

# THE CURRENT

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## QUICK CALENDAR

- 8/24-28** Walk-in Advising Hours Available
- 8/28** Last Day to Drop/Add Courses
- 9/1** HSC First Year Application Deadline
- 9/3** Senior Honors Thesis Info Session
- 9/4** Submission Deadline - KHR
- 9/7** Labor Day - Offices Closed
- 9/9** Honors Scholar Reception
- 9/10** Honors Scholar Advising Sign-up
- 9/11** General Honors Advising Sign-up

*\*More important dates and deadlines are listed throughout this newsletter. **Please read carefully.***

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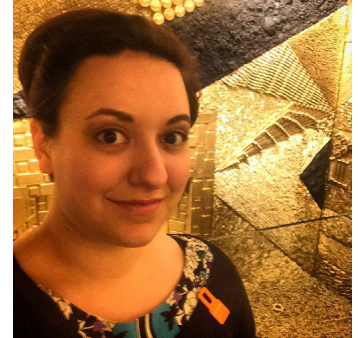


# WELCOME TO HONORS!

## FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to Honors first year students, and welcome back upperclassmen! My name is Alex O'Keefe, Program Assistant for the Honors Program, and I'll also be the editor for *The Current* this academic year. I'm so excited to provide you with information throughout the year through each issue of our bi-weekly newsletter.

*The Current* was my go-to resource for all things Honors when I was a student, and I hope it continues to be for you. Each month I'll work to provide you with upcoming events, deadlines, opportunities, and interesting content about faculty members, alumni, students, and more! I'm always interested in what you have to say, so if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions feel free to email the Honors service account: [honors@louisville.edu](mailto:honors@louisville.edu)



I hope everyone has a fantastic semester!

## WELCOME FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DR. JOY HART



Welcome! Whether this is your first semester as an Honors student or your last one before graduation, we are pleased to be working with you and look forward to an exciting and rewarding academic year.

Over a game of chess, Sam Seaborn questions President Jed Bartlet about a decision that Bartlet appears to have made. Bartlet encourages Sam to, "Look at the whole board," which, of course, is important both in chess and in strategic planning. Although university life is a bit different than the television show *West Wing*, we hope that you will strive to look at the whole board during your time at UofL too.

As you move toward graduation, lots of pieces will be in play. Look at how these pieces fit together and strategize about where you want to be. Certainly, getting your degree and readying yourself for the next phases of your life are important (e.g., being competitive for an international fellowship, getting into graduate or professional school, launching a career). Also important is building a base that will sustain you during your time here and across your future endeavors.

Ensuring that you have a broad educational and experiential base allows you flexibility. This flexibility helps in relating to the diverse people you'll encounter as well as in adapting to career shifts and life transitions. Another key element of that base is a network of friends and mentors, who want the best for you and can fuel your growth. Your university days are great times to cultivate relationships that can help you succeed—both now and after graduation.

When Seaborn asks Bartlet what accounts for his strategic success, Bartlet replies, "You have a lot of help. You listen to everybody, and then you call the play." The same is true for you—the plays are yours to call.

In preparing to make these calls, use the help available to you. The university is filled with people who want to assist you and are willing to share insights and suggestions. Cultivate good listening skills and solicit input and advice from lots of people. Listen to your family, friends, advisors, professors, and others you encounter. And, like Bartlet, call the play that will take you where you want to go. Enjoy the process, build the network, and have fun!



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# HONORS NEWS

## SENIOR HONORS THESIS

*Are you an A&S major hoping to graduate with Highest Honors (summa cum laude)?*

Are you interested in or already pursuing undergraduate research in your field of interest? If so, and if you meet some minimum GPA and credit hours qualifications, you may be a good candidate to write a Senior Honors Thesis!

It's never too early to start brainstorming about a topic or start talking to your faculty mentors about your research interests! You can view more information about the Senior Honors Thesis process at: <http://louisville.edu/honors/senior-honors-theses>

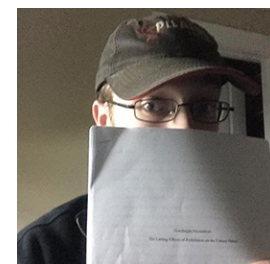
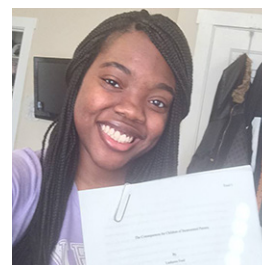
We will also be holding an information session for qualifying A&S majors who wish to know the Senior Honors Thesis Process (information below). Watch your email for more information about eligibility. Any questions about Senior Honors Theses can be directed to Sarah Springer, Academic Counselor: [s.springer@louisville.edu](mailto:s.springer@louisville.edu)

### Information Session

Thursday, September 3

12:30-1:30 PM

Shumaker Research Building (SRB) Rm. 139



Students took selfies with their theses last year to celebrate the end of the process. This could be you!

## CONFERENCE - KENTUCKY HONORS ROUNDTABLE

If you have a research project that you are working on, a class demonstration, a paper you have written for a course, or just a topic that you are interested in researching, please consider writing a proposal for KHR this fall! This is a great opportunity to share information with students from across the state, and gain valuable experience presenting at a conference! All costs are covered by the Honors Program. If you have any questions about possible subject matter ask your Honors advisor.



