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Multidisciplinary Studies allows
Keeping your cool students to personalize majors

| programs offered to suit personal needs <br> KERRY PATE <br> STAFF WRITER <br> In the spring semester of 1998, a new academic major was introduced. The Multidisciplinary Studies at ECU offers undergraduate students a measure of input and flexibility in planning their own unique academic degree program. <br> The program began with approximately 12 students last spring and officials expect more than 20 students to choose this path in the upcoming school year. For those with a variety of interests who don't want to limit their education to one area, the multidisciplinary studies major might be an increasingly attractive option. <br> "The student comes up with their own curriculum that will allow students to design their own degrees," said Dr. Steve Cerutti, director of Multidisciplinary Studies. "Students contact faculty members in each department they are interested in taking classes and forms an academic advisory committee." <br> According to Cerutti, faculty mentoring is a key aspect of the major. <br> "Each student works with one mentor," Cerutti said. "Dr. Doug McMillan in English has mentored some of the students in our program and he has been very helpful and Dr. Ron Graziani in Art has also done a lot to bring students into the program as well." <br> Dr. Cerutti also emphasized that the program does not wish to replace existing | programs in other departments. <br> "When a student comes to me, I talk to them about what they are interested in and I check to see if a major already exists and I give them suggestions," Cerutti said. <br> Another unique aspect of the program is that it serves the needs of students interested in majors where creativity is the key to success. <br> "One of the requirements is that all students have to produce a senior thesis, but it does not have to be a written project." Cerutti said. "For an art student it could be a work of art, a music student a piece of music, for a drama student a scene, depending on their interest." <br> However, Multidisciplinary Studies is not designed to be a pushover for those looking for an easy major or fast way out of school. <br> "We want it to be a prospective degree, not a retrospective degree," Cerutti said. "I don't want a senior coming to me saying, 'I want to graduate next December I have 125 hours and just stick a name on it a degree]'; that's not what we want. We want motivated students to plan out a program they want to take and will truly be beneficial." <br> Dr. Cerutti sees the program as a tool in meeting the strategic goal of increasing enrollment at ECU by attracting students from other schools that have more numerous majors and larger academic programs. It will also serve as a means to provide challenges to students already enrolled at ECU. <br> "I believe in the mission of East Carolina to improve itself academically and I saw this program as a way of cultivating the best students and getting average students to work harder and take a little initiative in planning out their future," Cerutti said. "One of the things that really helps a university is the success of it's students. If a | student goes out and does good things, East Carolina University also reaps the benefits." <br> One of our students was selected for a very competitive program and is currently in Rome, these are opportunities where all our students are competing with other students from universities all over the country." <br> Recent graduates of the program have expressed interest in attending graduate school, and Dr. Cerutti said he believes they are well prepared in this regard. <br> "Once universities start seeing students from East Carolina prepared to go to graduate school, then the reputation of East Carolina is enhanced as well," Cerutti said. <br> Other multidisciplinary type programs have been already been proposed and implemented at both the undergraduate and graduate level at ECU. <br> Coastal Studies is currently offered as a minor which has been proposed as a new major and may be available as early as next year pending approval. <br> "The student comes up with <br> their own curriculum that will <br> allow students to design their <br> own degrees." <br> Dr. Steve Cerutti <br> Director of Multidisciplinary Studies <br> A new Ph.D program in Coastal Resources Management will enroll its inaugural class of 12 students this fall and has multidisciplinary tracks in social science, maritime studies, geoscience and ecology. Drawing on existing expertise | across different departments is the key to a successful multidisciplinary program. <br> "The faculty involved in multidisciplinary programs in both the undergraduate and doctoral programs have distinguished records in research, publications, external support, and serve as advisors to local state and national governments," said Dr. Lauriston King, director of the Coastal Resources Management Ph.D. Program. <br> "Within universities future career prospects and problems must be addressed by the many disciplines that bear on these issues," King said. <br> The ultimate goal is making sure the students are successful and are employed or accepted to graduate school once they have graduated. <br> "There's a lot of employers out there who need people with a variety of skills,"said Dr. Jim Westmoreland, director of Career Services. "Many employers would be attracted to graduates of multidisciplinary programs, anything from insurance companies, newspapers-people who are good writers and communicators, and students who can combine a variety of work and school experiences should be able to find some good opportunities. Preparing a job search for multidisciplinary graduates is virtually the same as traditional degree programs." <br> However, according to Westmoreland, it is still vital to participate in the resume building experiences that students on a traditional track might do. <br> "Whatever the major might be, it is still important to remind them to do the networking and resume development, which our office stands ready to help them with at any time," Westmoreland said. "These skills are needed in every major; even those who are in business or computer science where they may be trained for a specific area." |
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## DWI charge dropped

