

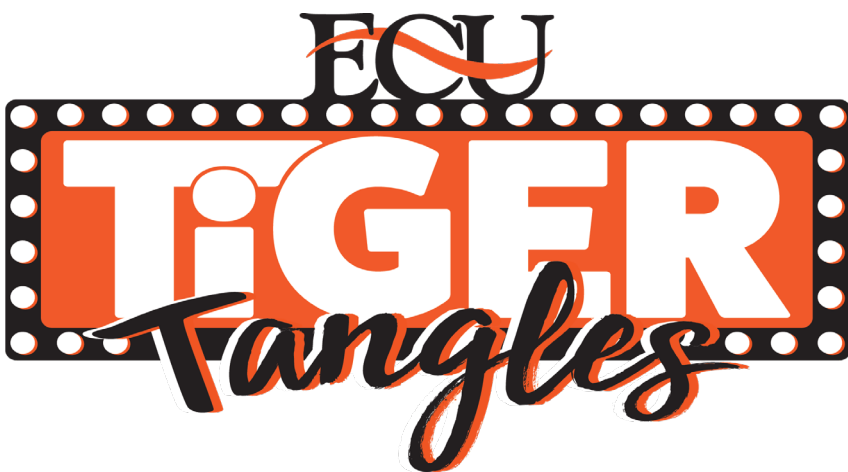


# ECU CAMPUS UPDATES



## ECU fosters economic growth for Ada community

In 2022, it was estimated that employee salaries and student spending brought a total economic impact of more than \$54 million to the community. In 2023, ECU attracted more than 80,000 people to campus and the surrounding Ada area for events. For more on ECU's economic impact in the Ada community, visit [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news)."



After a multi-year hiatus, East Central University proudly announces the return of Tiger Tangles on Feb. 27 at 6 p.m. Tiger Tangles is a talent show featuring ECU students. Students will compete in four categories: Greek Group Act, Club/Organization Act, Independent Group Act and Solo Act. General admission tickets are \$5. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [ecok.edu/tiger-tangles](http://ecok.edu/tiger-tangles).



# AROUND CAMPUS



## 2024 Southeast Legislative Briefing



Dr. Michael Scott, Dr. Haley Vickers, Rep. Ronny Johns and John Hargrave attended the 2024 SE Legislative Briefing on Jan. 26 to hear Chancellor Allison D. Garrett present the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's 2024 legislative agenda. "Producing more college graduates to address Oklahoma's employer needs is our top priority and central to the success of our Blueprint 2030 strategic plan," stated Garrett.



President Godwin welcomed the Oklahoma State Regents and Chancellor Allison Garrett when ECU hosted their state meeting on Jan. 31.



## Duane Smith receives prestigious 2023 Oklahoma Water Pioneer Award



In December, Duane Smith was honored with the 2023 Oklahoma Water Pioneer Award at the Governor's Water Conference and Research Symposium in Norman.

This prestigious award, presented by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board on behalf of Governor Kevin Stitt, recognizes individuals who have shown exceptional dedication to the development, management, and conservation of Oklahoma's water resources.

For more information, visit [ecok.edu/news](https://ecok.edu/news).

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, Feb. 6**

- Cat Kid Comic Club The Musical  
5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 7**

- Oklahoma Blood Drive, 10 a.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 8**

- Oklahoma Blood Drive, 11 a.m.

**Monday, Feb. 12**

- ECU Employee Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 13**

- Quey Percussion Duo, 7:30 p.m.

**Feb. 15-17**

- ECU Showtime: Death by  
Chocolate, 6:30 p.m. nightly

**Tuesday, Feb. 20**

- Black History Month Program &  
Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 21**

- Book Talk - Come Before Winter, 4  
p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 23**

- Pontotoc County DFC Gala

**Tuesday, Feb. 27**

- Tiger Tangles, 6 p.m.



