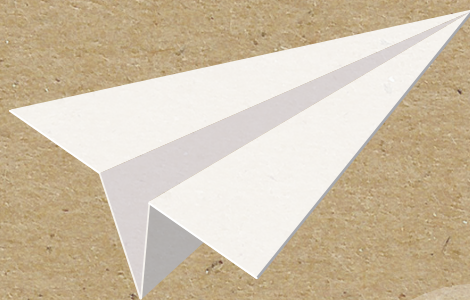




~ WELCOME TO YOUR ~

Phoenix Flight Path



ELON



~CONGRATULATIONS!~

Welcome to the beginning of your journey at Elon University! This marks the start of an exciting chapter, one where you'll ignite your passions, spread your wings and soar toward countless possibilities. Your time at Elon will be as unique as you are, shaped by your choices, relationships and the values you bring to this vibrant community.

The Phoenix Flight Path is your companion for this journey. It's designed to guide you through the first steps of your transition, from New Student Orientation to the pivotal first six weeks of your semester and beyond. Within these pages, you'll find helpful resources, key dates and moments for reflection to chart your course and shape your experience.

As you navigate life as a Phoenix, take time to embrace new challenges, connect deeply with others and explore the opportunities that await

you. From classrooms to campus traditions, from friendships to personal growth, your Elon experience is yours to create. We're here to support you every step of the way — with a community that's as committed to your success as you are.

Let this guide help you stay grounded, organized and inspired as you embark on this transformative journey. Together, we'll ensure your first year at Elon is a meaningful foundation for all the amazing things to come.

THIS GUIDE BELONGS TO:

IF FOUND, PLEASE RETURN TO ME OR TAKE TO THE MOSELEY CENTER LOST & FOUND.

The Three Components of Your Flight Path

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TAKEOFF: Establishing the Foundation

This is where the journey begins. This includes orienting yourself to your new environment, understanding your resources and setting initial goals. It's about preparing for the adventure ahead and gaining confidence in your ability to navigate this new phase.

2

NAVIGATION: Staying on Course

This represents the core of the journey — actively charting a path, making adjustments and remaining focused on goals while being open to exploration. It's about staying adaptable and committed as new opportunities and challenges arise.

3

LANDING: Reflecting and Evolving

The final phase involves consolidating what was learned during the journey, celebrating successes and using the experience to prepare for what's next. A smooth landing sets the tone for future growth and achievements.



Jump on board and
prepare for the ride
of your life.



New Student Orientation **DAY ONE**

At Elon, community is at the heart of who we are. Building a strong sense of connection and belonging starts with engaging in meaningful relationships, taking pride in our shared spaces and contributing to the wellness of those around us. Together, we create a vibrant and supportive home for all.

What are you excited or nervous about?

What are three fun facts about yourself that you can share with others?

1.

2.

3.

Your orientation leader is one of your first peer mentors alongside your Elon 1010 peer educator and resident assistant. Note their contact information so you can reach out to them in the future:

Name & Contact Information:

The Phoenix Flight Path is...

It will help me be successful by...

ORIENTATION DAY ONE TO-DO LIST:

- ☐ Set up/decorate my room
- ☐ Make a new friend
- ☐ Get my orientation leader's phone number
- ☐ Learn more about what orientation entails, my neighborhood and my resident assistant, and the university's expectations of me
- ☐ Head to Late Night Elon for fun activities and giveaways!
- ☐ Download the Rave Guardian safety app on your phone
- ☐

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Campus Safety & Police: (336) 278-5555
Moseley Front Desk: (336) 278-7215
Health Services: (336) 278-7230



Residence Life: Your Guide to Living at Elon

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS (RA): Serve as community developers, mentors and student leaders within residential neighborhoods. RAs are responsible for engaging residents in the residential campus experience by fostering a safe and healthy environment that is supportive of your personal and academic growth.

