



THE CURRENT

University of Louisville Honors Program Newsletter

Honors Calendar At-A-Glance:

April 6	HVP Children's Easter Egg Hunt
April 9	HSC Spring Fling HVP Meeting
April 10	Etscorn Scholarship Application Due
April 11	HVP English Conversation Club

**Make sure to read through this entire newsletter for other important dates and deadlines.*

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This edition of The Current features decorations for the upcoming HSC Spring Fling, which has been rescheduled for April 9. Come out and enjoy the fun! That is, if you even go here.

HONORS NEWS

Honors Etscorn Scholarship Applications

Applications for academic scholarships with a value up to \$5,000 for the 2015-2016 academic year are now available.

Out-of-state students are eligible to apply. The application and its criteria, along with instructions, may be accessed at the University Honors Program's Scholarships page: <http://louisville.edu/honors/scholarships/university-honors-program-etscorn-scholarship>. These scholarships are funded through generous donations by the Etscorn Foundation. Completed applications, including all letters of recommendation, are due **Friday, April 10, 2015** by 4:00 P.M.

Louisville Orchestra Concert

Free student tickets are available for the Louisville orchestra final concert on **April 25th** via our Annual Fund campaign that raised money to provide student tickets to our Classics concerts. Students may claim tickets at the Etscorn Honors Center until **April 15th**. Please note that if you claim a ticket, you must go to the event. Tickets will be available at "will call" and will need to be picked up by 7:40 pm at the latest on the day of the event. Also at the final concert, a Louisville Orchestra Block Party will be taking place that begins at 5 pm at the Kentucky Center for the Arts with community music groups with an after party following the show. The block party is completely free and open to the public!



HONORS ADVISING

Honors Advising Liaison League (HALL) Superhero Spotlight

The Honors Advising Liaison League (HALL) was established in the spring of 2014 as a network of professional advisors across the University who act as our University Honors Program champions in their respective advising centers. The members of HALL meet monthly to share information and network in an attempt to provide the best professional advising experience possible for our Honors students across the University. We will be putting several of our HALL members in the Superhero Spotlight in each remaining issue of *The Current* this semester so that you can learn more about the professional advisors in your colleges/schools who are acting as the official liaisons to the University Honors Program.



Superhero Spotlight:

Jimmy Kidd – Assistant Director of Advising for Speed School of Engineering

HONORS: Where are you from, originally?

JK: New Lebanon, Ohio

HONORS: What degrees have you earned and from where?

JK: BS in Social Work and Elementary Education Certification from University of the Cumberlands.

Graduate Degree in College Student Personnel

HONORS: How did you arrive at academic advising as a career?

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JK: I knew I wanted to have a job that had student contact and where I could watch the students grow as a person. I wanted to be an advisor at Speed School because of the relationships I had developed with the students at Speed during my time in admissions at Speed School. I have been able to watch many of the students change through the years as I knew many of them as Juniors in high school.

HONORS: What do you love best about advising students?

JK: Watching them grow as an individual.

HONORS: Why did you join the Honors Advising Liaison League?

JK: I want Speed School students to have the best Honors experience possible. I wanted to learn more about Honors and how to help Speed Students graduate in the program.

HONORS: What is your number one hope for the Honors student experience at UofL?

JK: To gain a broader experience in the courses that they take and to challenge the way they view the world.

HONORS: What's your favorite interest/pastime?

JK: I love being with my family, watching sports, reading (especially comics).

Be on the lookout for next issue's edition of a HALL Spotlight!

Priority Registration

Just a reminder that priority registration began at 8:00 AM on March 31! **Please remember that you must register for your Honors courses within 48 hours or your permission will expire.** This means that permission granted for priority registration will expire at the end of the day on April 1! If you are on a waiting list for an Honors course, you don't need to add that to your shopping cart today--the Honors Program will email you if a spot opens.

HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

Spring Fling Rescheduled!



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.



Because of the snowstorm of 2015, the Spring Fling has been rescheduled for **Thursday, April 9** 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 April 9th at the Red Barn
- DJ + Photobooth
- Chipotle + Gigi’s Cupcakes + chocolate fountain

HVP Events

Mark your calendars for the final Honors Volunteer Program Community Meeting of the spring semester! Join us on **Thursday, April 9th from 12:15 to 12:20** pm in the Etscorn Classroom for details about our final events of the semester, as well as exciting service opportunities during the summer break! As always, snacks will be provided! For more information or to join the HVP email list to always stay up to date on events, you can contact Danielle Deal at dnddeal01@louisville.edu! We hope to see you there!

