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# THE PENDULUM



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CALENDAR

AUGUST 26

**New Student Convocation**  
9:00 A.M.  
Under the Oaks  
**Farewell Picnic Lunch**  
12:30 P.M.  
West Moseley Lawn

AUGUST 27

**Elon University Women's Soccer vs Chattanooga**  
2:00 P.M.  
Rudd Field

AUGUST 28

**New Student's Session on Responsibilities of Engaged Learning**  
9:00 A.M.  
Location varies

AUGUST 29

**Elon University Women's Volleyball vs North Carolina A&T**  
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Alumni Gym

AUGUST 30

**'What's Happened Over the Summer?' panel discussion**  
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- Song one can't perform?
- Walk through puddles
- Mosul's home
- On the water
- Princess Toadstool's rescuer
- Run into, maybe
- Online gaming tyro
- Salem residents
- Rudely confront espionage supervisors?
- OPEC member
- Guzzler
- Holy verse
- Letters by the shore
- \_\_ wave
- Agreement on the ratio of innies to outies?
- Quote from a goat
- Absent salad
- "O Sole \_\_"
- Ones meekly entering debits and credits?
- Embezzles
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- Big name in electric cars
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- Liq. measures
- Campus org. for future ensigns
- Cousin of Dan!?
- Adidas alternatives
- More than a peck
- Old counters
- Great guy?
- Chaise place
- Fire starter
- Common state capital features
- Moon of Uranus
- Parkinson's drug
- Rustic stop
- "Life of Pi" director Lee

**DOWN**

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- Biennial games org.
- Fair-hiring agcy.
- Mediterranean salad
- Hit hard
- Prix de \_\_ de Triomphe: annual horse race
- Of-twisted cookie
- Leo, for one
- Hilarious sorts
- More than silly
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By Samuel A. Donaldson

8/25/17

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY - NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION



JANE SEIDEL | FILE PHOTO

This week, Elon University will follow a tradition that's been in place since before the turn of the century — handing out acorns to freshmen.

President Leo Lambert will welcome freshmen at New Student Convocation.

Convocation takes place "Under the Oaks" and a litany of speakers will address the freshmen. When Lambert speaks, he will most likely have an exercise where people stand up and down after he gives them a life scenario. This is to remind every one that going to college is a privilege and every-

one is not guaranteed to do so.

Faculty members and other students will then give freshmen acorns. This symbolizes the start of their college experience and all the potential they have to grow into anything they want to be. This mimics the oak sampling tradition at Commencement, which symbolizes the growth one endured while at Elon. President Fred Young started the oak tradition in 1991, and Lambert started the acorn tradition in 1999. Since then, over 21,000 acorns have been handed out.

**Freshman student receives an acorn at 2015 new student convocation.**

NEWS BRIEFS

Presidential search committee on track

Students and faculty received an email on August 17 from Wesley Elingburg, chair of the presidential search committee, regarding the progress of the presidential search committee. According to Elingburg, the committee has conducted numerous interviews "with a group of outstanding individuals."

Three additional committees have also been formed: a Presidential Transition Committee, a subcommittee to oversee events in recognition of the Lamberts and a subcommittee to plan inauguration events for the new president. He concluded his email by saying, "Based on our success so far in the search, we remain confident in meeting our original goal of recommending a top candidate to the Board of Trustees this fall."

Elon Medallions, Elon University's highest honor bestowed

Elon University President Leo Lambert awarded five Elon Medallions Aug. 21. Elon Medallions are the university's highest honor. Those who received the medallions were: Nancy Midgette, professor emerita of history and former associate provost; Elizabeth Rogers, the founding dean of the School of Health Sciences and professor emerita of physical therapy; Chalmers Brumbaugh, professor emeritus of political science; Janice Ratliff, former program assistant in the Office of Student Health and Wellness; and Sandra Fields, former assistant to the president.

New partnership announced with ridesharing service

Elon University has replaced the Zimride program with a partnership with Share the Ride NC (STRNC), an online tool that can be used to find ridesharing options. STRNC is part of a statewide N.C. Department of Transportation initiative aimed at reducing vehicle emissions. To sign up, students and faculty can visit <https://www.sharetheridenc.org/Public/Home.aspx?Custom-SubSite=elonuniversity>. An Elon University email address is required to create an account. Once signed in, students can use the program to find regular ridesharing partners or options for single trips.

Sportsfest celebrates Campus Recreation's 25th anniversary

To celebrate the 25th anniversary of Campus Recreation, a team-based field day event, Sportsfest, will be held Sept. 1. Up to 96 teams of eight to 10 people may begin signing up Aug. 27 at the front desk of Koury Campus Recreation. Sign-up ends at noon Aug. 31.

Teams will receive points based on their performance in events such as the sponge race, bozo bucket challenge and the chicken toss. The top 18 teams will progress to a relay, and the top teams will be awarded prizes and tank tops.



CAROLINE BREHMAN | PHOTO EDITOR

Managing Editor Emmanuel Morgan, left, is the leader of Elon News Network's newspaper *The Pendulum*, and Executive Director Jackie Pascale, right, is the leader of the entire organization.

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

## Elon needs to find its racial identity

I wouldn't be doing my job right if I wrote to the Class of 2021 that Elon University is as perfect as the brochures they'll see all weekend.

I know it's not true. So do other students. So does faculty. If I said anything different, it wouldn't be true.

And my mom did not raise a liar.

As the editor of *The Pendulum*, it's my job to direct coverage of reported stories grounded in factual analysis. On the rare occasion I voice my opinion from this pulpit, it will mimic that.

And if we're being honest with ourselves, the irrefutable fact is this: Elon is in the midst of a racial identity crisis.

But how will the Class of 2021 fix this? I'm challenging them to prove me wrong.

From top to bottom, the place these wide-eyed freshmen now call home is searching for what it stands for. As the nation grapples with how to address racial issues, Elon is, too. SGA Executive President Morgan Bodenarain said the events of Charlottesville, Va., "easily could have happened here."

And based on the current climate of our school, she's right.

The university's eight-pronged 10 year strategic plan boasts 90 percent completion. And while I commend this work, we need to peel the layers in one particular aspect.

A skeleton rests underneath the crimson bricks and lush green grass.

Diversity — one of the plans pillars — increased 50 percent since 2010. From 2013-2017, minority admitted students spiked from 13 percent to 19 percent. But many of them don't feel like they're welcome.

The paragraphs oozing fear, anger and frustration from my Facebook and GroupMe feeds during the first week of May are all the proof I need.

Metaphorically, black students

wiped spit off their faces when news broke of a white fraternity president uttering a racial slur about a black student and when a white student stood on a historically black fraternity's plot.

It makes no sense to increase the number of ethnic students past 20 percent if white students will treat them poorly. Two racist incidents in the same week landed a devastating blow to the morale of minority students. I know because I'm one of them. It scares me to think about what could happen if another incident happened relatively soon.

As I said before, every white student isn't at fault. But it's every white student's responsibility — especially freshmen — to be accountable and learn a different perspective through the opportunities presented to them — like attending the panel discussion about Charlottesville Sept. 5 at Whitley Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. It's the only way to fix this.

And as I said before, Elon can't label itself the inclusive campus it desperately wants to be until then. It's wishful, hypocritical thinking.

But Elon's position isn't bleak. There isn't an organization in corporate America without kinks, and Elon isn't exempt. But the good outweighs the bad.

As Bodenarain said, "Every campus in America is at a standstill" addressing these issues. But in terms of leadership, Elon's track record is commendable.

When two racist incidents happened in 2011, Elon's senior staff and SGA overwhelmingly responded with the "Not on Our Campus" campaign. When a Hispanic student satirically wrote "Bye Bye Latinos" on a white board after President Donald Trump's election victory, Elon President Leo Lambert called the act "reprehensible."

As a minority student, those examples show me Elon acknowledges and wants to sternly

address the problem. And in my four semesters here, this school gave me more opportunities and lifelong friends than I expected. I can't see myself elsewhere. And if that can happen for me, it can easily happen for this new freshman crop. I love this school because the periods of growth it put me in molded me into a better man.

And that gives me all the more reason to gaze at it through a critical lens to make it better. Putting lipstick on the problem with strongly worded statements won't solve it. Onus falls on the students to carve action and change from those statements.

Elon will announce its new president this year and this freshman class will be intertwined with whomever it is. Inclusion is chief among the problems awaiting the next person in office.

But as the presidential search committee skims through resumes, freshmen can get a head start in helping Elon become the campus it desperately craves.

Be open to ideas. Talk to people who look different than you. And most importantly, take initiative to learn and ask questions before assuming. Everyone is guilty, including myself, for somehow lacking in these areas. We can change that. And freshmen can lead the charge.

As Elon continues to assess its climate, my charge to freshmen is to set a standard of accountability. Don't use "I'm too young" or "I didn't know," as an excuse to do something irresponsible or not do anything at all to change the pulse of our campus. Be bold. You only get one shot at your freshmen year of college, and it would be great if this year's class altered the negative momentum Elon experienced this spring.

**Emmanuel Morgan**  
Managing Editor

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

## Grow into the global citizens the world needs

Dear Class of 2021,

First, I want to congratulate you all on your abilities, talents and privileges that enable you to attend this university. Elon holds being a global citizen at the forefront of everything, and your promise to become one is evident by you being here.

But this isn't limited to studying abroad or eating in the international section of Lakeside (but I do encourage you to partake in them). It starts with your interactions on campus and the willingness to be uncomfortable to learn.

College is a place of growth. In my four years here, I've learned that to be true. During your time at Elon, you'll be

introduced to conflict among peers and even within yourselves as you wrestle with your values and beliefs. You'll also be more aware of the national problems swarming our country. Elon students have a way of making their own mark in history during these divided times.

And if you don't know that yet, you will.

Peaceful and impactful protests, workshops and panels will occur throughout the year on issues like racial inequality, LGBTQIA rights and police brutality. I encourage you to attend at least one and hear your peers' perspectives — especially if you don't agree with them.

But this is where you might get uncomfortable. While you take other people's thoughts into consideration, I'm urging you to challenge your own. And to do this, it'll take a little extra effort.

You probably get news from

Facebook or Twitter or even Snapchat, and only click stories pertaining to your interests or beliefs. But the stories on your feed align with an algorithm of your biases. Your timeline only appeals to your beliefs — and it even might make you feel like your opinion is the only one. But as we all know, there is two sides to everything.

Your perspective remains stagnant if you only read the things you like. I encourage you to find news from multiple sources. And

from there, you can make your own informed opinions once you've heard all sides of a story. But you don't need social media to do this.

Talk to people who you don't agree with, and hear them out

without interrupting.

