

CAMPUS ECU UPDATE

July 2019

Pierson's Perceptions

Communication is a focus of the Shared Horizons 2019 – 2024 strategic plan. The Office of Communication & Marketing is rolling out monthly updates as a means to keep us apprised of activities on campus as well as share the successes of our students, staff and faculty. The university has a great deal of talent that we would like to tout. However, we need your help knowing where that success is occurring. When you, your colleagues and co-workers, or your students have completed unique research, won an award, earned a certification, been hired by a Fortune 500 company please tell ecuinfo@ecok.edu about it. Sharing your good news also helps the Admissions Office and others tell the University's story when they are with prospects, their parents or the public in general. The conversation generally starts with "did you know," and then those great statistics are rattled off. People are genuinely impressed when they hear what is happening across campus with our students.

Sharing information will help us achieve our shared goals.

*Dr. Katricia Pierson
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NEW VIDEO SCOREBOARD INSTALLED AT STADIUM

When the ECU Tigers kick off the 2019 football season this fall, fans will enjoy a new and magnificent state-of-the-art video scoreboard affixed to the south end of Norris Field at Koi Ishto Stadium. With the efforts of ECU President Dr. Katricia G. Pierson and Ada Coca-Cola Bottling Company, fans attending will enjoy a new \$310,000-plus video scoreboard. Pictured with Pierson is Tom Crabtree, ECU alum and president of Ada Coca-Cola Bottling.



STUDENTS LEARN BUSINESS CONCEPTS AT 2019 OBW

Students in grades 9-12 got to experience Oklahoma Business Week in June. OBW is a summer camp in which students gained first-hand experience in the world of business. The event included business simulations, competitions, prizes and the opportunity to obtain college scholarships.



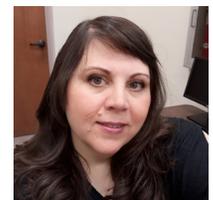
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPERIENCE MEDICAL SCHOOL

ECU touted its relationship with the Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences in Tulsa and the Chickasaw Nation by hosting high school students for Operation Orange in the Chickasaw Business and Conference Center.



ECU, SEMINOLE STATE TO SHARE ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR

ECU and Seminole State College have announced a partnership to share the employment of a full-time English instructor. According to ECU President Katricia G. Pierson and SSC President Lana Reynolds, the shared employee is an example of a partnership created to better utilize resources allocated by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the Oklahoma Legislature. Beginning in August, Jamie Worthley will start working as a full-time English instructor for both SSC and ECU.



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BENCH DEDICATION HONORS

DR. JACK PASCHALL



A bench dedication was conducted for ECU Professor Emeritus Dr. Jack Paschall, who worked in the ECU Department of Education, during festivities on June 25 at the Frank Crabtree Sr. Honor Plaza, located in front of Science Hall. Paschall received the Distinguished Former Faculty Award from ECU in 2014 and was an Adolph Linsheid Teaching Professor. An education scholarship was also established in his name through the ECU Foundation, Inc.

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ECU ALUMS INDUCTED INTO OGBCA HALL OF FAME



It was only fitting that two ECU alums, state high school championship coaches and longtime friends were recently inducted at the same time into the Oklahoma

Girls Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Darlean Calip and Annette Kennedy, who both played for ECU in the 1980s, were two of five new members added to the OGBCA Hall of Fame in late May.

ALUMS RECEIVE TOP TEACHING AWARDS



ECU alums Sara Mote and Austin Wood were honored as two of the 20 top novice teachers in the state in the First 20 Under 2 List conducted by the Teaching & Leading Initiative of Oklahoma (TLI). Mote is an elementary teacher for Springer Public Schools and Wood is an elementary teacher in the Paoli Public Schools System.

Across the state, principals, veteran teachers, and district leaders submitted their top novice teachers for consideration.

ALUM JACKSON NAMED ASSISTANT AT ARKANSAS STATE



ECU alumnus and former Tiger assistant football coach Rashad Jackson was recently named tight ends coach at NCAA Division I Arkansas State University. Jackson was an all-conference tight end for the Tigers and had served as the team's offensive coordinator as late as 2017. He most recently served as offensive coordinator at Trinity Valley (Texas) Community College in 2018.

ECU GRAD STUDENT CRAWFORD EARNS ALPHA CHI FELLOWSHIP



ECU graduate student Wil Crawford was named the recipient of the H.Y. Benedict Fellowship by the National Alpha Chi National College Honor Society for 2019-20. The \$3,000 will be awarded for Crawford's first year of graduate or professional study. Alpha Chi members must rank in the top 10 percent of their junior, senior or graduate classes.

