

THE CURRENT

University of Louisville
Honors Program Newsletter

BACK TO CLASS EDITION

QUICK CALENDAR

- 8/24-26** Walk-in Advising
- 8/26** Fulbright Workshop II
- 8/26** Last day to follow HSC for a prize!
- 8/31** KHR Proposal Deadline
- 8/31** TWS Interest Meeting
- 9/1** Senior Honors Thesis Info Session
- 9/2** HSC First-Year Rep. Deadline
- 9/5** Labor Day
- 9/6** Scholars Seminar Showcase
- 9/9** Fulbright Workshop III
- 9/9** TWS Editor Application Deadline

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

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WELCOME TO HONORS

FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks for reading the Honors Newsletter, The Current! My name is Alex O'Keefe, Program Assistant for the Honors Program, and Editor for The Current this academic year. I'm so excited to continue working on this great resource for our students!

The Current was how I kept up to date with all things Honors when I was a student, and I hope it continues to do that for you. Each month I'll work to provide you with upcoming events, deadlines, opportunities, and interesting content about our program, 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

I hope everyone has a fantastic semester!



WELCOME FROM THE DIRECTOR, DR. HART

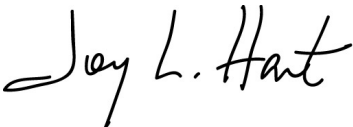


Welcome to the new school year! It's challenging to identify a favorite time of the academic year—as there are so many to celebrate with Honors students (e.g., acceptance to graduate or professional school, landing a competitive international scholarship, having a conference paper programmed, securing an internship, completing a research project). But one facet of the year that we enjoy greatly is the first week of the semester. Campus returns to its full hustle and bustle and positive energy abounds.

We also enjoy welcoming the new students to UofL and the Honors Program and reconnecting with returning students. Whether this is your first semester or your last one, we hope you will take advantage of Honors Program opportunities, many of which you'll find featured in The Current.

Also, please share your ideas, observations, and insights with us. Our doors are always open. We are happy to try to field your questions, and we also want to learn from you—Honors students can be counted upon for unique perspectives, deep insights, and well formed opinions. If you're willing to share these viewpoints, it will help us as we develop new courses and programming for current and future students.

Best wishes for a wonderful semester! Please stop by the Etscorn Honors Center to say hello, and we look forward to seeing you at Honors events this year.



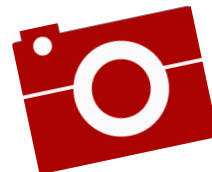
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SENIOR HONORS THESIS

If you are graduating in May 2017, the deadline to submit your Thesis Proposal is fast approaching! Successfully completing a Senior Honors Thesis through the College of Arts & Sciences is required to be eligible 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! You can view more information about the Senior Honors Thesis process at: <http://louisville.edu/honors/senior-honors-theses>

We will be holding an interest session for A&S majors who wish to know more about the Senior Honors Thesis Process (see 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

Thesis Thursdays Coming Up:

A&S Senior Honors Thesis Interest Session
Thursday, September 1
12:30-1:30 PM
Shumaker Research Building Rm. 139
All levels welcome!

Proposal Submission Session
Thursday, September 8
12:15-1:15 PM
Ekstrom Library W102

This session is for students submitting a thesis proposal this Fall for Summa consideration this Spring.

*Join us for
Thesis Thursdays
in September and
learn more about the
**NEW submission
process for
Thesis Proposals!***

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 presenting on, 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.

Conference Information:

Dates: September 30 - October 1
Location: Murray State University

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.



Submission Information

Email your submissions to Sarah Springer, Academic Counselor, Sr: s.springer@louisville.edu by **noon, September 7**



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SCHOLARS SEMINAR SHOWCASE

The Fall 2016 Scholars Seminar Showcase will be held on Tuesday, September 6th from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the University Club & Alumni Center. Hear Honors faculty unveil and discuss the seminars to be offered this coming Spring 2017 and meet fellow scholars! **Invitations will be sent out to current Scholars during the first week of classes.**

If you are interested in applying to the Scholars program you must meet the following requirements:

- completed at least one semester of UofL coursework
- have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher
- completed or be enrolled in at least 6 credits of Honors coursework
- intend and be capable of finishing the 24 credit-hour program.