Name & Contact Information:

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: A professional staff member who is responsible for the overall administration of your neighborhood. The community directors live in on-campus apartments and supervise the neighborhood student staff. In addition, they facilitate administrative room changes, serve as hearing officers for conduct cases and provide basic counseling for all residents within their community.

Name & Office Location:

FACULTY DIRECTOR: The faculty director is responsible for developing programs for a neighborhood and helping students make important academic and social connections within their residential environment. They establish a strong relationship with neighborhood residence life staff, linked course faculty, living-learning community advisors and faculty-in-residence; participate in the life of the neighborhood; and provide administrative oversight for neighborhood planning, collaboration and assessment.

Name & Office Location:

COMMUNITY MEETINGS: Important (and mandatory) meetings led by your RA to help make connections with other residents, share information and discuss community needs.

MAROON MOMENTS: Opportunities for you to connect deeply with your resident assistant. These moments are designed to help you reflect on your transition to Elon, share your experiences and identify ways to ensure you feel supported in your new community.

ROOMMATE AGREEMENT: If you have a roommate, you will fill out a roommate agreement together within the first two weeks of the semester. To help prepare for your roommate agreement, think about:

- ▶ What did you bring with you that you would be OK sharing with roommates? What items would you not want to share or let others borrow?
- ▶ What is your comfort level with having guests over, having lights on and having TV or music on? Be prepared to talk with your roommate about what has worked for you and how you could compromise when needed.
- ▶ What environment or conditions have helped you be successful in the past while studying or sleeping? Be prepared to talk with your roommate about what has worked for you and how you can compromise when needed.
- ▶ How do you prefer to communicate when there is conflict in the room or suite?

IMPORTANT POLICIES

- ▶ You must be 21 to be in possession of or consume alcohol.
- ▶ You are responsible for your behavior and the behavior of your guests at all times.
- ▶ Remember that Elon is a tobacco- and smoke-free campus. This includes electronic smoking devices.



STUDENT HANDBOOK



HOUSING POLICIES



WHO DO I CALL IF I NEED HELP?

Resident assistant on call #: _____
Campus Safety & Police #: (336) 278-5555
REMEMBER: Neighborhood offices are open
Monday-Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Resident assistants are on call starting at 5 p.m. weekdays
until 8 a.m. and 24/7 on Saturday and Sunday.

A SPACE FOR REFLECTION:

- Have I met someone so far that I want to make a point of trying to get to know better?
- What do healthy relationships look, sound and feel like within our community?
- What are some expectations I have for myself and the other members of our new community?
- Do I know what to do if I have a conflict with one of my fellow community members?
- What are some questions I have for my resident assistant?

LOCK YOUR DOOR

The most common incidents happen because someone left their door unlocked. Keep your room secure when you are sleeping or out of your room.

Locked Out?

WEEKDAYS:

- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Contact your neighborhood office, in person or via phone
- 5 – 8 p.m.: Call the RA on-call for your neighborhood
- 8 p.m. – 8 a.m.: Call Campus Safety and Police at (336) 278-5555

WEEKENDS:

- 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.: Call the RA on-call for your neighborhood
- 8 p.m. – 8 a.m.: Call Campus Safety and Police at (336) 278-5555

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- ☐ I know how to get in touch with my resident assistant when needed
- ☐ I added the RA on duty number to my phone
- ☐ I added the Elon University Police Department number to my phone
- ☐ I have joined my floor’s GroupMe
- ☐ I know how to find out when my RA is hosting an event

Need Something Fixed in Your Room?

- Non-Emergency Maintenance:
Fill out a work order at elon.edu/fixit
- Emergency Maintenance:
After hours and on weekends, reach out to Campus Safety and Police for any emergency work orders so on-call Facilities Management staff can be contacted at (336) 278-5555.

- Two major takeaways from New Student Convocation:

- The acorn I received is a symbol of my potential. How do I hope to grow over the next few years?

What are some academic goals you want to accomplish?