Honors Volunteer Program will be hosting only a few more events this semester, and this is the perfect time to get involved! On **Monday, April 6th**, HVP will be assisting in the Cabbage Patch Settlement House's Annual Easter Egg Hunt! Come out to help the kids celebrate Easter with games and activities, as well as tons of candy! The time of this event is still to be determined, but will begin around 5:30 pm. More information will be sent out to those who are interested when it becomes available!

For the final event of the semester, Honors Volunteer Program will be attending the English Conversation Club at Iroquois Library on **Saturday, April 11th**. This event is perfect for anyone is interested working with Louisville's diverse population or getting extra practice with a foreign language - however, proficiency in any foreign language is not needed! This is our last chance to attend these Conversation Clubs for the spring semester, and we'd like to invite anyone who's interested to join us! We will be carpooling from Threlkeld around 2:30 pm, and for more information about transportation or any of the Honors Volunteer Program events that have been mentioned, please contact Danielle Deal at dnddeal01@louisville.edu!



FROM OUR FRIENDS

Reach Opportunities

REACH would like to extend this Special Invitation to Honors students to apply to be a REACH Tutor or SI/LA Leader for Fall 2015! There will be openings in all Centers & Programs and in all disciplines. If you are interested please send Karen Carrow a quick email at k0seng01@exchange.louisville.edu and also go ahead and complete the on-line REACH Tutor application by clicking on the following link: <http://reach.louisville.edu/applications/tutor/>

REACH would like to give Honors students first priority for a position and they would like for you to complete the application as soon as possible or by **April 15th**. You should have a GPA of 3.0 or greater at the end of this semester and will need two letters of recommendation in which one must be from a professor and the other can be from another professor, or advisor, or job supervisor.

Listed below are brief descriptions of the SI/LA Leader & Tutor Positions:

- Math Tutors work weekly shifts in the MRC/VMC and work with students in a variety of Math courses from Math 100's Level up through Math 206/ENGR102 on a drop-in basis. This position can be for 5-20 hours per week.
- CRC Tutors work with students in the CRC & I Tech Zone on a drop in basis. There are also study groups for CIS courses and CECS course. This position can be from 5-20 hours per week.
- Small Group Scheduled Tutors work with up to 5 students in a specific course/or courses once per week at the scheduled appointment time. This position can be from 5-20 hours per week.
- Supplemental Instruction (SI) Leaders and Learning Assistance (LA) Leaders work with specific courses and/or Professors by attending a class section to up-date their notes & review, offering weekly study sessions/ office hours as well as test reviews for students enrolled in the course. This position is 10 hours per week.

REACH Tutoring

Monday, Apr. 13

Study Halls for Biology 242 & Chemistry with LLC Tutor Alana Cahill

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

PEACC Events

Urban Living 101: The Homeland

Wednesday, April 1

7:30-8:30PM at Cardinal Towne - The Avenue.

Are we safer today than before September 11, 2001? How do we prevent potential strikes in the homeland? From recent explosions of violence—Boko Haram in Nigeria, by the Taliban in Pakistan, Al Qaeda in Paris and acts of terror in Yemen and Iraq, there is heightened concern about attacks on American soil. What are Louisville officials doing to stop the spread of terrorism and threats in our community?

The Gray Area: Guantano Bay—What is the Argument for Keeping it Open or Closing it?

Wednesday, April 8

7:30-8:30PM at Cardinal Towne - The Avenue.

It was 13 years ago that the United States government opened a prison on the island of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and it was 6 years ago that President Barack Obama made a campaign promise to close the detention camp and move detainees to prisons on American soil before he leaves office. What do you believe? Should the U.S. close its prison? Join The Gray Area discussion.

A Time for PEACC with ROTC

Wednesday, April 15

7:30-8:45PM at Cardinal Towne - The Avenue.

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness month PEACC and ROTC join forces with community partners and abuse survivors to come together in this musical program to inform, uplift, inspire and call to action, as an unconventional way, of taking on the often tough-to-talk-about issue of sexual assault and all forms of interpersonal violence. Join us for an evening of inspiration and motivation to address a hard hitting problem that's close to home. The numbers are significant—that's what we all have at stake.

