through May 24) -

TIGUrS seminar series: "Making a Garden Out of a Wasteland: A Christian Theological Perspective on Food Justice" by Dr. Emily Holmes - UC, room 308 - 6 to 7:30 p.m. - Contact Karyl Buddington at kbudding@memphis.edu

Memphis Healthy U event: Zumba - UC, room 308 - noon - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Thursday/April 4

Memphis Healthy U nutrition seminar: "Nutrition Myths and Fad Diets" - UC, room 342 - noon to 12:45 p.m. - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Lecture: "Mathematics and the Melting Polar Ice Caps" by Dr. Kenneth Golden, University of Utah - UC, room 300 - 6 p.m. - Free and open to the public - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Concert: Ceruti String Quartet - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - Free admission - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Friday/April 5

Free HIV testing: Screenings by trained HIV counselors from Planned Parenthood of the Greater Memphis Region - UC, room 208 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Call 678-4745 - [More details and upcoming events](#)

MIS Colloquium: "West Meets East — The Role of Media in Cross-cultural Software Development" by Dr. Chen Zhang, U of M assistant professor, and Lakshman Mahadevan, U of M PhD candidate - FCB, room 269 - 10:30 a.m. to noon - Free and open to the public - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Baseball: Memphis vs. UCF - FedExPark - 6:30 p.m. - Visit gotigersgo.com

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Art Museum - [More details](#)

Sunday/April 7

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Annual Memphis International Guitar

Festival: Final round of competition - Harris Concert Hall - 9 a.m. - Contact 678-2541 - [More details](#)

Concert: University Singers - Idelwild Presbyterian Church - 4 p.m. - Free admission - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Monday/April 8

Memphis Healthy U event: Desk to 5K training - Meet at Elma Roane Fieldhouse track - 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - Contact bbertram@memphis.edu - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Concert: U of M Jazz Combos - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - Free admission - [More details and upcoming events](#)

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