WELCOME TO ELON!

We are thrilled you chose Elon and are excited to meet you in August. As you transition to Elon, as well as the United States, we understand that your needs are different. Therefore, Elon allows students with international backgrounds to move into their residence halls on August 23rd. International Student Orientation occurs August 23rd-26th hosted by the Isabella Cannon Global Education Center. You will then join fellow new students on August 26th with the start of New Student Orientation. At this time, you will learn how to navigate Elon's campus, socially and academically, as well as any other information or advice that you might need during your time at Elon. You will also have the opportunity to get to know many other students throughout Orientation at different sessions and nightly activities. Please look through this newsletter for additional information that will enhance your transition. Get excited and ready for Orientation 2016!

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

The next four years at Elon will be some of the most enjoyable and exciting times of your life, and we strive to make them some of the most valuable as well. As a new student, you will quickly become part of many traditions and strengthen our community here at Elon. You will create new friendships, test values while developing new ones and create memories that will last a lifetime. During Orientation, we have many activities planned for you. Attendance is required at all scheduled events Friday, August 26th through Monday, August 29th. Your active participation throughout these events will greatly enhance your experience during your first few days on campus. Upon completion of Orientation, you will face several opportunities and challenges. As you set your course for Elon and the world beyond, strive to clearly identify your goals and manage your time. Elon stands ready to aid you in your pursuit of becoming a university graduate and a responsible community leader.

A detailed schedule of Orientation will be given to you when you arrive. The materials in this mailing will provide you with many details in preparation for Elon. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns. Enjoy your summer and get ready for an outstanding fall!

Best,

Rex Waters
Dean of Student Development

For more information about the transition to Elon, visit the Are You Ready website: www.elon.edu/areyouready
International students are expected to arrive Tuesday, August 23rd. A detailed International Orientation schedule is included with this mailing. Each student will have an Orientation Leader. They will help with your transition in the first few days before the rest of the new students arrive on August 26th. You will then participate in New Student Orientation from August 26th - August 29th. Classes begin August 30th.

**Tuesday, August 23rd-Friday, August 25th**
International Student Orientation
(See additional schedule)

**Friday, August 26th**
Move-In Day for all students. All campus offices will be open at 8:00am.

**Friday, August 26th – Monday, August 29th**
Various New Student Orientation events are scheduled for you to attend with your Orientation Leader throughout the weekend and during the day on Monday. You will receive a full detailed schedule upon arrival.

**Tuesday, August 30th**
Classes begin at 8:00am.

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**RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS**

**Danieley Neighborhood:** Danieley A - P

**The Colonnades Neighborhood:** Story, Moffitt, Kivette, Staley, Harper


**The Global Neighborhood:** Orinoco, Thames, Tigris, Yukon, Zambezi

To find out where your Residence hall is, what it looks like, or the dimensions, check the Residence Life website: www.elon.edu/residencelife

Orientation weekend logistics, packing lists, and more Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the New Student Orientation website: www.elon.edu/orientation

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**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION TO-DO LIST**

- Notify Kristen Aquilino (kaquilino@elon.edu) or Bill Burress (bburress@elon.edu) in the Global Education Center with your arrival schedule by August 7th (refer to your handbook for more details).

- Make tuition payments online at https://ebill.elon.edu. For questions, contact the Bursar by phone at +1336 278 5300 or by e-mail at bursar@elon.edu.

- Set up a bank account if needed. You will also have the opportunity to do this once you arrive to Elon.

- Send physical examination and immunization forms to the R.N. Ellington Center for Health & Wellness by July 1 (see address included on the forms).

- Bring proof of your medical insurance or purchase it from Elon University once on campus.

- Buy or rent your textbooks from Barnes & Noble @ Elon University online at www.elon.bncollege.com!

- Start checking your Elon email account. For questions about your log-in, contact the Technology Help Desk at +1 336-278-5200 or email technology@elon.edu.
**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q: What is the International Pavilion?**
A: The International Pavilion serves as both an Academic building and a residence hall. The first floor is made up of classrooms, and the second floor houses International students, and students in the International Studies major. A faculty member lives in the pavilion to assist students. This is not a required residence for International Students but is an option for those interested!

**Q: Can I drive with an international license?**
A: No. Since you are going to live here while going to school, you are required to have a North Carolina license if you choose to drive. Your international student advisors will have information available during orientation about the regulations.

**Q: When can I start getting involved on campus?**
A: The Organization Fair is Friday, September 9th. This is a great opportunity to learn about organizations you may want to be a part of. Visit [www.elon.edu/e-web/students/activities](http://www.elon.edu/e-web/students/activities) to find out more about campus involvement. If you are interested in Fraternity & Sorority Life, Elon has a deferred recruitment process which occurs after your first semester. Visit [www.elon.edu/greeklife](http://www.elon.edu/greeklife) for more information.

