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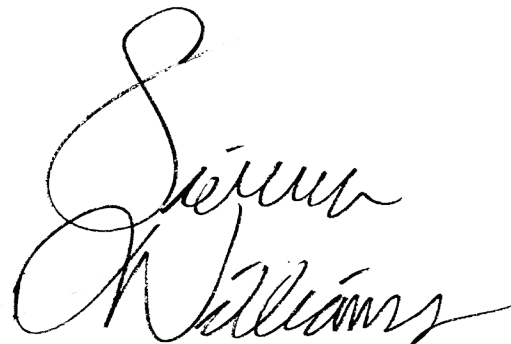
Letter from the Editor

Congratulations Graduates,

From the day you stepped on campus, purple and gold rushed through your veins. From pulling all-nighters and becoming daily Starbucks consumers, purple and gold rushed through your veins. While 11:59pm became your most disliked time and while Joyner Library easily turned into a 9am-5pm shift, purple and gold rushed through your veins.

Your determination and strength combined is what it took to be a Pirate and what it takes to stand out in society. Like a book on a shelf, surrounded by many, your job is to continue to stand out. Catch the eye of the reader and I charge you all to maintain that fuel within you to go out and touch society with many fresh perspectives and ideas. I charge you all to keep this as a token of remembrance of you and what you stand for. As we flip through the years, let us make note of how you made it to the top! Your story and the stories of your peers has just begun. Stories that will change the impact of society. Stories that will leave generations to believe that they can accomplish anything.

Your audience is waiting, your family and friends are waiting. Former professors, peers and future employers are all waiting for your next chapter because it is going to be the biggest one yet. All it takes is you. All it takes is that same fuel you had to graduate today. All it takes is for you to turn the page...



Sierra Williams
Editor-in-Chief for "Anchors Away"

Letter From Dr. Ron Mitchelson

Dear ECU Community,

What an exciting time to be a Pirate! At ECU, we are on a mission that focuses clearly on student success and regional transformation. There's a lot of energy at the intersection of those two mission elements. I brag about ECU all the time and with good reason: we are home to great faculty and staff, great academic programs, great athletic teams, and GREAT STUDENTS. I am so very proud of our students and their accomplishments. Last year alone, over 7,300 students graduated with a degree or certificate. There are Pirates in every town!

I've said it before and I'll say it even louder this time, ECU's secret sauce is student engagement. According to the National Survey of Student Engagement, few schools can match ECU's support of student engagement inside and outside the classroom. That's exactly why we have distinctive levels of undergraduate research, study abroad, service-learning, innovation and entrepreneurship, leadership opportunities, internships, and other forms of experiential learning. It's a win-win for our students, for our region, and for the communities that our graduates are destined for.

The world is taking notice of ECU's successful students and its impact on our region. That's why the Carnegie Foundation has designated us as a Community Engaged University, and why the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities has designated us as an Innovation and Economic Prosperity University. ECU has also been included in the Princeton Review of Best Colleges for the first time in our history. U.S. News and World Report ranks us as #39 out of all national universities for the social mobility that we equip our students with. Thank you graduates for putting ECU on the map! You have taken full advantage of the amazing opportunities that ECU offers.

We are not done. We now enjoy major investments in athletics, student life, and academics. Dowdy-Ficklen has never looked better. We make great use of two new student centers (East and West campuses) that are the envy of other universities as inviting places to live and learn. This summer, we broke ground on a new Life Sciences and Biotechnology Building: 140,000 square feet of team science to solve problems facing health, the environment, and manufacturing. We are in the design phase of a new innovation center to be located in the old bookstore (Wright Plaza) to give this important ECU emphasis some space and visibility. We are building a great, student centered destination here in Greenville, North Carolina. Spread the word!

As one of my favorite sports announcers says after a thrilling ECU victory, you can paint this one PURPLE! Congratulations graduates. Arghhhhh!

Regards,



Ron Mitchelson, Interim Chancellor
East Carolina University



Letter From Dr. Virginia Hardy

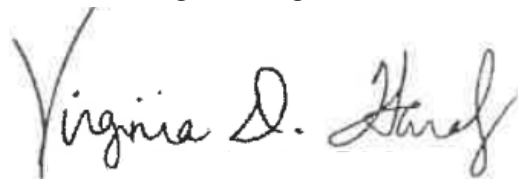
Congratulations Class of 2019!

Graduation is the culmination of the experience as a college student. It is one of the peaks that marks who you once were and who you are now becoming. While graduation indicates the end of your education at ECU, it also signifies the beginning of a lifetime of pride, achievement, wonderful memories and a commitment to your alma mater.