ALUM ACHIEVES PRESTIGIOUS LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP



ECU alum Gavin Burl, a student at the University of Tulsa Law, has been awarded Crowe and Dunlevy's Diversity Scholars Program Scholarship. The honor is given annually to an outstanding TU Law candidate who qualifies based on academic achievement, financial need and commitment to the law. Burl is a 2018 graduate of ECU.

Fall Classes Begin on Aug. 19

RECENT ECU GRAD RECOGNIZED BY KIOWA TRIBE



Matthew Komalty, Jr., who recently received his master's degree in Sports Administration from ECU, was recognized as Student of the Year by the Kiowa Tribe during a Kiowa

Higher Education Ceremony. Komalty is from Anadarko.

STUDENTS NAB GOLD AT INTERNATIONAL PITCH COMPETITION



Kinsey Archer and Yashna Arnold claimed first place in the ACBPS International Pitch Competition held in Houston. The pair pitched "The Hairy Hotel," a luxury pet boarding business that solves the

dilemma of where to leave a pet when going on vacation or business trip by offering a setting in which pets stay in a comfortable room with individual attention and group play time.

MAURER COMPLETES STUDY ABROAD IN WALES



Allison Maurer, representing ECU and the Stonecipher School of Business, completed her semester-long study

abroad experience at Swansea University in Swansea, Wales, United Kingdom. Maurer was the recipient of the Brad Henry International Scholarship which funded the trip. Maurer posed with other Brad Henry Scholars from around the state of Oklahoma in this photo. She is third from the left in orange. Maurer is also a part of the ECU Business Scholars Program.

ECU REPRESENTED AT OSCPA MEETING

ECU students, alumni and faculty were involved in the Oklahoma



Society of Certified Public Accountants' 101st Annual Members Meeting in Broken Arrow in June. Students were recognized for outstanding academic achievements with the receiving of scholarship funds. Alumni earned recognition awards for years of OSCPA membership and faculty presented at educator sessions.

RUE, ELSTON ATTEND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN D.C.

ECU StudentCPT Officers Jessica Rue and Amber Elston, along with faculty sponsor Vicky Petete, CPA, represented ECU at the 2019



Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. In this intensive two-day training, participants increased their knowledge and exposure to ethical leadership and take their experiences back home to apply on campus and in future endeavors. They also learned about conflict management, personal accountability, strategic networking and best practices for running their StudentCPT chapters.

ELSTON ONE OF ONLY TWO STUDENTS TO PRESENT AT NASBA WESTERN MEETING

ECU student Amber Elston was one of only two students from across the country to make a presentation at the NASBA Western Region Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah. Elston, a Business Scholar Leader, made her presentation in front of 150 NASBA members and seasoned professionals. She spoke on Generation Z in Accounting.



Mark Your Calendars: 2019 Homecoming Weekend Set For Sept. 20-21

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COP STUDENTS POSE FOR PHOTO



Those involved in ECU's COP (Collegiate Officer Program) posed for photos in front of the Tiger Fountain on campus. These

law enforcement students, through participation in COP, are able to acquire the academic as well as the practical skills required for certification by the Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET).

ECU STUDENTS TAKE 19-DAY TOUR TO RUSSIA



A group of 11 ECU students and a community member enjoyed a 19-day study abroad tour

of Russia. For the first time, the student group included two ECU international students from Nepal. The group spent 12 days in Moscow, four days in St. Petersburg and two days in Nizhniy Novgorod, a historic city on the Volga River. In Moscow, the contingent was hosted by ECU sister university Stata University of Management (SUM).

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING OFFICE CAPTURES SIX AWARDS



The ECU Office of Communications and Marketing captured six awards during the Oklahoma College Public Relation Association's 2019 Conference

held at the WinStar Resort in Thackerville in July. ECU earned one grand award, one excellence award, two achievement awards and two honorable mentions. The conference was the 50th annual event.

TIGER MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM RECOGNIZED FOR ACADEMICS

The ECU men's basketball team received the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) 2018-19



Team Academic Excellence Award, which recognizes outstanding academic achievement by a team with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better for the 2018-19 season. Ja Havens is head coach of the Tigers and is assisted by Kyle Hankins.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM CAPTURES SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The Great American Conference recently announced that the ECU women's basketball team, of head coach Matt Cole and



assistants Heather Robben and Jeff McGaha, had earned the 2018-19 Women's Basketball Sportsmanship Award, marking the second straight season in which the Tigers earned the honor. The winning teams in each sport are chosen by league officials and coaches.

