



# THE CURRENT

## University of Louisville Honors Program Newsletter

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# FEATURE ARTICLE

## Faculty Focus: Dr. Karen Hadley

Dr. Karen Hadley was recently nominated for our Faculty Focus feature. As a departmental Honors Fellow in English, Dr. Hadley has taught Honors interdisciplinary seminars, Hon 217, and Hon 101 courses for most of the last decade. In addition to her teaching, Hadley continues to provide valuable mentorship and support to many undergraduates at the University of Louisville. We are incredibly pleased to feature her in this issue.

**1. You have taught a variety of courses for the University Honors Program, including Honors 101, Honors 217, and three interdisciplinary seminars you developed on Jane Austen, William Blake, and Frankenstein. Which of these has been your favorite to teach, if you have one?**

Some of the most enjoyable teaching I've done here at the University of Louisville has been in my interdisciplinary honors courses. It's exciting teaching upper-division Honors students from among the best in the college: the level of motivation and engagement, and the variety of interests and concerns together is stimulating all around. If I had to choose a favorite among the several I've taught—on William Blake, Jane Austen and Film, and Frankenstein—it would have to be the seminar on Jane Austen and film. I often get a number of (female) students who are true “Janites,” who have memorized more detail about the novels than I have. Then I get just a only couple of guys, who are almost always there at the request (or order) of their girlfriends. The guys become our “experts” on the “men's perspective” in reading/viewing Austen, if there is such a thing.

**2. What has been your most memorable teaching moment in Honors?**

A fantastic moment that grew out of one of my Austen seminars was an Austen Tea Party put on by one of my students, Lisa Board, at a real Tea Parlor (Sisters in Oldham County). The class and others were invited for an evening of Austen-inspired activities and complete tea service: hostess, servers, and other actors in period costume; harpist serenading us with English Country tunes; dance instructor who led us through a variety of English Country Dances; sweet and savory delicacies prepared from recipes that Austen would've been familiar with (and named after Austen characters); and of course our choice from authentic brewed teas presented in china tea service. What an evening!

**3. What's your favorite spot in Louisville?**

My favorite hang out is at Days Café on Bardstown Road just off of Edenside. I dig the laid back atmosphere, the comfy chairs and the regulars who occupy them, the rotating art installations, the poetry jams, the Monday specials, the



baristas, and the quality of coffee/coffee drinks. Also it's in the Highlands, where I spend most of my time when I'm not on campus.

#### 4. **What tips do you have students for making the most of their undergraduate experience?**

I always tell my Honors Orientation (Gen Ed 101) students to value their Gen Ed requirements. Too often they fill this coursework as a step on the ladder toward graduation, but in many cases, they discover a field that they're interested in pursuing, and that they wouldn't have known existed if they hadn't been required to take the class. I also encourage students to make the most of their coursework by getting to know instructors and by developing a real scholarly interest in their fields of study. College is an absolutely unique experience in your life, and you want to take advantage of it before you take on a permanent job, a family, and other responsibilities.

#### 5. **Last good book you read? Film you saw? Song or album you heard?**



Outside of reading for my courses, I confess that I'm a total media slut: I get a couple of newspapers and way too many feeds regarding global & presidential politics, cultural news and stuff dug up by media watchdogs.

##### 5a. **If you were on a desert island, which song would you take with you on your new iPhone?**

I like the music from the Great American Songbook: early 20th century American classics by composers such as Jerome Kern, the Gershwins, Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Rogers & Hammerstein & Fats Waller, and recorded at that time by artists such as Louis Armstrong, Glen Miller, Fred Astaire, Nat King Cole, Billie Holliday, Sarah Vaughan, Judy Garland, and others. I also enjoy them as Jazz Standards and in their most recent incarnations recorded by artists such as Lady Gaga, Linda Ronstadt, Michael Feinstein, Bette Midler, Queen Latifah, Keith Richards(!) and others.

#### 6. **What's your favorite place to eat in Louisville?**

For lunch, I like The Café near Louisville Stoneware. They've got a fun breakfast/lunch menu, and the most enormous slices of cake in town (dessert is my favorite food group).

#### 7. **What do you like best about working with students?**

Some of my best moments with students are later in the semester, and even after the semester has ended—sometimes years later. In the classroom, I always make it clear how my coursework is designed to be relevant not only to other classes in the college, but also to professional and life experiences beyond. My best moments are when students “get it”: when they make new intellectual discoveries or connections with other coursework; when they realize that their ability to think critically helped them to sort through the rhetoric of a current election cycle; or that their ability to communicate in writing unexpectedly helped them land a coveted job or admission to medical school. I have a file of notes and e-mails from students who have felt that lightbulb go on over their head when they make the connection--I've never thrown one away.

