UPCOMING EVENTS

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November 15th
International Education Film - Pan’s Labyrinth

November 15th-16th
SAB Films
2 Guns / Star Trek Into Darkness

November 18th
Career Center - State Government Summer 2014 Internship Workshop

November 19th
LWCC - Census Bureau Data Workshops
Study Abroad Info Fair
Jazz Celebration of Langston Hughes

November 20th-22nd
Campus Kitchen Turkey Palooza

November 20th-23rd
SAB Films: Kick-Ass 2 / World War Z

November 20th
Career Center - Etiquette Dinner

November 21st
Native American Flag Memorial
11am - 3pm on the Mall
Thanksgiving Dinner - Campus Dining
Alternative Spring Break Options in NC and Baltimore, MD

November 25th
Intramural Basketball Shooting Challenge

November 28th-29th
Thanksgiving Holiday
(University Closed)

Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Center Joins SA

Effective October 1, 2013, the Division of Student Affairs is pleased to welcome the Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Community Center (IGCC) and staff to our divisional family. The IGCC was envisioned by Dr. Lessie Bass, former social work professor and Dr. Karla Hughes, former Dean of the College of Human Ecology. This vision led to a collaborative partnership between the community of West Greenville, East Carolina University, the City of Greenville, Pitt Community College and other grass-roots organizations. The Center is viewed as a national model for community-based, university and municipal partnerships. The community impact has been phenomenal and the lives of children and families have been positively impacted by the multifaceted programs that are offered. The IGCC previously resided in the College of Human Ecology, and for a short time in the Chancellor’s Division, prior to joining Student Affairs.

Deborah Moody serves as the Director of the Intergenerational Community Center and will be sharing more about the IGCC and its plans at various places within Student Affairs and will also provide more about the center in future editions of On Deck with Student Affairs. Please welcome the new staff of IGCC to Student Affairs:

Deborah Moody
Shawan Sutton
Laurie Potter
Helen Lovett
Tameca Sutton
Andrea Bristol

Student Affairs Mini-Conference - December 17th

You are probably already connecting theory to real life applications at ECU….you may already have the game plan for supporting student success….your interactions with students may be what makes both you and the student a champion of success. If so, you should share your work with your colleagues at the Student Affairs Student Success Conference.

The Division of Student Affairs is hosting a Student Success Conference - “Building a Continuum of Student Success – Get InThe Game!” on Wednesday, December 17th from 8:00 am – 12 noon. The deadline for program submission/moderators is Friday, November 22 at 5:00 p.m. Click here for program submission/moderator form.

Based upon feedback from 72 SA Educators, presentations should fit into the following tracks:

- How to Contribute to Student Success in My Job
- How to Involve the “Un-Engaged” Student
- Best Practices in Supporting Student Success
- Helping Students Understand What it Takes to Succeed
- Managing Difficult Situations/Student Interactions/Students in Distress

For more information or questions regarding conference proposals please contact Adam Ross Nelson or Brad Beggs.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference!

NOTE: Will email you the program proposal document.
The Volunteer and Service-Learning Center (VSLC) and the Faculty Senate Service-Learning Committee officially kicked off the Service-Learning Faculty Fellows program with a retreat at the Pocosin Arts Riverside Lodge (PARL) in Columbia, NC Nov. 1-3. The inaugural cohort of competitively selected Faculty Fellows includes 15 faculty members representing 11 different departments. University guests Dr. Bobby Woodard and Dr. Virginia Hardy also participated, sharing their appreciation of and vision for community-engaged leadership.

Retreat participants attended workshops on service-learning theory, best practices in community engagement, and assessing student learning and community impact. The Faculty Fellows also shared ideas and feedback for the service-learning course designation application process. During break times attendees enjoyed the sunsets, the river walk foliage and the warm hospitality of the Columbia community.

The Faculty Fellows will continue to meet throughout the academic year to create or further develop service-learning courses. The VSLC is also working to facilitate opportunities for professional development and collaborative community-engaged research in the spring semester. Many thanks to the members of the planning committee, PARL staff, Research and Graduate Studies, and the guest speakers who helped get the Service-Learning Faculty Fellows program off to a successful start!

Homecoming and Midnight Madness hugely successful

The three week window from Halloweek through Homecoming can be described in many words: chaos, craziness, awesome, late-nights, and lots of work. There is one other word that must be included. Success!

MIDNIGHT MADNESS

For the first time in more than two decades, Midnight Madness changed locations for this major Halloween student tradition from main campus to Dowdy Ficklen Stadium. The event was packed with food, music, dancing, karaoke, games, competitions, black light putt putt and haunted laser tag for the more than 3,000 students, faculty and staff who attended the four hour event. The student turnout more than doubled the attendance from any previous year for the event. We also saw unprecedented support from SA Educators for this event with more than 150 volunteers working until two o'clock in the morning. THANK YOU!! We even had staff from Student Transitions and Marketing dressed up in full costumes and walking around scaring people. The Haunted House on College Hill also expanded this year to two nights instead of one night. The College Hill Haunted House, held in the Scott Hall courtyard, had 1,427 students attend. Those entering the Haunted House were offered a chance to make a $1 donation and the student's generosity help raise $1,166 which went to the Humane Society. Below are some of the photos from this year's Midnight Madness.