### Your proposal must include the following:

- Name of presenter(s)
- Title of presentation
- Presentation description (100 words or less)
- Presentation type: podium, panel, or poster
- Equipment needed: Laptop, projector, speakers, PowerPoint, other computer applications, internet access, film capabilities, easel, etc.

Email your submissions to Sarah Exner, Academic Counselor: [sarah.exner@louisville.edu](mailto:sarah.exner@louisville.edu) by noon, September 4.

### Conference Information:

**Submission Deadline: By noon, September 4**

**Conference Dates: September 25-26**

**Location: Eastern Kentucky University**

Image: UofL attendees posed for a quick picture at KHR hosted by Kentucky State University, Spring 2015

## SCHOLARS SEMINAR SHOWCASE

If you are in the University Honors Scholars Program, you have already received your email invitation to attend this semester's Scholars Seminar Showcase. This event provides students the opportunity to hear Honors faculty describe the seminars to be offered in the Spring and meet others in the Honors Scholar community!

If you have received the invitation, please remember to RSVP no later than September 4. If you think you are a member of the Honors Scholars Program and you did not receive an email invitation, please contact Katherine Rucker: [katherine.rucker@louisville.edu](mailto:katherine.rucker@louisville.edu)



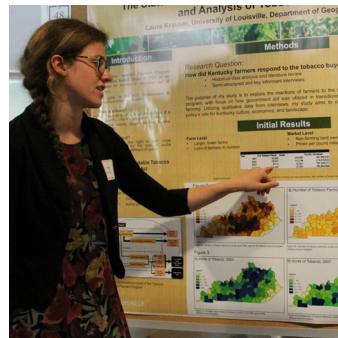
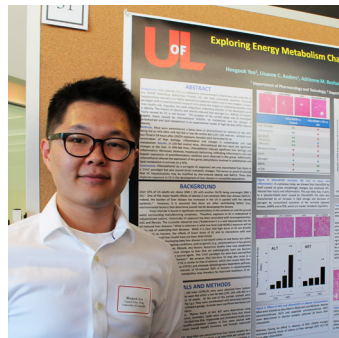
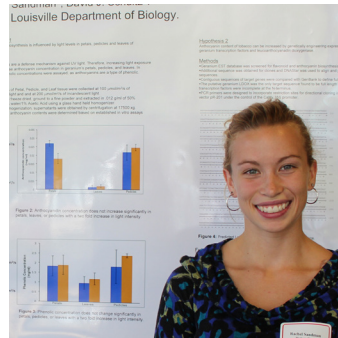
Scholars listen as Dr. Walker describes her seminar at the Spring Scholars Seminar Showcase, 2015

## HONORS STUDENTS PRESENT SUMMER RESEARCH

Over the summer sixteen Honors students participated in 10-week Summer Research Opportunity Programs. These students presented their findings at a poster session at the Health Sciences Campus on July 30, 2015. Research areas included Biology, Medicine & Oncology, Oral Health & Rehabilitation, Pharmacology, Biochemistry, Ophthalmology, Geosciences, Anthropology, and History.

### Presenters:

- Kryshawna Beard - Physiology
- Andrew Bratton - Cancer Education
- Christian Brawner - SROP
- Maggie Chang - Cancer Education
- Robert Conley - SROP
- Thomas Gordon - Cancer Education
- Hailey Griffey - Cancer Education
- Justin Heidel - Cancer Education
- Parker Howard - SROP
- Brenna Kaelin - Cancer Education
- Laura Krauser - SROP
- Chelsea Moore - SROP
- Rachel Sandman - Biology REU
- Karen Udoh - Cancer Education
- Hung Kyle Vuong - SROP
- Heegook Yeo - Cancer Education



Top Row (Left to Right): Thomas Gordon, Rachel Sandman, Robert Conley  
Bottom Row (Left to Right): Heegook Yeo, Laura Krauser, Chelsea Moore

## FREE IDEAFESTIVAL PASSES

The Honors Program and IdeaFestival are once again partnering to offer a limited number of day passes or all-access passes to UofL Honors students. The University of Louisville is one of the event sponsors, and this is an excellent chance to have some of our outstanding students attend the festival.

To give you an idea of how fantastic and generous an offer like this is for Honors students, day passes are normally \$150 and discounted festival passes are currently \$400. **The University Honors Program will have a limited number of FREE passes to offer you.** If this opportunity interests you, please be sure to visit the IdeaFestival website at [www.ideafestival.com](http://www.ideafestival.com) to view the festival agenda, featured speakers, and the variety of links provided there to view all of the incredible sessions and events occurring over the three-day festival. The dates of the festival are Sept. 29 – Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, and it will take place at the Kentucky Center for the Arts downtown.



**IDEAFESTIVAL®**  
**September 29 - October 2**  
**Kentucky Center for the Arts**  
**(Downtown)**  
**Schedule available at:**  
[www.ideafestival.com](http://www.ideafestival.com)  
Email by 9/11 to reserve a pass

If you would like to request a festival pass (either for a particular day or the full festival), please notify Luke Buckman via e-mail ([luke.buckman@louisville.edu](mailto:luke.buckman@louisville.edu)) by no later than **Friday, September 11**. Passes will be made available on a first-come, first-served basis. When you write to Luke, please indicate in your e-mail whether you are requesting a full pass or a day pass. If you are interested in a day pass, please also indicate the specific day. If you have any questions, please let Luke know.