EWY SELECTED AS GAC SCHOLAR ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

ECU softball player Mariah Ewy, who wrapped up her playing career this past spring, was named 2018-19 Great American Conference Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year. She became the third ECU softball student-athlete to earn the honor, joining Autumn Suydam (2015-16) and Emily Kennemer (2011-12). Ewy, who had a 4.00 GPA, was also named 2019 Google Cloud (CoSIDA) Academic All-America Second Team earlier this summer.



FILER ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN



ECU cross country and track runner Larry Filer was named to the 2018-19 Google Cloud (Co-SIDA) Academic All-America First Team, it was announced on June 26. Filer, a recent graduate with a degree in biology, maintained a perfect 4.00 grade-point average throughout his academic career.

He won the 5,000 meters and 3,000-meter steeplechase while taking second in the 1,500 meters at the 2019 Great American Conference Championships this past spring. Filer was a Second Team honoree in 2017-18.

TIGER FOOTBALL PLAYERS VOLUNTEER TIME, MUSCLES



Members of the ECU football team volunteered their time and muscles on July 18

to help the Matthew 25 Mission at St. Luke's Episcopal Church and distribute food to more than 100 needy families in Pontotoc County. This mission distributes food once a month as numerous ECU athletes have participated in the past. It was the second time for members of the football team to help out. Members of the Tiger baseball team have frequently helped out. Pictured left to right are: Moses Williams, Ryan Mora, Malik Moore, Trenton Valle and Ki'john McCoy.

SKILLS LEARNED AT TIGER BASKETBALL SCHOOL



The ECU men's basketball program hosted Tiger Basketball School, July 15-17, in the Kerr

Activities Center. Boys, in grades 2-9, learned basketball skills from Tiger coaches and players.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Sunday, Aug. 4

1 p.m. - 2019 Elite Hoops Clinic at Kerr Activities Center

Thursday, Aug. 8

10 a.m. - ECU Retirees Brunch in Regents Room

Sunday, Aug. 11

5:30 p.m. - Elite Basketball School at Kerr Activities Center

Saturday, Aug. 17

Welcome Orientation Kicks Off

- 9 a.m. - Residence Hall Check-in
- 1:30 - Tiger WOW Check-in at Kerr Activities Center
- 2 p.m. - New Student Convocation at Kerr Center
- 3 p.m. - Meet Your Major & Faculty, site TBA
- 4 p.m. - Snow Cones & Football at Koi Ishto Stadium
- 6 p.m. - Welcome Bash at University Center

Sunday, Aug. 18

- 1 p.m. - Honors Kickoff in Regents Room
- 2 p.m. - Stickball hosted by NASNTI on University Lawn
- 4 p.m. - Board Games, Therapy Dogs in Linscheid Library
- 6 p.m. - Welcome Week Block Party on Centennial Plaza

Monday, Aug. 19

Fall Classes Begin

10 a.m. - Howdy Fair on UC Lawn until 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 20

6 p.m. - Carnival Party on UC Lawn

Wednesday, Aug. 21

9 a.m. - Eye of the Tigers - interact with baby cubs at Linscheid Library

Thursday, Aug. 22

4 p.m. - Honors Convocation in Atalooa Theatre
6:30 p.m. - Silent Disco in Chalmers Theatre

Friday, Aug. 23

11 a.m. - Frisbee Spin Art on UC Lawn

Monday, Sept. 2

Campus Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 3

6:30 p.m. - ECU SCREENS presents "All About Eve" in Estep Multimedia Center

Thursday, Sept. 5

2 p.m. - ECU soccer hosts Eastern New Mexico at Tiger Field
6 p.m. - ECU football hosts Northwestern Oklahoma State at Koi Ishto Stadium

Monday, Sept. 9

6 p.m. - Honors Sorting Hat Ceremony in Regents Room

Fall Sports Schedules

2019 Tiger Football Schedule

Sept. 5	Northwestern Oklahoma, 6 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Southwestern Oklahoma, 6 p.m. in Weatherford
Sept. 21	Southern Nazarene (HC), 6 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Oklahoma Baptist, 1 p.m. in Shawnee
Oct. 5	at Arkansas-Monticello, 3 p.m. in Monticello, Arkansas
Oct. 12	Ouachita Baptist, 3 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Henderson State, 2 p.m. in Arkadelphia, Arkansas
Oct. 26	Southern Arkansas, 3 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Harding, 2 p.m. in Searcy, Arkansas
Nov. 9	Arkansas Tech, 3 p.m.
Nov. 16	at Southeastern Oklahoma, 2 p.m. in Durant

