



ELON EXPERIENCES

The “Elon Experiences” is a collection of five well developed and dynamic program areas at Elon University which emphasize experiential learning: Study Abroad, Service, Internships, Leadership and Undergraduate Research.

These experiences reflect important values of the University - an appreciation for cultural diversity, an ethic of service, a strong work ethic, a commitment to civic responsibility and a desire to learn independently. Participation in the “Elon Experiences” contributes to a student’s comprehensive college education and preparation as a lifelong learner and citizen.

This report signifies the seamless nature of learning that occurs in the classroom, local communities, across the nation and even in the farthest reaches of the world.

ELON EXPERIENCES 2008-2009 TOTALS

<i>Study Abroad</i>		
Number of students abroad		1,098
Seniors with at least one experience		71%
<i>Service</i>		
Number of service hours		92,771
Seniors who participated in service		87%
<i>Internships</i>		
Number of internship sites		761
Number of student interns		949
Seniors with at least one experience		76%
<i>Leadership</i>		
Number of organizations and programs		161
Number of student leaders		1,107
Seniors who held at least one position		41%
<i>Research</i>		
Number of projects and presentations		405
Seniors who participated in research		17%

THE ELON EXPERIENCES TRANSCRIPT

The Elon Experiences Transcript recognizes learning beyond the walls of the classroom. It records students’ participation in the five Elon Experiences and serves as a catalyst for incorporating out-of-class experiences with academic, career and personal development goals. The official Elon Experiences Transcript serves as a companion document as students apply for jobs or graduate schools.

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Study Abroad

Service

Internships

Leadership

Undergraduate Research

YEAR-END REPORT

2008 - 2009





STUDY ABROAD

Elon's Study Abroad program is ranked nationally among similar institutions in total number of students studying abroad and first based on percent of total enrollment. Students and faculty bring home life-changing experiences.

SUMMER TERM 2008

Alaska	5
Brazil	1
Canada	1
Dominican Republic	3
Germany	2
Herstmonceux Castle	3
Italy	14
Jordan	1
Lithuania	4
London	16
Mexico	8
Sussex	5
Non-Elon Programs	8

WINTER TERM 2009

Australia	59
Barbados	18
Brazil	1
Belize	1
Business in Pacific Rim	30
Cathedral	23
China	29
Congo	1
Costa Rica	51
European Union	20
Ghana	31
Greece	26
Guatemala	20
Gutenberg	22
Hawaii	18

FALL '08 AND SPRING '09

Argentina	7
Australia	25
China	15
Costa Rica	25
Denmark	11
Ecuador	3
France	11
Germany	3
Ghana	6
Ireland	19
Italy	77
Japan	3
Kenya	1
London	77
Mexico	1
Scotland	6
Spain	22
Sussex	7
Non-Elon Programs	25

TOTAL FOR 2008-2009 1,098
 SENIORS WITH AT LEAST ONE STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCE 71%



SERVICE

The Kernodle Center for Service Learning connects students with service opportunities in the community. Each year students demonstrate Elon's strong commitment to service.

SERVICE AREAS	VOLUNTEERS	HOURS
Academic Service-Learning	805	21,558
Greek Organizations	1,671	26,280
Kernodle Center Events and Programs	1,401	24,556
Service Organizations	1,193	9,571
Student Organizations	1,458	24,555

Some activities reflected in the above statistics may be listed in multiple areas because of a students organization memberships or event sponsorships. The grand totals below only list total volunteers and hours once.

TOTAL FOR 2008-2009 2,927 92,771
 SENIORS WHO PARTICIPATED IN SERVICE 87%



LEADERSHIP

The Center for Leadership works with a broad range of student organizations and programs and validates primary leadership positions for the Elon Experiences Transcript.

AREAS	ORGANIZATIONS	LEADERS
Academic	38	106
Campus Programs	8	88
Government/Political	5	28
Greek Life	24	445
Honorary	27	58
Media	5	30
Performance Groups	6	41
Programming	9	57
Religious	10	75
Service	7	76
Sports Clubs	22	103

TOTAL FOR 2008-2009 161 1,107
 SENIORS WHO HELD AT LEAST ONE LEADERSHIP POSITION 41%



INTERNSHIPS

The Elon Career Center connects students with internship opportunities in the community and across the country. Students prepare for professional roles through these experiences and are more likely to be hired upon graduation.

EXAMPLES OF INTERNSHIP PLACEMENTS

Bank of America	Pace Communications
Cabin Creek Films	Prudential Securities
Datatel	Republican National Committee
ESPN Magazine	Small Business Administration
LabCorp	Smith Barney
Merrill Lynch	Staples
MSNBC	The US State Department
MTV Networks	The Washington Center
National Geographic	USA Today

TOTAL FOR 2008-2009 761 SITES 949 STUDENTS
 SENIORS WITH AT LEAST ONE INTERNSHIP 76%



UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Students work collaboratively with faculty mentors on research projects and presentations. These research experiences prepare students for graduate school and employment opportunities.

PROGRAM	# OF PROJECTS & PRESENTATIONS
Student Undergraduate Research Forum	141
National Conference on Undergraduate Research	36
Professional Travel for Students	112
RAWLS Scholarship Program	7
Research Grants-In-Aid	79
Summer Undergraduate Research Experiences	30
Students Enrolled in Research Through Departments	355

TOTAL FOR 2008-2009 405 PROJECTS AND PRESENTATIONS
 SENIORS WHO PARTICIPATED IN RESEARCH 17%