Back to School

Faculty, staff and students convene on ECU’s campus for the start of Fall Semester 2000.

By George Threewitts

For some, the fall semester means back to work and the pressures of finding space to park, but for others it means “RELIEF!” spelled with capital letters and an exclamation mark.

Among those happiest to greet the student pilgrimage to Greenville are the restaurant and small business owners. One close-to-campus restauranteur said Aug. 16, when classes began, that he was delighted the students have returned.

“My business was really hurting,” he said. “I was starting to count the days and even the hours.”

Enrollment

An enrollment of about 17,850 students is expected when the totals are compiled. The numbers are down by about 350 from a year ago and the Office of Planning and Institutional Research says the decline may be attributable to new retention standards with higher grade point requirements. Freshmen enrollment is 3,100 with an SAT profile of 1030. The SAT average is up 20 points from last year.

A new administrative position will deal with the issues of student recruitment, retention and quality of students. Dr. Dana Espinosa, the former director of summer sessions at the College of Charleston, has joined ECU as assistant vice chancellor for academic affairs and director of enrollment management.

Construction

Manny Amaro, director of housing, has something to cheer about. The newly renovated Jarvis Residence Hall opened in August to a hefty level of public acclaim. The building is ECU’s oldest, built in 1909, and named in honor of Gov. Thomas Jarvis whose efforts at the state capitol got ECU started. There are exposed wooden beams and a baby grand piano in the hall’s mezzanine. Beautiful hardwood floors, attractive landscaping.

Officials Target Key Points for Bond Issue

University officials have developed a set of key messages that identify important issues related to ECU and the higher education facilities bond referendum on the Nov. 7 ballot. Dr. Austin Bunch (University Relations), said the messages can be used by university employees in discussing the bond issue.

Here are the messages:

Significant enrollment growth is projected for the entire University of North Carolina system and the state’s community colleges. Predictions of the upcoming enrollment surge are based on current elementary and secondary enrollment and population trends. ECU’s share of the enrollment growth means up to 9,000 more undergraduate students in attendance by the end of this decade. The enrollment increases dictate new academic classrooms, laboratories, and offices.

Of the $3.1 billion bond referendum for capital facilities needs of the University of North Carolina and the North Carolina Community College System, $190,609,500 is for projects at East Carolina University.

The first priority for facilities at ECU is a new Science and Technology Building with modern laboratories and academic space.

Most existing laboratories (especially science programs) and various academic programs and offices are housed in facilities that are crowded, out-of-date and not conducive to instruction in consideration of today’s competitive education marketplace demands.

Construction of all new facilities on the East Campus (the main campus) is a new Science and Technology Building.

The newly acquired 13-acre site on the old Voice of America (VOA) site in west Pitt County will provide facilities for the North Carolina Institute for Health and Safety in Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries and the physician’s assistant program. Because of its remote location, the site is not slated for or conducive to undergraduate academic use, i.e., basic general education programs, which require proximity to all other undergraduate programs.

ECU is the educational center of eastern North Carolina and its programs, services, and activities are an integral part of the educational, economic, cultural, and medical life for a region. ECU facilities must match demands for quality – in students, faculty, programs, and outreach.
East Carolina Faces the Twenty-First Century

Following are excerpts from remarks delivered by Chancellor Richard Eakin at the Aug. 14 Faculty Convocation.

We have heard for years about the approach of the twenty-first century, about how technology would ever more deeply influence our daily activities, how the world is a global village, and how education must prepare the young for unprecedented challenges intellectually, socially and economically, as we enter this new century.

Ladies and gentlemen, we are there!

But are we prepared?

In many ways we are. Much has changed for the better at East Carolina University in recent years. We expanded and renovated Joyner Library with funds from the 1993 university bonds, and then we passed the million-volume threshold in library holdings.

We achieved doctoral status as an institution, and in the new Carnegie Foundation categories that were announced last week, we are classified as a Doctoral/Research University.

Our academic progress is also reflected in the new programs and institutions that we have planned and opened. The most recent of these -- approved last Friday by the Board of Governors -- is permission to open a new School of Computer Sciences and Communication.

Other new programs established in the past three years include doctorates in bioenergetics, biomedical physics and coastal resources management; master's in criminal justice, occupational safety, recreation and leisure facilities and services administration, and occupational therapy; and a baccalaureate in construction management. In addition, we are actively planning new bachelor's degrees in civil engineering technology and environmental engineering technology, a master's degree in public health and a Ph.D. degree in nursing.

We all be proud as well of the individual accomplishments of our faculty members. The past year has seen scores of headlines and broadcasts proclaiming the trailblazing work of East Carolina faculty members ranging from the robotic surgery of Ranny Chitwood to the Fullbright Scholarship of Mel Markowski to the search for the first North Carolinians by Randy Daniel. Their work as well as that of many, many others brings great credit not only to the individuals but also to the university, and I applaud you all.

Even though East Carolina is riding a wave of growth and improvement and achievement, there are potential roadblocks to our continued development. The greatest threat is the lack of facilities that will allow our faculty and students the best opportunity to learn and discover.

The problems on our campus range from the outmoded, leaking, dripping chemistry labs in the Flanagan Building, which was built by the WPA, to an excruciating shortage of office space. In the School of Nursing, for instance, some faculty members must travel nearly five miles from the campus to leased offices near Wal Mart. That might be good for shopping, but it’s not very conducive to student conferences or faculty collegiality.

It is these needs that prompted the General Assembly to place on the November 7 ballot a 3.1 billion dollar bond referendum for new and renovated facilities for the UNC and community college systems.

Passage of these bonds is absolutely crucial to our continued growth and success as a higher-education institution. I strongly believe that as the citizens of North Carolina learn more about our facility needs and the coming enrollment boom, they will grow more likely to support the bonds.

A brief demographic reminder may be in order here. The UNC System and the community college system each anticipate enrollment growth of nearly 50,000 students over the next 10 years. That is almost 100,000 new students in a decade, almost six times the current ECU enrollment. This enrollment growth pressure has been compounded by decades of underfunding for the upgrading of existing buildings.

The bond funds would be used to construct new buildings and modernize existing buildings on the 16 University and 59 community college campuses.

Without the new facilities that would be funded by the bonds, UNC campuses will be unable to admit thousands of qualified students. Some campuses already have had to curtail admissions because of a lack of space.