## EVENT REVIEW: HON 101, MODES OF INQUIRY

While other students finished moving into their Residence Halls, first-years taking HON 101 were getting a head start on class. From the afternoon of Wednesday, August 19 through the early evening of Thursday, August 20, faculty and advisors, with the assistance of Honors CAPS Leaders, lead students in class sessions addressing a range of topics such as expectations for the semester, what roles advisors play in their academic career, how to utilize campus resources, and what to expect during their first year of college. Each section of HON 101 also is themed around a specific topic (e.g. sustainability, science & religion) that students will research for the remainder of the course, which will help them explore the intersection of disciplines and learn critical thinking skills. HON 101 was a chance for students to start making connections with their classmates, professors and advisors before their first semester kicked off this week.

***“Everyone’s excited to be here - faculty, students, it’s all been great!”***

- Sarah McQuaide, First Year

***“It was nice to meet a diverse group of people who share my interests.”***

- HeeJue Hong, First Year



Visit the **Honors Program Facebook** to see the full HON 101 photo album!

[facebook.com/LouisvilleHonors](https://facebook.com/LouisvilleHonors)



# ADVISING CORNER

## NEW STAFF INTRODUCTIONS



### SARAH EXNER

**Academic Counselor**

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**TH 120B**

Hello everyone!

My name is Sarah Exner and I'm the new Academic Counselor for the University Honors Program! In addition to academic advising, I also coordinate the Board of Overseers Mentoring Program as well as oversee the Second Year Science Living Learning Community! I completed both my undergraduate and graduate work at the University of Louisville, and have loved every minute of it! I earned my BA in Psychology and Sociology and earned my M.Ed. in College Student Personnel. Before coming to the Honors Program I worked as a Graduate Assistant in Housing and Residence Life at UofL. I have a passion for education and working with college students and I look forward to working with all of you!

Outside of work, I'm an avid volleyball player. I played volleyball in high school, and recently took up sand volleyball a couple years ago and now play three times a week! I'm obsessed with my cat, Ella; she weighs 20 pounds and she's awesome. I also love to bake, my favorite cookies are Snickerdoodles! I enjoy going to cultural events and local restaurants around Louisville and highly recommend getting off campus and exploring all that the city has to offer.



### OLIVIA SAILOR

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**TH 130**

Hello everyone! I am the new Academic Advisor for Honors and will also be working with the Science Living Learning Community, Honors Student Council, and the White Squirrel. I am originally from Western Pennsylvania, but spent time in Indiana before coming to Louisville for my bachelor's degree. I've called Louisville home for going on eight years now!

I'm very excited about my new position. Many of you may remember me from spring semester when I interned with Honors and can vouch for said enthusiasm. I find that I do my best work when I get to interact in person with students, staff, and faculty. I love to discuss ideas and contemplate new approaches to old problems. It has been my experience that the ideas I'm most excited about come to me during these dynamic discussions. So come talk to me in my office! I'd love to hear what you have to say.

Outside of work (when I'm not pondering different programming to pitch to Luke or taking classes for my graduate program) you can typically find me knitting, catching up on my book and media list, hiking around the area, playing board games, or happily eating at one of my beloved Louisville restaurants. You'll quickly find that one of my favorite aspects of Louisville is its food scene and if I could maintain such a diet both nutritionally and financially, I would eat out every day.

I'm looking forward to meeting you all personally, but until then, get an apple fritter from Nord's and try to tell me it's not the best piece of fried pastry and fruit you've ever had.

## IT'S ALREADY TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT YOUR HONORS ADVISING APPOINTMENT

Welcome back, Honors students! We are so excited to see everyone back on campus, and we're looking forward to having some great one-on-one advising conversations with you in the near future! In these first couple of weeks, while you're busy figuring out how you're going to manage your schedule this semester, we thought that we would also encourage you figure in the important dates for the Honors Advising Campaign. We have some very important appointment scheduling procedural information to share with you, **so please pay careful attention to the following set of instructions as some things have changed since last semester.**

***Although we welcome any Honors student to make an appointment with one of our advisors, not all Honors students are required to be advised every semester.***

To find out if you will be required to be advised in Honors this semester, please visit: <http://louisville.edu/honors/current-students/honors-advising/fall-2015-honors-advising-campaign-details-1>

### The Honors Advising Window:

#### Appointments

**Honors Scholars:** Tuesday, 9/15 - Friday, 10/30\*

**General Honors:** Monday, 9/21 - Friday, 10/30\*

\*Please note: Fall break is Monday, 10/5 - Tuesday, 10/6, so there will be limited advisor availability on these dates.

Please arrive promptly in the Etscorn Honors Center on your appointment date/time. If you arrive to your appointment **10 or more minutes after the scheduled appointment time**, you will be required to reschedule for a later date/time subject to counselor availability.

