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University of Louisville
Honors Program Newsletter

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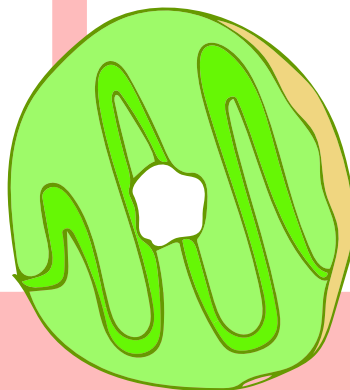
QUICK CALENDAR

12/3	Volunteering at Family Scholar House
12/5	Donut Worry About Finals Breakfast
12/5	The White Squirrel Cover Reveal Party
12/14	Returner Housing Application Deadline
12/26-1/2	University Closed
1/15	Peer Advisor Application Deadline
1/27	KHR & SRHC Proposals Deadline

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

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HONORS NEWS

COME BACK TO KURZ NEXT YEAR!

Did you have such an amazing experience this year in Kurz Hall that you would want to live there again? Well, you can for Fall 2017 – Spring 2018!! The Returner Housing application is available and the priority deadline to apply ends on Wednesday, December 14 at 11:59 PM. To qualify, you must complete both the Returning Housing application and the Honors LLC application (linked below). Once the application is submitted, an Honors advisor will contact you directly with more information.

If you have any questions regarding Campus Housing for next year, contact the Campus Housing team via email at oncampus@louisville.edu, phone at (502)-852-6636 or online chat, which is found on the front page of the Campus Housing website here: louisville.edu/housing. The Campus Housing team hopes you continue to find #MyUofLHome with us next year!

Returner Housing Applications

Available here: <https://studenthousing.louisville.edu/>

OPEN

Tuesday, November 29, starting at 9:00 AM

PRIORITY DEADLINE

Wednesday, December 14, ending at 11:59 PM

Honors LLC Application: <http://bit.ly/2eH4lmn>



APPLY FOR THE SCIENCE LLC!

Attention first year students! Are you a rising sophomore wishing to pursue a career in healthcare or major in Biology, Chemistry, or Bio-Engineering? Are you looking for a place to live next year that offers a great on campus location, a tight-knit community, and additional social and academic benefits? Look no further! **Apply today to be a part of the Honors Second Year Science Living Learning Community!**

The Honors 2nd Year Science LLC is an exciting residential community housed in Kurz Hall that offers students the opportunity to continue living on campus after their first year as well as further explore their career and academic interests in a dynamic and engaging environment. As part of this LLC, students will also have a reserved spot in our coveted Honors Organic Chemistry during the fall and spring semester! Participation as a first year student in the Honors Science LLC is not required.

For more information about the Honors 2nd Year Science LLC, contact Sarah Exner at sarah.exner@louisville.edu. To apply, you must complete both the Honors LLC application and the Returning Housing Application (linked above).

Image: Second Year Science LLC members at Mammoth Cave National Park, Spring 2016.



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

SPRING HONORS CONFERENCES

If you are interested in developing your presentation skills outside of the classroom, Honors would like to encourage you to submit to the Spring 2017 Honors Conferences below! Students may develop proposals covering a wide range of topics, including: undergraduate research, papers you have written or presentations you've developed for an Honors class, a topic you are knowledgeable and passionate about and for which you'd like to develop a presentation, or your work in an Honors student organization. If you have any other ideas that don't fit these areas, please contact an Honors counselor to determine if it could work for a conference presentation. If you'd like to get some examples of previous conference presentations, please contact your Honors academic counselor. Additionally, if you'd like some insight into what the Honors conference experience is like, please be sure to check out Destinee Germany's article in the fifth issue of *The Current*: <http://bit.ly/2g6MuYo>. Submissions for the Honors conference are encouraged from all disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives and can include poster presentations, podium presentations, panel discussions, or exhibitions of artwork, musical performance, or digital film. Read more about submission guidelines below!



KHR IN LEXINGTON

Next semester, a group of engaged Honors students will be heading to the University of Kentucky, and you could be one of them!

KHR is a fantastic opportunity to become more involved in the Honors Program, expand your academic network within Kentucky, and develop your professional skills in a supportive environment. In past years, UofL students have presented on anything from their current research and class projects to their experiences with their RSOs and volunteer initiatives.