The University of North Carolina’s reputation for excellence in teaching and research gives this state a competitive economic advantage, but unless we build new facilities and repair our classrooms, laboratories, and other buildings, that competitive edge will be lost. University campuses now have dozens of buildings – particularly science buildings -- that are no longer suited for their original purpose or are badly in need of repair and renovation.

I remind you that our number one priority is the Science and Technology Building, which will provide a new home for the chemistry department and for the School of Industry and Technology.

Passage of the bonds will mean state-of-the-art laboratories, classrooms and offices for faculty and students.

An early indicator of the enrollment demands that will face us in the coming years can be found in the numbers for this semester.

Overall enrollment will be about 18,500, an increase of almost 300 students over last year. Freshman enrollment will exceed 3,100, which is more than anticipated because our yield rates are up. What this means is that our efforts to make ECU an even more attractive institution are paying off. Thank you for your help in this continuing effort.

Increasing enrollments, combined with several other factors, have produced good budget news for ECU this year. We have received more than 15.7 million dollars in new funds, and the equivalent of 77 new faculty positions from our enrollment increase will be funded by the bond referendum. We will be able to increase faculty salaries by more than five percent, on average.

I will close on a brief personal note.

I am proud and privileged to have been your chancellor for the past 13 years. As you know, this will be my last convocation as chancellor.

It is important to me that you know how much I value you and all that you do for this university. Indeed, it is you who lead this institution and I thank you for it. The ability and dedication with which you provide opportunities for learning, discovery and university engagement with the region and state are remarkable, and I salute you.

With you, I approach this new academic year with enthusiasm, with gratitude for your place in this institution’s distinguished history, and with my very best personal wishes for a successful year!
Search Committee on Aggressive Schedule

By John Durham

The Chancellor Search Committee could be ready to recommend a new campus leader by February, committee chair Philip R. Dixon says.

Dixon, also chairman of the university Board of Trustees, said the panel is on an aggressive timetable to conclude its work as soon as possible.

The committee, meeting with consultant Jan Greenwood on Aug. 16, fine-tuned the leadership statement and, in closed session, discussed some individuals whose names had been suggested as candidates.

Greenwood, an ECU alumna and vice president of the A.T. Kearney search firm in Alexandria, Va., said about 90 potential candidates had been contacted about the job.

Dr. Richard Eakin announced in the spring that he will retire as chancellor as soon as a successor arrives on campus.

The leadership statement, which will be sent to interested individuals, describes the university and its strategic goals. It also enumerates qualifications and characteristics sought in a chancellor.

Qualifications include an advanced degree, with a doctorate preferred; 10 years of successful executive leadership experience and management of a diverse, complex organization; and strong academic credentials in teaching, research and service.

Among the characteristics listed are a deep commitment to academic quality and outstanding teaching; ability to provide visionary leadership in the development and articulation of the strategic vision and mission of ECU; a proven track record as a successful fundraiser; and an ability to effectively represent, strengthen and expand relationships for the university with various constituencies, including the Board of Trustees, alumni, legislators, and the community at large.

Other characteristics specified included evidence of active leadership in the implementation and maintenance of diversity initiatives in regard to faculty, staff and students; the expertise to assess, create/develop, strengthen and maintain academic programs that are responsive to the needs of the area; and the ability to maintain open dialogue as well as the ability to nurture an atmosphere of collegiality, shared inquiry, shared responsibility and collective accomplishment.

Members of the search committee also heard comments from about a dozen people during two public forums scheduled to gather input on the selection.

Rand Evans (Psychology) told the panel that the new chancellor should be from an academic background; should have loyalty to ECU; and should recognize the value of the liberal arts and sciences as the core of the university.

Alex Albright (English) said the committee should be certain that finalists for the position are aware of the history and significance of historic campus structures and landmarks.

Rudy Alexander, former director of Mendenhall, said the new chancellor should be concerned about the arts, and should be a skilled public relations person able to communicate with diverse groups.

The committee tentatively scheduled its next meeting for Oct. 27. It plans to begin reviewing prospects at that time.

Advising Awards Presented at Convocation

Effective advising impacts greatly the retention and ultimate academic success of undergraduate students. In recognition of individual accomplishments in advising, the Office of Undergraduate Studies 12 years ago began acknowledging this achievement with the Outstanding General College Adviser Award. Soon after the office instituted the Declared Major Award.

In 1997, co-sponsored by the Council on Undergraduate Academic Advising, the Office of Undergraduate Studies instituted the Unit Advising Award to recognize either academic advising or innovation and improvement by an entire unit.

Utilizing student opinion surveys on effective advising and other pertinent factors, a special committee annually selects winners. Criteria for the Unit Awards also includes graduation rates, student satisfaction, academic credentials of teaching, research and service, and articulation of the strategic vision and mission of ECU; a proven track record as a successful fundraiser; and an ability to effectively represent, strengthen and expand relationships for the university with various constituencies, including the Office of Undergraduate Studies instituted the Declared Major Award.

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Dishaw Named Outstanding Professor

The Department of Disability Support Services recognized James P. Dishaw (Human Environmental Sciences) as the 1999-2000 recipient of its Outstanding Professor Award.

Dishaw was selected from nominations by students who receive classroom accommodations throughout the year. He received a plaque for his office and his name was added to the plaque listing all recipients of the award, located in Brewer A-114.

Dishaw and colleagues were treated to refreshments courtesy of Disability Support Services during the first Human Environmental Sciences faculty meeting.
**In Print: Faculty/Staff Publications**

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**Article, “Technology, Technophobia and Gynophobia in Gonzalo Torrente Ballester’s Quízás nos lleve el viento al infinito,” by Dale Knickerbocker (Foreign Languages and Literatures) in the Journal of the Fantastic in the Arts.**

**Article, “Conquistadors, Excavators or Rodents: What Damaged the King Site Skeletons?” by Dale Hutchinson (Anthropology) with co-authors from UNC-Chapel Hill and Pennsylvania State, Georgia Southern and East Tennessee State Universities in American Antiquity.**

**Article, “Conforming Resistance to Peer Pressure among Adolescents: Using inoculation Theory to Discourage Alcohol Use,” by Linda Godbold (Communication and Broadcasting) in Communication.**

Quoted, Mary Louise Antieau (Student Life) in the article, “Old-Campus Leases Foster Positive Relationships with Landlords, Community,” in the July issue of Student Affairs Today: News and Strategies for Higher Education Professionals.