To apply, and find out more, visit <http://bit.ly/2bibdKM>

Scholars Benefits

- Enhanced seminars that encourage interdisciplinary perspectives and experience outside the classroom, and typically fulfill WR requirements.
- Priority consideration for space in seminars that include either international or domestic travel.
- Invitations to semesterly Seminar Showcases where the upcoming Honors Seminars are announced.
- The opportunity to sign up for a scheduled advising appointment each semester before other Honors students.
- Recognition at graduation and on transcripts as a University Honors Scholar.

(Top and Bottom) Students attending a previous showcase. (Middle) Dr. Hale presenting at a previous showcase.



HONORS STUDENTS & 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 August 3, 2016. Research areas included Biology, Medicine & Oncology, Oral Health & Rehabilitation, Pharmacology, Biochemistry, Ophthalmology, Geosciences, Anthropology, and History.

Presenters & Programs:

Cancer Education

Yomna Amer
Kyle Bilyeu
Kyle Castaneda
Phillip Choung
Adaline Heitz
Parker Howard
Kevin Jacob
Seth Sereff

SROP

Julie Beck
Jordan Bennett
Kala Brown
Rachel Carter
Leonard Faul
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Andrew Stewart
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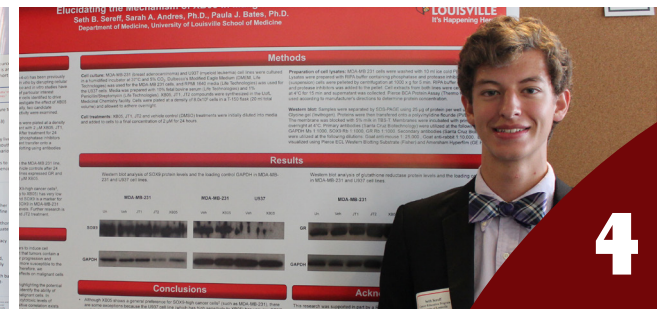
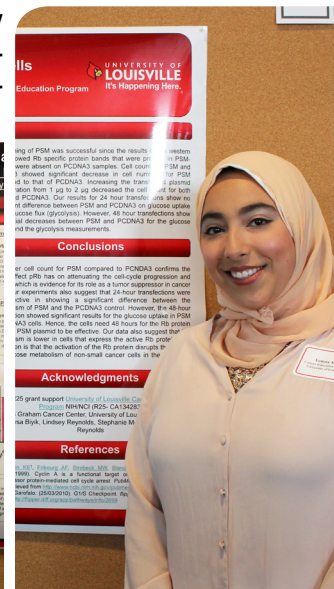
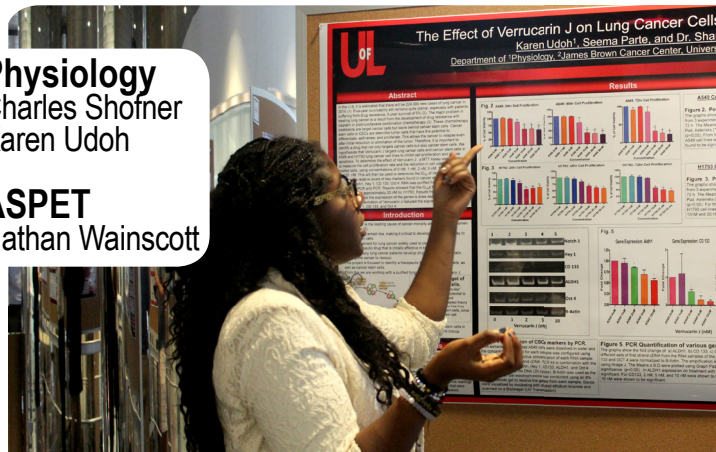
Physiology

Charles Shofner
Karen Udoh

ASPET

Nathan Wainscott

(Top left) Karen Udoh presents her research. (Top right) Yomna Amer stands with her poster. (Bottom right) Seth Sereff stands with his poster. (Bottom middle) Kala Brown and her mentor, Dr. Brooms, with her poster. (Bottom left) Adaline Heitz presenting her research.



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NEW HONORS PERK: BORROWING PRIVILEGES!

Ever had problems remembering to renew your books each month? Worry less with the new policy for Honors students in Ekstrom Library! Honors staff members are always looking for ways to help our students. After collaborating with the University Libraries, we have secured new borrowing privileges for Honors students. All current Honors students now have the same permissions as graduate students in Ekstrom! Check out all of the new perks under the graduates tab on the library's website: <http://louisville.edu/library/services/borrowing-privileges.html>



FREE IDEA FESTIVAL 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 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. 27-30, and it will take place at the Kentucky Center for the Arts downtown.