Leave the familiarity of campus at some point and meet some residents in Alamance County and Burlington — which was ranked one of the poorest cities in the country just two years ago.

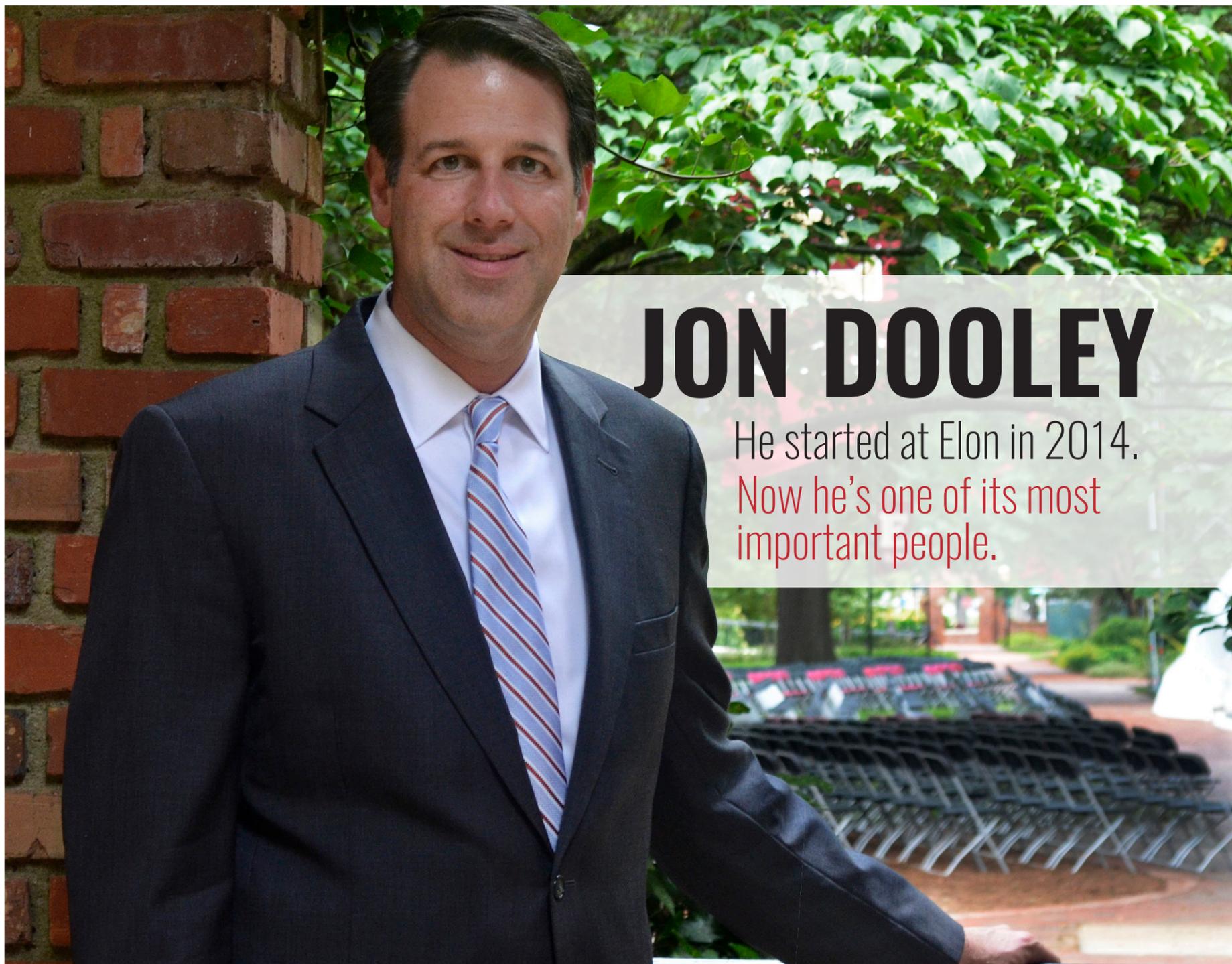
Get to know the janitorial and dining staff that you'll pass everyday. You'll see how these connections can totally change the way you see the world. Having a global understanding and appreciation for different cultures sets Elon students apart. We develop relationships with people of all walks of life.

I hope you find this campus to be a breeding ground for creative thinking. And as you grow more into yourself, I hope that your peers and mentors nurture you into the informed global citizens this world needs.

**Jackie Pascale**  
Executive Director



TALK TO PEOPLE WHO YOU DON'T AGREE WITH, AND HEAR THEM OUT WITHOUT INTERRUPTING.



# JON DOOLEY

He started at Elon in 2014.  
Now he's one of its most  
important people.

CAROLINE BREHMAN | PHOTO EDITOR

Jon Dooley stands outside of Alamance in front of the set up for new student Convocation Aug. 23. Dooley took over the position of Vice President of Student Life from Smith Jackson, and he started June 1.

## Dooley excited for new role as Vice President for Student Life

**Anton L. Delgado**

Assistant News Editor | @JADelgadoNews

For the first time in 23 years, the Office of Student Life is under new leadership.

Jon Dooley, who has worked at Elon since January 2014 as Assistant Vice President for Student Life, was appointed Vice President for Student Life last December. He officially started June 1.

"When I met with students during my interview for this position last fall, I assured them no one would work harder on their behalf than I would, and I meant it," Dooley said. "I am a strong advocate for the student experience. I also want to be available to students. I'm already working with SGA President Morgan Bodenarain on regular lunches with students, and you will continue to see me around campus at student events with my family."

Before coming to Elon, Dooley worked at Marquette University for 16 years in the Office of Student Development. Dooley received a doctorate in educational policy and leadership from Marquette, a master's degree in counseling psychology from James Madison University and a bachelor's degree in history and social studies education from St. Norbert College.

After all of his work and scholarly achievements, Dooley is excited for the start of this school

year.

"For someone who works in Student Life, there are so many things to be excited about at Elon," Dooley said. "There are exceptional professionals in the division, and the university has a strong culture and tradition for partnerships between faculty and staff. Everyone at the university works together to support student learning and an outstanding stu-



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**JOHN DOOLEY**

VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT LIFE

dent experience."

While Dooley looks forward to working in his new position, it comes with new difficulties.

"When you work in Student Life, you work with students as they celebrate great joys, but you are also sometimes working with them through tragedy and very difficult situations," Dooley said. "Helping students through those situations, especially the loss of a member of our community, is never easy."

Despite the difficulties, Dooley said those working close with him believe in his abilities to handle adversity.

"I have complete confidence

in his ability to lead the Office of Student Life," said SGA Executive President and senior Morgan Bodenarain. "Dr. Dooley is loved by both staff and students because of his openness and willingness to listen. He will be a wonderful resource for all Elon students to have."

Like Bodenarain, Smith Jackson, former-Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students

impact on our university," Dooley said. "His legacy is significant and I am glad he will continue to be here at Elon, helping to establish the new master's program in higher education, so we can continue to work closely together."

Despite this significant transition of leadership between Jackson and Dooley, students are not expected to feel the change.

"Most students shouldn't notice many changes in their experience," Dooley said. "Elon is an institution that does a great job with planning and the transition between Dr. Jackson's leadership and mine should be fairly smooth and seamless. The biggest difference will be the name of the person sending students the occasional email updates."

Dooley is expecting to send just as many emails to the student body as Jackson did.

"I plan to keep students updated, but I know there was nothing quite like a 'Smith Jackson email,'" Dooley said. "But when you're hoping for that snow day, look for my name in your inbox."

Besides updating students on possible snow days, Dooley will also be working to support all of the 15 departments under the Office of Student Life. He will also serve on President Leo Lambert's senior staff and will work with Elon's new president when they are announced. With his tenure only just beginning this summer, Dooley is unsure what the next step for his career, after Vice President of Student Life will be.

"I hope to have the opportunity to be at Elon for a very long time," Dooley said.

## A TIMELINE OF JON DOOLEY'S CAREER

**1989-1993:**

St. Norbert College  
Bachelor of Arts in History

**1993-1995**

James Madison University  
MEd Counseling Psychology  
Residence Hall Director

**1995-1998**

University of Illinois at  
Urbana-Champaign  
Program Advisor Illini Union

**1998-2000**

Marquette University  
Coordinator for Leadership  
and Community  
Development programs

**2000-2007**

Marquette University  
Assistant Dean of Student  
Development

**2007-2009**

Marquette University  
Associate Dean of Student  
Development

**2009-2013**

Marquette University  
Senior Associate Dean of  
Student Development

**2013-2013**

Marquette University  
Senior Associate Dean of  
Student Development/  
Director of Student Affairs  
Assessment

**2014-2017**

Elon University  
Assistant Vice President for  
Student Life and Dean of  
Students

**2017-Present**

Elon University  
Present Vice President for  
Student Life and Associate  
Professor

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**GRACE MORRIS**  
SOPHOMORE



JOINING ENN WAS THE GREATEST DECISION I HAVE MADE AT ELON. NOT ONLY DID I MAKE AMAZING FRIENDS, BUT I LEARNED ABOUT MYSELF AND MY FUTURE IN JOURNALISM."

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# CLASS OF 2021 BREAKDOWN

STATISTICS COURTESY OF OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS  
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ELON UNIVERSITY'S CLASS OF 2021's statistics resemble the Class of 2020's in almost every category except one — the number of applicants. Admissions received 10,098 last year compared to 9,622 this year. But Elon still managed to enroll more students. Fifteen more students enrolled this year instead of last year. Every other statistic — including test scores, states of origin and gender ratio — are virtually identical.

## Grades and test scores

**3.98**

Average  
Elon core GPA

**1223**

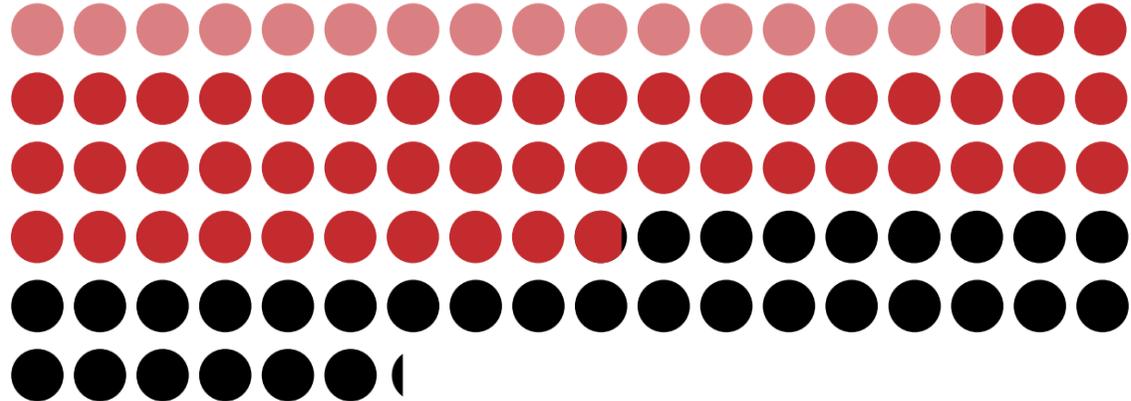
Average  
SAT-R score

**27**

Average  
ACT score

## Applications

Of the **9,622** total applications Elon received ...