#### Priority Registration

**8:00 AM on Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

### The Procedure:

**Honors Scholars:** **7:45 AM on Thursday, 9/10** - will receive the GradesFirst campaign e-mail from Kirsten Armstrong to their UofL e-mail accounts

**General Honors:** **7:45 AM on Friday, 9/11** - will receive the GradesFirst campaign e-mail from Kirsten Armstrong to their UofL e-mail accounts

**HON 101 students:** **You must meet with your HON 101 advising instructor**, so please keep this in mind when scheduling your appointment on GradesFirst

*Detailed instructions on how to schedule your appointment in GradesFirst will be forthcoming in the following issue of The Current and on the Honors website.*

#### No longer active in Honors:

If you have been suspended from the Honors Program, you should have received an e-mail to this effect over the summer. In the event that you are no longer a member of the Honors Program, you should seek out advising from your home academic advising unit. **For anyone who is no longer a member of the Honors Program, we recommend that you visit the Undergraduate Advising website and utilize the "Advising Centers" menu.**

We hope that this information is helpful, and we wish everyone a great semester! Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns about the Honors advising appointment sign-up procedures by contacting us via phone at 502-852-6293, via e-mail at [honors@louisville.edu](mailto:honors@louisville.edu), or by contacting your Honors advisor directly.



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
GET  
ADVISED**

### The Honors Advising Team (in alphabetical order)

Kirsten Armstrong  
Luke Buckman  
Sarah Exner  
Katherine Rucker  
Olivia Sailor  
Sarah Springer



# NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## WELCOME BACK STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF!

The Office of National and International Scholarship Opportunities is preparing for another great year of scholarship and fellowship advising. We cannot do this without the help and dedication of UofL's amazing students, faculty, and staff! We are excited to start a new application season and we look forward to working with you all again in the coming weeks and months.

Below is a snapshot of some of the opportunities for students taking place this fall semester. As many of you know, the biggest scholarship we tackle, with the largest and most diverse pool of applicants, is the Fulbright. We are already working with a pool of applicants and we are always looking for more motivated scholars interested in exploring this amazing opportunity. Apart from Fulbright, in September we also nominate a select group of candidates for the Big Brit scholarships including the Marshall, Mitchell, Rhodes, and Gates-Cambridge. Deadlines and website links are provided for all these scholarships.

As always, if you have any questions about any of the prestigious external scholarship opportunities, or if you would like to recommend a candidate, please contact us:

**Dr. Patricia Condon**  
**Director**  
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**Heather Turner**  
**Assistant to the Director**  
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Like the Office of National and International Scholarship Opportunities on [Facebook](#) for more updates!

## THE 2015-2016 FULBRIGHT CYCLE IS NOW OPEN!

Each fall we host a series of Workshops, culminating in a week of Campus Interviews that prepare our applicants to submit highly competitive applications for Academic Grants and English Teaching Assistantships (ETAs) to countries around the world. We are looking for graduating seniors, graduate students, and recent graduates and alumni (up to 5 years out) who intend to apply for the Fulbright this year. Below is our full schedule of events for the Fulbright fall competition cycle. Experience tells us that students who attend all events end up doing significantly better. You will note the deadlines will come fast and furious once the action starts! To pre-register for these workshops please contact Heather Turner ASAP: [heather.turner@louisville.edu](mailto:heather.turner@louisville.edu)

### Important Dates:

<b>August 28</b>	Fulbright Workshop I: The World of Fulbright
<b>August 30 - September 3</b>	Meetings with Dr. Condon
<b>September 4</b>	Fulbright Workshop II: Peer Review Brainstorming
<b>September 11</b>	Fulbright Workshop III: One-on-One Meetings
<b>September 21</b>	Campus Deadline: ALL materials must be submitted
<b>September 24 &amp; 25</b>	Campus Interviews for ETA Candidates
<b>September 28 - 30</b>	Campus Interviews for Research/Graduate Study Candidates
<b>October 13</b>	National Deadline (this is the Fulbright Program Advisor's deadline, NOT THE CANDIDATE'S)

### Students

To start your Fulbright process, we encourage you to contact Heather Turner to set up an initial appointment with Dr. Condon. We also encourage you to attend the first Workshop. Contact Heather with any basic application start-up questions at [heather.turner@louisville.edu](mailto:heather.turner@louisville.edu) or 502-852-1515.

### Faculty

You are encouraged to attend the first workshop if you are new to the World of Fulbright. You can also address any questions about the Fulbright process to Heather Turner.



We look forward to working with all of you this fall! In the meantime, don't forget to fully explore the U.S. Student Fulbright website: <http://us.fulbrightonline.org/> **Good Luck!**

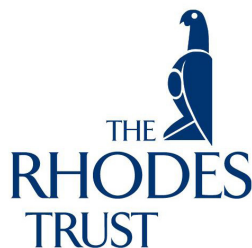


# NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

## ATTEND OUR BIG BRITS WORKSHOP!

**Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 - 2:00**

If you know of a particularly strong candidate for any of the programs below—or if you ARE that candidate—contact our office as soon as possible. Call Heather Turner at 502-852-1515 or email [heather.turner@louisville.edu](mailto:heather.turner@louisville.edu) to reserve your spot in the workshop or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Condon. At this workshop, you will learn more information on the following scholarships:



### **Rhodes Scholar Program**

One to three years of study leading to a degree at Oxford University, England. Rhodes Scholars are chosen not only for their outstanding scholarly achievements, but for their character, commitment to others and to the common good, and for their potential for leadership in whatever domains their careers may lead. Seniors, alumni, graduate or professional students are eligible to apply. Rhodes also has an exciting new initiative that involves students pursuing a second bachelors' degree at Oxford. Candidates must be U.S. citizens no older than 23 when applying.