During your years here, your experiences were many and varied. You engaged in scholarly events and activities, enhanced your leadership skills and served the community. You laughed, cried, cheered, winced, stumbled, jogged, ran, and matured. In addition, you grew socially and culturally while attending Pirate Palooza, Barefoot on the Mall, Polar Plunge, and many other events and programs that are Pirate traditions. As you move on to the next adventure in your life, I encourage you to remember the dedicated faculty and staff who equipped you with generalizable leadership skills, pertinent knowledge, critical thinking skills and the love of lifelong learning.

I am confident you have acquired what you need to seize the most exciting opportunities and address the world's challenges. As ECU graduates, you each have the potential for leadership in your chosen field. At ECU you became an engaged global citizen. You are equipped to understand our diverse world, and you have the power to inspire, empower and influence positive change.

Good luck as you embark upon this new chapter of your life. And know that ECU is always home so stay connected. I wish you much success and happiness as you go forth and do great things.



Virginia D. Hardy, PhD
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Letter from Dr. Erik Kneubuehl

Class of 2019,

Congratulations to all Pirate graduates! I applaud your hard work and dedication over the last few years. The goal of obtaining your degree has now been realized and that is no small feat.

That goal came with many experiences both in and out of the classroom, including long nights and weekends of studying and typing papers that helped prepare you for the next step on your journey. During those long nights you developed relationships with fellow students, faculty, and administrators; all of whom will be lifelong friends, colleagues, and mentors. Whether you realize it or not, you also had experiences through student organizations, athletic teams, and campus events that expanded your knowledge of society and the world. Today's leaders are expected to incorporate knowledge and practices from a wide array of sources. Whether in business, education, health care, engineering, or any of the many professions this year's graduating class represents, your future will be as renaissance leaders, balancing multiple expectations from varied constituencies. Be confident in knowing that East Carolina has prepared you for that future.

Congratulations you have already heard, from parents and faculty to administrators and friends. In Hebrew the phrase *Mazel Tov* is used to celebrate important moments, and its literal translation means both congratulations and good luck. I now wish you all good luck, for the journey that lies ahead and continuing to dream and achieve your goals. Always remember Pirates are successful, Pirates transform communities and most of all, Pirates change the world!

Mazel Tov,

Erik Kneubuehl

Dr. Erik J. Kneubuehl
Assistant Vice Chancellor
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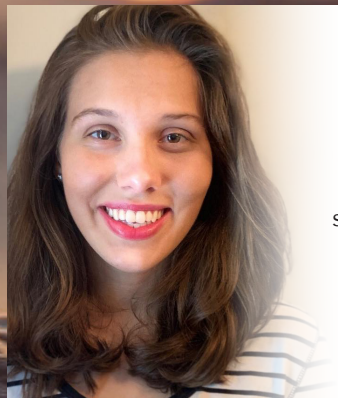
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One Last Summer

Graduating seniors reflect on their final summer vacations spent abroad

By **Chloe Easton** | Photos contributed by **Majd Laymaoun**

WITH GRADUATION AROUND THE corner, this semester's seniors spent their last summer as Pirates exploring the opportunities East Carolina University has to offer. Whether it be flying halfway across the world or staying right here in Greenville, these Pirates express the importance of traveling abroad and internship opportunities that will better their career as they take their last step across the stage and their first step into the real world.

Majd Laymaoun, a senior risk management and insurance major, spent her last summer as a Pirate studying the financial district of London and exploring the birthplace of insurance itself through a program provided by the Finance Department at ECU.

Laymaoun said the program explored the Lloyd's of London, a reinsurance and insurance market, where her and her fellow classmates were given an inside perspective on how to deal with and cover different risks.

"We had professors go over with us and we got to see different companies over there (London) and how they work and the Lloyd's of London, which is where insurance basically started," Laymaoun said. "We would see how everything worked like how to make deals with each other and how they got things covered."

Laymaoun said partaking in the program allowed her and her classmates to


get a more hands on experience and provided insight on what life after graduation could look like in their particular field of study.

"Over here (Greenville) it was more like class settings, you're just learning from lectures and stuff, but over there (London) it was more hands on and more seeing what actually happens," Laymaoun said. "I guess it is better for visual learners because you kind of get to see what you're doing in the future."

Staying closer to home was Brielle Sanchez, a senior family and community services major with a concentration in child development. Sanchez spent her summer completing two practicums for her summer courses. Though she has completed other practicums in the past, Sanchez said her time spent at local child care development centers this summer helped her gain new techniques to apply to her skill set after graduation.