Scan here to purchase tickets to Tiger Tangles

## Mother graduates with her two sons from ECU

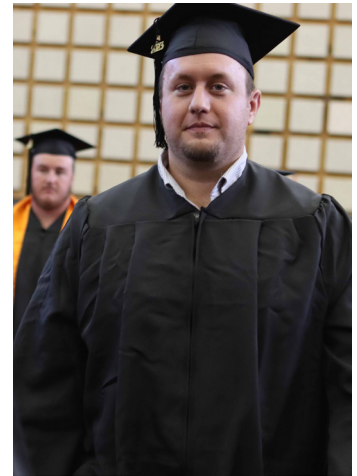
The Woodward family left ECU this previous semester with a unique experience, graduating as a mother and sons trio.

Linda, Elijah and Luke each graduated from their respective majors together and were given the unique opportunity to walk across the stage together, as a family.

For more informatino, visit [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news).



## ECU Commencement for Fall 2023

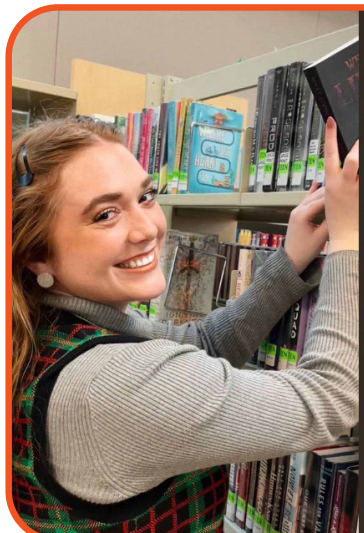




For all Fall 2023 Commencement photos, visit [www.ecok.edu/photo-galleries](http://www.ecok.edu/photo-galleries)



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## Recent ECU Alumni celebrate publications

Abigail Nance, Preston Mann and Nikki Herrin celebrate recent publications that all started during their time at ECU. For more information, visit [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news).



**Brad Henry Scholar selected**

Anthony Yellowfish, has been selected for the 2024 Brad Henry International Scholar Program, giving him the opportunity to travel abroad and spend a full semester studying in Wales. For more information, visit [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news).



**ECU/PUCPR Exchange**

Arely Hernandez and Rosie Coleman become ECU's first students to represent the university in an exchange program with The Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná PUCPR, located in Curitiba, Parana, Brazil.

**ECU Preview Day**  
March 2

**Career Fair**  
March 6

**Spring Break**  
March 11-15

**Junior Day**  
March 20





**ECU Retiree Brunch**

ECU hosted the quarterly ECU Retiree brunch in December with more than 50 former faculty and staff in attendance. The next event will take place Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 10 a.m. Email ECU Alumni at [alumni@ecok.edu](mailto:alumni@ecok.edu) for more information.



**White Coat Ceremony**

The ECU School of Nursing held their White Coat Ceremony for the Spring 2024 semester on Jan. 26 in the Ataloo Theatre. There were 47 students in attendance to receive their white coats.

## TIGER ATHLETICS HOME SCHEDULES

### Basketball

- Feb. 22 vs. Henderson State
- Feb. 24 vs. Ouachita Baptist
- March 2 vs. Oklahoma Baptist

### Baseball

- Feb. 6 vs. Randall
- Feb. 9 vs. Fort Hays State (DH)
- Feb. 10 vs. Fort Hays State (DH)
- Feb. 13 vs. UCO
- Feb. 23 vs. Southern Arkansas
- Feb. 24 vs. Southern Arkansas (DH)

### Softball

- Feb. 20 vs. Delta State (DH)

For full athletic schedules and game times, visit [ecutigers.com](http://ecutigers.com)



**Chickasaw Nation Appreciation Night**

Lt. Governor of the Chickasaw Nation Chris Anoatubby was recognized by ECU Athletic Director Matt Cole and President Emeritus John Hargrave during half-time of ECU's recent Chickasaw Nation Appreciation Night.



**ECU to reinstate Golf Programs**

After a seven-year hiatus, ECU Athletics is celebrating a significant stride with the reinstatement of men's and women's golf, announced by a ECU Athletic Director Matt Cole. The teams are intended to commence competition in the Fall of 2024.

Read more at [ecutigers.com](http://ecutigers.com).