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- Major
- Minor
- Interests
- Specific courses

Questions/concerns to bring to my Elon 1010 instructor about courses, schedule, my transition, etc.?

CONTACT INFORMATION

Elon 1010 instructor: _____

Office location: _____

Email: _____

Times available: _____

Peer educator: _____



New Student Orientation **DAY THREE**

At Elon we care about your health, well-being, safety and success.

WHO or WHAT will guide my decisions at Elon?

Prioritizing your health and well-being is essential to thriving at Elon.

What strategies will you use to care for yourself?

(Identify three specific acts of self-care you'll commit to this year.)

1.

2.

3.

If you need someone to talk to:

- ▶ **Reach out to your:**
 - Orientation leader
 - Resident assistant
 - Elon 1010 peer educator
 - Elon 1010 instructor and academic advisor
- ▶ Sign up for group therapy through Counseling Services or an accountability group through Learning Assistance.
- ▶ Make an individual appointment for counseling through Counseling Services or TimelyCare.
- ▶ You can speak to a counselor 24/7 by using the Talk Now feature in Timely Care or calling Elon's On-call Crisis Counselor at (336) 278-2222.



Download the TimelyCare app and set up your account using your Elon username and password. Here you can get on-demand support from counselors, doctors, nurse practitioners and more, right at your fingertips.



Building a Culture of Care

Elon University fosters a campus culture that prioritizes student well-being and upholds the rights of those impacted by sexual violence, relationship abuse, stalking and sexual harassment.

Elon addresses these issues through accountability, education, community-building and support. Through its Title IX Office, the university enforces strict policies against sexual harassment, interpersonal violence and gender-based discrimination, ensuring that all referrals are handled with the utmost seriousness and privacy.

The Gender & LGBTQIA Center offers confidential support and option navigation for survivors of sexual assault, relationship abuse, stalking and harassment through Confidential Support & Advocacy Services. This resource is available 24/7 through Safeline at (336) 278-3333 and connects students with trained confidential advocates who provide immediate assistance, information on available resources and guidance on reporting options.

The Gender & LGBTQIA Center and the Title IX Office lead efforts to educate the Elon community and help each person see their ability to contribute to a campus free of sexual and relationship violence and harassment. If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to the Gender & LGBTQIA Center at glc@elon.edu or (336) 278-6228.

Retaking Our Story: Reframing the Sexual Violence Conversation Reflection Questions

- ▶ What feelings or thoughts came up for you in the session?
- ▶ How can you check in on friends or others who you are worried about?
- ▶ How can you support someone who discloses that they have been harmed?
- ▶ How can you contribute to a culture and community that does not tolerate harassment, abuse or assault?

Did you know that you can prevent sexual violence, relationship abuse and stalking with just a few words or actions?

- ▶ Elon students believe and support each other — you can support a friend who discloses that harm occurred by listening and connecting them to resources.
- ▶ Elon students know the components of consent — you can set and respect boundaries and hold others accountable for doing the same.
- ▶ Elon students stand up for others — you can check in on someone you're worried about or challenge someone who is using their words or actions to cause harm.
- ▶ Elon students connect with others to learn — you can attend an event or workshop about preventing sexual violence, relationship abuse and stalking.

We can all contribute to a community of care, peace and justice!





WHAT DOES COMMUNITY AT ELON MEAN TO ME?

During New Student Orientation, you have heard what community means to others. Now it's your turn:

Craft your communities at Elon

- ☐ Attend the Org Fair and explore PhoenixCONNECT
- ☐ Join a club or organization
- ☐ Form a study group with classmates
- ☐ Meet with my Elon 1010 peer educator
- ☐ Talk to people in my residence hall
- ☐ Attend a Late Night Elon event
- ☐ Explore Burlington and the surrounding community with someone new

Brainstorm your own ways!