Interested in seeing a faculty member featured in *The Current*? Send your nomination, including why you would like to see this faculty member featured, to [luke.buckman@louisville.edu](mailto:luke.buckman@louisville.edu).

# HONORS NEWS

## Return to the Land of the Dragons

Michael Moryc, photographer and U.S. Army veteran will discuss his return to Vietnam 40 years after his service there. He will share with you his lessons learned and provide a memorable and fascinating look at Vietnam today. This is a story of healing, closure and transformation for a country and two friends who find themselves on a journey of profound and humbling implications. It is also an uplifting story of hope for anyone who may be suffering with PTSD.

Michael Moryc teaches workshops on Nature Photography and has been a winner of numerous national awards. He is certified by the state of Tennessee as a Peer Support Specialist and facilitates groups at the Nashville VA hospital. He is an active member of Veterans for Peace.

David Horvath is a close friend of Michael's - a friendship dating back to his return from Vietnam. David is a former librarian and active in many social change organizations. He helped develop curriculum for use in church communities that focus on social justice. **The event is rescheduled to March 3 at 4:00 in the Chao Auditorium.**



## The White Squirrel




The White Squirrel, Uofl's Literary & Arts Magazine, is currently accepting submissions for the 2015 edition! Send your poetry, short fiction, non-fiction, photography and visual art to [uoflwhitesquirrel@gmail.com](mailto:uoflwhitesquirrel@gmail.com) by **March 31st**. View submission guidelines here: <http://bit.ly/1CxYGa9>.

Fall 2014, Volume XI is on sale now for \$5 in the Etscorn Honors Center and Carmichael's Bookstores.

Fall 2015 - Overseers' International Travel Seminar:

## J.R.R. Tolkien in Print & Film

with travel to  
New Zealand



**HON 336-01 / HON 346-01**  
**Mondays & Wednesdays, 2:00-3:15 PM**  
**with Dr. Michael Williams**  
**Applications Due**  
**MARCH 13<sup>th</sup> by 12:00 PM**

Don't forget to apply for the Fall 2015 International Seminar to New Zealand to study The Lord of the Rings trilogy! Applications are available online and in the Etscorn Honors Center.

## Honors Opportunities

show us your stuff on  
**Instagram!**



we want to see **YOUR**  
honors experiences!

mention **@UL\_Honors**  
in your comments and  
show us today

Follow Honors on Instagram! Tag us @ul\_Honors to show us your Honors experiences.

# HONORS EVENTS

## THE SPRINGFLING

Remember when you were in the 6th grade watching Mean Girls for the first time and felt so...”fetch”? It was hilarious, extremely quotable, and starred Lindsey Lohan, who would definitely never have an embarrassing fall from fame. Get ready to live your middle school dream of hanging with the Plastics, because a classic Mean Girls event is coming to UofL! Honors Student Council is proud to present the first annual Spring Fling (you know, the dance that Cady busts into wearing her Mathletes gear?). This dance will be just as flashy, fun, and filled with quotes as the one in 2004, but it'll be a little bit nicer.



The Spring Fling will take place **Friday, March 6th** in the Red Barn at 7pm (it ends at 11pm, so don't worry if you have an early curfew like Damien) The entrance fee is \$5 and 100% of those funds will go to Camp Quality Kentuckiana, an amazing local organization that allows kids with cancer to attend camps and activities year-round. When you bust through the doors, expect a DJ and poppin' music that will take you back to the early 2000s and of course, an overload of décor fit for a Spring Fling Queen. After you get tired on the dance floor, take a much-needed food break and eat a burrito from Chipotle, or try dipping into the chocolate fountain and chowing down on Gigi's cupcakes. To relive the night's festivities, stop by the photo booth and pick up a few snapshots of your friends in your prom dresses and back braces.

Make sure you don't miss the Spring Fling! If none of the reasons above convinced you, come just to make sure no one bashes you in the Burn Book. We heard you might've made out with a hot dog recently.



**So, in case you missed it,  
here's the breakdown again:**

- Spring Fling, a Mean Girls inspired dance
- \$5 on March 6th at the Red Barn
- DJ + Photobooth
- Chipotle + Gigi's Cupcakes + chocolate fountain

## Trivia Night: Amped Up!



Last semester's trivia night was tons of fun for Honors students and the Louisville community!

Honors Student Council is proud to present our third Trivia Night: Amped Up! Come out on **February 25th** at 6:00 to the Multi-Purpose Room of the SAC for a fun trivia filled night! Michael Hartman will be our trivia master. The entry fee is \$5 per person with 100% of the proceeds going to Camp Quality Kentuckiana. There will be food and prizes, so come out and join us!