**Article, “Using the Dyadic Adjustment Scale in Marital Therapy: An Exploratory Study,” by Mel Markowski (Human Environmental Sciences) with former colleague Howard Barnes and former student Anne Prouty in the Family Journal: Counseling and Therapy for Couples and Families.**


**Articles, by Elizabeth Layman (Allied Health) and J.A. Goyden: “Renewal versus Burnout: A Career Blueprint” in Health Care Manager; “The Relationships among Organizational and Departmental Characteristics, Hardiness, and Burnout in Directors of Hospital Information Management Departments,” in Educational Perspectives in Health Information Management. Also by Layman, “Quality Management History and Philosophy,” in Health Care Quality and Outcomes Management. Layman, with A.C. Picard, was co-editor of the Certified Coding Specialist Exam Success Review Book.**

**Textbook, Biotic Response to Global Change: The Last 145 Million Years, by Stephen Culver (Geology) and Pete Rawson, University College, London. Culver and M.A. Buzas published an article, “Understanding Diversity Through the Log Series Distribution of Occurrences,” in Diversity and Distribution.**

**Article, “Large Cortical Lesions produce Enduring Forelimb Placing Deficits in untreated Rats and Treatment with NMDA Antagonists or Anti-oxidants Drugs induces Behavioral Recovery,” by Michael Hoane (Psychology) with Scott Barbay and Timothy Barth, in Brain Research Bulletin.**


**Regional Educational Service Agency in Sandersville, Georgia.**

**Article, “Reading by Listening: It Made a Difference,” by Sharon Haley in Talking Points.**

**Article, “This Hard Land: On the Path of Resistance,” by David Gabbard in the International Journal of Educational Reform.**

**English Articles, by James Kirkland: “Between Sleep and Waking: The ‘Old Hag’ in Folk, Medical and Literary Perspective” in Midwest Folklore and “The Tell-Tale Heart as Evil Eye Event” in Southern Folklore.**


**Article, by Dale Jacobs: “Coming to Composition, Or a Collaborative Metanarrative of Conversation and Subversion,” with Kate Ronald, in Composition Studies and “Teaching in Two Worlds: Critical Reflection and Teacher Change in the Writing Center” in National Writing Program Quarterly.**

**Essays, by English faculty in the new Dictionary of Literary Biography volume, American Women Journal of Bilingualism. She presented “Preverbs in Language Contact: Evidence from American Hungarian Among Bilingual Children” at the 45th annual conference of the International Linguistic Association at Georgetown University and “Predicting the Outcomes of Bilingual Contact: Evidence from Hungarian Preverbs and Case,” to the Triangle Linguistics Club in Raleigh.**

**Poems, “Week of Disconcentration” and “Rondeau for the Magician’s Beautiful Assistant,” by Mary Carroll-Hackett in Susquehanna Quarterly.**

**Essay, on Denis Cashman, by C.W. Sullivan, Ill in the Encyclopedia of Irish in America, published by the University of Notre Dame Press.**

**Chapter, by Margaret Barger: “When a Convent Seems the Only Viable Choice: Questionable Callings in Stories,” by Alice Dunbar-Nelson, Alice Walker and Louise Erdrich,” to the University of Notre Dame Press.**

**Article, “A Meta-Analysis of the Papancicaloou Smear and Wet Mount for the Diagnosis of Vaginal Trichomoniasis,” by Wilhelmine Wiese, Sangnya Patel, Carlos Estrada, Sanjay Patel and Christopher Old in the American Journal of Medicine.**

**Essays, in Building Bioethics: Conversations with Closer and Friends on Medical Ethics, edited by Loretta Kopelman: “Building the New Field of Bioethics” and “Are Better Problem-Solvers Better People?” both by Kopelman and “The More Things Change . . .: Closer on Bioethics in Medical Education,” by John Moskop.**

**A new view of the Cupola from the brick walkway leading to the renovated Jarvis Hall. (Photo by Tony Rumpke)**

**Articles, by David Resnik: “Privatized Biomedical Research, Public Fears and the Hazards of Government Regulation: Lessons from Stem Cell Research” in Health Care Analysis and “Sex Biases in Subject Selection: A Survey of Articles Published in American Medical Journals” in Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics.**

**Article, “Trust, Patient Well-Being and Affirmative Action in Medical School Admissions,” by Kenneth De Ville in the Mount Sinai Medical Journal.**

**Articles co-authored by Kathryn Kolasa and George Pochman: “Is a Vegetarian Diet Healthy for Kids?” with Annette Peery in Patient Care and “Virtual Seminars for Disseminating Medical Nutrition Curriculum Ideas” with Ann Jobe in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition.**

**Article, “A Retrospective Comparison of Abdominal Sacrococcygealploypexy with Burch Colposuspension versus Sacrococcygeal Fixation with Transvaginal Needle Suspension for the Management of Vaginal Vault Prolapse and Coexisting Incontinence,” by Eddie HLM, Sze and co-authors in the International Urogynecology Journal.**

**Article, “Current Status of Gene Therapy for Ovarian Cancer,” by David Tait and co-authors in CME Journal of Gynecologic Oncology.**
Babits Enjoys Sailing Aboard a Tall Ship

Rarely a dull moment for history professor Larry Babits during his summer aboard the U.S. Brig Niagara.

By George Threewitts

While movie-goers gasped through a summer movie about a fishing boat tossed about in a violent sea, it was smooth sailing in the north Atlantic for a tall ship and an ECU professor who served as a member of the ship’s crew.

The U.S. Brig Niagara, one of about 150 vessels participating in the “Tall Ships 2000” event, made stops in such nautical places as Philadelphia, New London, Mystic Seaport and Newport, and took part in parades of tall ships at New York and Boston before heading on to Maine and Nova Scotia.

On board for the most of the cruise was Larry Babits, who teaches maritime and American history at ECU.

For Babits, it was six weeks of almost daily climbs into the stomach-churning heights of the ship’s rigging, and the strenuous chore of tending the spider web of hemp rope that supports the masts and spars and positions the sails.

At times, he dressed in the clothing of an early 19th century seaman to test flax, wool and other fabrics against the rigors of salt air. When the ship was in port he treated visitors with his knowledge of how life aboard ship used to be.

Seldom was there a dull moment, and aside from the jolt of a cold, daily, saltwater shower, most of the work aboard ship for Babits was pure enjoyment.