**Q: Do I need to have my own computer?**
A: Not necessarily. There are 24 computer labs with over 620 workstations on campus. If you wish to bring your own computer or purchase one from the university, visit [wiki.elon.edu/display/TECH/Purchasing+a+Computer](http://wiki.elon.edu/display/TECH/Purchasing+a+Computer) for helpful information!

**Q: What is the Phoenix Card and how does it work?**
A: This card serves as your student identification card, Phoenix Cash, and also as an optional meal plan card or link to a Wells Fargo bank account. Your meal plan and meal dollars can be used at any of the on-campus food service venues. Phoenix Cash works like a debit card, is not part of the meal plan, and can be used at on and off-campus venues that are part of the Phoenix Cash program. Your Phoenix Card will also allow you to get free tickets to cultural and athletic events on-campus! For more information please visit: [www.elon.edu/phoenixcard](http://www.elon.edu/phoenixcard) or see page 4. You will need to send a photo to the Phoenix Card Office in advance of your arrival. You will receive instructions from the Phoenix Card office in mid-July.

**Q: What are College Coffee & Numen Lumen?**
A: Elon has many traditions that you will soon be a part of, and College Coffee & Numen Lumen are just two of them. College Coffee (Tuesdays from 9:40am-10:20am) allows Elon faculty, staff and students to meet at Phi Beta Kappa Commons and enjoy a complimentary breakfast. Numen Lumen (Thursdays from 9:50am-10:20am) is held in the Numen Lumen Pavilion and is a weekly reflective service open to the entire Elon community.

**Q: How do I stay in touch with family & friends back home?**
A: You can communicate via social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter, as well as applications such as Skype and WhatsApp. You can download these for free and use them on your phone, laptop, or PC. Both parties need the free download to communicate.

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**NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION**

New Student Convocation is held Under the Oaks (front lawn of West Residence Hall) on Saturday, August 27th and is your first function as an Elon student. Please be seated by 8:40am as the ceremony will begin at 8:50am. As one of the greatest Elon traditions, it is a time in which students, parents and faculty are introduced to each other as an entire community.

You can look forward to hearing an address from President Leo Lambert and the Student Government Association President Kyle Porro. Additionally, each student will receive an acorn, symbolic of Elon’s history and your beginning as an Elon student.

Due to the importance of this tradition, attire is dressy-casual (dresses, slacks, shirts and ties, skirts, etc.)
**HONOR CODE**

As a member of the Elon Community you are expected to uphold the ideals of Elon University and be familiar with Elon’s core values as outlined in the Honor Code.

Every member of Elon University has the right to live and learn in an atmosphere of trust and support. Responsibility for maintaining these values in our community rests with each individual member. Values that promote this atmosphere include:

**HONESTY**

Be truthful in your academic work and relationships.

**INTEGRITY**

Be trustworthy, fair and ethical.

**RESPONSIBILITY**

Be accountable for your actions and learning.

**RESPECT**

Be civil. Value the dignity of each person. Honor the physical and intellectual property of others.

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**NEED BOOKS?**

In order to find out what books you will need for the fall visit [https://www.ontrack.elon.edu](https://www.ontrack.elon.edu) and login under OnTrack for Students, using your username and password. Once you are logged in, click on My Class Schedule (under the Academic Profile section), select Fall 2015 from the drop-down menu and click on the View or Buy Textbooks button. This will provide you with a list of books your professors would like you to acquire.

**VISIT BARNES & NOBLE**

Order your books online and pick them up during Orientation Weekend. There is a Barnes and Noble located on campus, and you can rent or buy your books for any class from this location.

**SGA SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Student Government Association provides an interest-free $200 loan to any full-time student. Please visit the SGA Office in Moseley 213 in the fall for more details. Contact SGA for more information at sga@elon.edu.

**COMMON READING**

*Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson

Remember to complete the reading before classes start!

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**OFF CAMPUS**

**PHOENIX CARD SERVICES**

If you choose to put money on your Phoenix card, the following locations accept Phoenix Cash. For a complete list of Phoenix Card vendors visit: [www.elon.edu/phoenixcard](http://www.elon.edu/phoenixcard)

**Restaurants**

- Brixx Wood Fired Pizza
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Domino’s Pizza
- Dunkin’ Donuts
- Fat Frogg
- La Fiesta
- Mellow Mushroom
- The Oak House
- Pandora’s Pies
- Panera Bread
- The Root
- Simply Thai
- Sonic Drive-In
- West End Terrace
- Yo-Zone

**Health/Beauty**

- CVS Pharmacy
- Salon Bronze

**Grocery**

- Company Shops
- Lowe’s Foods

**Clothing**

- All That JAS
- Mynt

**Entertainment**

- The Painted Grape