## against Carolina Panther

## HARLOTTE (AP) - A judge dis missed a drunken-driving charge gainst Carolina Panthers defensive end Jason Peter, saying botched paperwork outweighed evidence showing the player was legally drunk. <br> Mecklenburg County District Judge C. Jerome Leonard agreed with a defense argument Monday charge was tainted because a magistrate's order signed after Peter's arrest was improperly dated. Peter was arrested March 14 but the magistrate's order was dated March 24. "There's negligence in this case," defense attorney George Laughrun defense attorney George Laugh said. "For whatever reason,

## Woman cashes in

 on Powerball jackpot $\begin{array}{lll}\text { ROSEVILLE, Minn. (AP) - A } 21- & \text { instead to receive a lump sum of } \\ \text { yearold woman who makes } \$ 9 \text { an } \\ \$ 78.8 \text { million, or } \$ 50.4 \text { million after }\end{array}$ hour at a mortgage company state and federal taxes are withcalled her boss to say she wouldn' be in because of a death in thefamily, then stepped forward Thursday to claim a $\$ 150$ million owerball lottery jackpot. Farrah slad beat 0 -mird-biggest prize ever in the multistate lottery and one of the richest jackpots ever claimed by an individual. Ms. Slad said she bought $\$$. wort of the moment after stopping because her 1991 Acura Integra was running low on gas. She was for dinner and hadn't bought any tickets since last summer.
"I thank my parents and my car for this," the single young woman said with a big smile at lottery headquarters in this St. Paul sub-
Ms. Slad held the only winning icket for Wednesday night's drawmillion over 25 years She elected

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Many students take advantage of the summer sessions to work with that will help them succeed professionally after graduation. said David Singer a lot for me,"
> he state would appeal the matter to Superior Court, but Laughrun said it was unlikely the case would even make it to trial on that level. because evidence in the case was introduced Monday in Leonard's courtroom, hearing the matter at a
higher level would violate Peter's right to protection against double-jeopardy. Peter, who also had been charged with speeding for driving 81 mph in a 55 zone at the time of his arrest, entered a guilty plea to a
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zone. Leonard fined him $\$ 100$ and zone. Leonard fined him $\$ 86$ in court costs. 78.8 million, or $\$ 50.4$ million after held. bers on television Wednesday night while rewinding a videotape
of "Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery." "We looked it "We looked it over a hundred times a
said.
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she stepped forward.
On her list of things to do and buy: travel to Mexico, a new car, a
house, "good deeds" and possibly veterinary school. She also plans to buy a dream house, trucks and boats for her parents. And she
acknowledged: "Im going to meet acknowledged: "I'm going to meet people who say they've known me

what it can do to you. There are many different strategies that are
used to keep cool in these sultry summer days, and one of the most
common is to avoid the sun altogether. "I stay inside to avoid the
heat," said Nykoll Williams heat," said Nykoll Williams,
senior.While many students stay indoors to try to beat the heat, there is one more important factor that goes into spending the day inside. I turn the air conditioning on,
which is basically all I can do," said Sharon Hudson, graduate student.
helped me find a job this summer
that will give me the work experi-
that will give me the work exp. Donley adds that students should consider going to ${ }^{\circ}$ Co-op to
see what the program has to offer. "Give us a try," Donley said. There's are all kinds of opportunities out there and unless you come in and speak with someone at the Co-op office, you're not going to paper editors in 1873 in the town of Goldsboro. Important events, jourThe exhibit continues through July on the second floor of the library and is open to the public. For more Bern on Aug. 9, 1751. The exhibit and ismation, contact Nancy Shires also traces the 125 year history of North Carolina Press Association.
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SUSAN
WRIGHTT Summer days are here again


Well, if I got to choose my poi-
son, I cannot think of many
that are more appealing than
barbecued chicken.
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yucky and depressing weather phenomena, we finally get to see some