The Niagara is a relatively small vessel when compared to some of the other reproduction sailing ships such as the U.S.S. Constitution. The brigantine’s hull length is about 120 feet. It carries two masts that support a maximum of 15 sails.

The ship is the reproduction of the relief flagship that commodore Oliver Hazard Perry captained in the Battle of Lake Erie on Sept. 10, 1813. In the battle, a small U.S. fleet defeated a squadron of six British vessels in the War of 1812. The original vessel served on Lake Erie until 1820 when it was scuttled.

The later ship was commissioned in 1990. It was constructed to serve as a goodwill ambassador for the state of Pennsylvania.

Babits had trained on the vessel a few years before and had become one of the regulars among the crew.

“I enjoy it,” he said, explaining that the only unpleasant times came while on watch, standing in the rain and being cold, wet and tired.

“It gets you out of the rut of the 20th century,” he said. “There is no TV, telephone, e-mail (no mail at all). There is the feeling of being timeless. You are solely responsible to the ship and to your shipmates,” Babits said.

He said those on board looked after each other. The ages of crew members ranged from 16 to 65 and included several of Babits’ students.

There are few conveniences of modern life on the Niagara. Crew members sleep in hammocks or on the wooden planks of the deck. Food from the ship’s galley was usually very good – things like bacon, eggs, ham, biscuits, roast turkey and vegetables are cooked on wood burning stoves.

Baths, according to Babits, were something of a struggle. For showers, the crew extended a fire hose into the Atlantic and pumped up a cooling spray of sea water.

Babits joined the crew June 3, in Norfolk. He left the ship for a short while to return to campus for academic work and then rejoined the cruise in Philadelphia. His adventure ended in mid-July.

Babits teaches survey courses in early American history as well as courses in maritime archaeology and material culture. His third book, A Devil of a Whipping: The Battle of Cowpens, published in 1998, is in its second hardback printing and is scheduled for paperback release this fall.

Babits says he is particularly interested in living history that teaches through the experience of recreating and living the conditions that existed during periods of America’s past. Last year, he lent his skill in reenactment to the making of the Revolutionary War movie, The Patriot, starring Mel Gibson, that opened during this year’s Fourth of July holiday. Babits was one of the musket-firing soldiers in the movie’s battle scenes.
Beyond the Classroom

Presentations and Productions

Presentation, “Challenging Assumptions and Breaking Down Barriers to Innovation,” by Diane Groff (Health and Human Performance) to the N.C. Recreation and Park Society’s Therapeutic Recreation Division in Hickory.

Presentations, “Love and Social Interest” and “Mistaken Goals in Action,” by Mel Markowski (Human Environmental Sciences) at the International Association Psychology Summer Institute in Zaoz, Switzerland.


Presentation, “Satisfaction with Early Childhood Services among Low-Income Families in a Rural County,” by Jane King Teleki (Human Environmental Sciences) and Sherry Buck-Gomez, at Head Start’s Fifth National Research Conference in Washington, D.C.


Student Life

Presentation, “A Proactive Approach to Alcohol/Drug Abuse and Violence at ECU,” to ECU Trustees by Mary Louise Antieau describing ongoing efforts, including the development of a University Task Force.

Address, on successful collaboration on cultural diversity programming and funding across the college campuses, by Nell Lewis at a Multicultural Affairs Institute in Memphis, Tenn.

Presentation, Frank Salamon (Dining Services), “Impacting: Enrollment-Partnering With Admissions” at the NACTUPS National Conference held July 25-29 in Calgary, Canada.

Workshops, by staff members Lathan E. Turner, Neil Lewis, Ty Frazier, and Tamika Brown, along with Ion Outterbridge (Admissions), at the Intercollegiate Student Leadership Retreat, Aug. 13 and 14.

Medicine


Presentations, by S. Jamal Mustafa with Ming Fan at the Parnes 2000 meeting in Madrid, Spain: “Changes in inflammation cells in bronchovascular lavage fluid with aerosolized adenosine in a mouse model of allergic asthma,” and “Adenosine-induced bronchoconstriction in a mouse model of allergic asthma.” By Mustafa, Moez Rokkia, A.A. Abdel-Rahman, and former colleague M.M. El-Mas, “Consistent ethanolic feeding enhances the vasoconstrictor effect of adenosine receptors in isolated aorta from spontaneously hypertensive rats.”

Presentations, by Kathryn Kolasa: “From Kitchen Cabinet to Medicine Cabinet: Functional Foods” at the Lillian Fountain Smith Conference for Nutrition Educators in Fort Collins, Colorado, and “Food as Medicine” to the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society meeting in Charlotte.

Papers


By ECU scientists at the Society for Experimental Biology meeting in Los Angeles: “Satisfaction with Early Childhood Programs Among Low-Income Families in a Rural Southeastern County,” by Jane King Teleki (Human Environmental Sciences) and alumna Sherry Buck-Gomez at the Southern Early Childhood Association conference in Birmingham, Alabama.

English

“Meeting the Enemy: Stories of Resistance, Transformation and Growth,” by Sandra Tawake at the University of Louisiana in Lafayette.


“The 20th Century Anthology in Western Drama,” by Robert Siegel at a conference, Image of the 20th Century in Literature, Media and Society, at the University of Southern Colorado.

“Negative Male Images in Hurston’s Their Eyes Were Watching God and Alice Walker’s The Third Life of Grange Copeland,” by Reginald Watson at the 60th annual College Language Association conference in Baltimore.


Enrollment Figures Dip Below Expectations
By John Durham

Fall semester enrollment at East Carolina University will be about 17,850, the second-highest total in university history but slightly lower than officials had projected earlier this month.

In addition, more than 900 students are enrolled off-campus in distance-education courses, an increase of about 175 over this time last fall.

Preliminary figures, which reflect enrollment through the add-drop period this week, put on-campus enrollment about 2 percent below last year’s record of 18,222. ECU had expected a fall enrollment of about 18,500.

The incoming freshman class of about 3,100 students will have a record SAT average of 1030, up from last year’s average of 1016.

Dr. Robert J. Thompson, director of planning and institutional research, said this fall’s total reflects fewer-than-expected continuing undergraduate freshmen and sophomores and fewer graduate students.

Graduate enrollments, which will be about 120 below last year’s 2,764, typically drop during an economic boom as individuals opt for employment opportunities rather than continuing their education. In addition, graduate enrollments for distance-education classes have increased, pulling from on-campus enrollments.