Submissions for the Honors conference are encouraged from all disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives. Proposal formats need to be in one of the four categories: oral presentation (15 minutes), panels (45 minutes), dance/musical/theatrical performances (maximum 45 minutes), and poster presentations.

How to Submit:

Apply online here: <http://tinyurl.com/KHRProposal>

Proposal Deadline:

January 27, 2017 at Midnight

Conference Dates:

February 24-25, 2017

Location:

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

If you have any questions regarding the conference, please contact Olivia Sailor via email at Olivia.sailor@louisville.edu.

SRHC IN ASHEVILLE

The theme for the conference is "Diving into Diversity: Opportunities and Obligations in Honors Education." This theme allows presenters to consider how honors education can help foster diversity, inclusivity, and equity across all areas of our society. For additional information, visit <http://www.srhconline.org/conference/>. Please note that students should not submit their conference proposals using the SRHC online form. Please plan to submit those directly to Luke Buckman in Honors. **Please remember that to participate in SRHC, you should also have participated or plan to participate in the Kentucky Honors Roundtable during the 2016-2017 academic year.**

How to Submit:

To submit your proposal, please send the information outlined below directly to Luke Buckman by the proposal deadline. To ask any questions about the conference, please contact Luke Buckman via email, at luke.buckman@louisville.edu.

- Name and e-mail address of presenter(s)
- Title of presentation (150 characters maximum)
- A short abstract or summary of the presentation for the program (250 characters maximum)
- Full synopsis of the presentation, for conference consideration (750 characters maximum)
- Presentation Format (choose one of the following):
 - o Podium (10-15 minutes + Q&A)
 - o Poster
 - o Research Panel (40 minutes + Q&A)
 - o Short Digital Film (6 minutes maximum)
 - o Musical Performance or recording (6 minutes maximum)
 - o Art Exhibition
- Equipment needed: computer, digital projector, screen, speakers, or other requirements

Proposal Deadline:

January 27, 2017 at Midnight

Conference Dates:

March 30 – April 1, 2017

Location:

Asheville, NC



HONORS PEER ADVISOR POSITIONS

Are you interested in working for Honors this summer? Consider becoming an Honors Peer Advisor! Peer Advisors will be trained to help incoming Honors freshmen as they develop an academic plan and schedule courses during summer orientation. This is an outstanding opportunity for Honors students to learn more about the University, discuss their experiences in the University Honors Program with interested new students and parents, and earn some money along the way. Students will be expected to work approximately 15-20 hours each week from mid-May through the end of June 2017.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Both the Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP) and Summer Term II classes may conflict with the required work schedule for a Peer Advisor. Please take this into consideration when applying for the Peer Advisor position. Additionally, if you are planning a summer travel abroad experience, you will want to check with Honors to determine if potential conflicts will prevent you from participating as a Peer Advisor. Applications are due at 4:00 PM on January 15, 2017. In order to apply you must have completed at least 30 hours (by the end of the spring 2017 semester) and have a 3.35 or higher cumulative GPA. To apply, please visit <http://bit.ly/2f1gxx0>



Honors Peer Advisor Overview:

Timeline and Hours:
Mid-May through
Early July 2017
15-20 hours per week

Requirements to Apply:
Completed 30 course
hours by Spring 2017 &
3.35 cumulative GPA or
higher

How to Apply:
Through our website by
January 15, 2017
Contact Kirsten
Armstrong with any
questions:
[kirsten.armstrong@
louisville.edu](mailto:kirsten.armstrong@louisville.edu)



Photos: [Top] Des Lane working with incoming students during Orientation. [Bottom] The Summer 2016 Peer advisors.

ADVISING CORNER

WANT MORE HONORS COURSES?

If you are interested in taking any additional Honors courses for spring 2017, the Honors Program is waiving the usual maximum of two courses. If you've already met with an Honors advisor and want to take more than two Honors courses this spring, write to your advisor and let them know which additional courses you'd like to take. There are still several open Honors courses for spring, including:

Art History 270	History 105 & 106
Accounting 205	Humanities 151 & 152
Business 301	Pan-African Studies 227
Chemistry 202 & 209	Philosophy 222 & 311
Communication 111 & 115	Political Science 201
Economics 201 & 202	Psychology 201
Engineering 102 & 201	Management 301
English 105	Theatre Arts 207
Health & Sports Science 293	Politics of Climate Change

WAITLISTED? WATCH YOUR EMAIL!

