

October 2023



# ECU CAMPUS UPDATES



## ECU Receives \$7 Million for Nursing Program

Thanks to Oklahoma's American Rescue Plan Act, ECU will be receiving \$7 million in funding which will go towards the construction of a new building that will allow ECU to expand the School of Nursing even further. The new building will house ECU's Nursing and STEM programs. For more information, visit [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news).

**SPRING 2024**

# PRIORITY ENROLLMENT

*Begins November 6*

## Golden Tigers Honored

ECU's Golden Tiger, those who graduated 50 years ago or longer, were honored this Homecoming season. Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby was among those presented with the Golden Tiger medallion by ECU President Wendell Godwin.



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# AROUND CAMPUS

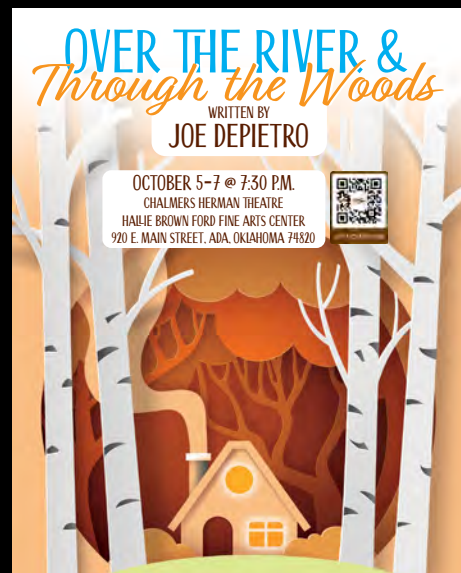
## Upcoming Events

### October 3

- Study Abroad Fair, 9 a.m.
- Go Global, 11 a.m.

### October 5

- Grounded: Chalk Art Festival, 8:30 a.m.
- Watkins Lecture, 12:30 p.m.
- Over the River and Through the Woods, 7:30 p.m.



### October 6 & 7

- Over the River and Through the Woods, 7:30 p.m.

### October 9

- Indigenous Peoples Day
- Gathering Place, OU MFA Student Exhibit Ends

### October 12 & 13 - Fall Break

### October 16

- 69th Annual ECU Faculty Exhibit Begins
- Residence Hall Building Wide Events

## ECU ATHLETICS

# HALL OF FAME

CLASS OF 2024



**SCOTT LINN**  
DISTINGUISHED COACH  
**MIKE & KAREN SMITH**  
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

**CALVIN PRINCE**  
DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC ALUMNI  
**1993 ECU FOOTBALL TEAM**  
TEAM

**TERESA JONES-BENSON**  
STUDENT-ATHLETE  
**ROBERT DUDLEY**  
DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC ALUMNI

## ECU Athletics Hall of Fame

The 2024 class features Mike and Karen Smith (distinguished service), Scott Linn (distinguished coach), Calvin Prince (distinguished athletic alumni), Robert Dudley (distinguished athletic alumni), and Teresa Jones-Benson (student-athlete). ECU will also welcome into the Hall of Fame of Tiger greats the 1993 NAIA National Championship Football team

## ECU Athletes Recognized



Aspel Kiprob was named Great American Conference Runner of the Week after winning in the individual title and a first-place team finish at the Missouri Southern Stampedede.



Sydney Roshek was named Great American Conference Volleyball Defensive Player of the Week for the week of September 11-16.

## ECU Alumni Speaks to Students

Levi Phillipe, an ECU Alumnus and current representative for NBC Sports International, spoke to ECU's Mass Communication students in the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center.





# AROUND CAMPUS



## Upcoming Events

October 19  
- QPR Suicide Prevention Training, 3 p.m.

October 21  
- Preview Day, 8 a.m.

October 25  
- Talk Saves Lives: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention, 3 p.m.

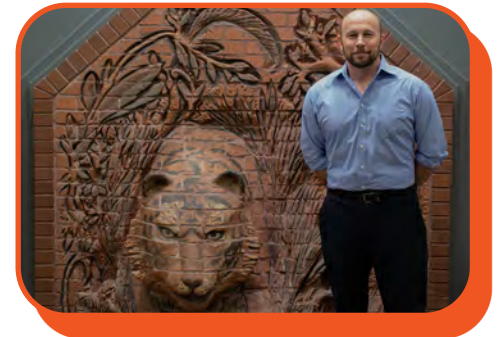
October 27  
- Soccer vs SWOSU, 3 p.m.

October 28  
- Football vs ATU, 2 p.m.



### Step Out of the Darkness

Hundreds of people gathered for a day of prevention and recovery for the 2023 "Step Out of the Darkness" event to shed light on the truths about drug addiction and dependency. The event is sponsored by the Brandon Whitten Institute for Addiction and Recovery at ECU and the Pontotoc County Drug Free Coalition.



### Dr. Brad Clampitt presented the annual Rothbaum Lecture

In recognition of Constitution Day, Dr. Clampitt discussed "The Articles of Confederation" before a packed crowd in the Estep Multimedia Center.



### PACT Act Resource Fair

Veterans from across the state traveled to ECU to attend the PACT Act Resource Fair on Sept. 14. Veterans received assistance with a variety of VA healthcare services.



