

Date of submission	Nominee's Name	Nominee's Department	Area #	Reason for nomination
8/1/2024	Marina LeLeux	Human Resources	2	I had surgery twice this year and each time Marina assisted me with the FMLA paperwork. She would send me reminders when things were due to make sure the process went smoothly. If I had questions about the leave process, she would return my call or follow up with an immediate email with a response. Marina called me on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 2:15 p.m. while I was at my doctor's appointment to go over the remaining documents needed. A lot of time in our profession we do not hear thank you enough. So, I just wanted to say thank you Marina for assisting me and other colleagues on campus. You have been a true asset to the UNC Charlotte Benefits Department. You are appreciated!!
8/5/2024	Bill Costello	BES	12	The above named employees joined together to take care of an area in Woodward Hall that was badly flooded. They had so much water pouring in at one time, but this did not stop them from completing the task at hand. This is not their regular assignments, Most of them works in a different building and heard of the flood and wanted to help. Bill Costello was the supervisor leading the team.
8/5/2024	Austin Sidbeck	BES	12	The above named employees joined together to take care of an area in Woodward Hall that was badly flooded. They had so much water pouring in at one time, but this did not stop them from completing the task at hand. This is not their regular assignments, Most of them works in a different building and heard of the flood and wanted to help. Bill Costello was the supervisor leading the team.
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8/6/2024	Catherine Butt	COED - Education Leadership	7	Catherine created an Adjunct Website. The website has all the steps adjuncts need to know about getting hired, being paid, resources for teaching, and more. Catherine also shared this website with the Business Services Coordinators in COED by doing a training session.
8/9/2024	Jordan Holliday-Millard	Enrollment Programs & Communication	2	Jordan has gone above and beyond this summer to support not just his team, but the entire campus (advisors, campus partners, etc.) to put a successful NSO on. Throughout the summer he had his team at the forefront of his mind. He continuously advocated for his team, he pushed his team to grow and be flexible when things don't go as planned, and he made sure the needs of his team was met as we faced challenges throughout the summer. Additionally, he supported all colleges in their efforts to advise all incoming students by creating a new process through Slate to get advised efficiently and successfully. He listened to the needs of his advising partners and collaborated to create a process that worked specifically for their advisors. He is truly a Slate Captain! We wouldn't have had a successful summer without his leadership and dedication to UNC Charlotte and his team.
8/10/2024	John Talaber	Venture Outdoor Leadership	17	John just completed his first year at UNC Charlotte and has improved our office culture with his positivity and sense of humor. He quickly become an effective student coach and academic instructor.
8/12/2024	Rachel Davis	University Advising Center in Undergraduate Education	3	Rachel is such a valuable member of the UGE team! She is thorough, proactive in communication, and takes the initiative to bring about resolutions when challenges arise.
8/19/2024	Mike Green	Housing and Residence Life Facilities	5	I have known Mike for nearly 3 years while working here at UNC-Charlotte. His dedication to the job and can do attitude is evident in all the work he does. I have noticed that no job seems to be too big or imposing for Mike to complete. He never seems flustered or like a job is too small or too difficult. Mike has a great attitude and one you could only hope that your co-worker might have. Be like Mike!
8/20/2024	Sydney Dash	Cato College of Education - HR Specialist	7	Catherine Fowler just want to pass along her sincere appreciation for adding Sydney Dash's support in your office. She is super quick to respond to questions, find answers, and lend support. Thank you for your support to her, Denise. I just wanted to be sure and note how helpful she has been to me and our Business Services Coordinator with some of the complexities of our HR endeavors with multiple staff who are funded across multiple grant funded sources. Catherine Fowler, PhD / chfowler@charlotte.edu Co-Director NTACTION/ Content Specialist IDC/ District Liaison IES Transition Evaluation Study UNC Charlotte Cato College of Education
8/20/2024	Fran Paluso	APHCS	7	Fran has done a great job transitioning the unit to the new centralized registration system and is developing more ownership of office management.
8/20/2024	Vicky Harris	School of Social Work	7	Vicky has a high level of dedication to her job. Even though she is recovering from a surgery, she was eager to get back to work and jumped back into her duties with great enthusiasm.
8/20/2024	Diana Rowan	School of Social Work	7	Cheryl was very dedicated during a recent remodel of our office area, and had a very positive and cheerful attitude about the extra work this caused. She was very flexible and adjusted to the inconveniences of work flow while we were out of the office spaces.
8/20/2024	Cali Wickert	School of Social Work	7	Cali was very hard working during the summer months and worked to make sure social work students were placed in their practicum sites. She was flexible with peers and covered for their time off from work schedules when she could. She is a wonderful team player and always demonstrates a professional attitude with students. She works very well independently!
