Dear New Undergraduate, Graduate or Special Student:

Are you ready to become a member of a highly engaged academic community where you will be transformed in mind, body and spirit? The staff at the R. N. Ellington Center welcomes you to Elon University and looks forward to working with you as you lead a life of health and wellness! Before you become a member of the academic community there are four key pieces of preparation that are essential. Please note these three processes are mandated requirements and must be completed BEFORE you matriculate at Elon and must be completed by the date indicated.

1) Submission of the Elon University Health Form, Required immunizations and Physical Exam within the past year (after July 1, 2013). University Policy and State Regulations require that all new students submit a health form, physical exam within one year of matriculation, and all required immunizations. If you have not had a physical since July 1, 2013, please make the proper arrangements as soon as possible. North Carolina Public Health law requires proof of immunization to protect you and others while you are attending Elon University. You should review the regulations and recommendations as they apply to you. All required forms and additional information may be found at http://www.elon.edu/e-web/students/health_services/ . If you have questions about health or immunization requirements, please e-mail Student Health Services staff at healthservices@elon.edu.

2) Proof of Medical Insurance: Federal guidelines and University policy requires that all students be enrolled in an insurance plan that is compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). You will provide your insurance information on your health forms. Many of you are already enrolled in ACA complaint insurance plans. If you are not currently enrolled in an ACA complaint insurance policy, you may enroll in the Student Health insurance policy. All students will receive an e-mail in mid-July about the policy and enrollment information if they need insurance.

3) Completion of Alcohol-Edu: Alcohol Edu, a comprehensive, online alcohol education program that the University requires all first-year and transfer students to complete over the summer; Part 1 must be completed by August 15 (graduate students are exempt from this requirement). Students will be prompted to complete Part 2 45-60 days after completing Part 1. You will receive an e-mail through your Elon e-mail address in early to mid-July with instructions to access and complete Alcohol Edu. The course consists of two parts that take approximately two to three hours to complete. If you have questions about Alcohol Edu, please e-mail Ms. Whitney Gregory, Director of Health Promotion and Student Concerns Outreach at wgregory@elon.edu.

4) Completion of HAVEN Program: Haven is an on-line education program that provides all students on the issues associated with sexual assault and relationship violence. Completion of this program is required of all new students-undergraduate, graduate and special students. You will receive an e-mail through your Elon e-mail address in early to mid-July with instructions to access and complete Alcohol Edu. You must complete the program no later than August 15. If you have questions about Alcohol Edu, please e-mail Ms. Whitney Gregory, Director of Health Promotion and Student Concerns Outreach at wgregory@elon.edu.

Please be attentive to these requirements so that your transition to Elon is a smooth one. I would recommend you spend some time reviewing the Health Services, Counseling Services and Health Promotion websites. They are a wealth of information. Please note that all future communication about these requirements and so other pieces of University business will be sent to your Elon e-mail account. As a student, you are responsible for checking that e-mail account often (I recommend it daily) so that you can be assured you are ready to matriculate in August! On behalf of the Student Health and Wellness leadership team, we look forward to working with you during you time at Elon.

Yours in wellness,

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