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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**2018 Hospitality Knight Signature Event**  
Tuesday, May 15, 2018  
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**Graduate Degree Info Session**  
Monday, May 21, 2018  
[Register TODAY!](#)

**Camp Pineapple**  
Summer Camp, June 24-29, 2018  
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*The Pineapple Ball@*  
**Saturday, November 3, 2018**  
Honoring, UCF Rosen College Founding Dean  
Dr. Abraham Pizam  
[Save the Date and Get Tickets!](#)

## Culinary Medicine: A Partnership for Health



The UCF Rosen College kitchen labs were busy on Friday's in March. Who was in the kitchen, working the stoves, blenders, testing recipes, tasting the outcomes? Medical students. [Read more about the Culinary Medicine program that launched this year.](#)

## Researchers Look at Tourism Island-style

## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Allow us to introduce you to **Jennifer Brody '09**, Concierge at the Peninsula Chicago.

Jennifer is an Experienced Concierge, skilled in OnQ, Food & Beverage, Translation, Hotel Management, and Customer Satisfaction. Jennifer contributed to an article in SmartFlyer highlighting great places to eat and things to do in the windy city. Read the article [HERE](#).

## 30 Under 30 Winners

Two UCF Rosen College alumni were among those who were honored in the class of 2018 **30 Under 30**.

- **Michelle (Skaf) Anderson '12**, Human Resources Manager, Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress
- **David Moskovitz '12**, Director of Brokerage and Leasing, Cardinal Point Management

The 30 Under 30 awards program recognizes outstanding young alumni who continue to "Reach for the Stars" in their professional and personal lives since graduating from the University of Central Florida. Read more about the program and [our winners HERE!](#)



**Alumni:** Take a minute to add Rosen College to your LinkedIn profile!



[Dr. Robertico Croes](#), Associate Dean at UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management and editor [Dr. Michelle McLeod](#), Acting Programme Director at the Centre for Hotel and Tourism Management, University of the West Indies (UWI), Nassau, The Bahamas, recently presented their new book at the Mona School of Business Management Conference in Jamaica. The book is titled "**Tourism Management in Warm-water Tourism Destinations.**"

The book, drawing on details from numerous research projects Dr. Croes has conducted, focuses on the challenges of year-round tourism management in the islands of the Caribbean, Mediterranean, Indian Ocean and the Pacific. "**Tourism Management in Warm-water Tourism Destinations.**" is Dr. Cores' fourth book; it's available on [Amazon](#) and other sites and is a great addition to tourism curriculum. Read more about the book [HERE](#).

## Hospitality Entrepreneurs: A Winning Idea



Another shot at the **UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management Entrepreneurship Competition** saw Andra Harris taking the top spot. Harris competed in 2017 and came in second

place for her concept Dhark Coco, custom made chocolates. This

## STUDENT SUCCESS

Two UCF Rosen College Students, Eliana Benevento and Taylor Wickey have achieved the Order of the Pegasus. Read more [HERE](#).

## FACULTY & STAFF NEWS

Congratulations to the following UCF Rosen College faculty members who received promotion and tenure:

- Dr. [Po-Ju Chen](#), Department of Hospitality Services, Professor
- Dr. [Amy Gregory](#), Department of Food Services and Lodging Management, Associate Professor
- Dr. [Kevin Murphy](#), Department of Food Services and Lodging Management, Professor
- Dr. [Edwin Torres Areizaga](#), Department of Hospitality Services, Associate Professor
- Dr. [Mathilda Van Niekerk](#), Department of Tourism, Events and Attraction, Associate Professor

year she returned with a blog and in-home chef lesson concept, Bougie Eats which wowed the panel of judges.

Five competitors/teams went to the mat in the 2018 Hospitality Entrepreneurs Competition. Read more about the competition and the other competitors [HERE!](#)

## Hospitality Knight 2018 Signature Event



**What are you doing on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.?** Join UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management Alumni Chapter fellow alumni, faculty, staff, students and industry partners for an evening of networking and career enhancement at our **2018 Hospitality Knight Signature Event!**

**NEW** this year, we will be hosting a panel of outstanding UCF alumni that all have unique and powerful impacts within the hospitality industry in Central Florida and abroad. In addition to sharing their personal stories, our panelists will discuss themes like leadership, career development, achieving professional success and what it takes to create outstanding guest experiences throughout the industry. Read more about Hospitality Knight 2018 [HERE!](#) Get Your [Tickets!](#)

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