**6,399**  
were accepted

**1584**  
put down deposits

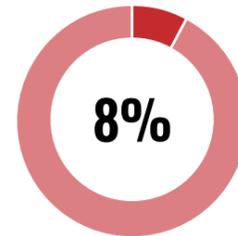
## Gender

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male

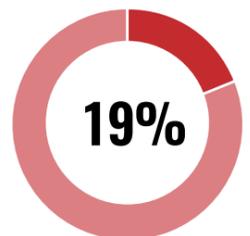


**61%**  
female

## Racial diversity



**8%**  
have an international  
background



**19%**  
are ethnically  
diverse

## Advice from faculty

As the Class of 2021 moves into Elon University, faculty members offered advice to freshmen based on their previous experience



**Thomas Erdmann**  
Professor of Music

"In life there is one inescapable fact; at some point you'll have to pay your dues. My suggestion is front-end-load them. Work hard now, while you're here. Study hard, develop the learning skills you'll need to be successful, and prepare yourself for your career by never turning down an opportunity to gain more knowledge and better yourself. Doing this will make you the kind of person people will want to hire, allow you to rise faster in your career than others, ultimately allow you to give back and help others in greater ways, and give you a more enjoyable and satisfying life."



**Steve Moore**  
Lecturer in  
Environmental Studies

"I would say come to class ready (physically and mentally) to learn. Learning is active. Engage yourself, count on yourself for success, establish patterns of study that match you. But, know when to ask questions and ask for help. You will be pleasantly surprised (especially if you do your part) how much Elon (faculty and staff) cares for each and every member of the Elon community and will do all they can to help you succeed."



**Barbara Gordon**  
Associate professor of English

"My advice to first-year students would be to take good care of yourself emotionally and physically. Do not shed who you are to be a part of a group. Make time for nature, exercises, healthful eating and enjoying friends. Also, even if you do not feel like it, go to class. What happens there cannot be made up."



**L.D. Russell**  
Senior lecturer in  
Religious Studies

"Find your passion, find your people, and you'll find your path."



**Robert Moorman**  
Frank S. Holt, Jr. Professor of  
Business Leadership

"Every day in every class, work hard to find at least one useful observation or conclusion that would give that class some meaning for you. Soon, you will be in the habit of finding meaning in everything you do."



**Yuko Miyamoto**  
Associate professor of  
Biology

Many of [your] classmates feel the same way as [you] do so [you] are not alone.

Take advantage of the faculty's help and their willingness to want [you] to succeed.

[You] are in college now and [you] might need to change the way [you] study to be successful.

It's okay not to know what [you] want to do after [you] graduate.



**Susan Anderson**  
Professor of Accounting

"Welcome to Elon! Explore all that Elon has to offer, but be sure to keep up with your classes. If you have any questions, reach out to your professors. They will be glad to help you."



**Raghu Tadepalli**  
Dean of Martha and Spencer Love  
School of Business

Welcome to Elon University. I hope you will have a wonderful four years. I offer you some advice because I want you to have a wonderful four years at Elon.

- Your major can wait. Take the core seriously.
- Elon has many experiences you can benefit from. Plays, concerts, presentations by authors, world renowned



**Jana Lynn Patterson**  
Associate Vice President of Student  
Life and Dean of Student Health  
and Wellness

"Take a deep breath and realize that as wonderful as your journey will be at Elon, there will be bumps along the road. It may look like you may be the only one feeling tired, lonely, distressed or homesick. That is not true. Our most successful students have failed at things and felt the same as you may be feeling. The key is to realize that learning to live with failure and to navigate distress are essential to growth and maturity. There are many resources here to help you navigate."

speakers. Go to as many of these as possible. If you're not interested, why come to a liberal arts university?

- Don't be a stranger to your professors. They like getting to know their students.
- Stay out of trouble. If you do something you shouldn't be doing, don't post it on social media. Your (future) employers can see what you've done.

# New and renovated buildings to open on campus this year

Construction underway all summer to refurbish facilities

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Elon University's campus has been loud at work with construction over the summer, and some new and renovated buildings will greet those returning to campus this fall.

One of the biggest summer additions is the construction of a new residential neighborhood. Elon's latest on-campus living spaces sit next to the Jimmy Powell Tennis Center at the former site of East Gym and historic neighborhood parking. According to Marquita Barker, senior associate director of residence life, a name for the dorms has yet to be determined, as it is not planned to open until fall 2018. Barker also said that the neighborhood will consist of three buildings containing 309 double rooms total, and will mostly house freshmen and sophomores.

Across the railroad tracks on South Campus, construction continues for the Phoenix Activities and Recreation Center (PARC) 2. This facility, located behind the student health center, will house a multipurpose gymnasium built for campus recreational activities such as basketball and indoor soccer, making it similar to the original PARC in the



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## KEY

### BUILDINGS OPENING FALL 2018

1. A new residential neighborhood
2. Phoenix Activities and Recreation Center 2
3. Sankey Hall, an addition to the Martha and Spencer Love School of Business
4. The Schar Center, a 5,400-seat arena across from the Global Neighborhood

### RENOVATED BUILDINGS

5. West Hall and Virginia Hall's interiors have been refurbished
6. The top floor of the Elon Town Center will reopen as the Design Thinking center and second Makerhub location

### OTHER

7. New road connecting Collonades to traffic circle
8. McEwen closed for renovations

Danieley Neighborhood. According to University Architect and Director of Planning, Design and Construction Brad Moore, the PARC 2 will open in Fall 2018. The building currently just consists of a steel frame, but will be getting a roof soon. The new gym is being built partially to attract students to South Campus.

In addition to new residential and recreational facilities, a new academic building is springing up on campus. Sankey Hall, which will house new classrooms for the Martha and Spencer Love School

of Business, is being built near Collonades dining hall in the northern portion of the McMichael parking lot.

Exterior construction is almost complete on Schar Center, a 5,400-seat convocation center and arena that will serve as a home for Elon basketball and volleyball teams as well as visiting speakers and other events. Construction efforts on Schar Center broke ground in October 2016, and exterior construction is expected to wrap up this fall, shifting focus to interior finishes between now and the arena's open-

ing, scheduled for fall 2018.

Just as new buildings are joining the Elon landscape, a new road will change the way students can drive around campus. A short section of paved road now connects North O'Kelly Avenue to the Collonades parking lot. The road starts in the roundabout near Loy Center, joining two previously un-connected areas of campus. This addition means much greater ease of access to the Collonades parking lot and the entire Danieley Neighborhood.

While four new buildings

arrive on campus in the near future, some existing buildings will reopen with renovated interiors this fall. The refurbishment of the Historic Neighborhood continues into West Hall and Virginia Hall, as Elon's oldest residence halls will see new interiors as part of a multiyear, neighborhood-wide facelift.

In downtown Elon, the top floor of the building housing Pandora's Pies and Barnes & Noble will reopen with a new purpose. Formerly the home of the Pendulum, the space is now occupied by

the Design Thinking program and a second location for Elon's Makerhub.

McEwen Dining Hall, Chik-fil-a, and Varsity Sports Grill will all be closed for the 2017-2018 school year as the the McEwen dining building undergoes renovations which were originally scheduled to be completed for the start of this school year. Original plans for the renovation indicate that McEwen dining hall will change drastically, as the dining hall portion will be eliminated to make way for five new fast-casual restaurants.

## FSL sees change in leadership after director departs

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The office of Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) begins the school year without a permanent director, following the departure of Dan Faill in late June. Faill resigned his post as director to take a job with the University of California, Los Angeles Alumni Association. Jordan King, formerly FSL assistant director, was appointed Interim Director for the year, assuming all of Faill's previous responsibilities.

"Although we are sad to see Dan leave," said assistant director Emily Mitch, "we are excited for his new adventure in California, as it brings him closer to his two children whom he loves dearly. However, even with Dan's absence, we do not anticipate any significant changes in operation."

King has worked in Elon's FSL office since 2013, so FSL is not undergoing a major shakeup this fall.

"Jordan has the right combination of experience and leadership to continue to advance the goals of the sorority and fraternity community at Elon," said Jon Dooley, vice president for student life.

The exact details and

timeline for the search for a new director have not yet been determined, but the initial plan is for the university to conduct a national search in late fall 2017 or spring 2018. Both Dooley and Mitch explained there isn't exactly a clear image of the ideal candidate yet, seeing as desired qualities will be identified as part of the search.

"Typically, during these



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**JON DOOLEY**  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT LIFE

types of processes a search committee is assembled consisting of multiple stakeholders across the institution," said Mitch, "and they will determine the correct skills, knowledge, and disposition necessary for the position."

The role of the FSL director typically involves maintaining a relationship with each individual Greek organization in order to promote

compliance with pre-determined requirements and regulations as well as assist them in upholding their individual organizational missions.

As the 2017-2018 school year begins, FSL has outlined some objectives and expectations for Elon's Greek organizations.

"Community members will continue to see a call for greater student and institutional accountability," said Mitch, "as well as a push to remain true or realign themselves with their organizations' missions. We plan to continue to develop more leadership programming and initiatives, as well as increase transparency between students and our office."

Faill started as FSL director in fall 2015. As director, he oversaw the introduction of two new fraternities and sororities, Beta Theta Pi and Chi Upsilon Sigma.

FSL works directly with each of Elon's greek organizations, including eight Interfraternity Council fraternities, seven national Pan-Hellenic Council sororities and fraternities and nine Panhellenic association sororities, and their respective governing bodies. FSL also manages Loy Center housing.



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# COUNTING THE COST

After years of searching, freshman finally arrives at the place she bELONgs

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It was a month before “College Decision Day” and Shekinah Reese was between two schools.

She knew which one she wanted more. And this school — Elon University — had a tuition and fee value that was almost \$9,000 less expensive than its competition.

More important than low tuition costs, however, was the amount of financial aid each school could offer to subset the cost. When a private liberal arts school in New York offered Reese

a \$168,000 four-year scholarship — which would cover almost all of the \$42,884 per year tuition and fees — it seemed like an opportunity she couldn’t pass up.