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A SPACE FOR REFLECTION:

- How can I apply the concepts of exploring the uncomfortable and embracing diversity to my daily life and interactions? What excites me or scares me about doing it in this new place with people I don't know well?
- In what ways do I see myself contributing to building a more diverse and inclusive society and/or campus community based on what I've learned?

New Student Orientation **DAY FOUR**



A SPACE FOR REFLECTION:

- Which of the four pillars of the Honor Code resonated with me the most (honesty, integrity, responsibility and respect) and why?

- What does it mean to have integrity? In your academics? In your social life?

- Why is it important for me to demonstrate academic citizenship, in and outside the classroom?

- What actions can I take to protect and demonstrate academic citizenship in classes and around campus?



First Day of Classes (FDOC)

GET ORGANIZED FOR YOUR FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES AND START CREATING GOOD HABITS EARLY ON

My schedule for the FDOC:

Tuesday

Class: _____

Time: _____

Location: _____

Class: _____

Time: _____

Location: _____

Class: _____

Time: _____

Location: _____

Class: _____

Time: _____

Location: _____

What class do you think will be the most challenging? The most interesting? _____

Supplies Needed _____



Academic Building Abbreviation Guide

Alamance	ALAM
Alumni Field House	AFH
Center for the Arts	ARTS
Lindner	AVAS
Kenan Honors Pavilion	AVHP
Cannon International Studies Pavilion	AVIP
Numen Lumen Pavilion	AVNL
Gray Pavilion	AVPS
Spence Pavilion	AVRP
Belk Pavilion	AVTL
Belk Library	BELK
Carlton	CARL
Kivette (Colonnades C)	CLNC
Staley (Colonnades D)	CLND
Schar Hall	COMM
Duke	DUKE
Truitt Center	ECL7
Psychology & Human Services	EL01
Whittington (Global A)	GBLA

Gill (Global B)	GBLB
Jackson (Global C)	GBLC
Perkins (Global D)	GBLD
Global E	GBLE
Global Commons	GBLX
Arts West	HG13
Francis Center	HG31
Innovation Hall	INQ1
Johnston Hall	JSTN
Koenigsberger Learning Center	KNBG
Koury Athletic Center	KOUR
Koury Business Center	KOBC
Long	LONG
McEwen Communications Building	MCE1
McMichael	MCMI
Mooney	MOON
Moseley	MOSL
Powell	POWL
Sankey	SKNY



Academic Support in the Koenigsberger Learning Center (KLC) & Belk Library

The KLC was created to help you achieve academic success. There are numerous resources within the KLC: Academic Advising, Academic Accommodations & Accessibility and Learning Assistance.

Learning Assistance



► **By-Appointment and Drop-In Tutoring:**

By-appointment tutoring can be scheduled up to two weeks in advance for either 30- or 60-minute sessions for many courses that students take in their first and

second year. Drop-in tutoring is held on the second floor of Belk Library and there is no limit to how many students can be at each session or how many sessions you attend. Note that not all courses have drop-in tutoring.

- **Peer Success Coaching:** Coaches can help you improve skills like time management, organization, study strategies, note-taking, etc. Use the online scheduler to schedule a session.
- **Accountability Groups:** These groups provide dedicated time and space for you to study or work on assignments alongside like-minded peers.
- **Peer-Assisted Learning Sessions:** These sessions are facilitated by a peer leader who excelled in the specific course and are designed to help you better understand course content outside a classroom setting.
- **Student Success Consultation:** Don't know where to start? Schedule a consultation with a Learning Assistance staff member who can help get you connected to the right resource.
- **Student Success Workshops:** Topical workshops to help you develop academic skills, learn about resources and discover new tools to help you along the road to academic success.

Academic Accommodations & Accessibility



Students come to Elon with a range of abilities. Elon is committed to the principle of equal opportunity and equitable access and we strive to accommodate qualified students with disabilities as they navigate university life.

Faculty, staff, administrators and students work together to find approaches and accommodations that enable students to benefit from the variety of programs and activities on campus.