"Within the practicum itself, the skills I learned, I mean I would like to say I am good with young children anyway, but each time I go through a practicum I learn new ways to talk to young children, I learn new ways to help aid their development and teach them new things," Sanchez said. "It's like I am constantly growing each time I step into a practicum cause I just take in everything I am seeing."

After completing over 40 hours of practicum this summer, Sanchez used her experience to transition into her final practicum this semester



▲ Houses stand side by side in Bjorko Island, located in Finland.

along with an internship at a local high school. She said after graduation, she plans on taking a break to decide what kind of career to pursue with her major since it has allowed her to experience multiple career choices.

Gearing back into education abroad, senior nursing major Rachel Harris spent her summer discussing international health issues related to immigrants and women in the snowy mountains of Finland. Harris said her days were filled with a plethora of different educational moments from learning about culture aspects of labor and delivery and female genital mutilation to understanding the different aspects between hospitals in Finland versus the United States.

After Harris completed the international nursing program, she said she made a decision to

go into labor and delivery to help make it a beautiful experience for any women depending on their cultural background. Looking back, she said the experience made her a better person.

"It was one of the reasons I decided to pursue labor and delivery... I saw a need to go into labor and delivery to help those people who need help to see labor and delivery as a really beautiful time," Harris said. "You have to understand that if you're an immigrant and you don't understand the culture you don't know how this will play out."

Traveling around Europe, senior sports studies major and business administration minor Jackson Creech took the opportunity to explore Australia and New Zealand with the ECU Kinesiology Department.

During his two weeks spent abroad, Creech started in Australia and made his way to New Zealand, where he had hands on experience in sports each country had to offer.

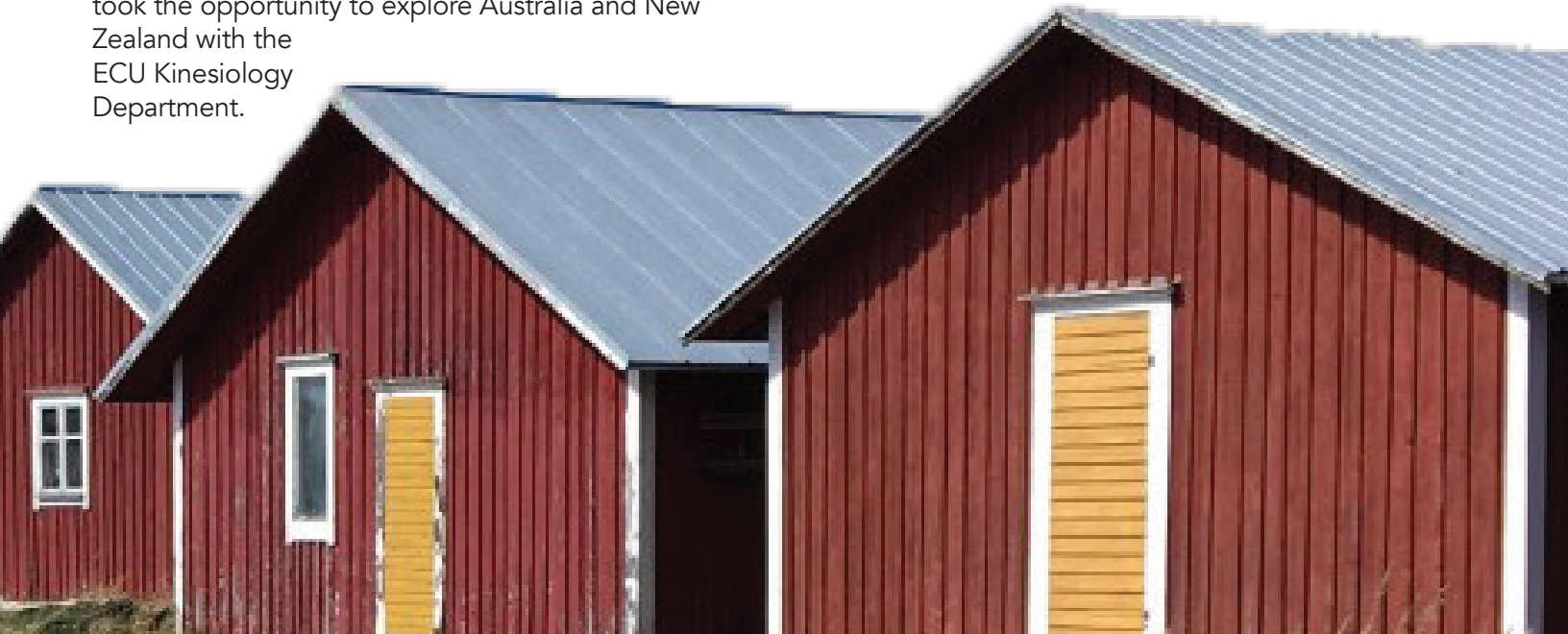
"We started in Sydney and went up to this city called the Gold Coast and there we did some adventure sports that Australia is known for like surfing and we did ride some jet skis around," Creech said. "From there, we went to New Zealand and really the biggest highlight was a place called Queens Town. They are kind of known as the adventure capital of the world so there are all kinds of things you can do there like skiing, snowboarding and skydiving."

