

LHFSC Monthly Meeting at Large: Jan. 30, 2025

These notes are by Denis Jacob Machado (dmachado@charlotte.edu).

Our first executive board meeting of 2025 was virtual on Jan. 21, from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM. Our first general body meeting of the semester will be on Jan. 30, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. Zoom links will be provided via email through our "listserve" (LATINOFS-group@charlotte.edu), and you can email us to become a member.

Executive Board Meetings	Monthly Meetings at Large
January 21, 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM (ET)	January 30, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)
February 13, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)	February 20, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)
March 13, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)	March 20, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)
April 10, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)	April 17, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)
May 8, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)	May 15, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (ET)

We had at least eleven members joining us online this time.

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Participants (11)



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Joined (11)

- Denis Jacob Machado (ele... (Host, me)
- Adriana L. Medina (she/her/... (Co-host)
- Eva Gonzalez (She/... (Co-host, Guest)
- Carmen Serrata (she/her/hers)
- Carmen Soliz (Guest)
- Daniela Recabarren (she, her,... (Guest)
- Denis Vargas
- Diana Gonzalez (she/her) (Guest)
- Paula Oliveira (Guest)
- Val Sosa, UNC Charlotte
- Yvette Huet (ella, she, her)

Previous Announcements and notes from the floor

Two new student clubs, the High-Performance Computing (HPC) club, mostly composed of graduate students, and the Computer Science: Collaborative Education (CSCE) club, mostly for undergraduate students, are trying to promote computing education and coding skill development that helps our students (and potentially our staff and faculty) beyond the College of Computing and Informatics.

These students would love to promote their clubs for a few minutes in your classes or in meetings that may occur in your department or lab.

Please email me (dmachado@charlotte.edu) if you are interested in learning more about that.

Items for this at-large meeting

- Introductions of those in attendance
- We will share Cafecito photos on the website or social media, so please check that later
- Announcements to share with those in attendance
 - Heritage Language Learning [Symposium](#) - February 20-21 (in Charlotte)
 - [NCCLAS](#) - North Carolina Conference on Latin American Studies - February 21-22 (in Charlotte)
 - Carolinas Migration Conference - January 31st (at Center City - [conference program](#))
 - [The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute \(CHCI\)](#) is hosting an author - Prisca Dorcas Mojica Rodríguez

Denis Jacob Machado has completed his homework:

- NinerInsider will share a note promoting the caucus and telling people to email Denis if they want to join the email group
- Denis has already added new materials to news and events and will be happy to add more anytime someone sends it to him (this can be materials from future or past events, as we also want to use that page to keep a history of the different things we do)
- The Spring 2025 meeting schedule has been updated

Other items discussed in this meeting

- Letter to UNC Charlotte Chancellor Sharon Gaber and Provost Jennifer Troyer ([click here to see the Google Form](#))

- Denis Jacob Machado (our communications officer), with the help of Dr. Paula Prieto Oliveira, will make changes to our UNC Charlotte website (<https://lfsc.charlotte.edu>) to echo some information that is being shared by UNC Charlotte's official channels, such as the Jan. 29's announcement in NinerNation from the Chancellor, Dr. Sharon L. Gaber. I highlight her notes on immigration below:
 - **“Immigration Policies:** We are closely monitoring developments and evaluating how they may affect our community. As a public university, UNC Charlotte will **continue to comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including those that protect student privacy.** We remain committed to upholding these protections and ensuring that any enforcement actions follow the proper legal process. **If you encounter anyone claiming to be with immigration enforcement, please request that they wait while you follow campus protocol and contact Police and Public Safety at 704-687-8300.** They will verify the credentials of any agent on campus. Additionally, they will work with the Office of Legal Affairs on the validation of any presented subpoenas and warrants.”
- Consider joining the “OLA Training Session: Potential Higher Education Lega...” meeting on Feb 5, from 11 AM to 12 PM ([click here to sign for this meeting](#)). Here is the description:
 - “Join the attorneys from the Office of Legal Affairs (yes, all of them!) as they re-introduce themselves and discuss briefly how the new presidential administration might, or might not, affect higher education laws, policies, and practices. From immigration to Title IX, from research funding to amateurism in athletics, how might the new administration affect your daily work at the university?”
 - Denis Jacob Machado and another caucus member will be at this meeting and will share notes via our listserv later. It would be great for other caucus members to join.
 - Denis Jacob Machado also sent an email to

Items to roll over for agenda discussion at our February meeting

- “Si Se Puede” scholarship updates
- Budget, funds, and the process to make requests, evaluate them, and approve them
- Membership: new executive positions and how to spread the word
- Logo (being developed by the great Denis Vargas)