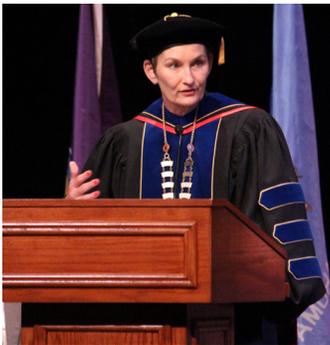




Campus Update

September 2017

INAUGURATION FOR DR. PIERSON AS ECU'S NINTH PRESIDENT



The inauguration of ECU's ninth president, Dr. Katricia Pierson, was conducted on Sept. 15 in the Ataloa Theatre of the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center. Greetings to President Pierson were made by



Chickasaw Nation Gov. Bill Anoatubby; Stacy Shepherd, executive officer of Member Services for the Choctaw Nation; Glen D. Johnson, chancellor for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Regent Connie Reilly on behalf of RUSO. On hand for the Investiture, were Regents



Reilly and Jeffrey Dunn. Dr. Willie Hughes gave a greeting on behalf of the alumni; Dr. Michael Scott on behalf of the faculty; Gina Smith on behalf of the staff and Gavin Burl on behalf of the students.



BRANDON WHITTEN INSTITUTE FUNDED

The Brandon Whitten Institute for Addiction and Recovery



at ECU will be funded for five more years at \$250,000. Reggie Whitten, the father of the late Brandon Whitten and founder of the institute, presented a check for \$50,000 to the institute for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

OKA' CONFERENCE SET FOR OCT. 10-11

The 2017 Oka' Institute Sustainability Conference will take place in the Chickasaw Business and Conference Center, Oct. 10-11. This year the Oka' Institute is excited to offer two optional tours as well as a Student Research Poster Competition. Participants can choose to tour Byrds Mill Springs or the EPA Robert S. Kerr Environmental Research Center, both located in Ada, on Tuesday beginning at 1 p.m.



ECU CARE CLOSET CREW RECOGNIZED

The Ada City Schools District honored ECU's Care Closet Crew with a plaque for its initiative in collecting food, clothing, toiletries and school supplies for students in Ada Schools. From left are: Ada Schools Superintendent Mike Anderson, ECU's Matt McGaha, President Katricia Pierson and Dr. Nanette Schmitt.



WAYNE COBB COURT HAS NEW LOOK



Wayne Cobb Court in the Kerr Activities Center has a new look after the floor was refurbished this past summer. The court serves as the home

for ECU volleyball and women's and men's basketball.

ECU COMMUNITY TAKES IN SOLAR



ECLIPSE

Hundreds got the opportunity to look at the solar eclipse through telescopes on Aug. 21 on the lawn between Science Hall and the Physical and Environmental Science Center.

Science Hall and the Physical and Environmental Science Center.

FRESHMEN EARN THEIR STRIPES



Incoming ECU freshman participated in the first Earn Your Stripes event on Aug. 17. Each freshman received a Tiger stripe and

a Class of 2021 pennant as ECU President Katricia Pierson welcomed the contingent.

RIVAL BANDS TREATED TO PIZZA PARTY



Band members from Ardmores and Ada were treated to a pizza party prior to the two high schools squaring off in a football game

on Sept. 1. ECU President Katricia Pierson poses with these Ardmores band members.

DISNEY INSTITUTE COMES TO ECU

ECU employees participated in the Disney



Institute's Approach to Quality Service Seminar on Sept. 8. The event focused on Disney's approach to customer service. The group posed for a photo with Mickey and Minnie Mouse balloons, following the seminar. The event was hosted by the Chickasaw Nation.

BUSINESS STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD

Six ECU business students are headed overseas – five to France and one to Germany – this fall through ECU's Go Global Study Abroad Program.