For more info see: <http://www.rhodesscholar.org/>

**National Deadline: October 1, 2015**

### **Marshall Scholarship**

One to three years of study leading to a degree at any British university. Seniors, graduate and professional students, and alumni are eligible to apply within two years of their undergraduate graduation. Candidates must be U.S. citizens with an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.7. Up to 40 scholars are selected each year to study at the graduate level at a UK institution in any field of study. The benefit of this award is that it opens up the possibility of all top universities in Great Britain, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

For more info see: <http://www.marshallscholarship.org/>

**National Deadline: October 1, 2015**

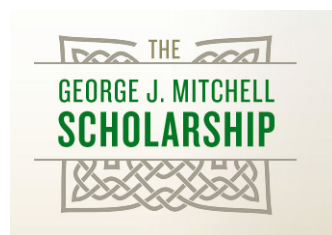


### **George J. Mitchell Scholarship**

One year of graduate study in any discipline in the Republic of Ireland (but NOT in Northern Ireland for the 2016-2017 academic year), with extensive programming to connect young leaders from the U.S. to the island of Ireland, while recognizing intellectual achievement, leadership, and a commitment to public service. Seniors, graduate and professional students, and alumni are eligible to apply. Must be under the age of 30 and a U.S. citizen.

For more info see: <http://www.us-irelandalliance.org>

**National Deadline: October 1, 2015**



### **Gates-Cambridge Scholarship**

One to four years of study leading to a degree at Cambridge University, England. Seniors, graduate and professional students, and alumni are eligible to apply. U.S. and non-U.S. citizens are eligible. One thing that sets the Gates-Cambridge is that all applicants must initiate the process by applying directly to their intended department at Cambridge and filling out a supplemental portion of the Cambridge application form to be considered for the fellowship. This award does not require institutional nomination as the others above do.

For more info see: <http://www.gatescambridge.org/>

**National Deadline: October 15, 2013**



### **\*\*Please note:**

The "Big Brits" are very competitive and we can only endorse a limited number of applicants for each scholarship.



# FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

## NEW HONORS FELLOWS

This year's University Honors Program Fellows are: Dr. Julie Bunck (Political Science), Dr. Cara Cashon (Psychological and Brain Sciences), Dr. Amy Clukey (English), Dr. Michael Johmann (Humanities), Dr. Julia Karcher (Accountancy) and Dr. Siobhan Smith (Communication). Dr. Smith is a new Honors Fellow, so read on to learn more about her! Each Honors Fellow teaches an orientation course for first-year students and engages in a number of Honors activities throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to them at the Meet and Greet, and be on the lookout for interesting Honors Scholars seminars and other courses from the Fellows.

## DR. SIOBHAN SMITH

Communication Department

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### Primary areas of academic research:

#### Cultural Diversity and Media Literacy

I love to explore the portrayals of African Americans in reality TV, as well as explore how African Americans use their media for knowledge and empowerment.

### What drew you to those areas of research?

It's an adage from *somewhere* that research is ME-search. So, as an African American woman who **loves** television, I am drawn to topics that usually relate closely to elements of my identity.

### How did you begin your research?

Really, I blame my parents. They were the first to point out to me, when I was very little, situations, occurrences, characters, etc. in the world we live in, as well as in the media, that didn't make much logical sense. The critical seed was planted early in some ways.

### Favorite course as an undergraduate:

My **Media Criticism** course! I still love Dr. Lisa Hebert to this day! Though she broke my heart (the American Dream is a dirty trick?!), she was also the first to give me some vocabulary and new lenses to analyze media texts. Related to the last question above, her course took things I had learned as a small child to another level. My roommates and friends hated me because I would start analyzing movies, TV shows, music, etc. And most of them were pre-med, so they weren't in the mood. At all.

### Advice for students:

I would tell any student to **enjoy** themselves, at whatever level they are on. You never get those years back. And I had an awesome time at each one of my schools. But, it really goes by quickly. **Savor the Flavor.**



***"I would tell any student to ENJOY themselves, at whatever level they are on. You never get those years back...SAVOR THE FLAVOR"***

### Favorite book and/or authors:

Stephen King and Peter Straub's *The Talisman*. If you like horror/fantasy you'll love it. I read it when I was maybe sixth or seventh grade. It's **so good**.

### Favorite place in Louisville:

My couch in my apartment...or Café LouLou.

### Hobbies:

Reading, watching TV, spending quality time with friends/family, eating good food.

### What was the best part of your summer?

Spending time with family, revising manuscripts, preparing elements of my tenure binder.

### Can we have a preview of your Spring Honors Seminar in 5 words or less?

Television of the Paranormal: AAAAAAAHHHHHHH!!!!



# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

## GLYPTUSANN GRIDER JONES

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**Public Relations, Research & Recruitment  
Coordinator for the University of Louisville’s  
McConnell Center**

**Graduated Spring, 2007**

**Political Science and Communication Major**



*GlyptusAnn at work in the McConnell Center*

### What was your path after graduation?

After spending a year in Jeju-do, South Korea, through the Fulbright English Teaching Program, I earned a master’s degree in political science from Miami University of Ohio. I have worked in UofL’s McConnell Center for five years and am presently a doctoral candidate in UofL’s Department of Urban and Public Affairs. My research is focused on the intersection of charter school formation and sub-state secession.

gapore, Thailand and Japan. My day-trip to Kaesong, North Korea, was the embodiment of George Orwell’s writings – readings I engaged directly in Dr. Slavin’s Honors course on “The Politics of George Orwell.”