Belk Library



- The Writing Center can assist you with any kind of writing for any course and personal/professional purposes. Schedule an appointment online.
- The Personal Librarian Program matches all Elon students with their own personal librarian to help you build the skills to successfully navigate your academic path at Elon.

Academic Advising



Every Elon student has a team of people invested in their academic success. Your academic advisor is one member of your community of support. Academic advisors are in departments throughout campus, ready to share their guidance and experience with you. The Office of Academic Advising supports you as you explore majors, make decisions about courses and find your path at Elon.



Elon 1010 Class Week 1: Introduction

What is Elon 1010?

Elon 1010 is your first-year advising seminar course that will introduce you to the Elon University community. In Elon 1010, you will develop a holistic plan focused on academic planning, experiential learning and co-curricular engagement. The purpose of the course is to build a sense of community, foster academic and personal success, develop a meaningful relationship with your academic advisor and create an academic plan that will guide you during your time at Elon. Throughout the fall semester, you will meet weekly with your Elon 1010 instructor/academic advisor and peer educator (PE), and they will help you navigate your transition to Elon.

My Elon 1010 instructor is:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Instructor's office location: _____

My Elon 1010 Peer Educator (PE) is:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Elon 1010 class location: _____

- My major(s)/minor(s) of interest are: _____
- During Elon 1010, I want to learn: _____
- Questions I have for my Elon 1010 instructor/advisor or PE: _____



Elon 1010 Class Week 1: Your First Six Weeks

Your first six weeks of college are a pivotal time as you navigate the transition to your new environment, routines and responsibilities. This period is crucial for building connections with peers, faculty and campus resources, laying the foundation for a sense of belonging and academic success. By prioritizing your holistic wellness — focusing on community, emotional, financial, physical, purpose and social well-being — you can better manage



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the challenges of this transition and set yourself up for long-term success. Embracing opportunities to get involved, practicing self-care and seeking support fosters resilience and helps you thrive during this transformative time.

Take time and begin considering how you want to spend your first six weeks giving attention to each dimension of wellness. Explore events on PhoenixCONNECT and create a plan below and then note it in the calendar.

COMMUNITY, EMOTIONAL, FINANCIAL, PHYSICAL, PURPOSE AND SOCIAL

Community well-being is the sense of engagement and connection one has with where they live and a feeling of both safety and pride in one's community.

Emotional well-being includes resilience, grit and the mental capacity to both thrive and contribute to one's own personal growth.

Financial well-being is how one's personal resources impact other aspects of their life.

Physical well-being includes health, physical ability, exercise, sleep and nutrition.

Purpose well-being is fulfillment, spiritual meaning, personal identity and vocation.

Social well-being is authentic interpersonal relationships.

Elon 1010 Class Week 2: Get Involved at the Org Fair



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At Elon, community is at the heart of who we are. Building a strong sense of connection and belonging starts with engaging in meaningful relationships, taking pride in our shared spaces and contributing to the wellness of those around us. Together, we create a vibrant and supportive home for all.

When: Thursday, Sept. 4 at 6 p.m. (Rain Date: Friday, Sept. 5 at 4 p.m.)

Where: Young Commons, outside Moseley Center

The Org Fair is one of the biggest events of the year, with over 200 student clubs and organizations tabling. It is a great way to learn more about opportunities for involvement and begin getting connected.



Check out PhoenixCONNECT, the 24/7 org fair, to learn more about the clubs and organizations, as well as the numerous events going on every day.

Who did you talk to today? Plan to reach out to them later and get involved.

Club/organization that interested me the most:

Clubs I signed up for today:

☐ _____

☐ _____

☐ _____

☐ _____

What do you hope to gain from getting involved on campus?



Elon 1010 Class Week 3: My Weekly Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00					
8:30					
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Fill in the weekly calendar above to get yourself organized from the very beginning! Use the empty spaces to write in reoccurring classes, meetings, appointments, when you will eat breakfast/lunch/dinner, when you'll do homework, when you'll prioritize your wellness by working out or meditating, etc.