8/20/2024	Ava Torrise	School of Social Work	7	Ava produces a large amount of work even though she is only working 29 hours per week. She is a very valuable member of the team. Her school newsletter has garnered much positive attention around CHHS and we are proud to have her on the School of Social Work team.
8/20/2024	Madison Wright	CHHS Business Office	7	Maddie is very knowledgeable about her work and very patient with me as I learn about working with our unit budget. I appreciate her prompt responses to me, and cheerful attitude. She has a hard job and still appears to bring positive energy to the workplace. :-)
8/21/2024	Stephanie Perry	Mebane Hall-Reading & Elementary Education	7	Stephanie has shown excellent expertise in mastering the new travel system Concur. She has shared her knowledge with other Office Managers and Administrative staff within our college. She takes time out of her schedule to help fellow colleagues when they have questions regarding the new system. For this reason I believe Stephanie is well deserving of the Golden Nugget award.

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8/21/2024	LeeAnn Clark	Nursing	7	LeeAnn has been a tremendous asset to the school since her hire last year. She consistently goes above and beyond to be positive, helpful, courteous, thoughtful, professional, and seek out new challenges and opportunities to advance the school. She has been amazing with the transition to Concur, cheerfully attending all training sessions to be fully prepared as our "delegate" to assist faculty this Fall 2024. This summer she successfully led our school commitment to purging the SON storage spaces of old paper documents and unnecessary items, reorganizing, and arranging items. She is leading another initiative to reorganize school dropbox folders and files that have become disorganized and difficult to access which is scheduled for completion this fall. When she is asked to help with anything, her consistent response is "I'll be happy to help!". She is also a fantastic role model for other staff members. Her teamwork oriented work ethic positively contributes to the overall culture of the workplace. I strongly recommend her for the Golden Nugget award!
8/21/2024	Gloria Dowell	Center for ADVANCing Faculty Success	16	Gloria is a stellar employee and always goes above and beyond in her support of the office. Over the last year or so, especially, she has had to support the office through a new hire that was to take over some of her work that left within a few weeks, and then another new hire, and a coworker leaving on FMLA and having to support the temp in learning how to do the work of the department while keeping everything going. She is amazing at her job, always positive and an wonderful member of our team.
8/23/2024	Pamela Duff	OneIT - Facilities Information Systems	4	Pamela has always been helpful any and every time that I have come to her with an problem. Today I started a meeting and my computer was down. I took it to Pamela and she dropped her work to get my laptop up and functioning again. She does this so often with others that work in our building that she often works late to finish up her work. She keeps MO and Engineering running on a daily basis. She does it with a smile while still being efficient with her time and ours. She is wonderful to work with and I want her and everyone else to know how much we appreciate her efforts and attitude.
8/23/2024	Kacey Cordell	Registrar - Enrollment Management	2	Kacey is extremely helpful for all things related to academic scheduling. She is nice, respectful, knowledgeable, hard-working, and friendly in all interactions. She puts out fires on a daily basis, handling urgent requests with seeming ease. More than anything, though, she is a wonderful coworker to call on, and she always comes through to help solve problems. We are lucky to have her at UNC Charlotte!
8/27/2024	Ingrid Hardy	Office of the Registrar	2	Ingrid supports our program and our students on a daily basis with things big and small, urgent and not urgent, with professionalism and patience. She is responsive and incredibly helpful. We appreciate her expertise!
8/27/2024	Jerry Lecomte	Police and Public Safety	10	Just wanted to give a special thank you to Jerry Lecomte who has been extremely helpful over the last several months in making our office staff feel safe on campus. We are a team of 5-8 staff members (all women) who serve as academic advisors. Our offices are in a suite in a high traffic area on the first floor of CHHS. I first contacted Jerry after the February 2024 incident in Mebane Hall. He willingly came to our unit to introduce himself, make suggestions for a safer space, and walk us through how to respond should any other incidents/threats on campus occur. The Monday after we received the August Niner Alert regarding a robbery in our building he appeared in our office to just check in and answer any questions. He was correct in that the incident had left us rattled, so making the effort to address our concerns was highly appreciated. We had added new team members since our February debrief so he took time to introduce himself and provide additional information to help newer staff feel supported. Today, he recognized that we had called medic due to a student issue in our office. Although he was not directly related to the call, he heard it, recognized our offices' involvement and made the effort to come by and check in. He reassured us that we followed proper protocol and reminded us of the support he and public safety could offer. Later that day he sent a follow up email to thank us for our support in getting the student assistance and to check in. Jerry goes above and beyond to make us feel seen and cared for. While these incidents are often a normal day at the office for those in police and public safety, they can be very scary and traumatic for those of us in staff roles. In an extremely scary world, I am reminded that there are people looking out for us and proactively involved in keeping us safe. Thank you, Jerry, for paying special attention to our office! And to Policy and Public Safety—thank you for keeping us safe and giving us the tools to be well educated and informed should a situation arise.