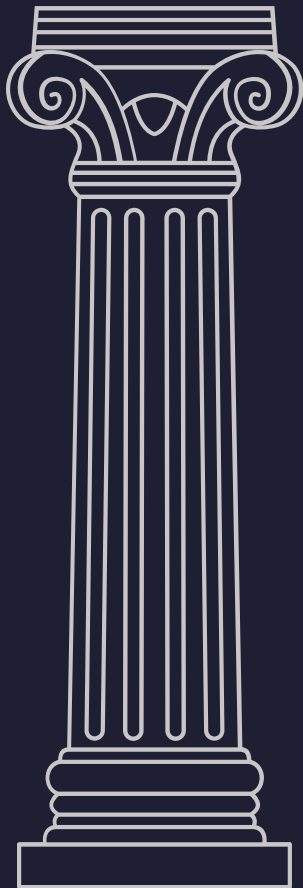


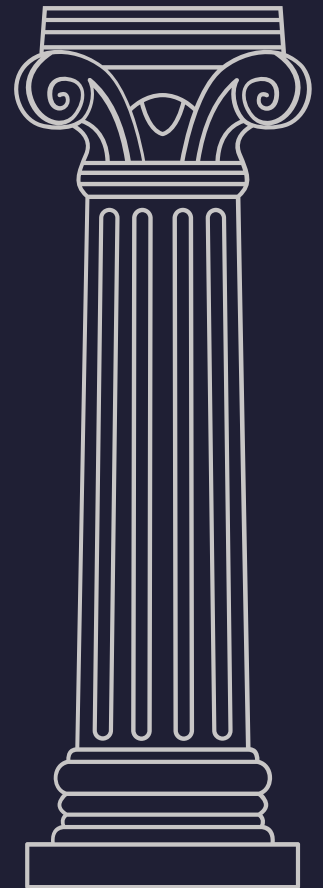


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# KEYNOTE SPEAKER



**COLE WEHRLE**

DESIGNER OF:

**ROOT**

**OATH**

**ARCS**

**PAX PAMIR**

## EVENT PROGRAM AND PRESENTER INFORMATION

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### FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026

5:00–7:00 PM

Early Badge Pickup and Meet & Greet in Esports Arena, Moran Commons

7:00–9:00 PM

Gaming and Socializing at Boxcar Bar + Arcade, 120 W. Lewis St, Greensboro

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### SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

8:30–9:00 AM

Arena: Welcome and Light Breakfast (Esports Arena)

9:00–10:00 AM

Arena: Keynote Address — Cole Wehrle (Esports Arena)

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10:10–11:10 AM

**Controllers and Card Games in the Classroom: Making Learning Fun** (Esports Arena)  
Juliet Darden, Michael Renne, Eric Sorenson

10:10–11:10 AM

**Moral Identity and Agency** (Petty Building Room 213)  
Matthew Douglas, Greyson Rupert

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11:20 AM–12:05 PM

**The Doodad Economy: Creating Analog UIs** (Esports Arena)  
Ian Williams

11:20 AM–12:05 PM

**What Becomes Playable? Gender and Agency in *Labyrinth: The Computer Game*** (Petty Building Room 213)  
Nora Kilcup

12:10–1:10 PM

**Lunch/Gameplay Time** (Esports Arena)

## SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

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1:15–2:00 PM

**“Fire and Ruin:” How Analog Gameplay in TTRPGs Captivates Audiences** (Esports Arena)  
Cristina Fernandez (Remote)

1:15–2:00 PM

**At This Time** (Petty Building Room 213)  
Joyce Rudinsky

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2:10–2:55 PM

**Postcolonial Game Talks** (Esports Arena)  
Rio Flores, Marina Fontolan (Remote)

2:10–2:55 PM

**Race, Ability, and Gender in Game Development Considerations** (Petty Building Room 213)  
Mia Smith, Lukas Tucker

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3:05–3:50 PM

**Transacting the Future: Financial Speculation and Railway Time in 18XX Games** (Esports Arena)  
Steven Gotzler

3:05–3:50 PM

**The HBCU Esports Model as Pedagogy: Co-Creating Educational and Competitive Value** (Petty Building Room 213)  
Kevin Wilson, Myron Jones

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4:00–4:15 PM

**Announcements and Post-conference Information** (Esports Arena)

4:15–5:15 PM

**Playing the Part: The Pedagogy of Networked Close Play and the Player Observer Model** (Esports Arena)  
DA Hall, Toni DiNardo, Mitch Losito