The main goal of the program was to learn how sports differ in these countries versus the United States,

according to Creech. With the program, Creech said he was given a new perspective on life and realized "that there is just so much more out there than just Greenville."

Though their last summer as a pirate has come to an end, the Fall 2019 graduating class has zipped up their suitcases and taken in skill sets that will prepare them for whatever the future may hold. Whether it be roaming the streets of London or building a bond with our future generation, these Pirates know the worth of their one last summer.

Majd Laymoun and her ECU study abroad group in London.



Homecoming 2019

Photos by Ashley Lewis



» The ECU Cheerleaders performing stunts at the homecoming game.

DAY 2 (Oct. 21)

Cirque de Pirates

A new themed Homecoming event, "Cirque De Pirates" took place on the lawn of the Main Campus Student Center. In honor of the circus theme, the Homecoming Committee also screened "The Greatest Showman" on the student center's jumbo screen. Competing organizations hosted game booths and carnival-themed food was available, such as popcorn and churros.



» An event volunteer plays games with attendees at Freeboot Friday.



« A parade sign, painted by Club Cheer and Pi Lambda Phi.

DAY 1 (Oct. 20)

Cannonball & Concert, Top 10 King & Queen nominees selected

A social gathering for our pirate army filled with entertainment, food and freebies to help celebrate this years' King and Queen. The Cannonball event was held on Sunday, October 20th from 3-7 p.m. in downtown area- intersection of 5th St. and Cotanche.

» Alpha Xi Delta & Alpha Tau Omega during their skit night performance.



DAY 3 (Oct. 22)

Banner Competition & Amazing Race

Competing to see who has the most Pirate spirit, student-led organizations competed in a banner design competition judged by ECU officials. Placing in the top three was Alpha Delta Pi, Chi Omega & Kappa Sigma and Phi Mu & Sigma Pi.

DAY 4 (Oct. 23)

Skit Competition

One of the most anticipated events of Homecoming is Skit, which is where competing organizations create a choreographed routine to the homecoming theme, complete with the incorporation of ECU fast facts and more. Aside from Greek life, several new organizations took place in this year's skit night, such as ECU Club Ballroom Dance and Y.A.C.H.T. Club. The top three were Delta Zeta & Chi Phi, Phi Mu & Sigma Pi and ECU Ambassadors & Epsilon Sigma Alpha.

DAY 5 (Oct. 24)

Blood Drive & Game Night

A long-standing homecoming tradition, the Blood Drive took place in the Main Campus Student Center this year. In partnership with the American Red Cross, students lined up to

Taking place in the evening was the first ever Game Night, which took place in Joyner Library. In partnership with the ECU Gaming Society, students gathered to play games of all platforms, from the tabletop to the digital world.

DAY 7 (Oct. 26)

Parade & Float Competition, ECU Football v.s. USF

Parade & Float Competition: Student lead organizations are able to participate and showcase their organization's take on this year's theme of "Cirque De Pirates." While the purple and gold blood rushed through their veins, each float will be judged at the end of the parade by spectators.

C.J. Johnson, Tyler Snead and Deondre Farrier during the homecoming game. »



DAY 6 (Oct. 25)

Canned Food Drive, Freeboot Friday & NPHC Step Show Canned Food Drive

Canned Food Drive: Helping the less fortunate, student organizations are able to gather and donate canned food and nonperishables to those who are in need throughout our town. The food drive was held Friday, October 25th from 11:00a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina located on 1712 Union St., Greenville, NC 27834.

Freeboot Friday: Hosted at Five Points Plaza in Uptown

Greenville, Freeboot Friday is the live city event that happens on the Friday before a home football game. From live music to local vendors, the city became vibrant with homecoming spirit as the top 10 king and queen nominees and the top three skit winners took the Five Points Plaza stage.