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## Unheard Tales of the Vietnam War: A South Vietnamese Perspective From Louisville

The Vietnam War is commonly remembered in the United States as the most tragic American conflict of the twentieth century. But this war also saw more than a million South Vietnamese soldiers serving their cause with incredible courage and bravery.

Please join us when veterans of the Army of the Republic of Viet Nam, a former cabinet member of the South Vietnamese government, and the wife of an imprisoned South Vietnamese soldier reflect on this conflict, share their memories of the fall of Saigon, tell us how their lives changed under Communist rule, and recount how they ultimately escaped from Vietnam and settled in Kentucky.

A moderator will ask questions and show clips from Moving Voices, an oral history project that collects stories from South Vietnamese veterans and refugees in Louisville (<http://movingvoiceskyeng.blogspot.com>).

**Tuesday, March 31, 2015, 6pm, Chao Auditorium**

Ekstrom Library, University of Louisville Belknap Campus

Reception to follow

Presenters:

Dr. Gary Minh Tran – Cabinet member and Vice Minister of Agriculture for the Republic of Viet Nam under President Nguyen Van Thieu

Hung Le – Officer in the Army of the Republic of Viet Nam, captured and imprisoned by the North Vietnamese Army in 1975

Khue Tran – Officer in the Army of the Republic of Viet Nam, captured and imprisoned by the North Vietnamese Army in 1975

Hao Tran – Wife of Khue Tran, who fought for the Republic of Viet Nam and was then imprisoned in a reeducation camp by the North Vietnamese Army

Tung Nguyen – Fighter Pilot in the Air Force of the Republic of Viet Nam, captured, and imprisoned by the North Vietnamese Army in 1975.

# HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

## 2015-2016 HSC Elections

Honors Student Council is now accepting applications for next year's council! If you are interested in getting involved in the Honors student community, developing leadership skills, and giving back to the local community, this is an outstanding opportunity. You can nominate yourself for either an elected or appointed position (see below for a full list). This is your opportunity to become a part of HSC and help design academic, fundraising, social, publicity, and service events for next year's Honors students! If you are interested in pursuing a position on HSC, the deadline to submit your application is **Friday, March 13 at 4:00 PM**. Applications are available under the Honors Student Council webpage (<http://louisville.edu/honors/student-organizations/honors-student-council-hsc>) and include descriptions for each position. Applications should be emailed to [luke.buckman@louisville.edu](mailto:luke.buckman@louisville.edu) by the deadline.



HSC Zombie Walk, 2014



HSC Cardinal Hoedown 2014



Trivia Night 2014



HSC Members 2014-2015

### Elected positions include:

- President
- Executive Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Vice President for Academics

- Vice President for Publicity
- Vice President for Service
- Vice President for Social Events
- Vice President for Special Events

### Appointed positions include:

- Academic Chair
- Publicity Chair
- Service Chair
- Social Chair
- Special Events Chair



# NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Seeking Environmentally-Minded Sophomores and Juniors!

The **Udall Foundation** is looking for sophomores and juniors who demonstrate a strong record of leadership, public service, and a commitment to a career in environmental studies and policy.

The Udall Scholarship provides winners with up to \$5,000 and unlimited networking possibilities with former Udall Scholars in your future career field. No matter your major, as long as you can demonstrate a commitment to the environment, you are eligible to apply!

For more information: <http://udall.gov/OurPrograms/Scholarship/Scholarship.aspx>

National Deadline: **March 4th, 2015**



The **US-UK Fulbright Commission** offers special Summer Institutes for US citizens to come to the UK. These summer programs provide the opportunity for US undergraduates (aged over 18), with at least two years of undergraduate study left to complete, to come to the UK on a three, four, five or six week academic and cultural summer program. Participants in these programs will get the opportunity to experience an exciting academic program at a highly regarded UK University, explore the culture, heritage and history of the UK and develop their academic ability by improving presentation, research and communication skills.

There are nine Summer Programs available for US students in 2015! For more information, please visit: <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/fulbright-awards/exchanges-to-the-uk/undergraduates>

Applications are due: **February 26th or March 5th.**

If you are interested in applying for any of these scholarships, please contact Heather Turner to set up a meeting with Dr. Condon. You can reach Heather at [heather.turner@louisville.edu](mailto:heather.turner@louisville.edu) or at 502.852.1515.

# FROM OUR FRIENDS

## REACH Studying Events

Attention Honors Living and Learning Community Students!