## DECISION TIME

Between Elon and a private liberal arts school in New York, Reese was awarded a combined scholarship and financial aid of over \$260,000 with outside scholarships.

But, this fall Reese will instead join Elon University’s incoming Class of 2021.

Accepting admittance to Elon would guarantee the opportunity to study cinema and television arts, as well as dance, at which she’d geared her academic and extracurricular pursuits to all throughout high school. But a \$34,273 price tag — the cost of Elon tuition and fees — was firmly tied to Reese’s dreams of the future. And this price was nonnegotiable and considerably out of her reach.

An answer came Reese’s sophomore year at Woodbridge Senior High School in the form of a man named Kevin Jenkins, The College Place-Virginia director, whom she met at an Advanced Placement meeting at school. Jenkins works with high schools like Reese’s throughout Virginia, as well as community-based organizations, to provide presentations and workshops aimed at helping students and families plan for college.

“When assisting students through the admissions process, one of the things I do is help them ‘stick out’ and separate themselves from the pack,” Jenkins said.

Reese began meeting with Jenkins regularly at The College Place branch at Northern Virginia Community College. It was there that Reese received free college admissions and financial aid counselling, which she credits with making the opportunity for her to attend any private, out-

of-state institution a reality.

Reese’s mother, Danna Reese, was with her every step of the way.

“She helped me apply to so many colleges even though she was not sure if we could afford the ones out of state, especially since they didn’t fit in our price range,” Reese said.

Danna Reese believes a college degree is a critical to success.

“I have tried to teach Shekinah about the bigger world after high school, and that a path to a higher education is the key to open all your doors,” Danna Reese said.

After crafting over thirty college essays, taking SAT and ACT prep classes, preparing for mock interviews and filling out application after application, Reese was awarded \$3,200 in outside scholarships from the National Naval Officers Association, Washington, D.C. and Quantico chapters, and the Fairfax Library Foundation that could be applied to her Elon education. In the end, Reese was able to combine these scholarships with an awarded \$89,200 in scholarship money and financial aid from Elon for four-years, allowing Elon to contend with the other school’s \$168,000 offer.

Even with the proper tools and a healthy support system, not just anybody can turn academic guidance into over \$260,000, the combined scholarship and financial aid offered by both schools and outside scholarships.

Since the age of three, Reese has been formally training in dance, and throughout her young life could have been caught twirling as the “Nutcracker’s” Mouse Queen or heel-tapping through “Footloose.” Reese’s talents contributed largely to where she would apply for aid, and later, why she would choose Elon.

Reese will avoid the pain of wearing-in ballet slippers and tap shoes as she begins an Elon dance minor this fall. She’s graced the stage with jazz, ballet, tap, hip-hop and contemporary dance at both the Metropolitan School of the Arts — where she was a member of the Metropolitan



PHOTO COURTESY OF SHEKINAH REESE  
Shekinah Reese turned down thousands of dollars in financial aid to attend Elon.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SHEKINAH REESE  
Shekinah Reese said she wants to use her gifts and talents to make a difference at Elon.



I’M BRINGING DIVERSITY TO A CAMPUS WHERE I AM THE MINORITY. I AM BRINGING MY TALENT AND KNOWLEDGE IN THE ARTISTRY OF DANCE. I AM BRINGING MY LEADERSHIP SKILLS TO SHARE WITH OTHER LEADERS.

**SHEKINAH REESE**  
FRESHMAN

Youth Tap Ensemble — and in the Center for the Fine and Performing Arts dance program at Woodbridge Senior High School.

“My dream is to share my passion for dance with young people,” Reese said. “I want to give back and teach others what I have learned in the art of dance...A minor will help me acquire the skills and knowledge to tell stories through the art of dance and create documentaries.”

Reese will be able to pair dance with documentaries by complementing her minor with a major in cinema and television arts. Reese spent three weeks last summer at another prospective university learning about filming and editing, and from then on, her interests were piqued. The state-of-the-art School of Communications, as well as the opportunity to participate in study-USA in Los Angeles, further convinced Reese that Elon was the place for her. And, she knew she was the girl for the place.

“I’m bringing diversity to a campus where I am the minority,” Reese said. “I am bringing my talent and knowledge in the

artistry of dance. I am bringing my leadership skills to share with other leaders.”

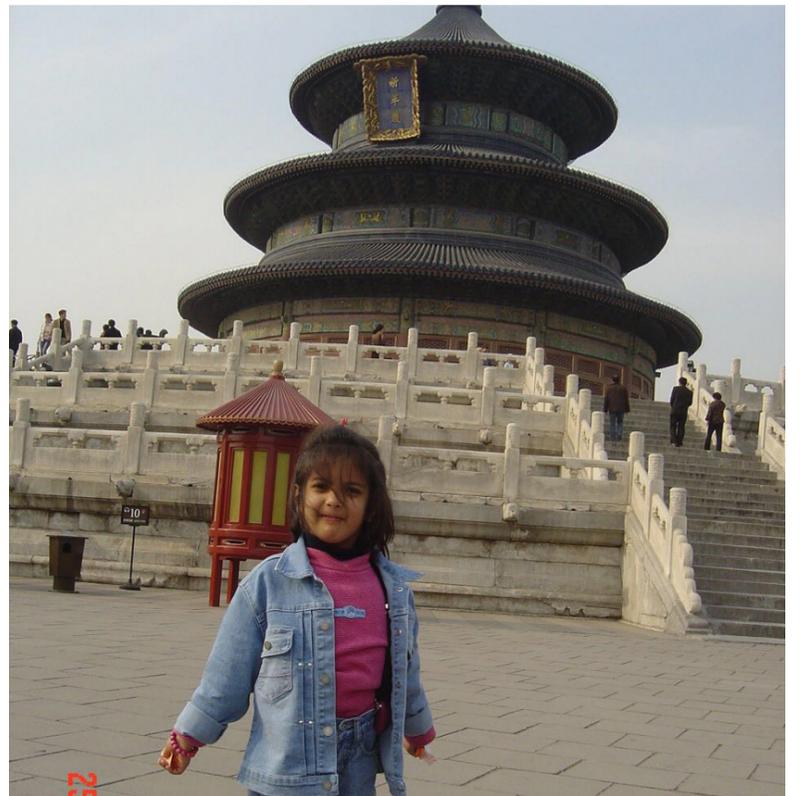
Reese originally shared her story with the PotomacLocal.com, an online news outlet for Prince William and Stafford counties. Reese was disappointed by errors in the article, but happy her journey was made public.

With hopes of clearing up misinformation, as well as inspiring other young women who are considering applying to college, a first-person account of Reese’s story has been pitched by The College Place’s public relations firm, Glover Park Group, to national outlets including Seventeen, Refinery29 and Teen Vogue. This new piece will focus on the college application process, financial aid resources and the road to Reese’s success.

“My goal has been to teach Shekinah to make wise choices when no one is watching,” Danna Reese said. “Be the you that will make you a better person where you can make an impact in the world today. The future belongs to Shekinah and Elon is now a part of that journey.”



COURTESY OF DAN HUNTER



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# From Shanghai TO ELON

International freshman Nikki Gupta eager to start new chapter at Elon

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Freshman Nikki Gupta is excited to begin her new chapter and cannot wait to set foot on campus, but as a third culture student from India, her outlook on the next four years is a bit different.

"To me, it means I'm exposed to a variety of cultural influences," Gupta said.

A third culture person is usually someone raised in a culture other than their parents. Gupta was born in Lucknow, India and when she was eight months old, she and family moved to Shanghai, China where she was raised and currently lives.

Growing up in Shanghai she studied at a local Chinese kindergarten, one year at an American school, and the rest of her education was in British schools. Being non-Chinese at these international schools allowed her to get to know students from around the world and share common experiences.

Coming to Elon as an In-

ternational student, Gupta believes being a third culture student can help her in her transition.

"I'd be able to get along with people a lot easier, and I am already used to adapting to different environments."

Gupta's best friend, whom she met while studying at Wellington College International Shanghai four years ago, first told her about Elon.

"I told her I was looking for a small university close to people I was familiar with to avoid the feeling of exclusion in an unfamiliar environment," Gupta said.

Her first decision was to study in the United Kingdom or the United States. What attracted her to both nations was the approaches universities make when deciding who gets admitted. Gupta explained that the United Kingdom mainly focuses on academics while the United States takes into consideration academics as well as extracurriculars.

Once choosing to study in the United States, the current political climate became a concern for Gupta though she says she hopes to remain optimistic.

"It's comforting to see how many people oppose [Trump's] views," Gupta said. "Special-

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**NIKKA GUPTA**  
FIRST YEAR

ly the recent activities taking place in North Carolina with the removal of the Confederate statues."

Gupta knew that people would have various opinions on topics such as politics wherever she went to school. She believes her international background and experiences have helped her understand others' views and backgrounds.

"I'm an open-minded person and very tolerant," Gupta said. "So, if anyone has a different opinion, I'll be sure to listen to what they have to say."

When narrowing down her choices, it ultimately came down to Elon without having visited it.

"I finally chose Elon because of the class size and

about how beautiful the campus was," Gupta said.

All she had known about Elon was what she saw online and what her best friend had told her.

"It really does look like my high school in Shanghai which is comforting," Gupta said.

Though Gupta is currently undecided about her major, she is interested in musical theatre and hopes to explore more options once classes begin.

Eager to start her chapter at Elon, Gupta says she will miss her family and the food from home the most. The transition from living in Shanghai to living in Elon will also be tough for her.

While she spends her last moments with her family before saying goodbye to them for a while, Gupta knows that homesickness will come sooner or later.

"I lived in Shanghai which is a huge city," Gupta said. "It will take time but I will definitely be okay."

Gupta moved to campus earlier in the week for International student orientation. She says what she is looking forward to the most is meeting her roommate, making new friends and exploring more of campus.

**Top left: Nikki Gupta poses with a friend in Shanghai.**

**Top right: Because she grew up in Shanghai, Nikki Gupta said she can navigate numerous cultures.**

**Bottom right: Nikki Gupta said she is excited to hear from different perspectives at Elon.**



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## STAFF EDITORIAL

# Treat your Elon education as a privilege

## HOW WE SEE IT

Elon freshmen should recognize the fact that their ability to attain an education is a privilege and should be taken seriously.

As you walk through the oak-lined paths of Elon University's campus and embark on your orientation weekend to learn all that Elon has to offer, it is imperative to remember that attending college is a privilege and you should treat it as such.

Across the United States, a majority of people do not achieve a college education. In a report released by the U.S. Census Bureau in April, only 33.4

percent of Americans older than 25 have at least a bachelor's degree.