IDEA FESTIVAL®

September 27 - 30

**Kentucky Center for the Arts
(Downtown)**

**Schedule available at:
www.ideafestival.com**

Email by 9/9 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) by no later than **Friday, September 9**. 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.

ALEX WINS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARD

From Assistant Director, Luke Buckman:

Although Alex did not want to include this feature on her, I said it was a must! As many of you know, Alex is amazing and her incredible work helps to ensure that our students, staff, and faculty in the Honors Program have a fantastic experience. The University Honors Program is very proud to announce that Alex continues to receive both university-level and national recognition for her outstanding work! This summer, Alex was recognized by the University of Louisville President's Office with a well-deserved Outstanding Performance Award. She has also been recognized by the National Collegiate Honors Council (NCHC) for the past two years for her valuable contributions to our Honors Program. This year, she is nominated for an award at the National Honors conference for her exemplary work on the Honors newsletter.

Next time you see Alex, please be sure to congratulate her on these accolades! From all of us in Honors, thank you Alex for everything you do here.



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EVENT REVIEW: HONORS KICKOFF DINNER

By Katherine Armstrong, Student Writer

The Honors Program and Honors Student Council (HSC) welcomed incoming first-year students with open arms and great tasting food through the first Honors Kickoff Dinner! In the past Honors has hosted a dinner for all Modes of Inquiry participants, but this year, thanks to HSC, all first-year Honors students were invited to the initial Honors event of the semester!

The Humanities Quad was packed with first years, Honors Program staff, and HSC representatives on the evening of August 16th. First-years were able to get to know their advisors and peers over tacos and cookies, thanks to catering by Moe's and a generous donation from Insomnia Cookies. Honors Student Council introduced themselves and the organization to new students, as well as shared tips and tricks about the HSC first year representative application process.

By the end of the evening everyone seemed pleased with the dinner; especially those who took home leftover tacos! Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with this event, and for all who came out to celebrate the start of their year with Honors!



(Left, Top and Bottom) students enjoy each other's company and dinner. (Top Right) students dig into the taco bar! (Middle Right) Mariah Moore, HSC Treasurer, shows off their table. (Bottom Right) students take a break from chatting to pose for a quick picture.



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OUTSIDE HONORS: STAFF SUMMERS

Get to know some members of the Honors staff you may not otherwise meet in this issue's "Outside Honors" feature.

Check out what we did this summer, and some of our interests outside of serving our students in Honors. Realize you share an interest with one of us? Don't be afraid to stop by Etscorn and let us know! We love hearing more from our students and chatting about our passions outside of Honors!



Dr. Joy Hart

Inside Honors: Executive Director

Outside Honors: I'm originally from Kentucky. I grew up in a small town, which had a stop light (this fact tells you something about the size of the town).

Her Summer: One "cool" thing I did during the "hot" summer was meet with lots of incoming Honors students during Summer Orientation. Another cool thing was a staycation that involved lots of novels and doggie time!

Pictured: Dr. Hart and her good friend, Duma.



Luke Buckman

Inside Honors: Assistant Director for Student Programming and Development

Outside Honors: I'm always happy to talk about pop culture, including but not limited to music, films, television, or comics. Or local restaurants. Or food, really. Especially pie.

His Summer: One of my summer highlights was visiting Camp Quality Kentuckiana. I was lucky enough to spend a few hours at camp one day with HSC and was on the receiving end of a pie fight (see left). This has done nothing to curb my love of pie.



Kirsten Armstrong

Inside Honors: Assistant Director of Advising

Outside Honors: I've become a lot more active with volleyball lately – both playing on my own sand volleyball team and coaching my daughter's 3rd-4th grade team– and loving every second of it! I'm a collaborative person by nature, and to me, volleyball is a perfect outlet for combining physical activity and the desire to connect with other people on a team to move together toward a common goal.

Her Summer: I spent a lot of time with my husband and kids this summer! Louisville is a great place for a staycation, and we took advantage of cool places like Glassworks, the Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft, the Louisville Free Public Library, the Louisville Zoo, and the Big Four Bridge among other fun activities like swimming and going to movies.



Olivia Sailor

Inside Honors: Academic Advisor

Outside Honors: If you add all of my knitting projects together (that I've documented), I've knit over 5 miles worth of yarn. More because it doesn't account for everything I knitted before 2013. On top of that, I've been knitting for more than a decade!