Meat & Potatoes: Semester Finale

Wednesday, April 22

7:30-8:30PM at Cardinal Towne - The Avenue.

Meat & Potatoes—a monthly forum that provides a college male perspective on the day's headlines promotes positive communication and advocacy for today's college man as he navigates through university life. If you like to debate, learn about ongoing issues, eat free food and hangout with friends—or just enjoy serious dialogue with some laughs, then Meat & Potatoes is right up your alley!

Red Barn Scholarships

Florence M. Strickler Red Barn Scholarship

Could you use one of at least two \$1,700 scholarships from the Florence M. Strickler Red Barn Alumni Association (RBAA) for the 2015 Fall semester?

If so, pay attention to the following details!

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must have a completed application WITH TWO LETTERS of recommendation attached and turned in by **Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 5pm**. PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE EXTENDED AND APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN BY 5PM AS INDICATED.

If you are also applying for the Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Scholarship, the Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Scholarship or the Bridgette Pregliasco Torchbearer Scholarship, you need to have two letters of recommendation for each of them also. The same persons who gave you reference for one of the scholarships could also give you reference for the other scholarships, but you need to have TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION ATTACHED TO EACH APPLICATION that you turn in.

Bridgette Pregliasco Torchbearer Scholarship

Could you use a \$500 Bridgette Pregliasco Torchbearer Scholarships from the Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Program for the 2015 Fall semester?

If so, read the following information!

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must have a completed application with two letters of recommendation attached and turned in by **Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 5pm**. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE EXTENDED AND APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN BY 5PM AS INDICATED.

If you are also applying for the Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Scholarship, the Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Scholarship or the Florence M. Strickler RBAA Scholarships, you need to have two letters of recommendation for each of them also. The same persons who gave you recommendations for one of the scholarships could also give you recommendations for the other scholarships but you need to have two letters of recommendation attached to each application that you turn in.

Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Scholarship

Could you use a \$500 Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Scholarship through the Torchbearer Program for the 2015 Fall semester?

If so, read on!

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must have both a completed application and two letters of recommendation attached turned in by **Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 5pm**. PLEASE NOTE THE

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DEADLINE WILL NOT BE EXTENDED AND APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN BY 5PM AS INDICATED. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS. PLEASE MAKE THIS VERY CLEAR TO PERSONS WRITING RECOMMENDATION LETTERS FOR YOU.

If you are also applying for the Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Scholarship, the Florence M. Strickler Red Barn Alumni Association (RBAA) Scholarships or the Bridgette Pregliasco Scholarship for Adult Learners, you need to have two letters of recommendation for each of them also. The same persons who gave you references for one of the scholarships could also give you references for the others scholarships, but you need to HAVE TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION ATTACHED TO EACH APPLICATION THAT YOU TURN IN.

Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Scholarship

Could you use a \$500 Dennis C. Golden Torchbearer Scholarship through the Torchbearer Program for the 2015 Fall semester?

If so, pay attention to the following!

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must have a completed application with two letters of recommendation ATTACHED, and turned in by **5pm on Wednesday, April 22, 2015**. If you are also applying for the Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Scholarship, the Florence M. Strickler Red Barn Alumni Association (RBAA) Scholarship or the Bridgette Pregliasco Torchbearer Scholarship, you need to have two letters of reference for each of them also. The same two persons who gave you references for one of the scholarships could also give you references for the other scholarships, but you need to have two letters of recommendation with each application turned in – NO EXCEPTIONS.

Please note that that each application is online at <http://louisville.edu/studentactivities/facilities/red-barn-1>

Please note applications must be typed and recommendations should be on appropriate letterhead stationery.

If you need more information, please e-mail gjhowe01@louisville.edu, or call (502) 852-7467.

LGBT Alumni Council Scholarship

This scholarship, with an application deadline of May 1, will be provided to subsidize the cost of higher education at the University of Louisville. The goal is to empower LGBTQ+ students at the University of Louisville by connecting them with financial, organizational and personal development opportunities to improve themselves and, in turn, our community. The amount of the scholarship will be determined by funds and donations available at the time the scholarships are granted. The scholarship is a one-time award provided directly to the financial office of the University of Louisville. Applications available online: <http://louisville.edu/financialaid/scholarships/scholarships-managed-by-the-student-financial-aid-office>

University-wide Undergraduate Research and Community Engagement Symposium

April 14, 12:30 to 4 p.m., Shumaker Research Building, Room 139

The Office of the Executive Vice President for Research and Innovation is sponsoring the annual Undergraduate Research Symposium. Students, faculty and the community can discuss cutting-edge research topics, examine the connection between research and education and explore the broad range of research at UofL. Deadline for electronic abstract submission is **April 9**.