Thompson said a primary reason for the decline of continuing undergraduate students was the implementation of new academic performance standards last year.

The standards, which went into effect for freshmen during the 1999 fall semester and for other students during the 2000 spring semester, require students to maintain higher grades to remain in good academic standing.

About 210 more undergraduate students were suspended at the end of the 2000 spring semester than would have been if the old suspension figures had been applied.

Thompson said that if the standards are effective in encouraging students to pay more attention to their academic work earlier in their careers, graduation rates should increase.

The enrollment dip because of the standards is a one-time decline and should not have a significant effect on the long-term growth of the university, he said.

University officials are surveying students who were expected to return but did not in order to determine any other reasons for the lower retention rate.

“No clear problems in getting classes, housing or financial aid seem to be present,” Thompson said. “We are analyzing the demographics of the students who did not return.”

He added, “We may be seeing the delayed effect of last year’s crowded classrooms that were a result of the record enrollment. The flood following Hurricane Floyd may also be a factor. The undergraduate student may have stuck it out for the year, but then decided to go elsewhere.”

ECU expects enrollment to grow by as much as 9,000 students over the next 10 years, and a director of enrollment management has been hired to coordinate recruitment, retention and financial aid efforts.

Thompson said the dip in enrollment does not lessen the need for new and modernized laboratory, classroom and office space on campus to accommodate the current student body and expected enrollment increases.

ECU would receive about $190 million of the $3.1 billion in higher education facilities bonds that are on the November ballot.

The No. 1 priority on the campus is the Science and Technology Building, which would provide a new home for the Department of Chemistry and the School of Industry and Technology. They are currently housed in the WPA-era Flanagan Building, which was renovated in the 1960s.

Students began moving into residence halls on Friday, Aug. 11, in preparation for the start of fall semester classes. Dorm space will be at a premium with the expected surge in enrollment over the next 10 years. (Photo by Cliff Hollis)

STUDENT LIFE REORGANIZES

The Division of Student Life has reorganized various offices and operations to provide more effective and efficient services to students.

Vice Chancellor Garrie Moore said the primary goal of the new structure is to assure that every student has the greatest opportunity to succeed at ECU.

The division now has four associate vice chancellors: Kris Smith, Frank Salamon, Phebe Kerr and Manny Amaro.

Smith is associate vice chancellor for administration services. She will assist the vice chancellor with administrative responsibilities for the division. Additionally she is responsible for divisional accreditation, research, fundraising and Campus Ministries.

Salamon, former director of dining services, is associate vice chancellor for student services. In addition to Dining, he will supervise Student Health and Recreational Services.

Amaro, former housing director, will supervise Housing and University Unions, which includes Orientation and the First-Year Experience, Adult and Commuter Student Services and Leadership Development.

Phebe Kerr, former associate dean for student affairs at Florida Atlantic University, has joined the division as associate vice chancellor for student success. Her area includes Counseling and Career Services, Greek Life, Disability Support Services, Judicial Affairs and Research, Assessment and Testing.
**News in Brief**

**School of Education Joins Renaissance Group**

The School of Education was honored with an invitation to join The Renaissance Group, a consortium of 22 higher education institutions that share a commitment to quality teacher education programs. ECU was selected from among 22 colleges and universities considered for membership, only eight of which received invitations.

The mission of the group extends beyond initiating quality education programs on the university level, to inter-university research and collaborative projects aimed at educational reform. Universities in the group are experimenting with innovative education models, developing new curricula, teaching strategies and textbooks and undertaking studies to assist public policy makers and education leaders.

**Henshaw Elected to Post**

During an organizational meeting in New Bern, the North Carolina Distance Learning Alliance named Diana Henshaw (Continuing Studies) Vice President and President Elect. At the meeting Henshaw participated in a panel discussion on college partnerships with outside entities and the expectations businesses have of distance learning students.

The Alliance is a new statewide organization, endorsed by the U.S. Distance Learning Association, to promote the development and application of distance learning for both education and training purposes.

**Communication Sciences Graduates First PhD**

The Communication Sciences and Disorders department’s first doctoral candidate, Manish Rami, from Bombay, India, has successfully defended his thesis, “Effect of Filtered Speech on the Frequency of Stuttering.” Joseph Kalinowski was major advisor, assisted by Michael Rastatter, Communication Sciences Department Chair.

The doctoral program in Communication Sciences accepted students for enrollment beginning in the Fall of 1996. Rami is the first PhD graduate from the School of Allied Health Sciences.

**Powell Serves as Guest Editor**

John Powell (Social Work) was guest editor for Family-Centered Services in Residential Treatment: New Approaches for Group Care, a special issue of the journal Residential Treatment for Children and Youth. Powell co-authored two articles appearing in the special issue, including “Family-Centered Practice in Residential Treatment Settings,” with Sandra Spencer, and “Celebrating Change: A Schema for Family-Centered Practice in Residential Settings,” with Lussie Bass and David Dossor Jr. Powell is editor of the Book Review Section and serves on the editorial board for the journal.

**Joyner Library Updates Collections**

The library has acquired a number of electronic databases: African American Studies Module of History University, AP Photo Archive, BioethicsLine, Cambridge Scientific, HarpWeek (Harper’s Weekly), International Management Library, Literature Resource Center, MD Consult (medical), Million Dollar Director, OVID (biomedical), Science’s Next Wave, and University archives Database. Call 328-6677 for additional information.

The Special Collections department has accumulated new materials concerning the Flood of the Century, following Hurricane Floyd. For more information, call 328-6671. The library’s newsletter, Columns, is available at http://www.lib.ecu.edu.

**New Leave Policy Takes Effect**

A new Community Service Leave Policy is effective July 1, with which qualified employees can earn 24 hours of Community Service Leave per year for community service activities, or one hour per week for specified mentoring/tutoring activities. Accrual for the year 2000 is prorated due to mid-year implementation, allowing 12 hours of Community Service Leave, or 18 hours for tutoring/mentoring. Leave may be granted for child involvement or volunteer activity in schools or community organizations, and for tutoring and mentoring. In addition there are provisions for emergency services, blood and bone marrow donorship and disaster service with the American Red Cross. This policy supersedes the former Child Involvement Leave Policy and Community Involvement Leave Policy. For additional information, contact the Benefits Counselor for your division, or refer to the policy statement located at http://www.ecu.edu/business manual/Human Resources policy13.htm#pol13e.