Her Summer: I went to Iceland this summer and stood next to a blue whale skeleton. The landscape was amazing! They do waterfalls right in Iceland.

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Outside Honors Continued

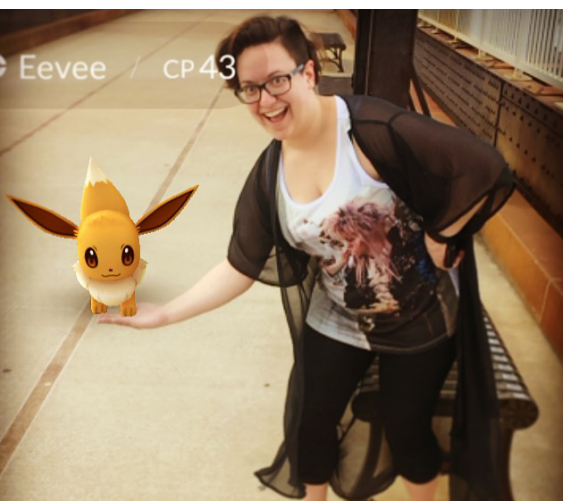


Pam Drake

Inside Honors: Program Coordinator, Sr.

Outside Honors: I started reading when I was 3 years old and I am a speed reader. I can read a whole page at one glance. My favorite genre is murder mystery. I love the suspense and the psychology of why the killer commits murder. My favorite authors (mystery writers, of course) are Harlan Coben, Mary Higgins Clark, and John Grisham.

Her Summer: My husband and I spent a week in an ocean front villa in North Myrtle Beach. The first night we were there, there was a blue moon and it looked as if it were moving right into the ocean. The second night we were there, we saw a double rainbow from the sky down to the ocean.



Alex O'Keefe

Inside Honors: Program Assistant, Sr.

Outside Honors: I have more hobbies than I have time for, including bookmaking, drawing, knitting, cross stitching, and (more than anything else) watching cartoons. Anything listed before cartoons has probably also mashed up with my love for Steven Universe at some point. Have you kept up with Steven Universe? LET'S TALK ABOUT IT - for real though.

Her Summer: Aside from a whirlwind trip to Branson, MO for my cousin's wedding, I spent the summer outside of Honors interning at the Art Library on campus! I worked with the Art Librarian to create a digital index of the Artists' Books Collection. All of those words may sound very boring to you - but it is one of the coolest projects I've ever had a hand in! Oh - I also did some serious Pokemon hunting. . .

INSIDE HONORS' SUMMER



We often are asked, so what do you do over the summer when there aren't students? We're here to tell you more than you think! Besides winding down after Spring and gearing up for the coming Fall, we are welcoming new Honors students to campus during each Orientation session.

Orientation is a big time for many first-years, and making their Fall semester schedule is one of the most intimidating and exciting experiences of their first two days on campus as students. Honors and our peer advisors are there to help everyone through crafting their first schedule. The peer advisors are crucial to our success helping so many students, as they pass on wisdom from a student perspective alongside advising. We wanted to take this opportunity to thank our peer advisors one more time for their assistance this summer!

ADVISING CORNER

IT'S ALREADY TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT YOUR 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://bit.ly/2bNsHfd>

The Procedure:

- Honors Scholars:** 7:45 AM on Wednesday, 9/7 - will receive the CardSmart/EAB (formerly GradesFirst) campaign e-mail from Kirsten Armstrong to their UofL e-mail accounts around this time.
- General Honors:** 7:45 AM on Thursday, 9/8 - will receive the CardSmart/EAB campaign e-mail from Kirsten Armstrong in their UofL e-mail accounts around this time.
- HON 101 students:** You must meet with your HON 101 advising instructor, so please keep this in mind when scheduling your appointment.

The Honors Advising Window: Appointments

- Honors Scholars:** Monday, 9/12 – Friday, 10/28*
- General Honors:** Monday, 9/26 – Friday, 10/28*

*Please note: Fall Break is Monday, 10/3 & Tuesday, 10/4. There will be no appointments. Please arrive promptly in the Etschorn 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 3rd

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 instead. **For anyone who is no longer a member of the Honors Program, we recommend that you visit Undergraduate Advising website and utilize the "Advising Centers" menu.**

We hope that this information is helpful, and we are looking forward to meeting with each of you this 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, 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
Olivia Sailor
Sarah Springer

**Please note that Katherine Rucker will not be available for the advising campaign this semester in anticipation of her parental leave.*

We would also like to welcome a few additional members on our advising team who will be assisting with first-year advising this semester:

Olivia Hill
Alex O'Keefe

OFFICE OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

THE 2016-2017 FULBRIGHT CYCLE

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!

