

# HONORABLY

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## Evolving Traditions



This fall's Honors Kickoff welcomed the return of the iconic Honors "Jump" photo, which started in 2020, when six-foot distancing was a Covid-inspired cautionary norm.

The Honors Convocation and March, which began in 2006 and was once led by Dr. Hollingsworth's bagpipes, now features the Pride of Tigerland Drum line, the Book of Honors signing ceremony, and the Gonfalon Reception.

The Sorting Hat Ceremony, which began in 2013 at Wintersmith Park, is now held in the Ataloo Theatre. With help from Jamie Davis, this year's ceremony was more grandly theatrical than ever.



# Honors Index 2024



- 36** Years that ECU has recognized Honors Program graduates
- 462** Total number of ECU Honors Program graduates 1989-spring 2024
- 3** Honors Program Directors, 1989 to the present
- 12** Years Dr. Benton has served as the Program Director
- 19** Fall Honors Program Convocation Marches
- 24** Faculty who received compensation for mentoring Honors Projects and Theses in 2024 (the most ever)
- 31** Honors Projects and Theses completed in 2023-2024
- 30** Percent of Honors students who identify as first-generation college students
- 36** Percentage of Honors students who are Pell Grant eligible due to financial need
- 37** Percentage points that the Honors Program graduation rate surpassed ECU's overall 4-year graduation rate in 2024
- 3** Number of Honors Students among ECU's 5 Nigh Award finalists in 2024





# ALAS, POOR YORICK!

This fall's Oklahoma Shakespeare trip featured a first-ever pre-show visit to the Museum of Osteology, where Honorables contemplated skulls, much as Hamlet would in that evening's drama. Inspired by the Danish prince's study abroad experience in Wittenburg, we also stopped by Fassler Hall, where we dined on German fare, and then descended to the Dust Bowl, where Arete won the Honors House Bowling Championship.





# PROMWEAR, TRASH BAGS, & COSTUMES



On the Tuesday before Halloween, Honors co-hosted a *Carrie* Prom Night with the English department. Donned in their Promwear best, students and faculty began the evening discussing Stephen King's 1974 horror novel and finished it watching Brian DePalma's 1976 film.

On the first Saturday in November, Honors, the President's Leadership Class and the BLA joined forces to pick up trash on Ada's downtown streets.

On Halloween night, costumed Honorables haunted Wintersmith Park before retreating to Faust 159 for trick-or-treat candy, House costume and trivia contests, and an evening of Werewolf gameplay.





# BREAKING RECORDS

## A New Mayor in Town

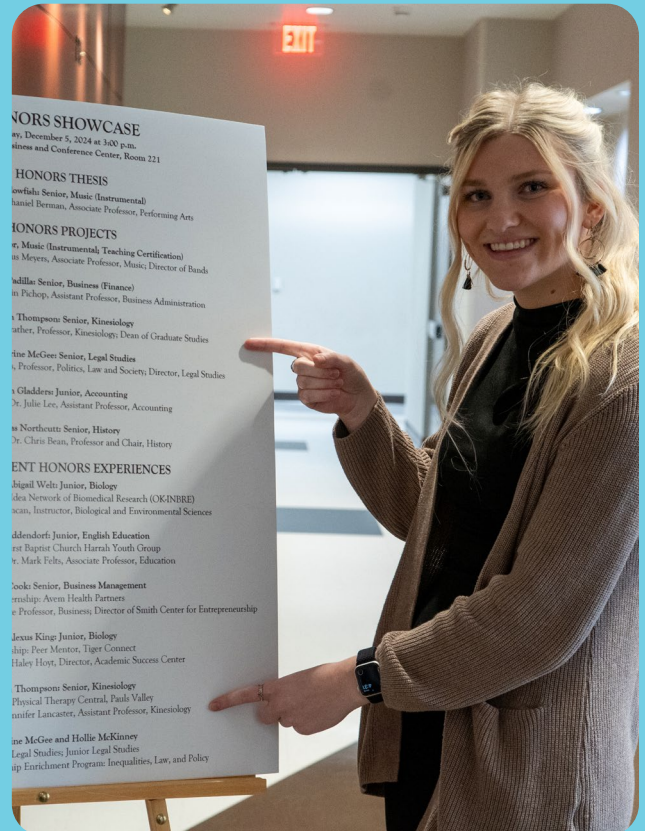


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# HEAR YE, HEAR YE

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**"I love witnessing passionate people talk about their work. ... You could tell Seezan had put in enormous amounts of effort into her physical therapy presentation and was proud to share it."**

**- Zach Idlett  
(Sophomore, Business Administration)**

Seezan is pictured in the photo above.  
Twan is pictured top right.



# QUEEN

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