Games in **bold** are at home, (HC) designates homecoming

2019 Tiger Soccer Schedule

Sept. 5	Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m.
Sept. 8	at Texas Woman's, 7 p.m. in Denton, Texas
Sept. 10	at Oklahoma Christian, 6 p.m. in Edmond
Sept. 15	at Missouri Southern State, 1 p.m. in Joplin
Sept. 18	at Central Oklahoma, 7 p.m. in Edmond
Sept. 21	Texas A&M-Commerce, 1 p.m.
Oct. 2	Southwestern Oklahoma, 4 p.m.
Oct. 5	Northwestern Oklahoma, 11 a.m.
Oct. 10	Southern Nazarene, 4 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Oklahoma Baptist, 6 p.m. in Shawnee
Oct. 17	at Harding, 7 p.m. in Searcy, Arkansas
Oct. 19	at Ouachita Baptist, 11 a.m. in Arkadelphia, Arkansas
Oct. 24	at Northwestern Oklahoma, 6 p.m. in Alva
Oct. 26	at Southwestern Oklahoma, 10 a.m. in Durant
Oct. 31	Oklahoma Baptist, 3 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Southern Nazarene, 3:30 p.m. in Bethany
Nov. 7	Ouachita Baptist, 2 p.m.
Nov. 9	Harding, 11 a.m.

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2019 Tiger Volleyball Schedule

At Pittsburg State Gorilla Classic in Pittsburg, Kansas

Sept. 5	at Pittsburg State, 4 p.m.
Sept. 6	vs. Missouri Western, 11:30 a.m.
Sept. 6	vs. Southwest Baptist, 7 p.m.
Sept. 7	vs. Western Colorado, 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 10 at Dallas Baptist, 6 p.m.

At South Central Classic in Durant

Sept. 13	vs. Central Oklahoma, 11 a.m.
Sept. 13	vs. Union (Tenn.), 3 p.m.
Sept. 14	vs. Texas-Tyler, 1 p.m.
Sept. 14	vs. Cameron, 5 p.m.

Sept. 17 at Northwestern Oklahoma, 7 p.m.

At SNU/OBU Crossover in Shawnee

Sept. 20	vs. SW Baptist, 11 a.m.
Sept. 20	vs. William Jewell, 2 p.m.
Sept. 21	vs. Randall, 11 a.m.
Sept. 21	vs. Drury, 2 p.m.

Sept. 24 at Southwestern Oklahoma, 7 p.m. in Weatherford

Sept. 26 Oklahoma Baptist, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 1 Southeastern Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 3 at Southern Nazarene, 7 p.m. in Bethany

Oct. 8 at Cameron, 6 p.m. in Lawton

Oct. 11 Harding, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 12 Arkansas Tech, Noon

at Randall, 6:30 p.m. in Moore

Oct. 17 at Ouachita Baptist, 6 p.m. in Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Oct. 18 at Henderson State, 4:30 p.m. in Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Oct. 25 Arkansas-Monticello, 5 p.m.

Oct. 26 Southern Arkansas, Noon

Oct. 31 Southern Nazarene, 7 p.m.

at Oklahoma Baptist, 7 p.m. in Shawnee

Nov. 5 at Southeastern Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m. in Durant

Nov. 12 Northwestern Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 14 Southwestern Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m.

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2019 Tiger Cross Country Schedule

Sept. 7 at Central Oklahoma Land Run in Edmond

Sept. 22 at Missouri Southern Stampede in Joplin, Missouri

Oct. 5 at Arkansas Chile Pepper in Fayetteville, Arkansas

Oct. 12 at Oklahoma Baptist Invitational in Shawnee

Oct. 12 at Fort Hays State Tiger Open in Hays, Kansas

Oct. 26 at Great American Conference Championships in Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Nov. 9 NCAA Division II Region Championship in Joplin, Missouri

Dec. 1 NCAA Division II National Championship in Sacramento, California

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**2019 HOMECOMING
GOLF
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Proceeds from Homecoming events sponsored by the East Central University Alumni Association benefit the ECU Student Alumni Grant program and the Legacy Scholarship.

- SEPT. 20, 2019 AT THE OAK HILLS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**
- 11 AM - REGISTRATION & LUNCH**
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