**Hartung Wins First Place with Nutrition Efforts**

With vibrant interactive games and displays in ECU dining halls, enthusiastic productions for radio, classrooms and community groups, and a creative approach to eating right, Laura Hartung (Student Life) earned a blue ribbon for ECU’s National Nutrition Month promotion, besting 20 other entries to the National Association of College and University Food Services (NACUFS).

In August, Hartung traveled to Calgary, Canada, for the NACUFS National Convention, where she was presented the First Place Award.

Hartung and nutrition intern Rebecca Turner developed the program for National Nutrition Month held in March, 2000. Highlights of the program included the “Wheel of Nutrition,” with which participants vied to win veggie pizzas, fresh fruits, and more; the Exotic Bar, which introduced students to tropical delights such as mangoes, papaya, Asian pears and kiwi; and visits from “Jules the Cow,” who presented prizes and polaroid shots of “milk mustaches” to any student caught drinking milk.

A Main Event “National Nutrition Month Theme Meal” took place March 21 in the dining halls, providing patrons a delightful spread of low fat, low sodium, healthy foods. Phytochemical facts were posted at each food station, explaining the beneficial products each food contained.

Diners participated in a Mr. Potato Head contest, creating their masterpieces with a potato, using numerous fruits and vegetables for features.

Campus nutrition made its debut on the air with Hartung’s radio program, “Personal Profiles.” Hartung also presented nutrition facts in health and biology classes, in a presentation to local Boy Scouts, and with the nutrition booth at the Commuters Day Fair held at the campus recreation center.

Hartung has been ECU’s Nutritionist since 1994. This is the third time ECU has been recognized for this promotion. Hartung won first place in 1996 and second place in 1998.

**Correction**

Charles Franklin, vice chair of the ECU Chancellor Search Committee, voted on July 13 in favor of a motion to provide complete confidentiality to applicants for the position. The motion was approved by the committee. Franklin’s vote was incorrectly reported in the previous issue of Pieces of Eight.

**Vital Records**

**BORN:** To Jonathan Wacker (Music) and wife Lori, a son, Robert Jeffrey, July 4.

**BORN:** To Vincent McCray (Medicine) and wife Christina, a daughter, Kristen Alexandria, June 20.

**MARRIED:** Sarah Margaret Barnes, daughter of Donald Barnes (Medicine), to Samuel Todd Adams, July 22 in Greenville.

**MARRIED:** Vicki Lynn McLawhorn (Business Affairs) to John Douglas Whitehurst, June 3, in Black Jack.

**MARRIED:** John Paul Haggard, son of Paul Haggard (Mathematics), to Susanne Elisabeth Rothea, February 14 in Red Rock Canyon, Nevada.

**MARRIED:** Rodney Paul Alston, son of Paul Perry Alston (Allied Health Sciences), to Susan Lynn Ambrose, August 5 in Greenville.
Service, Honors, Professional Activities

Lillian Robinson (English) has accepted a position as head of the Simone de Beauvoir Institute (women’s studies research and teaching) at Concordia University in Montréal.

Seodial Deena (English) received a National Endowment for the Humanities award to participate in a summer seminar. Decolonization of the British Empire, at the University of Texas at Austin.

Patrick Bizzaro (English) was a Visiting Scholar-Researcher in Rhetoric and Technical Communications this summer at Michigan Technological University. He also served on the faculty for the Institute on Technical Communication in Jackson, Miss.

Larry Donley (Cooperative Education) attended the 35th annual Southeast Regional Cooperative Education Conference in Huntsville, Ala.

Aaron Lucier (Housing Services) participated in the N.C. Resident Retreat at N.C. State University. The retreat will be hosted by ECU next spring and will involve private and public colleges and universities.

Janet Johnson (Housing Services) conducted a workshop on conflict resolution for the Supervision Institute, and two workshops on dealing with conflict for the Health Sciences Library staff.

Maria Clay and Doyle Cummings (Medicine) earned the National Academies of Practice Interdisciplinary Creativity Group Award for 2000. They were recognized as co-directors of the Interdisciplinary Rural Health Training Program.

S. Jamal Mustafa (Medicine) received a Distinguished Scientist Award from the Association of Scientists of Indian Origin in America.

Loretta Kopelman (Medicine) earned a Faculty Award For Excellence in Research. The award recognized her research on moral issues relating to women’s and children’s health, medical research and mental health.

Recent Business Services Quest for Excellence award recipients are: Iris Petrichard (Mail Services) and Susan Poole (Materials Management). Recently recognized as spotlighted Employees were Mike Jordan and Sabrina Green (Police).

Thomas Skalko and Donna Mooneyham (Health and Human Performance) received awards at the North Carolina Recreation and Parks Society, Therapeutic Recreation Division conference in Hickory. Skalko was recognized as Educator of the Year and Mooneyham as Practitioner of the Year.

ECU’s Recreation and Leisure Studies department was cited as Outstanding Therapeutic Recreation Department of the Year.

William Clutter (University Unions) was one of 200 delegates from 25 nations at Ground Zero, the International Society for the Performing Arts’ 14th International Congress in Berlin, Germany.

David Gaskins (Student Life) attended the National Association of Student Officials Convention in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Lathan Turner (Student Life) attended the 13th annual National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Santa Fe.

Kathy Norman (Student Life) attended the Sunbelt Directors and Administrators conference.

Jim Sturm (Student Life) attended the Stealth Leadership Symposium at Fort Knox, Ky. The symposium included rappelling, water survival, drill and ceremony, one-ropes river crossing, and leadership workshops.

Lauria Sweet (Student Life), a member of the board of directors for the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), attended the group’s Strategic Planning Session in Tucson, Ariz. Sweet chaired a seminar for 200 NPC sorority field consultants at Butler University in Indianapolis.

Shelly Myers (Student Life) is serving on the General Program Selection Committee for the American College Personnel Association’s Spring Conference in Boston March 3-7, 2001.

Pete Mathur and Charlene Boyce (Research, Assessment, and Testing) attended the National Evaluation Association’s Inaugural Conference in Northbrook, Ill.


Valerie Ward and Karrene Frantz (Disability Support Services) enhanced their American Sign Language skills at the Summer Sign Language Institute in Wilson.