Important Dates:

Friday, August 26 Workshop II

Friday, September 9 Workshop III

Thursday, September 15 Campus Deadline

Students:

To start your Fulbright process, we encourage you to contact Dr. Condon. Contact Dr. Condon with any basic application startup questions at pacond01@exchange.louisville.edu



Introducing the newest member of the Fulbright family:

Charles W. Leonard, Ph.D. the Executive Director of both the Grawemeyer Awards and the Grawemeyer Scholars Program will be working with this office during the 2016-2017 academic year facilitating the pursuit of Fulbright and other nationally competitive prestigious scholarships. He will be participating in Workshops I and II, meeting individually with Fulbright candidates in the week before the campus deadline, taking part in campus interviews, critiquing applications through all phases, and as co-chair of the Fulbright campus committee, helping Dr. Condon write the Campus Committee Evaluations of all candidates. His e-mail is Charlie.leonard@louisville.edu. His administrative assistant, Ms. Billye Potts, will also be lending her considerable talents to this year's Fulbright effort.

Fulbright Application Steps:

For anyone applying for a Fulbright through the Office of National and International Scholarships this year, don't forget the steps! Here is an overview:

Step One: Meeting with Dr. Condon One-on-One

Step Two: Attend the Sequence of Fulbright Application Workshops

Step Three: Prior to Campus Deadline, on Monday, September 12, Tuesday, September 13, or Wednesday, September 14, all on-campus candidates meet by prior appointment with Dr. Charles Leonard in to go over your application paying particular attention to how all the parts have come together.

Step Four: Campus Deadline on Thursday, September 15

Step Five: Recommendation Deadline

Step Six: Campus Interviews: ETA candidates will be scheduled for a 30 minute interview; Full grant applicants will be interviewed for 60 minutes. Interviews are now scheduled for Thursday, September 22nd; Friday, September 23rd; Monday, September 26th; Tuesday, September 27th; Wednesday, September 28th. These dates have sessions grouped by the faculty expertise required to do each review.

Step Seven: Follow Up Meetings

Step Eight: Final Edits and Submission

Step Nine: The Waiting Game - each country or region makes their own final selections, so notification of the ultimate award results may come any time from late March through June.

If you have any questions about this process please contact Dr. Condon (information above) for further explanation.

Good Luck to all Applicants!

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

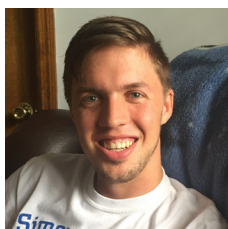
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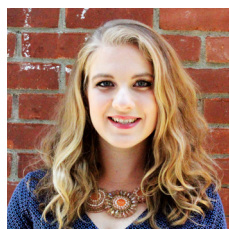
We're here for you! Ask any of us questions about getting involved in HSC, or share your ideas for Honors!



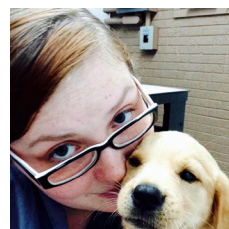
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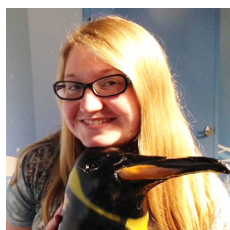
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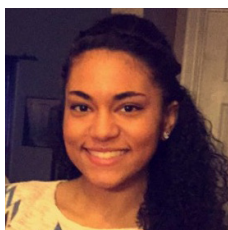
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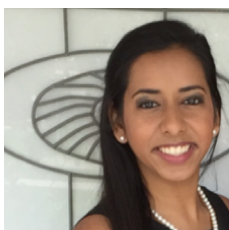
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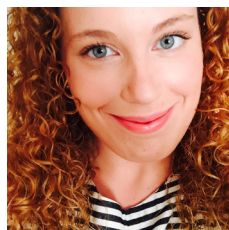
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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

If you've made it this far then you're doing one thing right - reading *The Current*. This is a great place for you to stay up to date with all of the honors opportunities and Honors Student Council events! If it's your first year then you are probably being bombarded by a multitude of RSOs and having trouble deciding which interests to pursue. I'd like to give you a little advice: look for a community that will support your growth over the next four years. In my biased opinion, I think that the Honors Program can be that community for many students. There are endless opportunities that the Honors Program can open up for you and the friendly advisors are always there to guide and support you. On the more social side of things, look out for Honors Student Council events throughout the year to meet new friends and take a break from class! To ask about Honors classes and get reminders before deadlines and events join the UofL Honors Facebook group!