Congratulations, Honors students, on the completion of another successful priority registration period! We had a couple of days of busy walk-in advising, and we appreciated everyone's patience with the process as we worked hard to address your questions and concerns. Big thanks are in order as well to the Honors Advising Team as well as the Honors front desk and support staff for all of your diligence, excellent communication, and positive attitudes during a very busy time of year! We have now embarked on the Honors class waitlist updating process. If you are on a waitlist for an Honors course, please read the following information closely.

Remember that Honors waitlists are different

Non-Honors courses use an automated system that you can monitor on ULink and the Online Schedule of Classes. Honors course lists are maintained internally by the Honors Program staff. **You will be notified via your UofL e-mail account from now up until the last day to drop/add for Spring 2017 if you are granted permission to add an Honors course.**

These e-mail notices are time-sensitive

The emails you receive from Honors will include an expiration date for your permission to add the course on ULink. So if you are currently waitlisted for an Honors course, please keep a close watch on your UofL e-mail account between now and the final day of add/drop in Spring for any potential updates to your status. Otherwise you may miss the opportunity to register for the course you have been waiting for.

It's up to you to register

If you receive one of these e-mail notices, it means that we have granted you permission to enroll in the course in the system, but it's still up to you to register through ULink. Please note that this permission is only good until the deadline included in the e-mail notice from Honors.

Check the section

Finally, please remember that permission to enroll in Honors courses is specific to that particular section of the course. Please ensure that, if you receive permission to register for an Honors course, you are attempting to add the correct section of that course on ULink.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

NOW OPEN

SUMMER INSTITUTES FOR U.S. UNDERGRADUATES IN THE U.K.

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

Summer Institutes available for US students:

- AIFS Summer Institute with Globe Education
- Durham University Summer Institute
- Queen's University Belfast Summer Institute
- SOAS, University of London Summer Institute
- Scotland Summer Institute: Identity, Society, and the New Enlightenment
- Scotland Summer Institute: Technology, Innovation, and Creativity
- University of Bristol Summer Institute
- University of Exeter Summer Institute
- University of Sussex Summer Institute (New)
- University of Westminster Summer Institute (New)

Learn more about any of these opportunities here:

<http://www.fulbright.org.uk/fulbright-awards/exchanges-to-the-uk/undergraduates>



The Summer Institutes will cover the majority of participant costs. This includes round-trip airfare from the US to the UK, tuition and fees at the host university/institution, accommodation and meals and in some cases a small daily allowance. Please read the Terms and Conditions for this award before making an application.

Applications are due: February 23 or 26, 2017

Please check the individual institute web-page for specific deadline.

Carefully read the application instructions found in the 'Applying' tab on each web-page.

Follow [@FulbrightAwards](https://twitter.com/FulbrightAwards) on twitter and receive tips on completing your application!

If you are interested in applying, please contact Bethany Smith at bethany.smith.1@louisville.edu to schedule an appointment with Dr. Condon!

CALLING ALL RESEARCH-FOCUSED SOPHOMORE & JUNIOR STEM STUDENTS! BARRY M. GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP

This research-focused scholarship funds the undergraduate study of college students who intend to pursue careers as high-level researchers in science, mathematics, and engineering. This prestigious award opens many doors for its winners. **Sophomores** and **Juniors** with an established record of research in their field and a high GPA should consider applying. The national deadline is January 27, 2017. You must be nominated by your institution in order to compete; the campus nomination process takes place in early January, so make an appointment with Dr. Condon soon if you are interested.

For more information visit: <https://goldwater.scholarsapply.org/>

National Deadline: January 27, 2016

**BARRY M. GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP
AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION PROGRAM**

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NOW OPEN

MORRIS K. UDALL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

In 2017, the Udall Foundation anticipates awarding 60 scholarships of up to \$7,000 each. The Udall scholarship honors the legacies of Morris Udall and Stewart Udall, whose careers had a significant impact on Native American self-governance, health care, and the stewardship of public lands and natural resources.