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ourview
 versed in many areas. Many of us receive the preparation and job skills necessary for us to enter the profession of our choice. Unfortunately, many of us will
enter college and choose a field which seems to fit our desired profession only enter college and choose alle prepared for our chosen field. As a result, not only are time and money thrown down the drain, but we may also feel that we should simply abandon all hope for our dream job and instead settle for an occupation
for which we have been preparing. In an effort to combat the limitations of the average major, ECU is now offermiliar with this new major, it is a way for a student to direct his or her own curriculum based upon courses which are relevant to the student's intended profession.
Now before you go storming off to the undergraduate offices with your change of major forms, you need to realize that this is a serious major designed, in theory, In our view this, on paper, is a very exciting and novel idea. Imagine the stu-
dent who dreams of being a film maker, yet feels uncomfortable as a Theater major, stifled by the English department and unsure in the Art building. With build a concise plan of study focusing on these three courses of study which are Thtegral parts of film making
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"Goldberg" on their rear window. over the place, take a stand and Give me a break. NWO: are you demand that " 60 Minutes" must be
serious? There wasn't enough crap turned on instead. You will feel bet-
in the wrestling world already, so ter as well as the rest of us.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { afflicted us all. I have moved five } & \text { furniture. Making friends with } \\ \text { times since coming to ECU in 1996. } & \text { someone who owns a pickup truck } \\ \text { I am preparing for my sixth move on } & \text { would certainly be considered in } \\ \text { August lst. Have no fear, this opin- } \\ \text { good taste. } \\ \text { ion columnist isn't leaving } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Strong backs are usually consid- } \\ \text { Greenville, just moving across town. } \\ \text { ered a plus in moving as well. The }\end{array} \\ \text { I could never leave my flancee. (You } & \text { elusive promise of free beer after } \\ \text { may know her, she's Susan, the } \\ \text { othe job is done will usually bring } \\ \text { othion columnist.) } & \text { eager movers to your door. A round } \\ \text { There is more to moving than } & \text { of brew for everyone! } \\ \text { just packing boxes. Moving is, in } & \text { Moving also usually involves } \\ \text { essence, a new way of life. } & \text { blood, sweat, and tears. The sweat } \\ \text { Everything changes; your resi- } \\ \text { comes from moving a 200-pound }\end{array}$
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## features

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Riders, and Matt Thomas with Slip Joint. They also have a large outdoor patio where you can sit and enjoy their awe some drink specials and listen to liv music. "I like to go there because it is a relax ing atmosphere," said Brandon Lawn senior.

And if jazz or the blues is your thing check out Staccato's every Thursday from 9 to 12p.m. It is a very relaxed atmosphere, and the typical crowd is composed of single, young professionals. As with many of the other lie music locations in Greenville, there is no cover charge. They do not offer any drink specials because they are mor restaurant-oriented, however,
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there are several other places to listen t, there are several other places there is Music
live music in Greenville. There live music in Greenvilie. There the Tow Commons. Everybody's favorite new restaurant, Ham's, also has live music on Wednesday nights. If you like to be a part of the live music entertainment, you can sing karaoke at Underwater on Wednesday nights, or you can just listen to the other
college students' attempts at music. college students' attempts at music
Whatever you do, experience the music!


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## Festivities at Town Commons

| Thousands come out for festivities |
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| Town Commons suffered another onslaught of family fun seekers over the 4th. It was another excellent opportunity for people watching and eating! <br> I spoke with Gloria Poythress from Wilson about the festivities that occurred on Independence polite. I was curious how and why she got involved in this strange amusement business. She said that her husband's grandmother used to have a food joint at the fair. He used to enjoy watching them put things together when he was young. After they were married, they started out with two amusements, a Ferris wheel and a swing, then began to buy others. The Sharpsburg (VA) 100th anniversary was their first spot. That was over 17 years ago, when she was 25. They now have 24 rides. <br> "The Jaycees asked us if we could come back," Poythress said. |

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The Pouthress' do profit. They offer a variety of rides hours for the inspectors to go
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## sports

## Malik makes an impression

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State Softball Tournament July State Softball Tournament jug in 14 th through the 18 th in
Winterville. 42 teams will compete in five different age brackets for the Girls State Softball Championship. All Games will be held at the Sara A. Law Memorial oftball Complex located off Reedy Branch Road in Wintervile. Tommy Cooke at (252) 353-2886.

The Special Olympics World Games wrapped up last week in Raleigh with more than a few smiles on everybody's faces. The games help the disabled achieve dreams of competition that would not have been possible without
events such as this. Participants came from as far as warr-torn Albania to Libya. Next, Raleigh hopes to host the 2007 Pan Am Games.

Kristi Overton-Johnson was one of 12 named to the United States Pan American Games. The teams were selected by
USA Water Ski's 13 -member International Activities Committee (IAC) after competing in slalom, tricks and jumping events at the 1999 U .S.Water Ski and Junior Olympic Team Trials at McCormick lakes in Seffner, FL. The Pan Am games are held every four years and include water ski athletes from North America,
South America and the Caribbean. The America's Challenge is held every two years and also includes water ski athletes from North America, South America and the Caribbean.
Mendy Nestor, who has gained broad range of experience in media relations at both the colle-
giate and professional sports levels and publishing, has been named Assistant Director of Media Relations at ECU.
The 22 -year-old Nestor earned her collegiate sports information

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## Justice retires after 20 years

Track coach wants spend time with family

After 20 years of service to ECU Charles "Choo" Justice, head coach for the women's track and field team and the women's cross counthe program to spend more time with his family.
Justice announced his resignation late in June, and Athletic Director, Mike Hamrick, con firmed the resignation through th university on June 23
Justice said he resigned because he wanted to spend more time with
his wife, Sharon, and their children his wife, Sharon, and their childre, Andrea, five, ano to teach at Pitt Community College gave him th chance to be at home more often.