5:15–5:30 PM

**Wrap-Up** (Esports Arena)

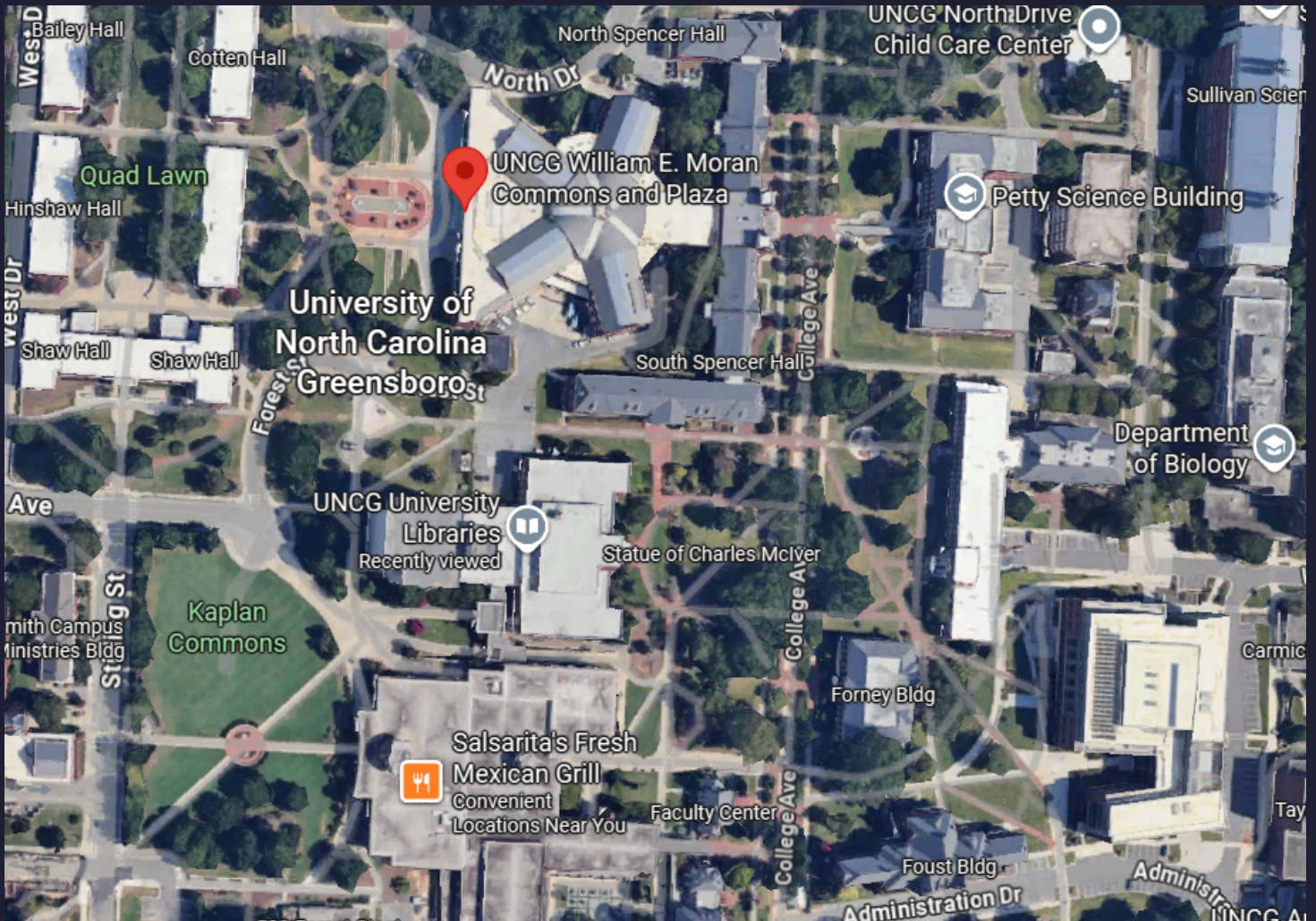
5:30–9:00 PM

**Dinner and socializing at Oden Brewing, 802 W. Gate City Blvd., Greensboro**

# MAPS FOR KEY CONFERENCE LOCATIONS

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## Moran Commons (Esports Arena)



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## Petty Building