**Monday, Feb. 23**

Test Review for Chemistry 202 with LLC Tutor Alana Cahill

6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Honors House second floor classroom

**Monday, March 9**

Study Hall for Biology 242 and Chemistry 202 with LLC Tutor Alana Cahill

6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Honors House second floor classroom

## Become a REACH Ambassador!

Applications are now available to become a REACH Ambassador! Applications are available at <http://www.reach.louisville.edu/applications/ambassador/>.



**Apply Now!**

Now Accepting Applications Online!

<http://www.reach.louisville.edu/applications/ambassador/>



Questions?  
502-852-8106  
lrvald01@louisville.edu

### REACH is Now Hiring Ambassadors for 2015-2016



- Apply anytime Feb. 2nd - Mar. 13th
- Ambassadors mentor incoming UofL freshmen
- Must be a second year student
- Must have at least a 2.5 GPA
- 3 paid hours per week

**Ambassadors Gain:**

- Mentoring certification
- Leadership, communication, and organization skills
- Stronger connections to campus and students
- Networking opportunities
- Family dynamic
- Soft skills

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For a graduate student experience like no other, apply to be a REACH Graduate Student Assistant (GSA).

REACH offers a wide variety of roles in an academic setting. As a REACH GSA you will have the opportunity to:

- Work with a diverse array of students, faculty, and professional staff
- Develop skills in areas such as tutoring, teaching, public speaking, supervising, event planning, technology, and data collection
- Earn in-state tuition remission and a monthly stipend
- Work in an environment that supports your academic goals

REACH  
Graduate Student Assistants

Priority deadline is March 6. Applications received by then will be given first consideration. Final deadline is March 20.

For complete details including the requirements and online application, visit <http://reach.louisville.edu/applications/gsa/>.

## Apply to become a REACH Graduate Assistant!

Applications are now available online. For more information, please visit <http://www.reach.louisville.edu/applications/gsa/>.


## Undergraduate Research Opportunity

The Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP), sponsored by the Offices of the Provost and EVPRI, provides UofL undergraduate students, whom would like to know more about graduate-level education at the university, with a 10-week research-intensive experience in a department that offers graduate degrees. Mentors will provide students with individualized research projects. All UofL departments with graduate programs will be supported. Students should be, preferably, in their sophomore or junior year of study. The deadline is **March 2, 2015**. Dates for the Program are May 26, 2015 – August 1, 2015. See <http://louisville.edu/research/students/undergrad-grad/summer> for more information.

Please note that the 2015 University-wide Undergraduate Research and Community Engagement Symposium is scheduled for April 14, 2015 12:30 - 4:00. For more information, please see <<http://louisville.edu/research/students/students/undergradsymposiums/symposium>>. The date for the Symposium aligns with the National Council on Undergraduate Research Undergraduate Research Week, April 13-18, 2015.

## Alternative Summer Break

Applications are now available for UofL's 2015 Alternative Summer Break trip! The trip this summer is an environmental service project in Ecuador. Applications are available on OrgSync.



**UofL Alternative Summer Break 2015**  
**Ecuador: Galapagos Island Preservation**  
*Environmental Service Project*  
May 11-24, 2015

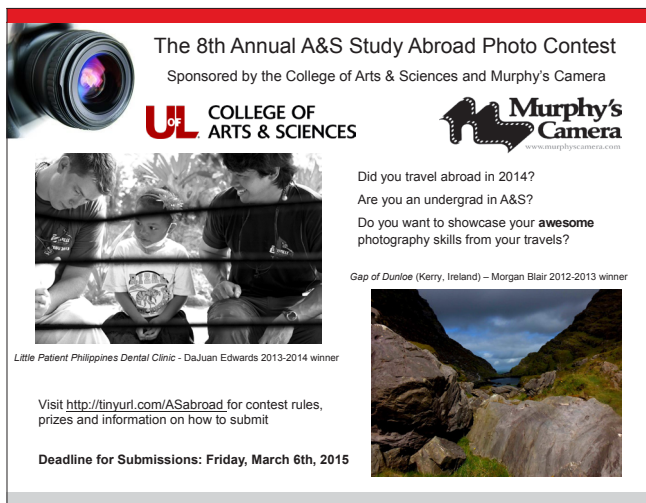
The poster features a central map of the Galapagos Islands with various species of birds and marine life. Surrounding the map are four photographs: a blue-footed booby, a sea turtle, a tortoise, and a sea lion. Below the map, there is a table of trip costs and a registration link.

Trip Cost:	
If you apply AND provide a \$1200 non-refundable payment, your spot will be held until you have paid in full. Payment schedule is as follows:	
By March 6	\$1200
By April 6	\$850
By May 6	\$850

Register on OrgSync: <http://orgsync.com/96382/forms/126682>

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## Attention Honors Travelers!