NPHC Step Show: Closing out the night was the NPHC Step Show, where members of the Divine 9 performed their strolls on the Main Campus Ballroom stage.

Coach Mike Houston at Freeboot Friday. »



Athletes Away!

Blake Taylor reflects on time spent in golf, undergrad

By Lydia Ryan | Photos courtesy of ecupirates.com

BEING A COLLEGE ATHLETE

requires a lot of focus, time and determination. Coming into East Carolina University as a freshman, senior golfer Blake Taylor made a personal goal to show improvement in his game every semester.

As Taylor looks back on his time as a Pirate he not only sees growth in his game, but he sees lifelong friends, countless memories and endless life experiences on and off the golf course. As a senior, it is bittersweet playing his last season at East Carolina, but Blake Taylor will always be a Pirate.

"It's amazing, I mean it's love. Especially with my team. We are all really close together. I know compared to other golf teams, a lot of other guys aren't close like this," Taylor said when asked what it meant to him to be a Pirate. "So it is really cool and it has been a fun time. Also going to other athletic events and stuff. It has been a special time for sure."

Taylor is originally from North Carolina, so when it came time to choose a school, he could have stayed closer to home and attended the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Instead, he chose to come to East Carolina and became a part of what he described as a very close team, closer than most teams he sees while playing. He explained

that college golf is not like normal team sports in that it is an individual sport, with individual scores, but you play as a team, so being so close to his team has been a highlight in his collegiate career.

During high school, Taylor didn't consider himself an impressive golfer. During his freshman year at ECU, he finished the season with the second-lowest scoring average on the team at 73.94. With his sophomore year, he lowered that score to 72.76. Blake led the Pirates during his junior year with a strokes per round average of 71.97 and tied for second-lowest single-season average in ECU history, not only continuing to reach his goal of improving his game every season, but proving how much hard work and

dedication pays off.

"The most impressive thing about Blake is that he has continually gotten better, every single semester," Andrew Sapp, the ECU head men's golf coach, said. "Even in the summer. This summer, he had a great summer that has lead to a great fall season where he has averaged 70. From that standpoint, he has been a fantastic senior to have. As far as showing other guys that a guy that they practice, live with, eat with (and) play golf with on a daily basis can have this level of success that they can too."

Now in his senior year, Taylor continues to be a leading scorer on his team and although he has had some tough rounds, he continues to work towards his goal of improvement.

Every tournament brings forth a bittersweet feeling as he comes closer to his last collegiate round of golf. However, he doesn't plan for his golf career to end there. Taylor plans to continue his career in the professional golf industry after graduating with a degree in recreation and park management.

"In golf the best way I can help out the team, as far as in tournaments, is go and play the best I can play," Taylor said.

Graduating senior Blake Taylor swings his golf club during a match. »



HALLOWEEN 2019

By **Brendan Gillespie**

What the Greenville scene had to offer on the spookiest night of the school year

HALLOWEEN IS A TRADITION

unlike any other in Greenville, North Carolina. A holiday that has seen city-wide celebration, and even riots in the past. Halloweekend is different in eastern North Carolina.

The idea of the Halloween riots stems all the way back to 1975, where police were forced to use tear gas and smoke to disperse crowds that were throwing bricks and bottles in the downtown areas. After the crowds left and about 27 people were arrested, another crowd assembled and began breaking storefront windows and stealing merchandise inside.

Fortunately for the Greenville Police Department, a riot of that magnitude has not happened for quite some time, with the last "riot" being in 2014, where students attempted to flip an ECU Transit bus. Since then, ECU PD have added safety measures to avoid another dangerous holiday, such as safety checkpoints.

They added several checkpoints that force residents to check with officers before being able to enter the event area. Officers were not allowing any weapons, real or fake as an added safety precaution this year.

Several locations downtown offered safe events for Greenvillians to gather and celebrate Halloween together. On October 30, Pitt Street Brewing Company hosted a 'Hoppy Halloween Bash' with a tarot card reader, live music from the band 'After April' and a costume contest.

Stumpy's Hatchet House also held an event, with free food, hatchet throwing and a costume

contest at 6 p.m. The winner of the contest was awarded free hatchet throwing at its Greenville location for a year.

As well as what was offered in Uptown, students also threw their own events and parties to celebrate Halloween.

Several parties took place down 4th Street, including one that had hundreds of people in attendance. Within an hour or two, the police came to disperse the event, and hundreds of students flocked from the event, making a group migration onto the next event for the night.