Though these numbers are low, they are the highest they've ever been, and the rate of attaining college degrees is highest among Americans ages 25 to 37. The numbers also drop when accounting for different racial and ethnic groups, with 37 percent of non-Hispanic white Americans having a college degree, compared to 23 per-

cent of African-Americans and 16.4 percent of Hispanic Americans.

These statistics should make one thing clear: getting a college education, let alone from an institution such as Elon, is a privilege. The opportunity to live, learn and grow on this campus is one that so many people do not have.

Especially in the beginning of your college career, it is easy to get wrapped up in social life – deciding what fraternity or sorority you want to be in, making friends with people on your hall, finding people to grab meals with and so on. But it is important to remember why you are here.

You are here to get an education

that will propel you forward to a career and an incredible life. Do not waste this opportunity. Use this incredible privilege to help yourself in your career and life and to help others.

At Elon, there are so many opportunities you can take advantage of that will not only help you grow as a person, but also help our community. You can volunteer with the Kernodle Center in the Alamance County community. You can conduct undergraduate research that could help save lives. You can be a mentor to other students – the list is endless.

This is your time — it will be what you make of it.

## Your first weeks here may be messy: embrace them



**Hannah Benson**  
Columnist

Your countdown app has reached its final date, your final goodbyes have been made and your car has been packed in places you didn't know you could squeeze everything into. It's time to live out your fantasies and move into the most beautiful place in the world where you'll surely create a lifelong bond with your roommate and meet your future husband, an upperclassman football player who volunteers to carry in one of your boxes and, maybe you, too. You can almost hear Hillary Duff's "What Dreams Are Made Of" bumping as you roll up to campus to start your dream life – the one that will totally go exactly the way you had planned, no questions asked.

Except, maybe not.

Here's where I blame pop culture for doing you wrong; so many of your favorite movies and shows haven't been telling the start-of-college story like it is. It's unlikely

that you'll get a flash of your to-be sweetheart singing from a passing car and then live in a room straight out of IKEA

like Beca from Pitch Perfect, or that you'll meet two girls who are also enraged that sororities can't host parties and thus join together to form your own in the first week of your new life with no obstacles such as social constructs or homework like Shelby from Neighbors 2.

I hope I am not the first person to release this information to a freshman reader, but the start of your college

experience is going to be messy, explorative and unpredictable. Some of the only bits of entertainment media that



KEEP IN MIND THAT THIS IS AN ENTIRELY NEW CHAPTER IN YOUR LIFE WHERE YOU'RE FREE TO EXPLORE EVERYTHING AT YOUR FINGER TIPS, AND THAT EVERYONE AROUND YOU WILL BE DOING THE SAME.

may have prepared you for this are Phil Dunphy's classic mistaking-his-daughter's-roommate-for-his-wife mishap which ended by him groping a young girl to his horror, or the story of how New Girl's Nick and Schmidt met, wherein a fat boy

showed up in Nick's dorm once and played along when he threw crackers into his mouth, thus sparking genuine companionship. College is

weird, but you can make it wonderful, too.

Forget what you've read in any phony article that sounds remotely like "The 50 Things That Only Make Sense To Elon Students" — some bored girl who chooses to tell incoming students that her female peers only wear Lilly Pulitzer dresses to class and that finding a nice straight guy is like "finding a mythical creature" is just trying to make her school sound cooler and more intimidating than it is.

Elon is entirely what you make of it. Should you somehow decide to actually wear Lilly attire to class every day, that's your choice, but not Odyssey article or teen flick can prepare you for the time ahead.

Keep in mind that this is an entirely new chapter in your life where you're free to explore everything at your fingertips, and that everyone around you will be doing the

same. So, break out of your routine, do the crazy things that you've been itching to.

Now's the time to change your name, pick a new hair color that no one can hate on you for, take classes in a field you've never heard of and eat from the international station in Lakeside. I mean just really lose yourself out there. Some of the best memories of my college experience thus far have come from engaging in a conversation with someone of a different background, trying something crazy and new and not denying myself the advantages of going to a school with great people and resources.

So, lose your expectations and get exploring; this is your experience, not someone else's. Chase a squirrel, start a conversation with the person in the toilet stall adjacent to yours, find your passion — there's really no time to waste trying to live a fairytale or movie re-enactment. You only get one beginning.

CAMPUS VOICES

# The Truitt Center can help support your transition to Elon



**Jan Fuller**  
University Chaplain

On behalf of the Chaplains — Joel Harter, Meir Goldstein, Shane Atkinson, Peter Tremblay and myself, Chaplain Jan, and all the professionals who serve with us — I want to welcome you! It is a joy to have the campus teeming again with happy and energetic students.

Our presence on campus means that Elon cares about your whole self: “mind, body and spirit” as the University Mission statement articulates. Our mission in the Truitt Center is to provide you with resources to explore, consider and deepen your religious, spiritual or ethical commitment.

We also offer you opportunities to understand and interact with those who follow different paths. And we provide events and moments to support religious and nonreligious students to think together and learn from each other. We can offer personal support when life gets tough and for all your celebrations too. Invite one of us to have coffee and get to know us!

Opening events are planned to help you connect with spiritual communities and to make friends.

As you begin to settle in you will find that this is a unique time in your

life. This is the developmental window in which your faith, practice and viewpoints move from inherited to owned, when you become the authors of your



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own worldview and faith. This internal move involves questioning your own ideas, and can be troubling or can cause a sense of conflict in yourself. It asks time of you — time to consider your own beliefs and values, time to

learn about your own traditions and those of others, time to care for self, time to talk with trusted friends, time to celebrate what you do know for sure.

Imagine the process of owning your own faith or worldview like a suitcase you packed to come to Elon. It contains items your parents threw in, items you thought you would need but really don't, items you use every day that you know for sure are necessary. The suitcase will be sorted over these years and repacked. Patience will be required.

The Chaplains' commitment is to offer you resources to help you pack, unpack and repack your suitcase. We want to be part of your journey of discovery and exploration. We have wonderful people to offer, and resources of events, celebrations and identity groups. Look for us on Phoenix Connect and come by the Numen Lumen Pavilion. A spiritual connections card is available on our website at [www.elon.edu/rellife](http://www.elon.edu/rellife). We are here for you, to help you find ways to be connected, to think about religion's place in your life, in the life of our community and cultures and to make lifelong friends.

Let us know how we can befriend, help and journey with you.

**TRUITT CENTER INFORMATION**

**What:** A safe place for spiritual growth, worldview exploration and interfaith engagement.

**Who:** Jan Fuller, University Chaplain; Father Peter Tremblay, Catholic Campus Minister and Associate Chaplain for Catholic Life; Rev. Dr. Joel Harter, Associate Chaplain for Protestant Life; Rabbi Meir Goldstein, Associate Chaplain for Jewish Life; and Imam Shane Atkinson, Muslim Life Coordinator.

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CAMPUS VOICES

## Be an active citizen through civic engagement



**Morgan Bodenerain**  
SGA Executive President

Class of 2021, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the next four years of your lives. I could not be happier that you have decided to attend Elon University, the institution that has made me who I am today. The perspectives, experiences and people you will meet and engage with will undeniably shape your life view.

Similar to other universities, Elon is, naturally, a free-flowing space of ideas and voices.

The perspectives you hear, you will not always agree with. The experiences you have, they will not always be comfortable. The

people you meet, you will not always appreciate their input. Nevertheless, you are here for a reason: to enhance yourself. That means having these encounters that are beyond your normal bounds.

Civic engagement is one of the principles of this year for Elon's SGA. That means we are seeking to enlarge the spaces in which such uncomfortable discussions can occur. That means hosting town halls at the first Thursday meeting of SGA every month in Moseley 215 at 7:30 p.m. to engage our university community on difficult topics ranging from international events to mental health to sexual- and gender-based harassment.

But, civic engagement goes beyond these discussions. While that is certainly the role that SGA can play in hosting such conversations, you, as an individual student, can do

so much more. You can vote, engage the Alamance County community or your home community, call your representatives, give attention to the news and more.

After the events in Charlottesville, Va., it can feel difficult to engage with others of opposite views and perspectives. However, your voice, your attendance, your engagement is exactly what our campus and country need in the wake of such tragedies.

Speaking with others means educating someone else on your perspective, one that maybe they have no background knowledge about. Civic

engagement — at its core — means being vulnerable with others about topics and issues that impact our community every day.

In response to Charlottesville, I responded with more than 100 other student body presidents from across the country to stand with the University of Virginia, to state, “We collectively call on one another to speak up in the face of injustice, as silence reduces us to bystanders in oppression.” To speak up and engage is to sometimes be uncomfortable, even for me. But, if there is one lesson I hope to leave with you as you begin the next four years of your life at a university that will challenge you, I would encourage you to take it upon yourselves to engage one another in these conversations, to educate and to civically engage our campus as students.



TO SPEAK UP AND ENGAGE IS TO SOMETIMES BE UNCOMFORTABLE.

CAMPUS VOICES

## Use SGA as a resource to make your voice heard



**Spencer Wagner**  
SGA Executive Vice President

Class of 2021, I am more than excited to welcome you to Elon University. While I am certainly not nearly the first to do so, I wish to add to the chorus of voices that are glad you are on campus and hoping you will have the most amazing time over the next four years here as part of our community.

I also wish to extend a hand as a member of Elon's SGA. We, the voices of the students, colleges and organizations on campus, are an open resource for you in our offices, located in Moseley 213. Furthermore, you can find us in our weekly meetings in Moseley 215 on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. sharp. All of our meetings

**SGA MEETINGS**

SGA meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Moseley 215. All SGA meetings are open and include open forum times for any member of the Elon University Community.

are open to students and have time devoted in each to hearing your voices on various issues. Specifically, one of the best times to speak with SGA is during our monthly town halls held on the first Thursday of every month, same time and location. At these town halls, we focus on one issue particular to campus in a free and open conversation that centers on student-to-student dialogue. Some previous topics include fraternity and sorority life, sexual and gender-based harassment and speech on campus among others. Some planned topics for this year include mental health and a conversation on diversity.

At our other meetings, we focus on legislation, special

allocations to organizations for various activities, event planning and internal committee deliberations. Guiding us this year throughout these activities and discussions are three principles: inclusivity, school spirit and civic engagement. Using these principles, we hope to increase each on campus and would be glad to have you join us.

Should any of the aforementioned topics interest you, or should you simply have a curiosity to join SGA, please consider running for one of the various first-year offices, ranging from class president to one of the three class senators. You may find out more information about how to run and how to become a candidate by visiting Phoenix Connect and finding the election form, which will be available starting Monday, August 28 at 5 p.m. In the form, you will find more information about a candidate's meeting as well as election guidelines.