About the Scholarship

The Udall Scholarship provides:

- Access to the Udall Alumni Network: an association of change-makers, working in Indian country and environmental fields, sharing innovative ideas, professional advice, and job and internship opportunities.
- Five days in Tucson, Arizona, at Scholar Orientation: extending your professional network, meeting other scholars and alumni, and learning new skills.
- Up to \$7,000 for eligible academic expenses. (See our FAQs for scholarship award benefits and conditions.)

Is the Udall Scholarship right for you?

Are you working towards positive solutions to environmental challenges or to issues impacting Indian country? Have you demonstrated your commitment to one of these areas through public service? Do you inspire and motivate others to take action? Are you committed to making a difference through civility and consensus building? If you answered "yes" to these questions, the Udall Scholarship may be right for you.

Categories include:

Tribal Policy

For Native Americans and Alaska Natives working on an array of policy issues in Indian country

Native Health Care

For Native Americans and Alaska Natives pursuing health-related careers

Environment

For undergraduates interested in conservation and environmental issues

National Deadline: March 15, 2017

Students interested in applying should meet with Dr. Condon; contact Bethany Smith at bethany.smith.1@louisville.edu to schedule an appointment.

ATTENTION ALL UNDERGRADUATES - ALL DISCIPLINES & LEVELS BOREN AWARDS

The Boren Undergraduate Scholarship provides up to \$20,000 to U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interests and underrepresented in study abroad. Boren Scholars represent a variety of academic backgrounds—from Global Health, to Economics, to STEM disciplines—but all are interested in studying less commonly taught languages and building regional expertise in parts of the world of U.S. national security interest. You can apply as a sophomore, junior, even a senior (if you delay graduation). Make an appointment to explore your options by emailing bethany.smith.1@louisville.edu. For more information see: http://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship/basics.html



National Deadline: February 9, 2017

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITY

MARY CHURCHILL HUMPHREY CENTENARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

Mary Churchill Humphrey endowed the University of Louisville Centenary Memorial Scholarship in the late 1940s. This generous scholarship has enabled graduates of the **College of Arts & Sciences** to pursue advanced study in the United Kingdom for more than fifty years. Competition for the scholarship is open to students majoring in all disciplines within the College of Arts & Sciences. To be eligible, a student must have at least one A&S major and be a resident in the College of Arts & Sciences.

Candidates may apply to study at **ANY English, Scottish, Welsh, or Irish University**. The MCH may be used to complete a **one-year graduate degree or be used in the first year of a longer graduate degree program**. The MCH scholarship will cover a significant proportion of the winning scholar's tuition, room and board, fees, other living expenses and transportation. However, given the rising costs of higher education and living expenses in the United Kingdom, students applying for the MCH should expect to meet some portion of their expected budget with personal funds or a graduate school loan. **The exact amount of this year's MCH monetary award has not been set.**

Eligibility and the Application:

Academically distinguished College of Arts & Sciences seniors, graduate students, and recent graduates are encouraged to apply.

The upcoming winter break is a great time to get started on your research for this opportunity!
Application due dates and interviews will be in **March 2017**.

By that point, serious applicants should have already applied to the UK institution of their choice.

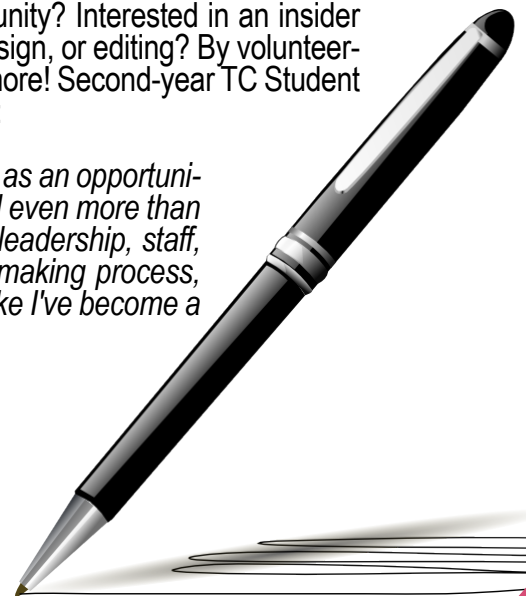
All potential candidates should meet with Dr. Condon.
Contact Bethany Smith (bethany.smith.1@louisville.edu)
to schedule an appointment or for more information.