On Saturday night, I noticed a party that was taking place down South Elm Street, where multiple police vehicles showed up (three cars and a truck) to disperse crowds. The cops talked to owners about underage alcohol consumption but no arrests were made.

Out of all of the Halloween costumes throughout the weekend, there were a few that stood out as unique and different than the normal costume. At one of the parties on Halloween Night, the host had some decorations in front of the house. One of those decorations was a skeleton dressed as a football coach, more specifically former ECU football coach Scottie Montgomery.

Another good costume was a student who dressed up as Steve Harvey. The student looked very similar to Steve, and even had an enormous black

mustache to match. The sun and moon was another popular costume between friends, where several pairings of girls dressed as such.

With a fairly safe Halloweekend 2019 in the books, many residents are already looking onto the next holiday for the next source of parties and locally hosted events. Before you know it, Halloweekend will be back in Greenville, as it happens every year.



Graduation Gear

By **Giana Williams**

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY OFFERS over 100 different on-campus organizations and clubs for students to be able to connect with other students and faculty members and expand their knowledge or interests in as many ways as possible.

The interesting thing about these organizations or departments is that most of them offer seniors stoles, cords, medallions, or pins to wear and stand out on graduation. Here is a list of the few ECU organizations and departments that offer or will soon offer graduates a stole or cord to wear on their big day.

Student Activities Board

From hosting campus traditions such as Barefoot on the Mall and Pirates Got Talent to its weekly movie screenings in Hendrix Theatre, Student Activities Board (SAB) is one of the largest organizations on ECU's campus. SAB is responsible for "fostering student development and leadership" through engaging and educational programming, according to the org's website. Graduating seniors will earn a **BLACK** cord upon review of their active member status and meeting their respective committee requirements, such as marketing and event volunteering.

Department of Criminal Justice

The criminal justice department offers two student organizations for criminal justice majors and minors to participate in. Criminal Justice Student Organization (CJSO) is an organization that participates in community or campus activities that are criminal justice related. Seniors have the option to purchase a **SILVER** cord for \$18 if they are an active member and have paid their dues.

Alpha Phi Sigma is the National Criminal Justice Honor Society where criminal justice majors who have a minimum 3.2 GPA and completed at least 4 criminal justice classes are invited to join the organization. Seniors must make a one-time payment of \$95 to become a member and have the option to buy a **ROYAL BLUE** and **GOLD MEDALLION** for \$18, a stole for \$35, and a cord for \$18 or all three for \$68.

ECU Education Department

The Education Department offers different organizations for education majors can participate in. The Education Community of Scholars receives a **LIGHT BLUE** cord which is the color for education. Students who qualify for honors receive what the university delineates. For Master's or Doctorate students, the velvet on the hoods for education is also light blue.

Pirate Media 1

Often referred to as Student Media, it is an organization that gives students the opportunity to engage in hands-on learning about journalism, public relations, sales and marketing, or any form of media production and management. The organization is split into four main divisions: The East Carolinian (newspaper), WZMB (radio/broadcast), The Agency (advertising) and the Magazine Division. Seniors who have participated in one of the divisions will receive a **WHITE** cord for graduation.



College of Business

ECU College of Business has the largest business school in North Carolina with approximately 5,000 students. Having over 20 clubs business majors or minors can participate from different departments in the college, some are open to all business students while membership to others is based on certain criteria, such as GPA and each organization has its own color schemes. Stoles are less common but also reflect the colors of the students' organizations.

Beta Gamma Sigma, the international business honor society, has a **GOLD** and **ROYAL BLUE** cord. The chords of Beta Alpha Psi, the accounting honors society, provides members with a **BLACK** and **RED** cord as part of their membership dues.

The Student Accounting Society can purchase **GRAY** and **PINK** cords for \$10.

The Collegiate Entrepreneurship Organization has **BLUE** and **GREEN** cords and members pay \$15 for their cords, which is what their national chapter charges.

Lambda Alpha

A national anthropology honor society that is open to students who are studying anthropology. To be eligible, students must complete at least 12 semester hours of anthropology classes and have a 3.0 GPA and must apply to be part of the organization. Seniors will receive a **CREAM** colored Lambda Alpha honor stole.

Phi Kappa Phi

The nation's oldest and most selective multidisciplinary collegiate honor society which spans to over 300 campuses in the United States and the Philippines. Membership is earned by invitation only by a chapter and graduating seniors receive a **BLUE** and **GOLD** cord.