Shelby O'Dell, Casie Henderson, Jacey McDonald, Madison Keith and Cody Rekieta are attending ECU's sister institution – the University of Limoges in Limoges, France. Colten Skinner is attending another of ECU's sister institutions - the University of Applied Sciences in Biberach, Germany.

MCDONALD INTERNS WITH OKC THUNDER

Jacey McDonald, an ECU Business Scholar, served an internship with the NBA's Oklahoma City Thunder this summer. McDonald spent time conducting research on current events happening nationally and locally and seeing what marketing techniques other brands and companies were implementing. She also participated in InternOKC, a five-week seminar.



WOOD TO INTERN IN WASHINGTON D.C.



Anna Wood aspires to go to law school once she graduates from ECU in May. But first, Wood will learn the ins and outs of law on the ultimate stage. She will serve as intern for U.S. Senator Jim Inhofe in Washington D.C. this spring. Wood is

the second recipient of the Dr. John J. Ulrich Fellowship.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE SELECTS ECU STUDENT MOSELEY



ECU senior Elsa Moseley has received a Virtual Student Federal Service internship with the U.S. Department of State. Moseley will correspond for a year, through Skype, with Russian high school teachers to

design and implement teaching objectives for Russian high school students in the "Russia Access" program which teaches English to talented youth from low-income families.

ECU STUDENT WINS INTERNATIONAL PHOTO CONTEST



ECU student Bipin Shiwakoti was selected as one of only six winners worldwide of the #WaterWomen Photo Contest, conducted by the Stockholm International Water Institute

(SIWI). The photo featured ECU Professor Dr. Christine Pappas and graduate student Sarita KC, as they monitored Little Sandy Creek in Ada for water quality, management and conservation. The image was featured prominently at World Water Week held recently in Stockholm, Sweden.

NEW MASTER'S PROGRAM GROWS

The Water Resource Policy and Management Master's Degree Program started the fall semester with 16 students in the program's second year of existence. The students attended a Graduate Student Orientation.



HOLLE NAMED GAC FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ECU junior quarterback Noah Holle was named Great American Conference Offensive Player of the Week on Sept. 4, following the Tigers' 55-34 season-opening win at Oklahoma Baptist on Sept. 2. Holle was 20-of-27 passing for 351 yards and five touchdowns.



HONORS CONVOCATION CONDUCTED

Members of ECU's Honors Program march in a procession in front of Science Hall, prior to Honors Convocation in the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center.



STUDENT TEACHERS OUT IN THE FIELD

Nearly 30 ECU students are ready to be student teachers as they work out in the field from Ada to Oklahoma City.



NEW FACULTY WELCOMED



Eighteen new faculty members were welcomed back in August. Most were starting their teaching

duties this fall, but a few began in the spring of 2017.

WELCOME WEEK FESTIVITIES AT ECU



Among the fun activities prior to the start of the fall semester was the Block Party with food, games and performances by



the ECU Pom Squad. ECU students packed into the Bill S. Cole University Center on the first day of classes for the annual Howdy



Fair. Students visited booths and enjoyed activities. On the first 'Hump Day' of the 2017 fall semester, ECU students enjoyed camel rides on the lawn in front of the University Center.

OPEN HOUSE CONDUCTED FOR REFURBISHED PESAGI LOUNGE



An open house was conducted for ECU's recently refurbished Pesagi Hall Lounge as

several students kicked back for relaxation and discussion.

ECU TAKES PART IN ADAFEST

Thousands converged on ECU's Centennial Plaza for AdaFest, a daylong festival which spotlights music, art, food and fun.



FAMILY MEMBERS JOIN STUDENTS FOR FAMILY DAY

Family members of ECU students joined them for Family Day on Sept. 9 on Centennial Plaza. The day included



activities, refreshments, fun and free t-shirts.



Friday, Sep. 29, 2017, 7:30 p.m.
Ataloo Theatre
Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center
Advance Tickets \$25 / ECU Students \$10
Purchase online at ecok.edu/Fine Arts
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