CALL FOR STUDENT WRITERS

Love writing? Looking for a way to stay plugged into the Honors community? Interested in an insider look at events? Want to learn more about digital photography, graphic design, or editing? By volunteering to join our team of *The Current* Student Writers, you can do that and more! Second-year TC Student Writer, Jamacia Williams had this to say about her time with *The Current*:

"I joined The Current as a student writer interested in media and viewed it as an opportunity to apply skills I had been learning through my major. However, I gained even more than expected! I have taken print-worthy photos and connected with Honors leadership, staff, and students. Student writers are allowed to be a part of the decision-making process, contribute our own ideas, and pick assignments that appeal to us. I feel like I've become a better leader--plus, I get to work with fun and enthusiastic people!"

If you'd like to join our TC Student Writer team, contact the editor, Alex O' Keefe at a.okeefe@louisville.edu.
Stay awesome!



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY AT FAMILY SCHOLAR HOUSE

Need last-minute service hours for the semester? Join Honors Student Council as we volunteer at Family Scholar House! Help make a difference in lives of children as we help prepare pre-schoolers for Kindergarten and get them excited about learning. Plus there will be free food!

Contact Brooke Moody for more information: bamood04@louisville.edu

THIS SATURDAY • December 3 • 12:00-3:00 PM • Meet in Kurz Conference Room

PRIVILEGE WALK EVENT REVIEW WHO'S GOT THE POWER?

By Jamacia Williams, The Current Student Writer

On Thursday, November 17, Honors Students Council (HSC) hosted an exercise called "Privilege Walk" for an intimate group of attendees. Participants sipped coffee under a setting sun, and got to know each other before the exercise began. Students were instructed to line up shoulder-to-shoulder along the concrete sidewalk between Kurz Hall and the SRC fields. A series of identity statements were delivered by Corey Dutton, Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of HSC, who prompted students to step forward or backwards based on their alignment with the scenarios described. This was a visual representation of the real-life obstacles students faced based on class, race, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity, and family history of college attendance. After the exercise was finished, students gathered into a circle to reflect on the impact of the experience. Several had previously identified their privileges, while others were surprised by how many advantages some identities held.

Being an African-American female, I often am reminded of the obstacles and oppression I face. Just that week I'd had a conversation with a group of friends about how my appearance and experience as a black woman might have barred me from a recent position. However, I recognized how growing up middle-class, able-bodied, and in a household where both parents have a degree protected me from a lot of the struggles people who don't occupy those privileged identities may face. I never had to navigate the FAFSA alone, never had the pressure of a first-generation college student, never had to worry about wheel-chair accessibility, and never had to use public transportation before coming to the University. As frustrating as it is when dominant groups don't try to recognize and relate to my struggles as a woman and black person, I realized I was equally ignorant to the struggles of LGBT, impoverished, and first-generation individuals prior to this exercise. My first instinct was to be embarrassed of my privileges, but upon meditation I know I can use my abilities to empower those who don't occupy my spaces of privilege by advocating platforms for their needs.



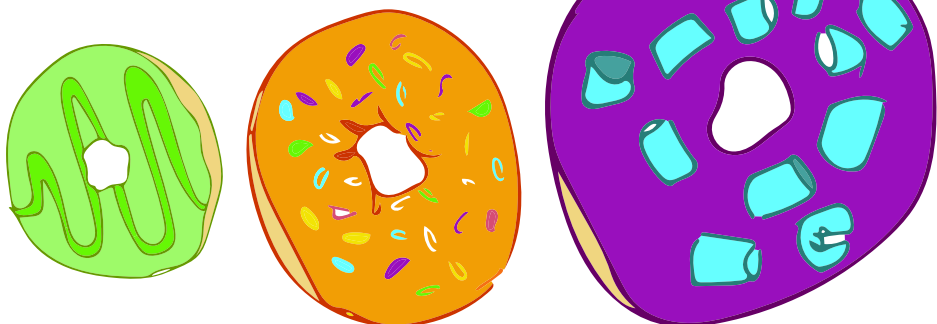
Image: Students standing in different positions based on their responses to questions posed by the moderator, Corey Dutton.

