Experiential Learning Inventory (ELI)

The Charge:
At the request of Interim Chancellor Ron Mitchelson, the Experiential Learning Working Group was established to develop a plan for reinstating experiential learning programs at East Carolina University following the mitigation of COVID-19 in eastern North Carolina. The Experiential Learning Working Group will develop guidance and best practices for resuming on- and off-campus experiential learning activities at ECU. The group will consider impacted experiential learning programs, assess relative risks for programs, provide accreditation and graduation implications, and identify required university resources to assist in the reinstatement of experiential learning programs.

Definition of Experiential Learning
Experiential learning is a process through which students develop knowledge, skills and values from direct experiences outside a traditional academic setting. Faculty or program directors are required to report the following activities to the ELI:

- Internship
- Clinical experience,
- Field experience or field course,
- Student teaching,
- Capstone courses/projects, and,
- Other program requirements with significant engagement outside of classroom or in professional work environments.

Study abroad courses, a type of experiential learning activity, no longer need to be reported by faculty or program directors if the information is already entered in Banner. Any international experiential learning experience other than student abroad courses should continue to be reported to ELI.

What is ELI?
ECU uses a secure web-based platform, the Experiential Learning Inventory, to create, track, manage and report all student experiential learning activities. ELI simplifies and standardizes the creation and maintenance of an experiential learning activity record. ELI provides reporting capabilities to meet program, unit, and university needs and requirements. ELI reports are useful for marketing, relationship building and other purposes central to our mission. Reports are provided via ELI dashboards and may be customized to your program reporting requirements.

For More Information
For more information on ELI, an introduction to and instruction in the use of ELI, please contact Charlene Lee at eli@ecu.edu or 252.737.1268. Access to ELI is provided to authorized users only.

Reporting Requirement
Reporting must be completed by Census Day (Aug. 21, 2020, for Fall semester).