The elections will be held online beginning Monday, Sept. 11 at 9 a.m. and will continue until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 12. Should you have any questions, please reach out to our Elections Committee co-chairs, Arielle Watkins ([awatkins10@elon.edu](mailto:awatkins10@elon.edu)) and Katherine Clark ([kclark29@elon.edu](mailto:kclark29@elon.edu)). Once again, you may also find myself or any of the other executive officers in our SGA office in Moseley 213 if you have any other questions or simply wish to chat.

As stated, SGA is your resource. We work for you and hope we will be able to serve you over the course of your college career. Welcome once again, and we hope to see you one Thursday night. Long live Elon!

# Forgetting something?

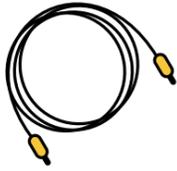
Packing for freshman year can be stressful, and with all the details and moving pieces, some of the most useful tools can be forgotten. From first aid kits to sound machines, here is a collective list of the most forgotten, yet often handiest items for a successful first semester:

## 1. Vacuum



If you go forget your vacuum at home, you're dorm room is going to get unexpectedly dirty. Grass and dirt can easily find their way into your dorm, especially in the fall when the leaves are falling. A vacuum, even a little one, will save you and your roommate hassle because it will help you clean things up easier.

## 2. TV Cable Cord



Many people forget that the magic of television is all possible because of a black cord in the back. All the hassle and backache you caused your dad in loading the television in the truck could go to waste if you left your television cord stuck to the wall at home. If you forgot, Best Buy is only a five minute drive away.

## 3. Toiletries



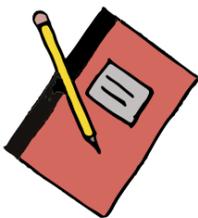
It sounds like a no brainer, but people forget the little things. Of course you brought your toothbrush and toothpaste, but in your last minute rush, did you forget mouth wash? What about shampoo? Body soap? Shaving supplies? Look in your suitcase and make sure you have everything you need to stay clean. Your roommate will thank you. And if you don't, make sure to go to Target or Walmart as soon as possible.

## 4. Minifridge snacks



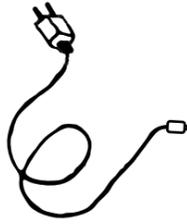
It might seem simple, but people forget this all the time. In college, late nights are the norm and when all of the dining halls are closed, there will be times when you are hungry. Trust me. Target and BJ's sell relatively cheap microwaveable snacks. So does the food market on the first floor of Colonnades. Save yourself an empty stomach late at night and make sure you stock up the mini fridge with as many snacks as possible.

## 4. School supplies



People come to college for a number of reasons, but the biggest is to learn. Sometimes people forget that. In the excitement and hassle to live in a new place and meet more people, it's easy to overlook the basics for school supplies. Paper, pencils notebooks and a calculator are essential for your first day of class, which is Tuesday. Make sure you have them so you don't look unprepared for your professors. First impressions are key.

## 6. Phone charger



In this generation, it goes with out saying, but your phone will be your lifeline in college. And you need your phone charger. During your first weekend here, you'll receive an influx of names, phone numbers and other things for your phone. Your parents are also going to be calling you every other day to check up on you. Make sure you have your phone charged.

## 7. Laundry Powder



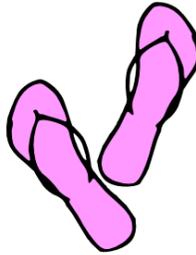
Now that you're in college, you'll be doing laundry for yourself, if you haven't been already. So you need to have your laundry powder ready. Tide sells pods that you can throw into the wash without measuring liquids. But either way you do it, make sure you have some way to wash your clothes.

## 8. Umbrella



When it rains at Elon, it can be severe, and you want to make sure you're prepared for it. Of course, you'll want a rain jacket, but an umbrella offers a lot more protection. You won't need it for a few more weeks probably, but when it rains, you'll thank me.

## 9. Shower shoes



If you live in Smith Hall, you'll need shower shoes. Trust me. You do not want your bare feet touching the shower. Go get a pair of flip flops. It's a dire need.

## 10. Business suit



There will be times when you need to dress up at college and sometimes freshmen forget about that. If you go to an career fair or have a fancy dinner, you're going to need a suit or formal dress. Make sure you have this so you don't look underdressed.



# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

After graduating in May, Class of 2017 graduates are already starting careers

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## ADRIAN WILLIAMS

**A**DRIAN WILLIAMS '17 BEGAN his professional career after Elon this summer.

"I've been working for Lenovo in Raleigh, North Carolina since June 5. I am in our Lenovo Accelerated Sales Rotational Program currently," Williams said.

The independence and freedom of adult life is what Williams is most looking forward to.

"This fall I plan on enjoying adulting and making adult money. I'm also excited to truly be able to provide for myself and not have to ask my mom for money anymore," Williams said.

Aside from work life, Williams is about to start a family. Moments after he walked across the stage, Williams, who is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., performed a hop with his brothers. Right after they were finished, Williams proposed to his girlfriend, Bria Turner '16. The moment was caught on camera and went viral, tallying over one million views.



## VICTORIA FORD

**L**IKE MUCH OF THE rest of the class of 2017, Victoria Ford has taken her future by the reins this summer.

"Victoria Ford moved to Washington, D.C. after graduation to work for the Department of State in the HR Bureau," said Adrian Carpenter, coordinator of Alumni Engagement - Affinity and Student Programs.

Ford accredits Elon as an outstanding source of resources.

"Elon was and continues to be a pivotal factor in achieving my career goals. Whether it was through mentors, professors, the SPDC, alumni, or various programs I always felt the support from the Elon community," Ford said.

One resource remains outstanding for Ford.

"Specifically, the Elon Job Network was an essential tool that has led me to where I am today at the State Department. I encourage students to take advantage of the great connections and resources that the SPDC has," she said.

The Elon Job Network proved to be crucial when establishing Ford's experience and credibility.

According to Carpenters, Ford interned with the State Department last summer and was invited back for a full-time position as an Administrative Assistant to the Deputy of the Office of Recruitment, Examination and Employment — a position which recruits, hires and trains incoming foreign service officer.

Like her fellow graduates, Ford spoke of Elon's distinctive community as an essential part of her career plan.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunities to come, using the knowledge and skills that Elon has prepared me with over my four years," Ford said. "It is reassuring that the Elon support doesn't end."



## JESSICA WOMACK

**J**ESSICA WOMACK '17 BEGAN working with Capital One in the Management Rotation Program (MRP).

"The MRP is a two-year rotational program where I will gain exposure to four professional tracks within the company - agile, risk management, process management, and project management. In my first rotation, I am currently working in agile," Womack said.

Womack graduated with a Management and Finance degree in May and began working with Capital One in July.

Much like her time at Elon, she has high hopes for the doors this endeavor will open.

"I'm most excited about learning from everyone in my office and being able to start my career off in the right direction with this company," Womack said.



## STEVEN ARMENDARIZ

**S**TEVEN ARMENDARIZ '17, CHOSE to search abroad for their career paths.

"Since graduating from Elon last May, I started my summer job as a Trip Leader for a teen travel company, leading a group of 18 teens to conduct service and learn more about the community in Costa Rica," Armendariz said.

Though the trip has already ended, Armendariz does not plan on stopping there.

"This Fall I will begin the Fulbright Fellowship as an English Teaching Assistant (ETA). Through this fellowship I hope to foster cultural exchange with the Spanish community in order to form mutual understanding, especially during this decisive time," Armendariz said.

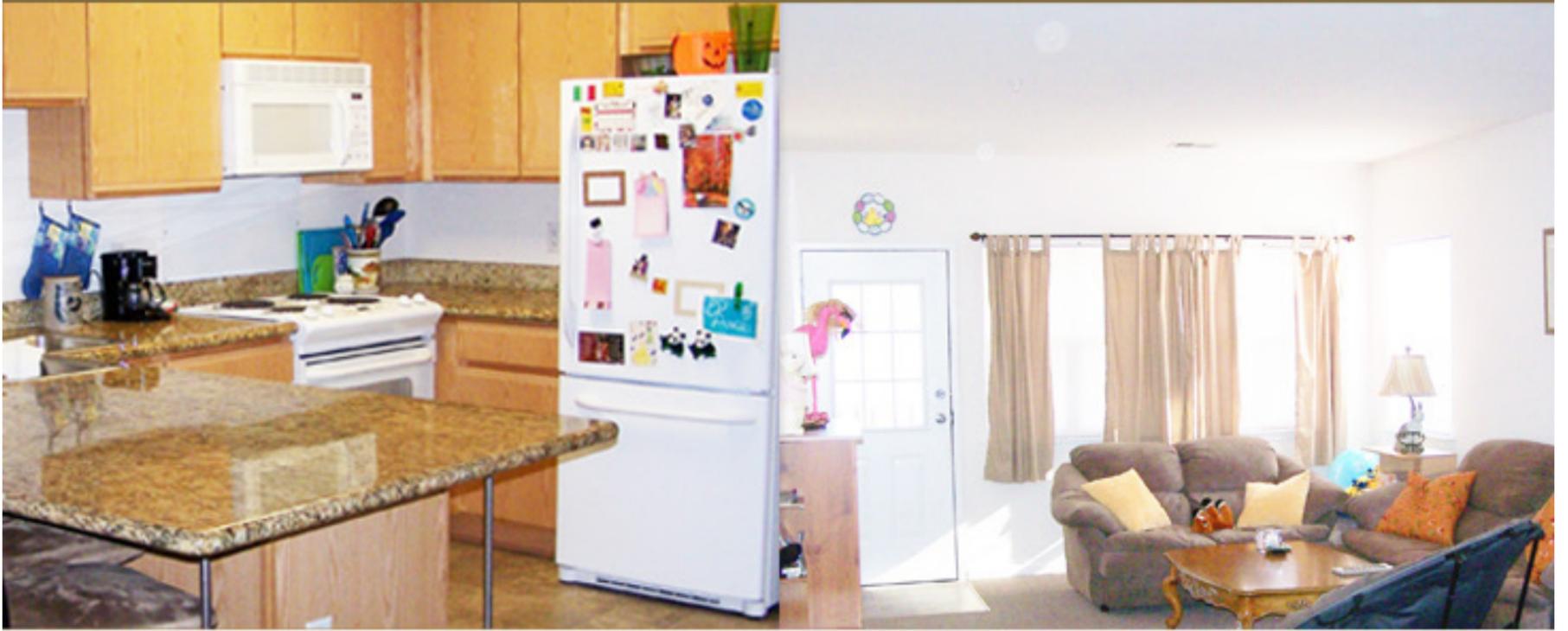
He is looking forward to working alongside peers who have a similar cultural perspective to his own.