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DONUT WORRY ABOUT FINALS, COME EAT WITH HONORS!

As the semester comes to an end, don't let finals drag you down. Let Honors Student Council make your last Monday worthwhile with free donuts from Nord's Bakery. We can't wait to see you at Etscorn Honors Center for a sweet treat to start the week off right!

Monday, December 5
9:00 AM - whenever donuts run out!
Etscorn Honors Center



EVENT REVIEW REDTALKS

By Katherine Armstrong, The Current Student Writer

It was standing room only at Chao Auditorium, with over 200 campus community members coming out for Honors Student Council's annual REDTalks the week before break! This lecture series put the spotlight on four professors from around the University, who were given a forum to discuss a topic of their choosing thanks to HSC's Academics Committee. Professor Fem-maeve MacQueen-Rose spoke on educational justice in the context of the erasure of indigenous cultures from college curriculums, specifically here at UofL. Dr. Kaila Story presented a look into her research on the complex social reaction to Beyonce's motherhood through the lens of black feminism. Dr. Fabian Crespo shifted gears into the biological sciences, speaking on the intricate connection between bioarcheology and modern epidemiology. Dr. Raymond Chastain closed out the evening with a presentation of his research on how mindset determines performance, showing us that success is linked to a student's perception of their capabilities.

Between talks HSC provided all the walking chili and mini brownies people could want while taking a break to mingle with the speakers and discuss the topics of the night. Corey Dutton, a second-year Honors Student, was present and was astounded by how well the event covered material that sometimes is swept under the rug at public universities. "I really loved that the professors talked about things they were passionate about, because that's where I believe true learning comes from. I loved that Prof. Rose and Dr. Story talked about issues that are commonly glossed over on college campuses and helped bring those topics to a more mainstream audience," she said after the first two lectures.

Based on the conversations at the conclusion of the event, people were thrilled with the broad spectrum of topics presented by the speakers. Participants were eager to contribute ideas for future REDTalks, suggesting speakers, topics, and off-shoot ideas. Honors Student Council would like to thank Professor Rose, Dr. Story, Dr. Crespo, and Dr. Chastain for their generous contributions to the event, and everyone who came out for an evening of dialogue. We hope we'll see you again next year!



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

EVENT REVIEW

DIVERSITY FAIR

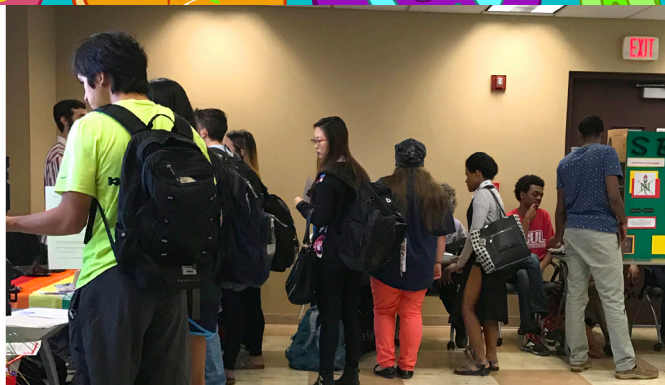
By Janet Dake, The Current Student Writer

The University of Louisville is known across Kentucky for its exceptionally diverse body of students, and the accepting and inclusive environment these students experience once here. This was the inspiration for the Diversity Fair, held in the Etscorn Honors Center on December 18, 2016. This event, put on by members of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of Honors Student Council, featured over a dozen booths showcasing UofL's diverse population of religions, ethnicities, orientations, cultures, and other identities.

Jazmen Conner, Vice President of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee, explained the motivation behind this event: "We really wanted to promote diversity within the community at UofL," she said. "By bringing out these different organizations for people to see, we help create a safe space to learn." Their goal was achieved, with over 50 students and campus community members coming out to hear more about the diverse safe spaces on our campus.

Representatives at this event included the Cultural Center, the LGBT center, the Muslim Student Association, the Hispanic/Latino Initiatives, the American International Relations Club, and several other campus and community partners. An extra treat for attendees and representatives was the array of food. Ethiopian cuisine was provided from Queen of Sheba and Indian food from Bombay Grill, all of which was quickly eaten by those who made it to the fair early.