- Juniors must have completed 72 credit hours with at least 24 semester hours at their current institution and rank in the top 7.5 percent of their class.
- Seniors must have completed 90 credit hours with at least 24 semester hours at their current institution and rank in the top 10 percent of their class.
- Graduate students must complete at least 18 graduate hours or equivalent at their institution and rank in the top 10 percent of their class.
- Faculty, professional staff, and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction may also be eligible for the honor society.

African Student Organization

The African Students' Organization (ASO) is an organization that strives to promote and enhance knowledge of the diverse cultures found throughout Africa for both Africans and African-Americans that come from a variety of backgrounds. The requirements to receive the stole or cord is they must be a paid, active member and have at least 3 hours of community service.

Rock, Pop and

Desperate times call for *Drastic Measures*

By Daniel Roberts | Photo by Joshua Clark



⤴ *Graduating senior LP Smith smiles brightly after a rehearsal.*

PEOPLE NOT ONLY AT East Carolina University but other universities all over look to do something that will help them be remembered for years to come. Senior Lauren Paige-Smith did something that will leave a lasting impact in the music community and that comes in the form of ECU's newest acapella group, Drastic Measures.

"I have always wanted to start my own group since high school and I wanted to be a role model and leader for others," Smith said. "All of the puzzle pieces just seemed to come together all at the right time."

Smith found her passion for singing at the age of three. Smith said her nana and great-grandmother were always singing and playing the piano with her. As a result of that, she would stand at the front of the church with the adult choir because she wanted to sing and perform.

"I've been singing since I could talk, I like to say. Singing was the one hobby I picked up very young and never could let go of," Smith said. "It has been one thing I have had to get me through my day. It is the way I express myself: happy, sad, angry, confused and everything in between."

When Smith got to ECU, she went on to become a member of the Magnolia Belles, ECU's all-female a cappella group, where she remained for her freshman and sophomore collegiate years. Referring to her time with the Belles, Smith said she made friends and memories that she will never forget.

"I grew up not having a lot of

friends that were female nor getting to experience that sense of 'sisterhood' that many do," Smith said. "For me in those 2 years, that's what the Belles was for me, a sisterhood, because we all loved to sing together."

After being a part of the Belles for two years, Smith found that she no longer wanted to be a part of the singing group and instead wanted to start an a cappella group of her own. Her and now senior Elizabeth Allen came together and decided to try and start ECU's first co-ed a cappella group Drastic Measures last February because they felt that the group was not only something they needed, but was something that was needed for the campus.

"It was a very nerve racking time," Smith said. "Our goal was to create an all-inclusive safe place for everyone that shared our passion. Neither of us knew if this group would be successful. It was scary, but I knew it was what I wanted either way. Just like my senior song quotes, 'Living might mean taking chances, but they're worth taking.' I couldn't agree more (with that quote) and I am so glad that I did."

According to Smith, Drastic Measures has had its flaws at times, but she praised all of the members in the group for stepping up to the plate. Smith added the passion and dedication the group has shown has been nothing short of amazing.

"The only short way I know how to put it is, my life will forever be changed by this group, and I am honored to be the founder and president thus far," Smith said.



Circumstance

Jake Bruen Finishes on a High Note

By Devin Raines | Photo by Frank Byungura

ENDING HIS FINAL YEAR at East Carolina University on a high note, senior filmography major and musician Jake Bruen sets his sights towards a bright future in sunny Los Angeles, California.

Despite never wanting to go to college, Bruen brought his passion for rock music to ECU by performing at local venues in downtown Greenville and by working with Pirate Media1's radio station WZMB, first as a DJ and then later as the music director.

"I'm hoping that trying to find my voice by copying others, I hear that's the way other musicians get there, they do what they've heard before and then they mix it together and then add themselves in it and then they generate their own voice with it," Bruen said.

Bruen has been performing at karaoke and open mic nights at local venues in downtown Greenville for a while, specifically karaoke since Spring 2018.

"I usually go (to 5th Street Annex) every week, and the crowds go nuts," Bruen said. "It's great exposure and I've been told (by attendees), not to toot my own horn here, 'We only come here because we know you're going to be here.'"

During his time at ECU, Bruen has built a following both through his time at WZMB and by performing downtown. Bruen hopes his desire to bring classic rock back into modern music transfers over when he moves out to Los Angeles.

ECU alum Connor Frederiksen originally bonded with Bruen over a similar sense of humor and eventually, their shared bond for laughter grew



➤ *Graduating senior Jake Bruen performing at 5th Street Annex.*

into a friendship through time well-spent together.