I hope to see you around campus soon!

Alice Darling

President, Honors Student Council

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

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 build connections. 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.

Application Information:

Deadline Friday, September 2 by Noon

http://louisville.edu/honors/student-organizations/honors-student-council-hsc/copy_of_hsc-application

Available First-Year Representative Committee Positions:

Academics Committee
Social Committee
Service Committee
Diversity & Inclusion Committee
Special Events Committee



If you have any questions about the application or the open positions on council contact HSC President, Alice Darling, or Executive Vice-President, Troy Sterling

alice.darling@louisville.edu

troy.sterling@louisville.edu



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As the semester kicks off, make sure to follow Honors Student Council for upcoming event information, competitions, and more! We can be found here:

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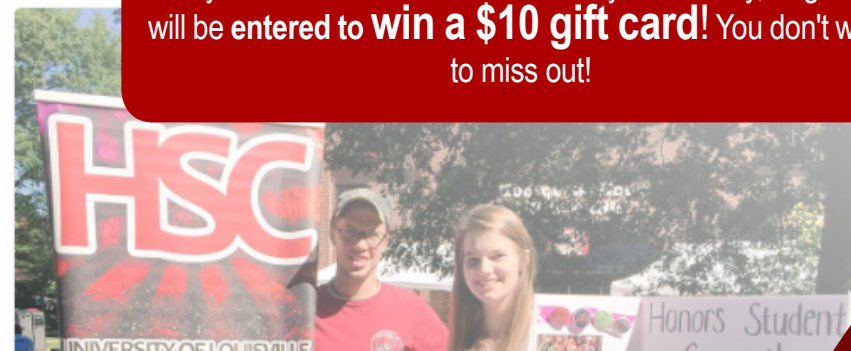
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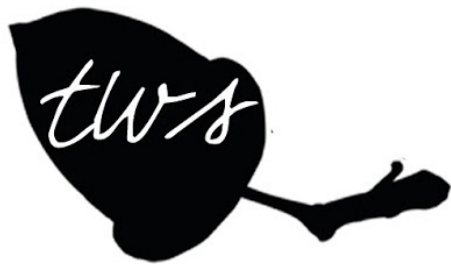
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Every new like or follow between today and Friday, August 26 will be entered to **win a \$10 gift card!** You don't want to miss out!

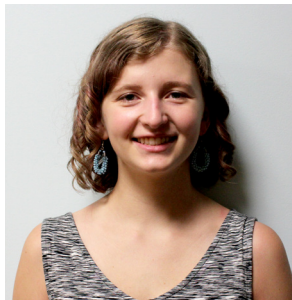


STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

THE WHITE SQUIRREL MEET THE EDITORS-IN-CHIEF



Hayley Stevenson



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Dear Reader,

It is a pleasure for *The White Squirrel* Editors to welcome everyone, old and new, back to the University of Louisville for another year of school. *The White Squirrel* is the University of Louisville Honors Program's literary and arts magazine, which publishes and showcases the poetry, prose, art, and overall talent and creativity of students and faculty, as well as others within the University and Louisville community. The White Squirrel is also an organization of students who work to publish the magazine and extend their passion for the arts and literature to the community around them.

An exciting year for *The White Squirrel* awaits ahead of us filled with many new opportunities, including opportunities to get involved. Not only can one participate through our numerous events held throughout the year, (including poetry and prose readings, art galleries, educational panels related to the arts and literature, and many more,) one can also apply to join our editor team and become directly involved with these events and the creation of our magazine. Our meeting for those interested in learning more about the White Squirrel will be August 31, in the Honors Overseers House (see flyer below.) Please visit us at our webpage on the Honors Program website to learn more about our organization or to reach our editor application. Feel free to also follow us on Facebook or email us at uoflwhitesquirrel@gmail.com to ask any questions.

Good-luck!