I'm nervous about _____

I'm excited to _____

Elon 1010 Class Week 4: Goal Setting



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Complete SMART goals to help focus your intentions for the semester ahead. What does success look like to you? Academically? Socially?

S

SPECIFIC

How am I going to accomplish this goal?

M

MEASURABLE

How can you track your progress?

A

ATTAINABLE

Is this a manageable goal?

R

REALISTIC

Do you have the ability and resources to reach your goal?

T

TIMELY

When will you reach your goal?

Fall semester goals:

- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

Resources needed to achieve these goals

- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

Spring semester goals:

- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

What barriers might prevent you from achieving these goals?
How will you overcome them?

- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

Celebrate your successes along the way!



Elon 1010 Class Week 8: Mid-Term Check-In

Academic Success Check-In:

In the grid below, list your classes for this semester. Then, on a scale of 1-4, evaluate how often you use each academic skill, in each of your classes. Finally, log into OnTrack to view your mid-term grades for each class. In the last column, record your mid-term and anticipated grade for each class. Be honest with yourself about the use of these academic skills and your anticipated grade in your classes.

1. I never use this strategy. 2. I use this strategy on occasion. 3. I use this strategy often but not all the time. 4. I use this strategy regularly and effectively.

COURSE	Prep before class	Prep for tests/ quizzes	Classroom participation	Rereading/ rewriting notes	Completing course reading	Interaction with faculty outside of class (ex. Attend faculty office hours)	Utilizing academic support (ex. tutoring/ writing center, study groups)	Mid-term grade/ anticipated grade
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Reflection Questions:

1. Examine the courses in which you are the most strongly engaged in academic success strategies. How does your use of these strategies impact your anticipated grade or mid-term grade for the course?
2. Which academic strategies do you feel you have been most successful in implementing? Why have you been able to utilize these practices effectively and consistently?
3. How will you use what you learned from the check-in to address the areas that you need to improve in for the remainder of the semester? What offices/programs/resources do you need to assist with your academic success?
4. Identify an academic goal for the remainder of your first semester. Create a SMART goal to assist you with accomplishing your goal. Remember, your SMART goal should be Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely. Include at least one action step for your SMART goal.

Elon 1010 Class Week 8: Calculate Your GPA



You may calculate your Grade Point Average by dividing your total quality points by the number of hours attempted at Elon only. Transfer credit hours from other institutions do not affect your GPA and should not be calculated.

Fill out the chart below to gain an understanding of the grades you will need to get the GPA you want.

Quality Points Earned

Grade	4-hr class	3-hr class	2-hr class	1-hr class
A	16.0	12.0	8.0	4.0
A-	14.8	11.1	7.4	3.7
B+	13.2	9.9	6.6	3.3
B	12.0	9.0	6.0	3.0
B-	10.8	8.1	5.4	2.7
C+	9.2	6.9	4.6	2.3
C	8.0	6.0	4.0	2.0
C-	6.8	5.1	3.4	1.7
D+	5.2	3.9	2.6	1.3
D	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0
D-	2.8	2.1	1.4	0.7

Class	Hours Attempted	Grade Earned	Quality Points Earned
Total		-	

Total Quality Points
Total # of Hrs Attempted

For subsequent semesters, add new hours attempted to previous hours attempted, add new quality points to previous quality points, then divide total quality points by total hours attempted to determine your cumulative GPA.



Elon 1010 Week 12: **Elon Experiences**

Elon University students complete two Elon Experiences during their studies. Students choose from five Elon Experiences (and can do all five with careful planning if they want to):

Global Engagement

Elon University facilitates diverse study abroad and Study USA opportunities. Students can participate in semester-long programs in locations like London, Shanghai and Florence, or engage in shorter, faculty-led experiences. These programs not only fulfill academic requirements but also enhance global awareness and cultural competence, and further personal, professional and academic trajectories.