The 8th Annual A&S Study Abroad Photo Contest  
Sponsored by the College of Arts & Sciences and Murphy's Camera

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Murphy's Camera

Did you travel abroad in 2014?  
Are you an undergrad in A&S?  
Do you want to showcase your awesome photography skills from your travels?

Gap of Dunloe (Kerry, Ireland) – Morgan Blair 2012-2013 winner

Little Patient Philippines Dental Clinic - DaJuan Edwards 2013-2014 winner

Visit <http://tinyurl.com/ASabroad> for contest rules, prizes and information on how to submit

Deadline for Submissions: Friday, March 6th, 2015

The Arts & Sciences Office of Advising and Student Services invites you to participate in the Seventh Annual Study Abroad Photo Contest. This is an opportunity for you to share your study abroad travel experiences and memories while also showcasing your skills as a photographer! We're certain that many of you have taken wonderful photos of your travels and hope that you will be willing to share these with the rest of the U of L campus community.

Eligibility: Any Undergraduate A&S student who has studied abroad with/through the University of Louisville

during the Spring 2014, Summer 2014 or Fall 2014 semesters.

### Photo Contest rules:

- Maximum number of photos submitted for the contest is 3 per student. (Not ALL will be used – When submitting, please rank order of preference for display purposes).
- Each photo must be submitted in electronic form, (Jpeg. Or gif file) on a disc (to Gardiner Hall, 1st floor), or as an email attachment
- Photographs may be black-and-white or color
- Please submit the following information with your photo/s:
  - o Name, Student ID# and major/s
  - o Study Abroad program, City and Country and semester abroad
  - o Give a title or brief description for each of your photos including where and when it was taken

The only restriction is that your photo or photos capture an experience or record an observation abroad, not necessarily limited to your program site. The photo may capture a number of different subjects or themes.

Note: Due to the nature of the contest, these photos must be taken BY you, not OF you!

### Deadline:

ALL submissions are due by **5 pm, Friday, March 6th, 2015.**

\*Contest participation is only guaranteed to the first 50 students who submit.

Voting will take place online the last two weeks of March.

- 1st place winner: A \$100 Gift Certificate to Murphy's Camera and a \$50 gift certificate toward a photo book of your travels!
- 2nd place winner: A \$75 Gift Certificate to Murphy's Camera
- 3rd place winner: A \$50 Gift Certificate to Murphy's Camera

Each winning photo will be enlarged and put on display in Gardiner Hall following the end of the contest.

For additional information (and to submit via email), please contact Danielle Dolan at [addola01@louisville.edu](mailto:addola01@louisville.edu) or (502) 852-5502.

## PEACC Events

Meat and Potatoes: Mr. March

**Wednesday, February 25th 7:30pm** at The Avenue in Card Towne

Meat & Potatoes—a monthly forum that provides a college male perspective on the day’s headlines welcomes you to the discussion. Join the guys as they sound off on the hottest topics; great food and good conversations!

Green Dot Bystander Training

**Sunday, March 8th 12:30-5:00pm** at the PEACC Program

Join the ranks of certified bystanders performing Green Dots around the world! Just in time for spring break, make sure you have the knowledge and skills to safely step in and help prevent experiences of sexual assault and violence, whether you’re in Fort Lauderdale or Bardstown Road. This interactive training includes a tasty lunch, free Tshirt, and a fancy certificate. Register today at [www.louisville.edu/peacc](http://www.louisville.edu/peacc)

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## Digital Filmmaking Production Workshops

UofL’s Digital Media Suite is now offering Digital Filmmaking Production workshops every Monday and Tuesday from 2:00-3:00 in their Media Suite. For more information, please visit [louisville.edu/digitalmediasuite.com](http://louisville.edu/digitalmediasuite.com).



The poster features a central graphic with the letters 'DMS' in a large, stylized font, each letter filled with various software icons like Adobe Photoshop (PS), Adobe After Effects (AE), Adobe Premiere Pro (Pr), and Adobe InDesign (ID). Below the graphic, the text reads: 'Digital Filmmaking Production Workshops', 'Every Monday & Tuesday', '2:00 - 3:00'. A list of workshops is provided: 'Introduction to Premiere Pro' (Feb 9 & 10), 'Basic Editing' (Feb 16 & 17), 'Advanced Techniques' (Feb 23 & 24), 'Sound Design' (March 2 & 3), and 'Color Correction and Finishing' (March 9 & 10). The website [louisville.edu/digitalmediasuite](http://louisville.edu/digitalmediasuite) is listed at the bottom.