More than the food, attendees took away valuable insights about the many people and organizations who shape UofL's campus culture. Peggy Schnell, an Honors student and attendee at the Diversity Fair, said she heard about it on social media and added, "Going to events like this is a good way to stay involved. They facilitate an inclusive environment for discussion." Peggy's statement about the Diversity Fair reflects how Honors Student Council is contributing to the inclusive campus environment for which the university is known.



Images: Participants talking to representatives from organizations around campus.

THE WHITE SQUIRREL COVER REVEAL PARTY

Come unwrap the cover of our newest, fourteenth edition of The White Squirrel Literary and Arts Magazine at our Cover Reveal Party next Monday in the Ekstrom Library, University of Louisville Writing Center! At this event we will be uncovering our cover for our Fall 2016 edition. We have invited the artists and writers the we are publishing in this edition to attend and share their work. We will be holding an art gallery, as well as a reading for these contributors to celebrate their talent. We will also be closing with an open-mic, where we encourage to share your own work too! Food and drinks to be provides, also!

Monday, December 5

6:00 PM • UofL Writing Center



FROM OUR FRIENDS

EVENTS

WinterFest 2017

Multiple locations, dates, and times

WinterFest is UofL's way to welcome all new, transfer and returning students to campus for the start of the spring semester. You can look to WinterFest to find a wide variety of opportunities to get connected on campus and have a great time even in those grey January days. Check out the full calendar of events here:

louisville.edu/firstyear/events/winterfest

Contact Shelley Tewell for more information:

shelley.tewell@louisville.edu

Finals Fest: Fall 2016

December 5

Cocoa Cart: 9:00 AM, Humanities Quad

Pause for Paws: 12:00-2:00 PM, Ekstrom Library

Food: 6:00-8:00 PM, Ekstrom Library Lower Level

Join FYI, SAB, and other campus partners for a day full of fun events to get you ready for finals. Need a pick-me-up before class? Grab yourself a cup of hot chocolate. Missing your furry friends back home? Come play with some four-legged friends to help you destress! How about some FREE food or a massage while you take a break from studying? Visit us in the lower-level of the library that evening. We will be serving breakfast from For Goodness Crepes and Cracker Barrel, playing BINGO, and most of all, relaxing!

Contact Shelley Tewell for more information:

shelley.tewell@louisville.edu

CARDS Success Series

December 5

The CARDS Success Series highlights important events and activities that will help your transition be as seamless and engaging as possible by giving you access to the keys to success in your first year and beyond. It's centered on these five key aspects of your UofL experience: Community, Academics, Responsibility, Diversity and Service (CARDS). Attend CARDS events to earn rewards, including a \$1,000 scholarship! Ready to participate? Learn more here: <http://louisville.edu/firstyear/cards>

Contact Shelley Tewell for more information:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Online Wellbeing Spark

Multiple locations, dates, and times

Health Promotion invites you to check out our new on-line Wellbeing Spark that will feature interactive links. Visit this link <http://louisville.readsh101.com/> to begin checking out new information!

Scholarship Awarded for Composition Contest

Deadline: December 16, 2016 by 5:00 PM

The Book-in-Common Critical Thinking Composition Contest awards scholarship prizes for first year and upperclass students' written and digital compositions. What would YOU do with a \$300 or \$100 prize?

louisville.edu/firstyear/book-in-common/composition-contest

Contact Shelley Tewell for more information:

shelley.tewell@louisville.edu

THE CURRENT STUDENT WRITERS

Katherine Armstrong is a senior Biology major, hoping to go to veterinary school after graduation. She is also the Honors Student Council Historian. She enjoys reading, playing video games, and being snarky.



Read her article on page 11!

Janet Dake is a freshmen in the Honors program. She is also a member of Freshmen LEAD, and interns at the Kentucky Refugee Ministries, where she hopes to someday pursue a career. In her spare time, she enjoys painting, running, reading trash on Cosmo and watching New Girl on Netflix.



Read her article on page 11!

Jamacia Williams ('19) is a sophomore social work major and U.S. Army brat. A free spirit at heart, she enjoys singing, poetry, dancing without coordination, and adventures. Outside of The Current, she mentors through Students for Students and is a Porter Scholar.



Read her article on page 11!