"I am excited to teach the Global Classrooms where I will be able to teach students about global affairs and diplomacy; topics that I am passionate about.

"It will also be nice to be surrounded by culturally minded and competent scholars that have a greater understanding and love for the international community," Armendariz said.

While the horizon looks full of opportunities, one goal for Armendariz stays certain.

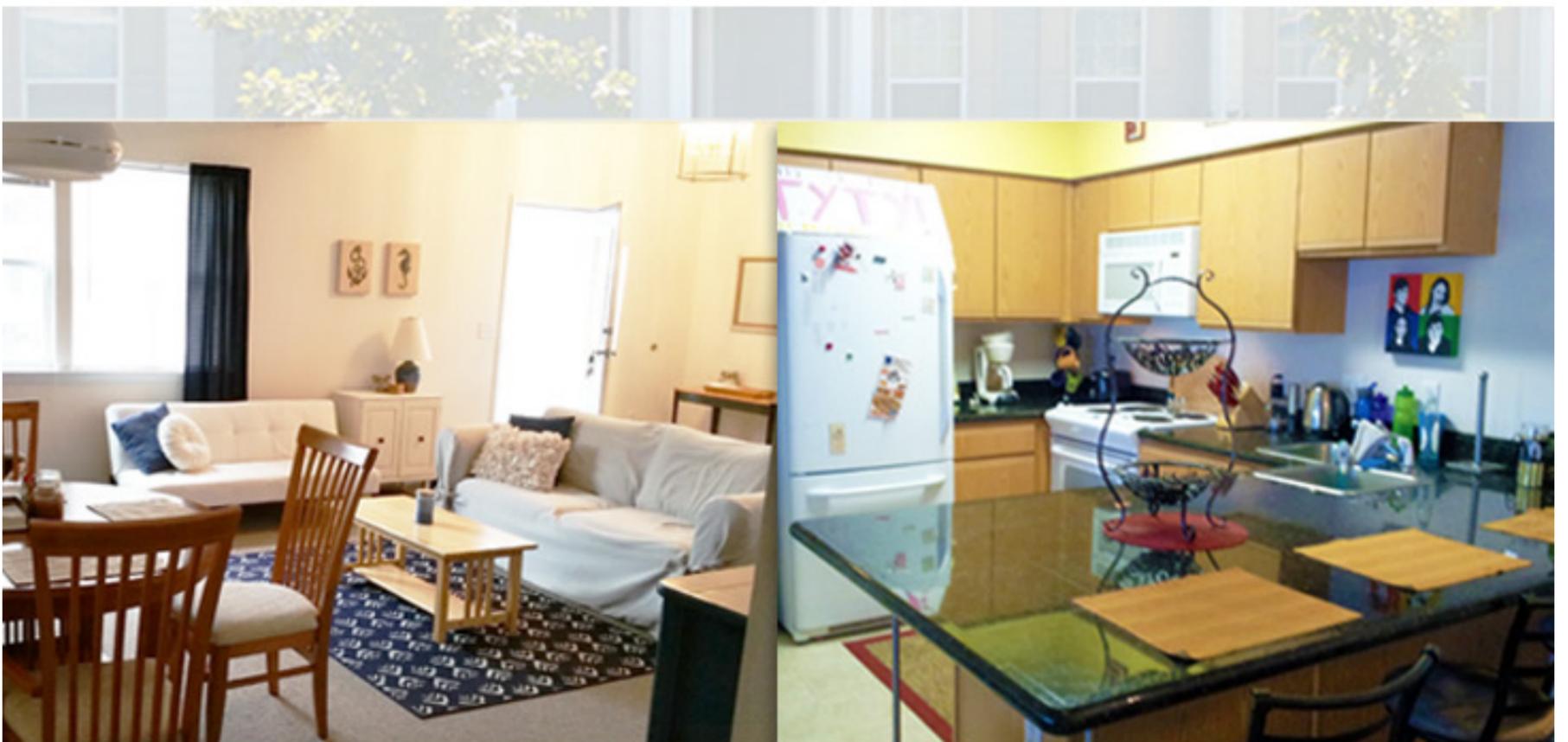
"Overall, I am looking forward to being challenged and growing professionally and personally throughout my journey abroad," he said.



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# NAMES TO KNOW AT ELON

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**LEO LAMBERT**

The “Head Phoenix” is Elon University’s eighth president and has served the school since 1999. He is responsible for establishing many of the buildings and programs that are now Elon staples. His initiatives include changing Elon’s mascot from the Fightin’ Christians to the Phoenix and the construction of more than 100 buildings around campus. Every year, President Lambert opens his house to the student body for a holiday party where students can eat and mingle with the president and his wife. Last spring, Lambert announced that he would be stepping down as president of the university, but not until a quality replacement was found. A search committee has been working throughout the summer and is expected to announce their decision later this fall.



**DR. DANIELEY**

President Emeritus J. Earl Danieley was not only a legend around Elon University’s campus, but people knew his name throughout Alamance County and North Carolina at large. He died last winter at the age of 92, but his legacy will last for many years to come. Danieley devoted his life to Elon. He attended here as an undergraduate student from 1941-1946 and began his tenure as a chemistry teacher right after graduation. While serving as President from 1957-1973, Danieley welcomed the first African-American students to campus. His name remains present on campus through the residential neighborhood named in his honor. He was the basketball team’s biggest fan, attending every home game and after his death, both varsity teams wore a “Dr. D” patch on their uniforms for the remainder of the season.



**JON DOOLEY**

For students who have been at Elon a bit longer, the name Smith Jackson rings a bell as the university’s former Vice President of Student Life and the man responsible for sending informative emails to students regularly. Now, after 23 years, the role has been taken over by Jon Dooley who has been at Elon since 2014. He will now oversee all aspects of student life and provides student services and co-curricular activities. If you see the Vice President of Student Life’s name in your inbox, it is likely to tell you about any campus closures or weather delays so keep an eye out.



**JASON HUSSER**

Jason Husser started his tenure with Elon University in 2012 as the assistant director of the Elon University poll. Now, the man behind the poll also serves as an assistant professor of political science. His name appeared in the news last fall as the Elon poll results were used in national media regarding the election. The poll occurs a few times a semester and surveys North Carolina residents on important issues pertaining to the state and national politics. Any student can sign up to work the poll for an hourly wage. It’s a way to earn a few extra dollars and learn more about the state you now call home.



**MORGAN BODENARAIN**

Elon University senior Morgan Bodenarain serves as the SGA’s Executive President — the highest position within the organization. Every year, elections are held for various positions within each class, but Bodenarain serves all four of the undergraduate classes. She played a key role in the planning of last year’s first annual Elon Ball and officially took over the roll as Executive President after spring break last year. Earlier this month, Bodenarain, along with other SGA presidents from around the country, signed a statement standing in solidarity for The University of Virginia in the aftermath of the events in Charlottesville, Va..



**JAN FULLER**

Jan Fuller is Elon University Chaplain and works with the Truitt Center for Religious and Spiritual Life. Fuller provides guidance for students looking to explore their religious or spiritual identities. As the chaplain, she also speaks at many university events including giving remarks at the annual tree lighting and luminary ceremony. Along with Fuller, the Truitt center is staffed with faculty and students to facilitate religious and spiritual programming for the student body. The chaplain is just one of the members of Elon’s staff who is available to listen if students are ever searching for someone to talk to.



**MARQUITA BARKER**

MarQuita Barker is the Senior Associate Director of Residence Life at Elon University. Underclassmen are probably familiar with her name as she sends out many emails regarding housing as move-in day approaches. She is responsible for overseeing the assignment of all on-campus housing and any logistics relating to housing assignments. If students ever need to inquire about room-changes or special accommodations for their dorm room this year, Barker is the woman to talk to.



**RANDY WILLIAMS**

Randy Williams is the Associate Vice President for Campus Engagement and an Assistant Professor. He is part of the university’s senior staff and has responsibilities within Student Life, Academic Affairs and University advancement. One of his largest responsibilities is his role within the Center for Race, Ethnicity and Diversity Education (CREDE), which reports to Williams. The CREDE just hired a new director, Tyrone Jean, after a yearlong search. The CREDE’s offices are on the second floor of the Moseley student center and provide programs and workshops for students and faculty. Williams was initially hired as the dean of multicultural affairs.



**STEVEN HOUSE**

Steven House is the Provost, Executive Vice President of Elon University, chief operations officer (COO) and chief academic officer (CAO). He is responsible for all academic programs, including Elon’s six schools/college and the library. The departments of Student Life, Admissions and Financial Planning and Athletics also recognize him as a leader. House came to Elon in 2001 from Seton Hall University in New Jersey and was appointed the founding dean of Elon College, the College of Arts and Sciences.



**JANA LYNN PATTERSON**

Jana Lynn Patterson oversees many aspects of Elon University’s day-to-day operations. Patterson serves as Associate Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Student Health and Wellness. The university’s full-service health center just over the train tracks and is open seven days a week to serve students feeling sick. Patterson has many other roles on campus including the faculty advisor to the SGA, overseeing Campus Recreation and has been with Elon since 1986. She is the first female leader in 50 years to hold the title of “Dean of Students,” which she was appointed to earlier this year.

## OTHER PEOPLE TO KNOW



Resident Assistant



Community Director of your residential neighborhood



The cleaning staff on your floor



Academic Advisor (you don’t have to stay with the one assigned to you as a freshman!)



Bio-Bus Drivers



Assigned Librarian

# ELON-SPEAK

Understanding the lingo other Elon students are using can be difficult. This Elon dictionary is here to help

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**The Elon Bubble** - An invisible barrier encapsulating Elon University which separates students from the surrounding community

**Nades** - An abbreviation of Colonnades; it may refer to the dining hall, residence halls or the entire neighborhood

**D-Nades** - The downstairs area of Colonnades Dining Hall where Boar's Head is located

**The Boobs** - Two, small and unprovocative hills of grass in Young Commons, in front of Moseley Student Center

**KOBC** - An acronym for the Koury Business Center, home of business classes and unofficial home of business students

**College Coffee** - A weekly Tuesday event bringing together faculty and sleepy students for coffee and donuts

**The Great Hall** - The large room reminiscent of Hogwarts housed in Global Commons

**The "Harry Potter" room** - Formally known as the Inman Reading Room, this room in Lindner Hall features high-back chairs and dim lighting and is always deathly quiet — reminiscent of the restricted section of the library at Hogwarts

**SURF Day** - An annual day of snazzy outfits and presentations

**First Night** - The university-funded dance party that takes place the night of move-in day

**First Year** - A nicer name for a freshman

**OL** - An orientation leader, the first year's best friend for the first week or two of college life

**RA** - A resident advisor, the friendly face on your hall, there to help with everything from homesickness to roommate conflicts

**O-Team** - The orientation team composed of students sacrificing their time, feet and sweat to help families on move-in day

**Under the Oaks** - The picturesque, shaded quad between West hall and the School of Communications

**Pendy** - Your go-to newspaper, The Pendulum

# BREAKING DOWN THE MEALPLAN

An essential part of Elon student life is deciding on a meal plan that will sustain the student for the school year ahead. There are various meal plans that Elon provides for its students that gives them access to dining halls, retail locations and a few other perks.

