

# GROUNDBREAKING FOR CHICKASAW PLAZA AT KOI ISHTO STADIUM



"Chickasaw Appreciation Day" will be celebrated with the ground-breaking of the new Chickasaw

Plaza at 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at ECU's Koi Ishto Stadium, prior to the Tigers' football game against Southern Nazarene at 6 p.m. The Chickasaw Plaza will feature new amenities including an inviting new entry gate, concessions and restrooms. Free admission to the game is being granted to Chickasaw Nation employees with badges and members with citizenship cards.

## U.S. REP. TOM COLE SPEAKS AT ECU



U.S. Rep. Tom Cole conducted a Town Hall Meeting for the ECU and Ada communities on Aug. 20 in the Estep Multimedia Room in

the Bill S. Cole University Center.

# \$40,000 RAISED TO BENEFIT ECU ATHLETICS



Numerous items were up for bid at the Second Annual ECU Tiger All-Sports Kickoff Auction on Aug. 18. The auction helped raise more than \$40,000 for all 15 of ECU's varsity sports.

## ECU RECEIVES \$1.1 MILLION GRANT TO SUPPORT VETERANS



Veterans now have the opportunities and tools to achieve a higher education degree at

ECU, thanks to a \$1.1 million (\$220,000 per year) Veterans Student Support Services Grant through the U.S. Department of Education. The TRIO grant, set up for an initial five-year run, led to the establishment of the Veterans Student Support Services Office on campus, Sept. 1.

# MASSIVE FRESHMEN CLASS WELCOMED

ECU welcomed its largest freshman class of the century with 752 new students for the fall



2015 semester. The university also welcomed 296 transfer students. Needless to say, ECU residential halls are at capacity.

### WIFI UPGRADE CONDUCTED AT ECU

ECU has received a new state-of-the-art campus WiFi system. Most of the campus is currently covered with the



new system while the entire campus set to be covered soon.



# Our Past, Our Present ECU'S Future

# ECU FOUNDATION, INC. **AWARDS \$700,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS**

This academic year, the ECU Foundation has awarded nearly \$700,000 in scholarships to more than 400

students. This is an increase from \$250,000 in 2010 and a 49 percent increase over the 2014-2015 academic year.

### OKC AREA ALUMNI REUNION



ECU alumni enjoyed a time of food, fun, fellowship and horse racing at the Oklahoma City Area Alumni Reunion on Aug. 28 at Remington Park.



#### **ECU GOES INTERNATIONAL**

A record eight ECU students are learning and absorbing different cultures by studying abroad this semester through ECU's Global



Education Program. The four studying in France are Hillari Snider, of Chandler; Ben Godwin, Ada; Baylee Williams, Chickasha and Norman and Yin Lai, of China. Both Erin Walling, of Ada and Briana Fulton, of Tulsa, are in Spain. Devin Hargus, of Ada, is in China and McKenzie Grigg is in Wales. ECU enrolled 360 international students for the fall semester, which is up by 116 from 244 for the 2014-15 school year. A whopping 191 students are on campus this fall from the country of Nepal. The Bahamas is second with a representation of 51.

## ECU MUSIC FACULTY SHOWCASED INTERNATIONALLY IN PERU, FRANCE

Nathaniel Berman, assistant professor of woodwinds and music history at ECU, performed on the flute at the National Flute



Association's Jazz Flute Big Band in Washington D.C. in August. Berman, along with new ECU flute instructor Alexandra Aguirre, also played in festivals in Peru and France this summer as well. They were two parts of a flute trio which played in the Festival Internacional de Flautistas in Lima, Peru. In France, Berman played the saxophone while Aguirre played the flute.

# ECU TOPS GAC WITH OUTSTANDING STUDENT-ATHLETES



ECU led the Great American Conference with 57 student-athletes who had a grade-point average of 3.5 or better for the 2014-15 academic year, it was announced by the Division

II Athletic Directors Association (D2ADA). The Academic Achievements Awards is a program that recognizes the academic accomplishments of student-athletes at the NCAA Division II level.

# TIGER PITCHER SHINES IN SUMMER COLLEGIATE LEAGUE



ECU pitcher Quentin McGrath posted a 6-0 record with a 3.58 earned run average for the Xenia Scouts (Ohio) of the Great Lakes Summer Collegiate Baseball League. The southpaw struck out 38 batters and walked 19 in 47 2/3 innings of work this summer. McGrath will be a senior for the Tigers in the spring.

### ECU FOOTBALL TEAM NABS FIRST WIN



# OVER HENDERSON STATE SINCE 1984

The Tiger football team earned its first victory over traditional power Henderson State since 1986 with

a 35-28 decision in Arkadelphia, Ark., on Sept. 10. Quarterback Rocky Moore passed for four touchdowns – two each to David Moore (for 16 and 12 yards) and Nathan Pickett (for 25 and 11 yards) and was 22-of-36 through the air for 316 yards. The win evened ECU's record at 1-1, heading into a home game with Southern Nazarene on Saturday, Sept. 19.

# ECU AMONG TOP 200 FOR NATIVE AMERICAN STEM STUDENTS

ECU is among the top 200 colleges in the country for STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathe-



matics) opportunities among Native American students, it was announced recently by AISES' Winds of Change magazine.

# **EDUCATION STUDENTS VENTURE OUT**

**INTO SCHOOLS** 

A large group of ECU education students ventured out to area elementary, junior high and



high schools this semester for their student-teaching experience.

# NEW FACULTY WELCOMED TO

**ECU CAMPUS** 

ECU welcomed a group of new faculty for the 2015 fall semester.



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR ECU'S 2015 HOMECOMING

Once Upon a Time in Tigerland, Oct. 30-31



## STUDENTS ENJOY 'HUMP DAY' WEDNESDAY



# WITH CAMEL RIDES

In an attempt to get over hump day on Wednesday, Aug. 26, numerous ECU students enjoyed camel rides on the lawn in

front of the Bill S. Cole University Center.

### ADAFEST REJUVENATED IN ARTS DISTRICT



Music, art, food and fun were part of rejuvenated AdaFest held in the Ada Arts District and ECU's Centennial Plaza on Aug. 29. The once-popular fes-

tival was revitalized with support from ECU, the Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

## EDUCATION BUILDING OPEN HOUSE Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015 4 p.m. dedication; 4:30 p.m.-6 p.m. tours



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, Sept. 19

Step Out of the Darkness, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Groundbreaking for Chickasaw Plaza, 5 p.m. at Koi Ishto Stadium

Football hosts Southern Nazarene 6 p.m. at Koi Istho Stadium

### Sunday, Sept. 20

Welcome for International Students, 4:30 p.m. walk from Bill S. Cole University Center to Wintersmith Park for 5 p.m. music, picnic

### Tuesday, Sept. 22

September Poetry Series, 6:30 p.m. Estep Multimedia Center

## Thursday, Sept. 24

Women's Soccer hosts SWOSU, 1 p.m.

### Saturday, Sept. 26

Women's Soccer hosts NWOSU, 1 p.m. Football at Oklahoma Baptist, 1 p.m.

### Wednesday, Sept. 30

Career EXPO, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Chickasaw Business & Conf. Center

### Thursday, Oct. 1

Education Building Open House, 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

Women's Soccer hosts SNU, 4 p.m.

Volleyball hosts SNU, 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, Oct. 2

ECU SCREENS: "Everyman," 6:30 p.m. Estep Multimedia Center

## Saturday, Oct. 3

Football hosts NWOSU, 6 p.m.



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