The biggest reason was to get
the opportunity to stay at home more," Justice said in an interview with the Daily Reflector. "In the course of a year, I travel at least 40
weekends. I felt I needed to be hame more I fell into an oppotuhome more. I fell into an opporuCommunity College) in the continuing education program." According to Henry VanSant,
assistant athletic director, Justice here to help the program," VanSant did a great job at ECU. Under his said. "He took us from virtual
direction the program became obscurity to being nationally com-

petitive."
Since Since Justice only
recently resigned, the university has not yet hired a new coach to take his place.
"We are in the process of taking applications and
reviewing applications to reviewing applications to
fill the position," VanSant said. "We will take somesaid. with considerable
one
coaching experience, college experience, and track experience.
Justice began his career
at ECU when he enrolled for classes in 1980 as an
industrial industrial technology
major. As a student, he major. As a student, he
served as the football seam's equipment manager team ' equipment manager
since there was no cross country team for him to
join. After completing his join. After completing his degree in 1985 , the univer-
sity offered him a full tinc sity offered him a full time
job as equipment manager job as equipment manager.
Three years later Three years later,
Justice took a year off to Justice took a year off to
run comperitively bur soon run competitively but soon
returned to begin working returned to begin working business administration. By this time, ECU had begun $\begin{array}{ll}\text { nationally competitive. } & \text { a cross country program coached by } \\ \text { "We y }\end{array}$
into helping coach the program.
In 1991, Justice was named In 1991, Justice was named
ECU's first ever full-time track "He (Justice) was a fine young man with knowledge of track, VanSant said.
Justice wen
Justice went on to coach two All Americans, Dava Rhodes in 1994, a distance runner in the 5,000 and 10,000 meter events, and Michelle
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## Henry VanSant

## layton in 1999, a thrower

 Justice said that the decision to leave was hard beciuse of his nection with the athletes. "It's a tough decision because the kids I'm leaving behind are great kids," Justice said. "So many are special kids who are overachievers, and they're all good kids as well as good athletes."

10 year-ld Kramer Sneed dribbles past Malik Rose while learning about the pick and roll during the Bill Heron Basketball Camp.
said Herrion. I wasn't sure how which has been developing pre good a player he was, but once he maturely in the NBA. He believe started practice I could tell he had that making an impact on the cour good work and "Some, like Kobe (Bryant), are doing well, but the odds are against a high school kid coming in and making an immediate impact, Rose said. "I would rather see col lege kids getting drafted over young kids just out of high school. Herrion has offered basketball Camps for over six years at Drexle
He continues the tradition here and plans next year to continue the and plans next year to continue the
camp as well as start a camp for fathers and sons.
Herrion has paid little attention to the CAA high-rated preseason polls for ECU but instead likes to put his mind to other activities such as the camps and meetings
with players during the summer with players during the summer. Wen you change (schools),the biggest adjustment is getting to strategy and more on experiencing know the players as people. I an strategy and more on experiencing
themselves if they want to make it pleased with the progress made so to the NBA. This advice also far," Herrion said. applies to the younger crowd

## Basketball team expected

to finish second in conference

Championship winner predicted
in which the team finished sev-
enth in the conference. First-year coach, Bill Herrion, welcomes back an entire roster except for point guard Alico Dunk. ECU is expected to finish behind George Mason, defending
conference champions. George conference champions. George
Mason is the coaches' choice to repeat as the conference champion George Mason, like ECU, welcomes back four of the five starters from their 1998-1999 season.
Despite missing nine games due to a fracture in his lower left leg, forward Evaldas Jocys, who ed the pirates in both points ( 13.8) and rebounds (6.2), was
named to the preseason All-CAA first team. Joining Jocys were eorge Mason center George George Mason center George
Evans, Richmond forward Charles Stephens, James Madison guard Jabari Outtz, and guard LeMar Taylor of Virginia Commonwealth. In addition to Jocys, senior guard Garrett Blackwelder (11.8 ppg, 46 three-pointers), junior
guard-forward David Taylor ( 7.3 ppg, 4.1 rpg ), and 6 6" 8 " senior Neil $\mathrm{ppg}, 4.1 \mathrm{rpg})$, and $6.8^{\prime \prime}$ senior Neil
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ished 13-14 last season and $7-9$ in CAA play, losing a $65-62$ double overtime contest to Old Dominion in the season finale at the conference tournament.

The Pirates' depth should also

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