Service

Elon emphasizes the importance of community-based learning, integrating community service with academic coursework. This approach not only enhances learning experiences, but also fosters a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement among students.

Leadership

Elon offers numerous leadership development opportunities through departments such as Student Involvement and the Center for Leadership. There is a broad range of student organizations and leadership opportunities at Elon. These learning experiences foster skills such as teamwork, ethical leadership and community engagement.

Internships

Elon University offers extensive internship opportunities through the Student Professional Development Center (SPDC), helping students gain practical experience in their field of study. Students prepare for professional roles through these experiences and are more likely to be hired upon graduation.

Undergraduate Research

Students are encouraged to engage in mentored undergraduate research to deepen their learning and contribute to their academic fields. Conducted collaboratively with experienced faculty members, these research activities enhance critical thinking and problem-solving skills and can also satisfy part of the ELR.

Elon Experiences Transcript



The Elon Experiences Transcript (EET) documents a student's participation in the five program areas that make up the Elon Experiences. Elon validates all information on the EET and students may request an EET from the Registrar's Office.

FIRE Toolkit

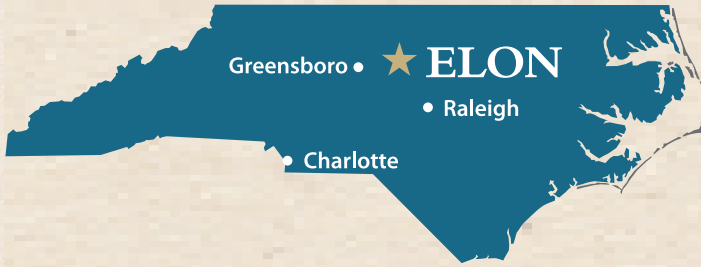


The Facilitating Integration and Reflection of the Elon Experiences Toolkit is intended to foster students' self-reflection and mentoring conversations with peers, staff and faculty to deepen students' Elon Experiences.

Questions for reflection:

- Based on what you know about the Elon Experiences so far, which do you think you want to pursue and why?
- How might the Elon Experiences support your learning and career interests?
- How will the Elon Experiences help you in your Elon path and in your life path?

Living & Learning in Community



ALAMANCE COUNTY

Total Population: 171,415

Population Change Since 2010: 16.5%

Median Household Income: \$64,445

Race and Ethnicity Breakdown:

- 59.5% White
- 20% Black or African American
- 14% Hispanic or Latinx
- 4% Other/Multi-racial
- 2% Asian
- .5% Native American

Top Three Industries

- Health Care & Medical
- Manufacturing
- Retail Trade



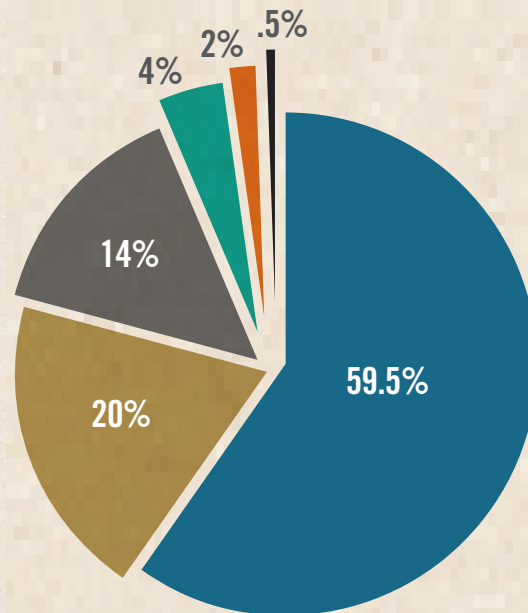
Community Engagement

Build a relationship with the Alamance County community through the Kernodle Center for Civic Life. Each year, the center partners with more than 80 local community organizations, including nonprofits, schools and government agencies.