### What do you remember the most from your Fulbright experience?

As a Fulbright ETA, I taught English conversation to 340 students at Hallim Girls’ Middle School in a rural South Korean fishing village. I will always treasure the 13 months of memories and friendships from the Fulbright experience. From earning my black belt in Taekwondo to playing pick-up soccer with my students, I felt welcomed to a new country and way of life. Though my formal position was an English teacher, I used the opportunity to be a cultural ambassador and student. I spent a week in a Buddhist monastery, interned in the U.S. Embassy and used every moment to expand my knowledge of Korean politics, gender dynamics, religion and even food. (I’m still trying to master my host mother’s kimchi jjigae recipe.) I was also able to travel more extensively in the region to North Korea, Sin-

To students interested in Fulbright: Fulbright allows your undergraduate studies and coursework to come to life – and you have the added bonus of getting paid to do it. Apply. There’s a reason we’re among the highest-producing Fulbright institutions in the state and the nation. We have great faculty and staff support, and so many people believe you are qualified to compete at this level. The first step is to apply.

### How did the Honors Program enhance your undergraduate experience?

UofL’s Honors Program was one of the highlights of my undergraduate experience: it offered challenging and unique classes, great peer interactions and the opportunity to travel internationally. Raised in a small Kentucky town, I immediately felt at home with Honors’ emphasis on small classes and developing tight-knit communities centered on intellectual and personal development and community service. The Socratic-style seminars and focus on interdisciplinary learning were precursors to my graduate school experience and are one of the reasons I sought an interdisciplinary doctoral program.



*GlyptusAnn attending a Fire Festival in Jeju Island, 2007*

### What is your favorite Honors memory?

My first international trip was through the Honors Program – an excursion to Italy, England and Scotland examining the “Roots of the Republic” led by Dr. Gary Gregg – now my boss. I drank my first espresso, gazed in awe at the Sistine Chapel, discovered that the site of Julius Caesar’s assassination is now a cat sanctuary, shadowed a Scottish MP and watched a play at Shakespeare’s Globe Theater. These are opportunities I would never have been able to pursue on my own. Sharing the trip with Honors students – many in other academic disciplines – was a truly global and broadening experience.



# HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

## MEET YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES



We're here for you! Ask any of us questions about getting involved in HSC, or share your ideas for Honors!



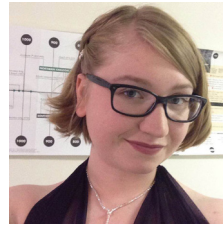
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## WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Honors students!

Not to alarm you, but this year looks to be the most exciting that the Honors Program has ever seen in the history of UofL. No joke. We have the largest recorded incoming class of Honors students, we have a slew of awesome events coming up, and it's all taking place here, in Louisville! Some killer HSC events to look out for include (but are not limited to):

- The biannual **Book and Media Sale (BAMS)** - where tens of thousands of books, CDs, records, and other media items will be sold for \$2 or less at a week-long event in the Red Barn
- The **Yule Ball** - a magically inspired dance designed specially for muggles like you and me
- **Trivia Night** - a worldwide phenomenon in the realm of competitive quizzes
- **PB&J Day** - a glorious, free spread of all the nut-themed butters, jams, marmalades, jellies, and mystery goodies ever conceivably imagined to stuff between two pieces of bread

As the President of Honors Student Council, all things Honors-related get me pretty jazzed, but the thing that's kept me coming back for 4 years is the people. Our Honors Program is incredibly unique in that, even when the numbers seem to exponentially increase every year, the sense of community seems to multiply. HSC exists to facilitate and foster that sense of community through fun events, meet-and-greets, and friendships. I've made some of the most meaningful connections of my life through Honors, and I know that you will too.

So, if you're an incoming freshman and HSC is new to you, come out to an event and say hello (same goes to you well-seasoned students, of course), consider applying to HSC, or just say hey to me or other HSC members on campus! We can chat about Honors, Louisville, the best dining facilities on campus (CBC, DUH), or just about your year.

Welcome to the Honors Family,

**Emily Benken**

President of Honors Student Council

# HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

## FIRST-YEAR REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATIONS

The University of Louisville Honors Student Council (HSC) hosts a variety of academic, social, fundraising, and volunteer events throughout the year, all designed to enhance and engage the Honors community and interact with each other. The Council also functions as a channel of communication through which Honors students can express their thoughts about the Honors Program and contribute their ideas for its improvement. If you are a first-year student and are interested in getting involved in Honors Student Council, positions are open now! Use the link below to submit your application.