The White Squirrel Editors-in-Chief

Caroline Gates, Hayley Stevenson, and Whitney Cox

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark your calendars now for our interest meeting and editor application deadline! Then watch *The Current* follow us on Facebook (<http://bit.ly/2b1BNhf>) for more dates and deadlines.

Interest Meeting

Wednesday, August 31, 6:00 PM

Editor Applications Due

Friday, September 9

Editors Announced

Monday, September 12

Passionate about literature and art?

Interested in being involved with the UofL Honors Program's
Literary and Arts Magazine?



Interest Meeting

Wednesday, August 31st, 6 PM
Honors Overseers House, 2nd Floor



FROM OUR FRIENDS

EVENTS

UofL MBA Information Session

Wednesday, September 28 • 5:45 PM
University Club

Join us to learn more about the UofL MBA programs. You could have a paid internship AND get your MBA in 13 short months! Register here: <http://bit.ly/2blm9YI>
Contact Sophia Fischer with questions:
sophia.fischer@louisville.edu



UofL MBA INFORMATION SESSION

Shadow Host Lunch and Training

Friday, September 2 • 11:30 AM

Red Barn • RSVP by 8/31

Welcome back! The Office of Admissions will be hosting a lunch and training session for new and returning shadow hosts. Shadow hosts are current students who volunteer to host seniors in high school who are interested in UofL. Help us promote UofL to academically talented students, get involved on campus and earn some volunteer hours! Free lunch will be served at the training so please **RSVP by Aug 31** by emailing me-gan.adams@louisville.edu. Hope to see you there!

STARS Information Sessions

August 29, 2:00 PM

September 2, 3:00 PM

September 6, 11:00 AM

September 15, 4:00 PM

All Sessions in Red Barn

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 information sessions to participate in STARS. Questions or to register for a session email Stephanie Bolin at smboli02@cardmail.louisville.edu

Queen of Sheba Series: High School Confidential

Wednesday, August 24 • 7:30 PM

The Avenue, Cardinal Towne

Weekly crushes, unrequited love, exam horror stories, grad anxiety—after high school does the drama end? Join a diverse group of college women as they dish about their collegiate experiences, challenges and successes in a conversation with first-year students on how to have a fabulous time at college—combined with wise advice on how to also avoid all-too-common mistakes. Get ready to be empowered. -Special Guest, Miss Kentucky 2016 Kyle Hornback. Contact LaMont Johnson for more information:
lamont.johnson@louisville.edu



Everyone Looks Happy on Facebook

Monday, August 29 • 7:30 PM

The Avenue, Cardinal Towne

Do you feel as if all your Facebook friends lead happier and more exciting lives than you? Viewing everyone else's cheery relationship statuses, pictures and updates on their social media platforms can make a person wonder if everybody else has the perfect romantic partner or love life. However, what is happening behind the scenes in an abusive relationship? Join a powerful Escalation workshop to learn how relationship violence starts early, and can last a lifetime.

Contact LaMont Johnson for more information:

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FROM OUR FRIENDS

A Time for PEACC: Left Behind Wednesday, August 31 • 7:30 PM The Avenue, Cardinal Towne

Suicide is a leading cause of death among college-aged students; and those left behind after the suicide of a family member or friend struggle with a particularly difficult grief. In recognition of National Suicide Prevention Awareness month, the PEACC Center and U of L ROTC join forces with community partners, student artists, and survivors in this music and storytelling program to



raise awareness on the effects of suicide—and the warning signs that indicate someone you know and love may be considering suicide. Join us for an informative and engaging evening to address a hard hitting problem that leaves a hole in the lives of those left behind.

Contact LaMont Johnson for more information:
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OPPORTUNITIES

Fall Break Service Trip September 30 - October 3 Deadline: September 8 Travels to Harlan County, KY Trip cost: \$90

This year's fall trip is planned in cooperation with the Kentucky Dog Project. Their mission is to improve living conditions for backyard chained dogs in Harlan County, Kentucky and the surrounding region. Apply today at <https://orgsync.com/96382/forms/202640>



More information about the service site <https://sites.google.com/site/animalrescueinappalachia/>

All questions can be directed to Pam Curtis:
pncurt01@louisville.edu

Join Quiz Bowl

Any students interested in joining the quiz bowl team are encouraged to email Matt Church for more information: mschur01@louisville.edu

THE CURRENT STUDENT WRITER

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Read her article on page 6!

THANKS FOR READING THE CURRENT!