HOMECOMING

was another full week of festivities with skits, banner competitions, Cannon Ball survivor competition, a concert from J Cole at Minges, and of course the Homecoming parade and football game (Go Pirates!!). Congratulations go out to Tim Schwan and Brooks Barrett, both from SGA, for being named Homecoming King and Queen during halftime of the football game. The Spirit Cup was awarded to Tau Kappa Epsilon and the ECU Ambassadors. This marks the 10th straight time the ECU Ambassadors have claimed the cup. Another major part of Homecoming is the annual canned food drive benefitting the Food Bank of Eastern North Carolina. The Food Bank received a total of 22,678 pounds which converted to 19,097 meals. The Campus Kitchen of East Carolina University received 462 pounds of food, which will go to serve meals at our four community partners: Ronald McDonald House, Operation Sunshine, Little Willie Center and Joy Community Center. Total Food Drive Collection = 23,140 pounds!!!!

For Bernie Schulz - The Price WAS Right!!

Thanks to the internet, which truly proves that your past doesn't really stay in the past, we were able to see Bernie Schulz, our Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, making an appearance and winning on the TV show the Price is Right. Click here to watch the show from 2011 where Bernie met Drew Carey, spun the big wheel and made it to the Showcase Showdown. By the way, if you are thinking about asking to go with Bernie to Dubai, forget it, he's already taken the trip.
Brittany Turnis (Adventure Programs, Team Training) and Taylor-Quinn Yancey (Intramural Sports, Youth & Family Programs) are both Graduate Assistants in Campus Recreation & Wellness (CRW). Additionally, they are completing their first semester as graduate students in the Recreation & Park Administration Master of Science Program in the Department of Recreation & Leisure Studies (RCLS). Their poster presentation selection in Raleigh is noteworthy, as most masters level graduate students complete research presentations or publications after completing their first year of graduate studies.

“Masters level graduate students commonly spend the first year getting comfortable with the academic demands of graduate study,” said Dr. Nelson Cooper, Associate Professor and Graduate Faculty in the Department of RCLS. “Taylor-Quinn and Brittany stepped up to the challenge early and have recognized that research presentations contribute to completing graduate study. In doing so, they are ahead of schedule in their total graduate experience.”

Dr. Cooper also noted that a strong collaborative relationship between CRW and RCLS has been consistently growing in the past decade. As CRW graduate assistants have selected Recreation & Park Administration as their degree program, RCLS faculty mentors have encouraged the students to complete their thesis or graduate projects in topic areas within CRW services. The result has been a consistent number of projects that contribute to campus recreation program assessment or service enhancement.

“The collaborative has resulted in positive visibility for the Department of RCLS, the CRW Department, and the graduate student,” said Dr. Cooper. “The student completes professional activities that enhance their resume, RCLS gains a stronger curriculum with experiential learning and engagement, and CRW gains valuable information for enhancing their programs and services. It really is a win-win-win collaborative for all involved.”

**Successful Fall Career Fairs**

Each year the Career Center hosts three Career Fairs for ECU students and alumni to support networking opportunities for internships, co-ops, full time career opportunities and graduate school options. This fall the Career Center hosted the Health Career Fair at the East Carolina Heart Institute and the Career and Graduate School Fair at Minges Coliseum.

**Career and Graduate School Fair**
The Career and Graduate School Fair is specifically focused on opportunities for students and alumni who are looking for a job or internship or moving forward with their education in graduate school. Employer attendees represent organizations throughout the United States and opportunities exist for all majors. Below are the numbers for the 2013 Career and Graduate School Fair.

- 650 attendees representing 59 different majors (3/4 were juniors and seniors)
- Majority of students indicated preparations for the career fair were utilized from information on the Career Center website and researching employers.
- 90+% of employers rated the overall experience at the Career and Graduate Fair as very good to excellent.

**Health Career Fair**
The Health Careers Fair is specifically focused on opportunities for students and alumni who are looking for a job or internship within the health field. Employer attendees represent organizations throughout the United States and offer entry level employment opportunities for students. Opportunities exist for all majors. Below are the numbers for the 2013 Health Careers Fair.

- About 200 students from 20 different majors were in attendance (majority seniors)
- 90% of employers indicated ECU students are better prepared in career readiness skills or about the same as other students.
- 90% of students rated the career fair as good, very good or excellent.

**Student Affairs News and Presentations**

- **NASPA Conference Accepts CL Program** - Congratulations to Bill McCartney and Adam Nelson from Campus Living for having their program accepted to be presented at the NASPA Annual Conference. The program is entitled *Information from Intensive Academic Intervention For Students Involved in Drug Related Behavior*. Here is an abstract about the program:
  
  We are investigating the academic achievement, progress, and potential of students involved in behavioral misconduct (specifically those students accused of drug related behavior). In this presentation we plan to share information related to our preliminary findings of this longitudinal study. This study will include four groups including 1) those students accused of drug related behavior but found not responsible, 2) those students accused of drug related behavior who leave the residence halls, 3) those students accused of drug related behavior who remain in the standard residence hall environments, and 4) those students accused of drug related behavior who choose to reside in a structured academic intervention program.

- **ACUI Conference Accepts SIL Proposal** - Congratulations to Dean Smith from Student Involvementand Leadership for having his educational session proposal accepted by ACUI. Dean will present this program at the ACUI 94th annual conference and ACUI’s 100th anniversary celebration in Orlando this coming spring. The proposal is entitled *An Overview of Retirement Investment Strategy*. Here is an abstract:

  With little to nothing in terms of financial literacy training at colleges or universities the average person is left to figure out retirement investment strategy through a costly process of trial and error. This presentation will focus on the basic principles of retirement investment strategies framed within the context of the three stages of personal investing which are introduction into the workforce, mid-career, and retirement. Each stage will be explored in terms of the mostly commonly held strategies to build a successful portfolio as well as provide a basic overview of investment options for people who are looking to retire comfortably.