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## All Access Basic

Every freshman is required to at least have this plan, and it provides students with unlimited access into all of the dining halls on campus, such as Lakeside or Colonnades — also known as Nades — dining halls. It also includes \$150 annual meal dollars that are divided among fall, Winter Term and spring semester. Meal dollars can be used at the various retail locations on campus, some exclusions apply. Another perk of this meal plan is having 10 free guest meals.

If a family member or friend comes to visit, students can use a swipe from their guest meals to also grant them entry into the dining hall. They can also be used at retail locations. If a student runs out of meal dollars for the semester, then a guest swipe can be used at all of the retail locations on campus.

## All Access + 7 and All Access + 14

The other two All Access meal plans are All Access + 7 and All Access + 14. These meals plans also provide unlimited visits to all the dining halls. But, these give you the option of having "plus seven" or "plus 14" swipes. The purpose of these swipes is to be able to go to retail locations and buy a meal by telling the cashier that "plus seven" is essentially the form of payment. Students can visit these retail locations either seven or 14 times in a week, depending on the meal plan. The swipes reload every Tuesday night at 12 a.m. for students to once again be able to visit retail locations, such as Biscuitville, Topio's, Qdoba and more. Guest meals are also available on these meal plans, All Access + 7 having 20, and All Access + 14 having 30.

## 200 and 300 Block

There are two other options for meal plans that are typically designated for upperclassmen and they are 200 and 300 Block. The 200 Block plan allows students to have \$500 in annual meal dollars divided between fall, winter and spring semesters. They also have 200 meals, 100 per semester, to visit the dining halls. The 300 Block plan includes \$400 in annual meal dollars and 300 meals per year.

# BREAKING DOWN PHILO AND HBO GO

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## About Philo

Philo is a television streaming and recording service available to Elon University students living on campus free of charge.

Through Philo, students can access popular channels such as the Food Network and ESPN.

Philo works like a DVR in that students can record episodes of their favorite shows to save and watch later.

Philo can be streamed while students are on campus to most laptops, phones and tablets as well as second generation or higher Apple TVs and Roku.

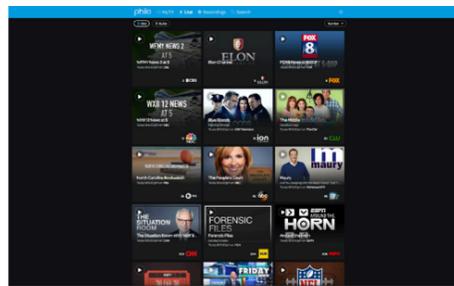
Through Philo, students also have access to HBO GO through which they can view popular HBO television series such as Game of Thrones, Last Week Tonight with John Oliver and Westworld.

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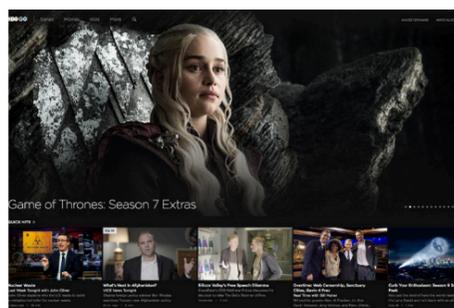
1. Go to <https://www.philo.com/edu/>
2. Click "Watch Philo" in the top right corner
3. Click "Log in with Elon University"
4. Input your Elon username and password

### HERE'S HOW TO CREATE YOUR HBO GO ACCOUNT:

1. Go to <http://play.hbogo.com/>
2. Click "Sign In" in the top right corner
3. Under the "All Providers" drop down menu (passed the table of typical TV providers), choose Elon University. It will be amongst other colleges and universities' names.
4. It will connect you to Philo, where you will click "Log in with Elon University"
5. It will take you the familiar Elon log in page, so put in your Elon username and password
6. You will have to make an HBO account user ID and give your email and zip code



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## GET CONNECTED

Here are the top Elon profiles you need to follow



**Leo Lambert**  
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President of Elon University

**Jason Husser**  
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Director of Elon University Poll

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@EloNewsNetwork  
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@OnlyAtElon  
A funny account that keeps up with gossip around campus



**Adam Constantine**  
@theycallmeac  
Elon University's social media manager

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An account that posts stunning pictures of Elon's campus

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Elon University's football team

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# TOP 5 RESTAURANTS NEAR ELON

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## SAN MARCOS MEXICAN RESTAURANT



Recently opened in September 2015, San Marcos may not be well known by Elon students, but is definitely worth a try.

San Marcos has a large menu with more traditional Mexican dishes such as arroz con pollo and enchiladas, but also American dishes such as burgers with fries or a garden salad. The menu also features quesadillas, seafood, fajitas, burritos and tacos.

The lunch specials are well-priced: most are under \$10, usually between \$6 and \$7, and the portions are hefty, leaving leftovers for the next day.

The next time you're planning on running to Q'Doba or Taco Bell, think about giving San Marcos a try. This family-friendly restaurant has richer and more filling food than you would find at your average fast food Mexican restaurant. The staff and atmosphere have more of an authentic Spanish charm compared to these chains as well.

Located at 3111 Waltham Blvd. in Burlington, San Marcos is open 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. weekdays and until 11 p.m. weekends.

## HURSEY'S BAR-B-Q



Originally a small family operation run out of a backyard pit in the 1940s, Hursey's Bar-B-Q has remained a constant source of affordable, finger-licking North Carolina barbecue for Burlington area residents.

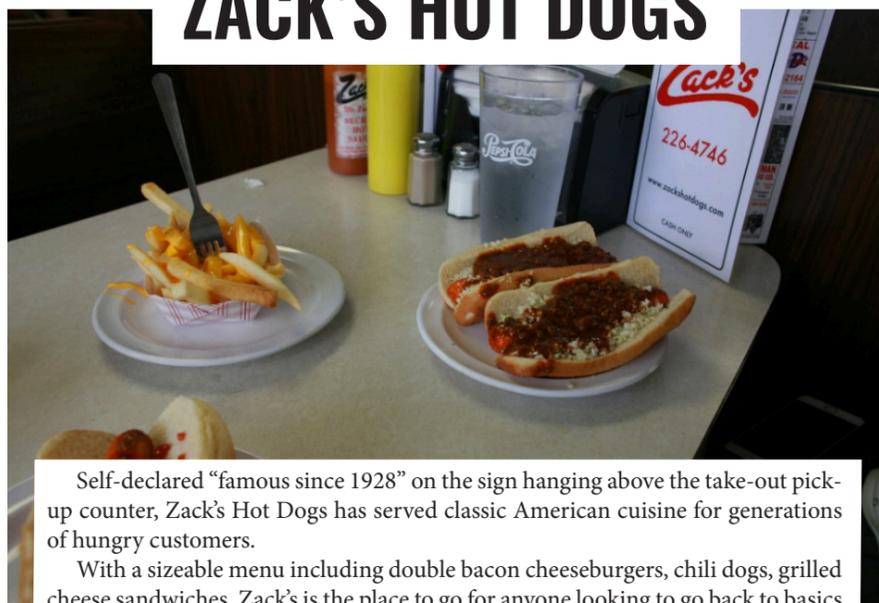
For first-timers, the chopped pork barbecue and chicken combination plate is a must. Each combo comes with french fries, hushpuppies and coleslaw. This plate could run up to about \$9.

Hursey's also offers its customers a small dessert menu with the homemade peach cobbler with ice cream being a standout.

For college students on tight budgets, Hursey's offers weekday specials Mondays through Thursdays. A favorite is the \$2.19 chopped barbecue sandwiches on Wednesdays.

Hursey's now has four locations across Alamance County with the nearest one to campus being 1834 S. Church St. in Burlington. Open daily, except Sunday, from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

## ZACK'S HOT DOGS



Self-declared "famous since 1928" on the sign hanging above the take-out pickup counter, Zack's Hot Dogs has served classic American cuisine for generations of hungry customers.

With a sizeable menu including double bacon cheeseburgers, chili dogs, grilled cheese sandwiches, Zack's is the place to go for anyone looking to go back to basics with simple American diner food.

The chili dog is heavily seasoned, but it's not spicy. And for an extra kick, each table is stocked with a bottle of Zack's "Secret Hot Sauce," which should be used with caution and an extra glass of water. Located on 201 W. Davis Street., Zack's Hot Dogs is open Monday - Wednesday 6:30 a.m. - 9 p.m., Thursday 6:30 a.m. - 9 p.m., Friday - Saturday 6:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. and closed Sunday.

## LITTLE ITALY



For anyone craving a big bowl of pasta, Little Italy is the place to go.

Restaurant owner Gino Carannante immigrated to the United States from Bacoli, Italy in 1996 before opening Little Italy with his cousin several years later.

With more than 20 classic and baked pasta dishes on the menu, pasta is definitely first choice. The gnocchi bolognese is always a crowd pleaser, while the linguine pescatore is Carannante's personal favorite.

The restaurant also serves pizza, subs, salads and soups. For those with gluten allergies, gluten-free pasta and pizza are served on request.

Little Italy's menu is heavily inspired by the foods of Carannante's childhood and give him memories of his mom.

Located in the Target shopping plaza at 1441 C. University Drive, Little Italy is open 10:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. and 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sundays.

## MIXED RICE



Wedged between NC Jelly Donuts and Painted Grape: Craft & Paint studio in Stans Plaza on South Church Street, Mixed Rice is one of few restaurants in Burlington that offer authentic Korean cuisine at affordable prices.

The menu features Korean classics including bibimbap, a bowl of warm white rice topped with sauteed and seasoned vegetables, chili paste and a choice of meat.

The menu also includes duk-boo-kee, spicy rice cakes and spicy glass noodles served with barbecued chicken, pork or beef. All items — including entrees which come with a choice of a spring roll or egg roll — are under \$10.

For students who haven't tried Korean cuisine, co-owner Jihe encourages them to try some of the restaurant's staple foods to taste something new. Mixed Rice is open Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Saturday 4 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. and closed Sunday.