ACLU Exoneree Tour

Death Row exoneree Sabrina Butler Porter will speak at UofL's Chao Auditorium on **Tuesday, April 7 at 6:00 pm**, the event is free and open to the public. Sabrina was a teenager when she was sentenced to death for the abuse and murder of her infant son. After spending 3 years on death row, and 5 years in prison, Porter was exonerated when investigators determined her son died of natural causes. Come out to her talk and discuss her experiences and the criminal justice system here in the United States.

Reschedule of Pre-Health Conference

If interested, please join other future health professionals for the 1st Annual UofL Student Pre-Health Conference: "Application Boot Camp—"Not So" Basic Training"!

As a participant in the event you will learn more about the application process including: writing a personal statement, how to ask for letters of recommendation, interviewing and professionalism, addressing missteps, and creating a back-up plan.

As a pre-health student, we encourage you to participate!

This event is ideal for students interested in applying for: Medical School, Dental School, Pharmacy School, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physician's Assistant, Speech Therapy, Public Health, Optometry, Veterinary Sciences, Nursing, And any other health sciences graduate program!

Friday, April 10th

Students can register online at <http://attend.com/PreHealthConference410>. Registration begins at 12:30 pm in the Davidson Hall Rm 109 and the program promptly starts at 1 pm.

This event is limited to the first 150 participants.

Study Abroad Peer Ambassador Positions

The position is for a Study Abroad Peer Ambassador within the International Affairs Department at UofL. We are looking for 2 – 3 students for the fall 2015 semester to work in our office and gain experience in advising while offering a student perspective about the study abroad experience. Students must be a current sophomore or junior that has studied abroad for at least one semester. Ideally candidates have studied abroad multiple times [any combination of academic year, semester or summer programs are acceptable].

Requirements:

- Registered student at the University of Louisville
- Sophomore or Junior status at time of application
- Previous participant in a [minimum] semester long credit-bearing study abroad program
- Strong communication and public speaking skills
- Computer skills including: Word, Excel, Outlook and Social Media knowledge
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Enthusiasm for promoting study abroad

Responsibilities:

- Hold one-on-one walk-in advising hours to prospective study abroad students including; guiding students through the application process, address questions about financial aid and scholarship opportunities, helping students find programs tailored to their major/schedule/interests, etc
- Be willing and able to positively discuss your study abroad experience
- Be available to assist in campus recruitment events such as posting flyers, staffing information tables at events and leading presentations in classrooms
- Maintain a tidy work space and organize promotional material as needed
- Assist with occasional clerical tasks (copying, answering phones, etc)

Expected Schedule:

The Peer Ambassador Team is comprised of 2 - 3 students and is supervised by a Study Abroad Advisor or Graduate Assistant. Students must be willing to work 10 per week during normal office hours (Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm). This is a semester long commitment. Your position may be renewed for an additional semester provided demonstration of exemplary work and attitude.

Compensation:

Students will receive a \$650 scholarship at the end of the semester.

Please submit a resume along with the name, phone number and email address of three references. Two of your references should hold on-campus positions.

The Office of Study Abroad will review all applications and contact those selected for an in-person interview no later than Wednesday April 8th. Interviews will take place at the Office of Study Abroad between April 9th and April 15th with a final decision made on Friday April 17th

Email Kimber Guinn at kimber.guinn@louisville.edu for more information and to receive an application.

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Cardinal Host Opportunities

The Cardinal Host Program is a select organization of undergraduate students who assist at various Presidential events – receptions, athletic events, and numerous other functions. Cardinal Hosts help make an event run smoothly, but more importantly, they represent President Ramsey and the University of Louisville and its mission.

The application this year is available online at <http://president-events.louisville.edu/oop/cardinal%20host%20app/cardhoststart.php>

The deadline to apply is **Wednesday, April 8th at 5 p.m.** In order to be considered each applicant must complete the entire application and submit all required articles by this time.

Questions regarding the program or application process may be sent to Julie Kroger (julie.kroger@louisville.edu) or to Joe Elliott (joe.elliott@louisville.edu).