**ECU's Online Kinesiology Bachelor's** program has been ranked a top 10 program by University HQ. University HQ factors in a wide range of information to offer the most up to date facts and guidance on selecting the right university and program for prospective students.

For more information on ECU's Kinesiology ranking visit, [ecok.edu/news](http://ecok.edu/news).



### Mozart's Marriage of Figaro...on the Ranch

The Garvin County Choral Society & Sinfonietta, in collaboration with ECU, brought their own twist to Mozart's world-renowned opera to the Ataloo Theatre in September.

### ECU and Oka' Welcome Visiting Professor Stephen Agong'



Dr. Stephen Agong' arrived at ECU as a visiting professor as part of a collaboration between ECU, the Oka' Water Institute and Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOUST) in Bondo, Kenya. He will research, teach courses, and

work on grants.

Oka' Institute Director Duane Smith, who earlier this year received an Honorary Doctorate from JOOUST is excited to welcome Agong'. "I think it is just incredible," Smith said, "ECU and Oka have an unparalleled opportunity to get grants and build relationships for water sustainability." Many ECU personnel, including President Wendell Godwin, spent months planning to make the visiting professorship a reality.



### OKA' Con 2023

"Uniting for Water: A Collaborative Approach to Integrated Water Resources Management."

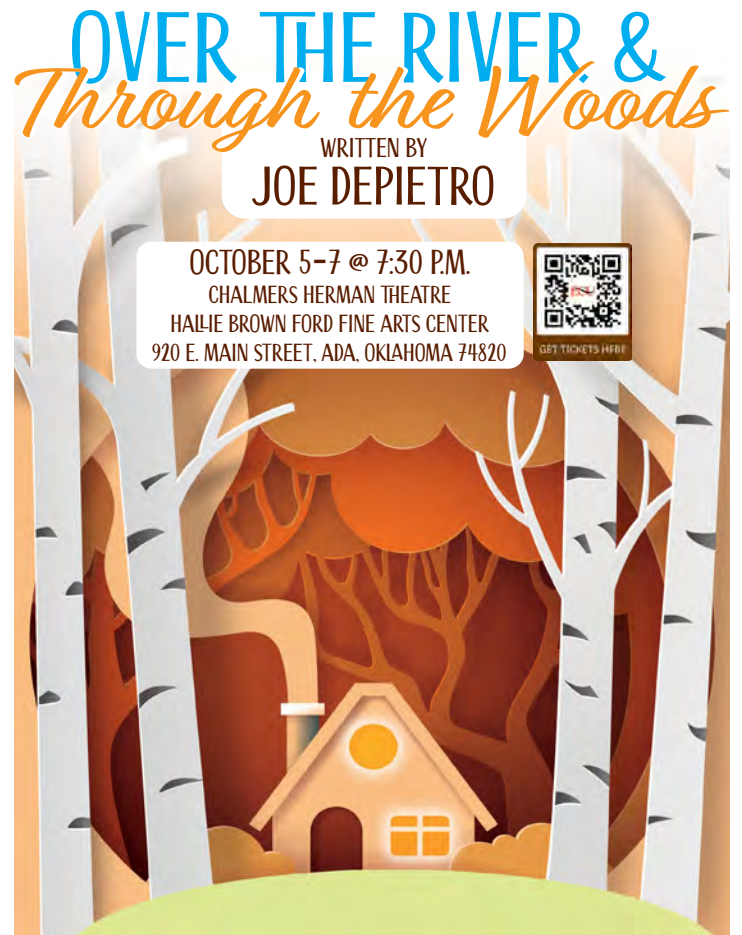
This conference aims to bring together experts from various fields to discuss the challenges and opportunities in integrated water resource management. Keynote speakers, panel discussions, and interactive sessions will explore topics such as sustainable water management, innovative technologies, and policy frameworks. By participating in this event, you'll have the opportunity to network with fellow professionals and gain insights into best practices and emerging trends. Registration and a full schedule are available at

[okainstitute.org/okacon2023](http://okainstitute.org/okacon2023)



### Join Us @ ECU Preview Day

At "ECU Preview Day" future students will experience all that our campus has to offer and learn what it's like to be an ECU student. Register today @ [apply.ecok.edu/register/previewdayoct21](http://apply.ecok.edu/register/previewdayoct21).



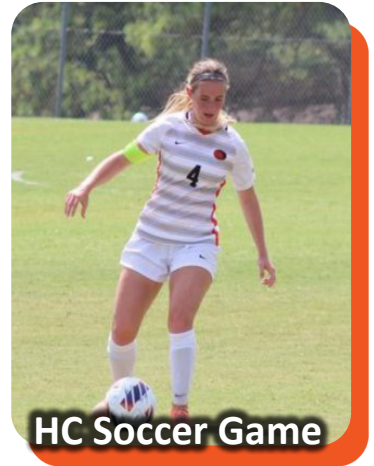
# HOMECOMING



ECU Alumni Golf Tournament



2023 Alumni Gala



HC Soccer Game



2023 HC Parade

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HC Alumni Tailgating



HC Football Game