### **Available First-Year Representative Committee Positions:**

Academics Committee  
Social Committee  
Service Committee (HVP)  
Philanthropy Committee  
Book & Media Sale Committee

### **Application Information:**

**Deadline Tuesday, September 1 by Noon**

[http://louisville.edu/honors/student-organizations/honors-student-council-hsc/copy\\_of\\_hsc-application](http://louisville.edu/honors/student-organizations/honors-student-council-hsc/copy_of_hsc-application)

If you have any questions about the application or the open positions on council contact HSC President, Emily Benken, or Executive Vice-President, Natalie Smith:

[emily.benken@louisville.edu](mailto:emily.benken@louisville.edu)

[natalie.smith.1@louisville.edu](mailto:natalie.smith.1@louisville.edu)



*Honors Student Council First-Year Representatives, 2014-2015 Academic Year*

## BAMS IS BACK!

Attention honors students and faculty-- it's that time of year again! BAMS, Honors Student Council's bi-annual Book and Media Sale, is right around the corner and we need your help. In order to make this event happen we really need for you to donate any of your old, gently-used books, DVDs, video games, and/or CDs to the Honors Etscorn Center by no later than **Friday, March 25, 2016**. Trying to purge your book collection back down to a manageable size? We'll gladly give you a hand. Looking for a way to get rid of some of your dad's old records? Bring them here-- your mom will thank you later. Honors Student Council wants to make this Book and Media Sale bigger and better than ever before, but we can't do it without you. So please donate, donate, donate! The event is scheduled to take place during the week of April 3, 2016, and **all of the proceeds will go towards helping Camp Quality Kentuckiana**. If you have any questions please feel free to email [HonorsBAMS@gmail.com](mailto:HonorsBAMS@gmail.com) or visit our website, [www.uoflhsc.com](http://www.uoflhsc.com).



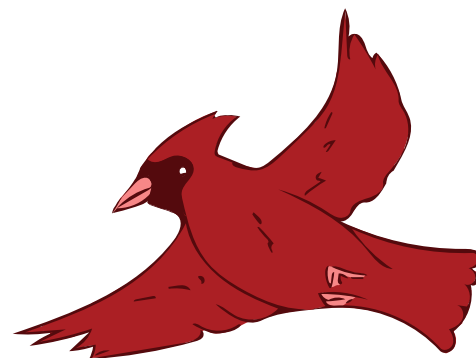
*Book and Media Sale (BAMS) 2014, Red Barn*



# CALENDAR

<b>AUG</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
		Classes Begin				Last Day to Add/Drop
	Honors Walk-In Advising 8:30 - 11:30 & 1:00 - 4:00					
						Fulbright Workshop I (pg. 5)
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>SEP</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
			HSC First-Year Representative Application Due - by Noon (pg. 8)		Senior Honors Thesis Info Session 12:30-1:30 SRB 139 (pg. 3)	Fulbright Workshop II (pg. 5)
						RSVP due for Scholar Seminar Showcase (pg.4)
						Deadline for KHR submissions (pg.3)

- Office of National and International Scholarship Opportunities Deadlines and Important Dates
- Honors Program Deadlines and Important Dates
- The White Squirrel Events and Deadlines
- Honors Student Council Events
- Honors Volunteer Program Events
- Academic Calendar Dates





# FROM OUR FRIENDS

## OPPORTUNITIES

### **InnerView Internships (formerly myActions) - Seeking 2 Undergrads to Represent UofL in 2015-2016**

Interns will spend 2-4 hrs/wk connecting with student leaders, event organizers & campus staff. Help amp up the good at UofL by spreading word about events/programs & helping participants get recognition. Students & organizations can showcase their positive, civic-minded activities with dynamic profiles in the InnerView community. We want passionate students who are involved in clubs, Greek life or local causes to help create a community of do-gooders! We need confident students comfortable reaching out to peers & staff with strong communication skills who know how to use face to face meetings, email & social media most effectively. The position includes training, year-long support and leadership opportunities & a stipend of up to \$1000.

Apply here:

[http://myactions.workable.com/jobs/85170?utm\\_source=Campus+Partners+%26+Influencers&utm\\_campaign=22d6555d1e-Recruiting\\_Ret-Int\\_1&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_b3581e25d2-22d6555d1e-92766833](http://myactions.workable.com/jobs/85170?utm_source=Campus+Partners+%26+Influencers&utm_campaign=22d6555d1e-Recruiting_Ret-Int_1&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_b3581e25d2-22d6555d1e-92766833)

### **Paid UofL Sustainability Internships Available in 2015-16**

**Application deadline: Sept. 1st**

Do you have a passion for sustainability & want to help advance environmental, social & economic stewardship on campus? UofL's Sustainability Council will again offer paid internships for students in 2015-16. Interns will work up to 10 hrs/wk throughout the year on projects developed with supervisors from the Sustainability Council. Positions include: Sustainability Communication, Zero Waste, Bike Mechanic, & Community Composting. Internships are open to any qualified UofL student (undergrad or grad, full- or part-time).

Details on each position and application instructions:

<http://louisville.edu/sustainability/education-research/internships.html>



**sustain.**

### **Looking for Volunteers!**

The Office of Admissions is looking for students who are interested in volunteering to help recruit new students to UofL. **STARS volunteers** help with admissions events, athletic recruitment, and more! Interested? You **MUST** attend one of the following sessions to participate:

September 1, 12:00 - 1:00 PM, SAC 303-A

September 2, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, SAC 305

September 8, 4:30 - 5:00 PM, SAC 303-A.