Dana Ezell Gay (University Publications) received an APEX 2000 Award of Excellence for design and layout of a new brochure for Student Life. The awards were based on excellence in graphic design, editorial content and overall communications effectiveness and excellence.

James Bazhki (Health and Human Performance) participated for his seventh year with the Charlotte Muscular Dystrophy Association’s summer camp as activities director.

Dori Finley (Nutrition and Hospitality Management) attended the Council of Education, Restaurant and Institutional Education Board of Directors meeting as director of information and publications and chaired the publications council meeting.

Floyd E. Matthews (Education), Director of the Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics Program at ECU since 1985, hosted 91 of the state’s finest students on campus in June and July. SVSM is a four-week residential program for academically talented rising high school juniors and seniors who hope to pursue careers in science and mathematics. ECU is one of six participating campuses in the state. Faculty and staff volunteers who taught courses were Jim Wirth (Math), Irene Gerow and Robert Hammond (Chemistry), and Jean-Luc Scemama and Elizabeth Jones (Biology). David Phelps with former colleague John Byrd (Archaeology) instructed a class in the excavation of Neorekota Fort in Greene County.

Ten students assigned to the School of Medicine participated in medical research with mentors in Medicine—Brian McMillen, Adam Adelph-Rahman, Alex Murashov, Edward Treadwell, Charles Hodson, Greg Vanden Heuvel, Laxmansa Katwa, Paul Bolin Jr. (Medicine) on WCTI-TV News with comments on Congressional reports of shortcomings in the dialysis industry.

Mark Stelzner (Allied Health) on WITN-TV News on helping flood victims manage stress and anxiety with late July’s heavy rains, July 21.

Randolph Chitwood (Medicine) on UNC-TV’s N.C. People, July 28 and July 30, on advances in robotic surgery.

Paul Fletcher Jr. (Medicine) on WNCT-TV News on utilizing scorpion venom proteins for treating autoimmune diseases, Aug. 2 and 3.

Jeffrey Engel (Medicine) on WNCT-TV News on status of TB cases in Pitt County and symptoms of the disease, Aug. 2, and in The Daily Reflector, on meningitis virus for college-age students, Aug. 13.

Ted Ross (Medicine) discussing an ECU study published in Nature Immunology on using DNA for treating blood cancers, Aug. 3.

Julius Mallette (Medicine) discussing The Daily Reflector, on meningitis virus for college-age students, Aug. 13.

Kathy Kolasa (Medicine) on WITN-TV News, Aug. 18, on teen girls’ soft drink consumption weakening their bones.

Appointments and Elections

Mark Friend (Industry and Technology) to the executive board of the Related Activities Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technologies at the ABET summer meeting in Arlington, Va.

Garrie Moore (Student Life) to chair of the UNC Student Credit Card Study Committee and member of the UNC Alcohol Assessment Task Force.

David Gaskins (Student Life) to clinician for the 2000 U.S. Army - Europe Flag Football Oificiating Clinic in Vilseck, Germany.

William Clutter (University Unions) to chair of the 44th Annual Conference Evaluation Committee for Association of Performing Arts Presenters.

Keats Sparrow (Arts and Sciences), appointed by Gov. Hunt to a five-year term on the Historic Sites Commission, the state policy board for N.C.’s first incorporated town.

East Carolina University
Faculty Researchers RAVE about Virtual Reality

By George Threewitts

A group of ECU administrators might have thought they were on the control deck of the starship Enterprise last week when they took a tour of the new RAVE (Reconfigurable Advanced Visualization Environment) system installed at Joyner Library.

Never mind stars and planets whizzing by at warp speed. Instead, there were molecular particles from a single cell floating in space. And then there were the images of rooms and furniture and the sense of moving from sofa to chair to desk and into drawers and closets.

The Queen Anne’s Revenge was on the virtual tour as well. Two live cannons were strewed about on the bottom of the ocean with an anchor here and another there and planks of wood decaying on the seafloor. What! No sharks or other fishes?

“They are coming,” said Wayne Godwin (Art) who is working to create the shipwreck software for ECU new interactive, stereoscopic display system. The RAVE is the product of Fakespace Systems Inc. It includes a giant 10 by 10-foot glass screen and a projection system behind it that projects stereoscopic images from a computer. The computer is a powerful Silicon Graphics Onyx2 that has enhanced graphic capability. Special goggles, wired gloves and a handheld wand pointer go with the system.

It’s a high tech array of gear that is designed for serious work. The price tag and into drawers and closets.

Williamson Resigns from Board of Trustees

Henry Williamson of Winston-Salem, chief operating officer of BB&T Corp., has resigned from the East Carolina University Board of Trustees. Williamson, who has been a member of the board since 1997, said he is stepping down for personal reasons. “I truly care about the university, and I am saddened to have to leave,” he said. His replacement will be named by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors.

Phil Dixon, chair of the ECU board, said Williamson’s resignation “is a terrible loss to us. We thank him for his wonderful service.”

Center Plans Events

The Leo Jenkins Cancer Center in conjunction with the Greenville Urology Clinic will hold a free annual prostate cancer screening Saturday, Sept. 23, from 8 AM to noon, at the Jenkins Cancer Center. Screening is by appointment only. Call 816-7867 to schedule.

The Center will hold its annual Cancer Survivor’s Day event on Oct. 7, with featured presenter Ann Jillian. This event annually honors a “Hero of the Year,” a cancer survivor who inspires and helps others with their own strength and ability, often in the midst of their own battle.

Football Fever Buffet

Sweetheart’s at Todd Dining Hall will prepare a Football Fever buffet feast on Sept. 5, with a number of delicious treats including honey dijon fried chicken, marinated grilled steaks, apple crisp, and lemon layer cake. Cost of the buffet is $7.95 per person.

Staff Forum Committees Complete Projects

Staff Forum subcommittees have completed projects to inform and serve the university community.

The Diversity Committee, chaired by Marvin Whitehurst (Health Sciences), distributed the second publication in its Diversity Yes! series – brochures outlining ways to support workplace diversity on campus. Diversity Committee members are Whitehurst, Debbie Tyndall (Administration and Finance), Ann Tillman and Susan Hille (Academic Affairs) and Ramona Williams (Health Sciences).

The Recognition and Awards Committee, co-chaired by Marvin Alligood and Joyce Karr (Health Sciences), has designated representatives to speak during employee orientations. Other committee members are Sherrilyn Johnson and Verna Taft (Administration) and Tammy Garris (Institutional Advancement).