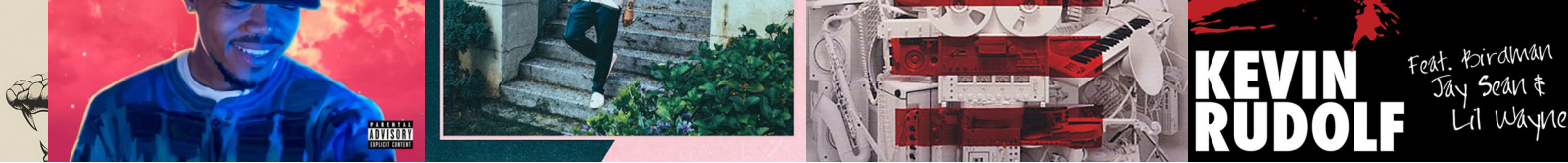
"I hope that he'll be able to direct his own music videos because he definitely has the vision and the influence in the field," Frederiksen said.

ECU alum and current WNCT News Producer Robert Romero first met Bruen at WZMB when they were both

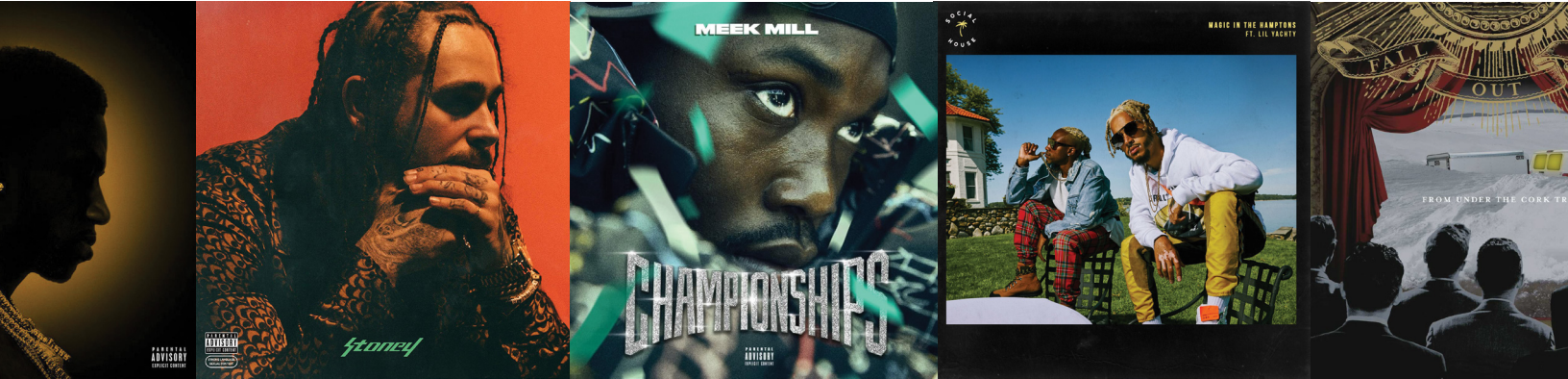
part of the management team. The two enjoyed similar music, and their relationship only grew the more they got to know one another.

"He's an incredibly talented musician," Romero said. "I definitely see him going somewhere big in life once he graduates."





PLAYLIST OF A *Post - Grad*



1. "Congratulations" - Post Malone ft. Quavo
2. "Graduation" - benny blanco, Juice WRLD
3. "Goin' Bad" - Meek Mill ft. Drake
4. "Cheers (Drink To That)" - Rihanna
5. "Glorious" - Macklemore ft. Skylar Grey
6. "High Hopes" - Panic! At The Disco
7. "This Feeling" - The Chainsmokers ft. Kelsea Ballerini
8. "Burn the House Down" - AJR
9. "Juice" - Lizzo
10. "I Gotta Feeling" - The Black Eyed Peas



11. "I Made It" - Kevin Rudolf ft. Lil Wayne, Birdman & Jay Sean
12. "I Get the Bag" - Gucci Mane ft. Migos
13. "Tonight Tonight" - Hot Chelle Rae
14. "Raise Your Glass" - P!NK
15. "Dance, Dance" - Fall Out Boy
16. "Magic in the Hamptons" - Social House ft. Lil Yachty
17. "Run This Town" - Jay-Z ft. Rihanna & Kanye West
18. "WIN" - Jay Rock
19. "No Problem" - Chance the Rapper ft. Lil Wayne & 2 Chainz
20. "Drip Too Hard" - Lil Baby & Gunna





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