Please RSVP to Bridget Donoghue, student coordinator, at [bldono01@louisville.edu](mailto:bldono01@louisville.edu)

## NEWS

### **Announcing UofL's Zero-Waste Ville Grill To-Go Club Memberships!**

We're launching a brand new take-out service & doing it in true sustainable style – without adding to the waste stream!! Purchase your Ville Grill To-Go Club Membership anytime for just \$10 at <https://uofl.sodexomyway.com/shop/p/7364>. Membership earns you a reusable container, unlimited washing of the container and compostable cutlery & napkins, should you need them.



## EVENTS

### **Cultural Center Open House Thursday, August 27, 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

Join us to learn more about the Cultural Center's programs, services, facilities, resources and affiliated student organizations! Light refreshments will be served. Contact Vickie Bridgeman at [vghals01@louisville.edu](mailto:vghals01@louisville.edu) for more information.

# FROM OUR FRIENDS

## EVENTS - CONTINUED

### REACH Seminars

Dates and Times Vary  
Strickler 111

#### Meeting the Challenge of Time

August 31 12:00 PM - 12:50 PM  
4:00 PM - 4:50 PM

#### Becoming Savvy with Textbooks

September 1 12:00 PM - 12:50 PM  
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM

#### Taking Effective Notes

September 2 12:00 PM - 12:50 PM  
3:00 PM - 3:50 PM  
September 8 12:00 PM - 12:50 PM  
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM

#### Acing the Test

September 3 12:00 PM - 12:50 PM  
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM

#### Studying Smarter

September 4 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM  
12:00 PM - 12:50 PM

Visit [reach.louisville.edu/seminars/](http://reach.louisville.edu/seminars/) or contact Mark Woolwine [mawool01@louisville.edu](mailto:mawool01@louisville.edu) for more information.

### Queen of Sheba Series: What Some Girls Endure Under the Heading of Love Monday, August 24, 7:30 - 8:30 pm Cardinal Towne - The Avenue

Teenage dating violence is often more than just physical abuse. It encompasses sexual, emotional and psychological violence. The effects of it can result in detrimental consequences to a young woman's health that can last a lifetime.

Join this important conversation—and know the signs. For more information contact LaMont Johnson: [lamont.johnson@louisville.edu](mailto:lamont.johnson@louisville.edu)

**QUEEN OF SHEBA SERIES**

What Some Women Endure Under The Heading of LOVE

Monday, August 24th - 7:30PM

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE | CARDINAL TOWNE | WINE ZONE | ULL WOMEN'S CENTER

### Urban Living 101: How Safe Is Your Campus?

Wednesday, August 26, 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
Cardinal Towne - The Avenue

Binge drinking, thefts, vandalism and assaults...go to school long enough and a student is sure to receive crime notifications by text message, email, word of mouth - or experience a scene straight out of a "Cops" episode with flashing lights and police cruisers parked every which way. Join this campus open forum with university and Louisville Metro Police on how to keep our campus safe. Contact LaMont Johnson for more information: [lamont.johnson@louisville.edu](mailto:lamont.johnson@louisville.edu)

**Is Your Campus Safe?**

Wednesday, August 26th - 7:30PM

CARDINAL TOWNE

### Men of PEACC Summit: Boys Will Be Boys...Or They Can Be Men Tuesday, August 25, 7:00 - 8:15 pm Cardinal Towne - The Avenue

Join this interactive event with male students for some open and honest dialogue on preventing domestic and sexual violence, learning how to deal with conflict, the benefits of mentoring, community and civic engagement, and the importance of bystander intervention. Contact LaMont Johnson for additional information: [lamont.johnson@louisville.edu](mailto:lamont.johnson@louisville.edu)

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## EVENTS - CONTINUED

### **UPS Recruitment Cookout** **September 3, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm** **Red Barn Patio**

Interested in learning more about job opportunities at UPS? Head to the Red Barn patio on Thursday, September 3 between 11am-1pm for our UPS Recruitment Cookout. Stick around for live broadcasting from 101.3, free food, games and prizes!

### **Part-Time Job Fair!** **September 1, 11:00 am - 1:30 pm** **SAC Multi-Purpose Room**

Looking for a part time job or internship? Then you've come to the right place! Attend the Career Development Center's Part-Time Job Fair on Tuesday, September 1st from 11am-1:30pm in the SAC's MPR to find on and off-campus opportunities and learn more about the companies! For more information, including a list of participating employers, go to [Louisville.edu/career](http://Louisville.edu/career).

### **REACH Welcome Back** **August 25 & 26, 10:30 am - 2:00 pm** **Strickler Lobby**

Start the semester out right with free snacks and drinks and learn about REACH resources. Visit [reach.louisville.edu](http://reach.louisville.edu) for more information.

### **UofL Quiz Bowl Team Practice Schedule** **Mondays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm** **Thursdays, 6:00-9:00 pm** **Humanities 117**

If you are interested in joining the team or attending practices, please contact Matt Church:  
[mschur01@louisville.edu](mailto:mschur01@louisville.edu)

### **Study Abroad Information Session** **August 27, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm** **SAC 305**

#### **RSVP by Noon August 26**

Get tips and advice from past study abroad alumni on how to make the most of your study abroad experience. Don't be stuck behind a phone the entire time! Lunch will be provided.

To RSVP contact  
Kimber Guinn:  
[klquin02@louisville.edu](mailto:klquin02@louisville.edu)



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## STUDY ABROAD

### Info Session

 [uoflstudyabroad](https://www.instagram.com/uoflstudyabroad) University of Louisville Study Abroad

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