See any Staff Forum representative to review a copy of the forum’s 1999 annual report.

Young Volunteers Needed for Testing

The Psychological Assessment course in the Master’s Psychology Program is seeking volunteers, ages 3 – 16, for assessments of intelligence, achievement and personality. Parents will be asked to provide brief background information. Volunteers will participate in one or two testing sessions lasting approximately two hours. Parents will receive a written summary of results. For more information, contact Katrina Walker at 328-6445, or by email, walkerka@mail.ecu.edu.

SRC Offers Yoga and Tai Chi

The Student Recreation Center is registering participants for Beginner and Intermediate Relaxation Yoga, and Tai Chi. Diverse program dates and times are offered. Interested SRC members and non-members may register in the SRC main office between 8 AM and 6 PM Monday through Friday. For more information, contact Kari Brown at 328-6387 or by e-mail, brownk@mail.ecu.edu.

In Memoriam

Raymond LeMasters, father of Glenn LeMasters (Academic Library Services), died July 21 in Springfield, Tenn.

Roy Hicks, Jr., brother of Sarah Pritchard (Medicine) died July 16 in Buffalo, N.Y.

Horace Little, father of Martha Elmore (Academic Library Services), died July 31 in The Netherlands.
Upcoming Deadlines

Nominations Due

Nominations for the three categories of university-wide teaching awards are due Sept. 15, 2000. The three award categories are:

- Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching (one award)
- Board of Governors Distinguished Professor for Teaching Awards (six awards) and
- Alumni Distinguished Professor for Teaching Awards (three awards).

Individuals making nominations or faculty members who have been nominated may contact Dorothy Clayton, Center for Faculty Development (328-6470), with questions about the Board of Governors awards and Lori Lee, Faculty Senate Office (328-6537), with questions about the Alumni awards.

Gifts and Pledges

Commitments to the Faculty and Staff Initiative campaign are due by September 15. Gift and pledge totals had reached the following amounts as of August 1: Faculty Scholar Awards - $91,167, Children of SPA Employees Scholarship - $4,139, and Other Merit Scholarships - $148,525.

Each campaign gift is matched dollar for dollar. For more information, contact Scott Wells, ECU Foundation, at 328-6685, or Jane Kornegay, the Medical Foundation of ECU, at 816-2238.

ECU Football 2000

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and a roof tiled with the same kind of clay tiles that were there in the beginning add to the building’s appeal. One location on campus that doesn’t look so appealing is the construction zone along 10th Street that is the site for the new Science and Technology Building. ECU received several million dollars to plan for and to begin the site and foundation work for the nearly $60 million facility. The construction of the building, however, depends on passage of the UNC and community college systems bond referendum in November.

Other major campus projects in progress include the renovation and expansion of the Student Health Center and the construction of the Strength and Conditioning Center adjacent to Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. Construction for the new West End Dining Hall is not slated to begin until 2002.

Leadership

Some changes on campus since last spring include the School of Industry and Technology in which Dean Darryl Davis has left his position to become an associate vice chancellor for distributed education and academic information technology. Rosina Chia (Psychology) will serve in the interim.

Clint Bailey, former director of new media at the Barker Campbell Farley and Mansfield agency in Virginia Beach, has joined ECU as the university’s first director of marketing.

The new School of Computer Sciences and Communication has been established, increasing the number of professional schools to 12. Michael Poteat is the new interim dean.

Karla Hughes joins the School of Environmental Sciences as dean. Her appointment to the post, formally held by Helen Grove, was approved last April.

Some of the new academic programs being planned for at ECU include undergraduate degrees in civil engineering technology, electronic engineering technology, environmental engineering technology; a master’s program in public health; and a doctoral degree in nursing.

There are other changes in departments around campus. They include the School of Education where Mary Schmidt is the new associate dean for Research, Graduate Studies and Professional Development. Scott Watson is the new acting chair for Science Education.

The Brody School of Medicine has named Ralph Whaley chairman of the Department of Medicine and Ronald Perkin as chairman of the Department of Pediatrics. Perkin succeeds 24-year veteran Jon Tinglestad, who was the first chairman of the department.
**On Campus**

**Speight House**

**A Landmark Move**

Speight House, former home of acclaimed artists Francis and Sarah Blakeslee Speight, was moved from the ECU campus to a new location in the 1900 block of E. Sixth Street on Aug. 12. The Speights moved into the house at the corner of Ninth and Lawrence streets in 1970 after Francis Speight became artist-in-residence at ECU. He lived there until his death in 1989 and she stayed until 1998. The Pitt County Historical Society bought the house from the university and the institutions shared the cost of moving the house down Tenth Street to its new location. Scott Power, a preservation specialist with the state Department of Archives and History, plans to buy the house from the society and live in it with his family after it is restored and updated. (Photographs by Cliff Hollis)

**New and Improved for Fall Semester**

**Names and Places**

The Office of University Relations has moved from Taylor-Slaughter to Spilman 202.

The Office of Orientation and First-Year Experience has moved from Whitcher 214 to Mendenhall Student Center.

The Office of Minority Student Affairs is now referred to as the Office of Intercultural Student Affairs.

Cindy Kittrell, previously at Institutional Advancement on 1st Street, has moved to A.J. Fletcher A-123 as Director of Development for the School of Music.

**Extended Hours**

The Benefits Office at the Department of Human Resources now has extended hours of operation. New hours are 7AM to 6PM Monday through Friday. To meet with a benefits counselor, employees should call for an appointment. The counselors and their service areas include: Academic Affairs & Graduate and Research Studies: Linda Sutton, 328-4644; Health Sciences, Debra Ross, 328-4073; Administration & Finance, Student Life, Athletics: Regina Wilder, 328-2690; Chancellor’s Staff, Institutional Advancement, School of Nursing: Becky Vaughan, 328-0120.

**Websites**

A new website for academics on sabbatical or research leave who are seeking property to rent or exchange with other academics is at www.sabbaticalhomes.com.

Career Services has enhanced its website with a list of upcoming employers, Career Days and more at www.ecu.edu/career.

A new web page at www.ecu.edu/licensing answers questions related to the use of the ECU name and logos. This page also links to the university’s publications department website that details how the archway (academic) mark can be used.

For Telecommunications Service, log your request online at www.ecu.edu/itcs/helpdesk. Have a billing account number available when logging requests online or by telephone at 328-6866.