In and Beyond Campus

All members of the Elon community are guided by our Honor Code. Every person has the right to live and learn in an atmosphere of trust and support. Responsibility for maintaining these values rests with each member. Values that promote this atmosphere include honesty, integrity, responsibility and respect.

You're joining a community at Elon University that extends beyond the borders of our campus. Welcome to Alamance County!



How do Elon, N.C., and the greater Alamance County compare to your hometown?



Explore the Elon, Burlington and greater Triad area!

Exploring beyond campus is an essential part of your Elon experience, offering opportunities to connect with the broader community and discover the rich culture, history and activities that the Elon, Burlington and Triad areas have to offer. Venturing off campus allows you to build meaningful relationships, support local businesses and gain a deeper appreciation for your new home. Whether it's enjoying outdoor spaces, attending community events or discovering hidden gems, exploring the region helps you grow personally and engage with the world beyond the classroom. Here are some examples. What do you hope to do?

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► DINING:

- **The Root:** A favorite spot for fresh, locally sourced meals.
- **Tangent:** Another Elon favorite for North Carolina themed tacos.
- **MaGerk's:** Home to delicious pub fare and known for its signature cheese steaks.
- **Pandora's Pies:** A great place for pizza and a laid-back vibe.
- **Smitty's Homemade Ice Cream:** Perfect for a sweet treat after class.
- **Simply Thai & Sushi:** A go-to spot for fresh sushi rolls and flavorful Thai dishes.
- **The Oak House:** Great for coffee, craft beer and a cozy atmosphere to study or relax.
- **Mediterranean Deli:** Delicious wraps, salads and authentic Mediterranean flavors.

► ACTIVITIES:

- **Elon Farmer's Market (seasonal):** Enjoy fresh produce, baked goods and handmade items.
- **The Burlington & Elon Greenway:** A peaceful place to bike, walk or jog near campus.

IN BURLINGTON

► DINING:

- **Burlington Beer Works:** North Carolina's first cooperative brewery and restaurant.
- **Zack's Hot Dogs:** A local institution for classic diner-style meals.
- **Village Grill:** Known for its hearty American dishes and a warm atmosphere.
- **Taaza Bistro:** A popular spot for Indian cuisine with rich flavors and plenty of options.
- **Press Coffee+Crepes (Graham):** Great for a morning coffee or a quick, savory crepe.
- **Blue Ribbon Diner:** A retro diner offering classic American favorites.
- **La Fiesta:** Authentic Mexican cuisine with a vibrant ambiance.

► ACTIVITIES:

- **Lake Cammack:** Perfect for paddleboarding, hiking trails or a peaceful picnic by the water.
- **Ace Speedway:** Enjoy a race at this 0.4-mile stock car track.
- **Conservators Center:** A unique wildlife park where you can see lions, tigers and wolves up close.



- **Downtown Burlington Murals:** Explore the vibrant local art scene by walking through downtown.
- **Burlington City Park:** Featuring a historic carousel, walking trails and picnic areas.
- **Lake Mackintosh Park & Marina:** Enjoy paddle boating, kayaking or fishing.

► **EVENTS:**

- **Alamance Arts Council Events:** From gallery exhibitions to craft workshops.
- **Fourth Fridays Downtown Burlington (May-Sept.):** Monthly festivals with live music, food trucks and local vendors.
- **Local Festivals:** Watch for events like the Carousel Festival, holiday parades, Alamance Pride and so much more.

IN THE GREATER TRIAD (Greensboro and Surrounding Areas)

► **DINING:**

- **Crafted: The Art of the Taco (Greensboro):** A trendy spot for unique tacos.
- **Hops Burger Bar (Greensboro):** Often ranked as one of the best burger spots in North Carolina.
- **Maxie B's (Greensboro):** Famous for its cakes and sweet treats.
- **Pho Hien Vuong (Greensboro):** A staple for authentic Vietnamese cuisine.
- **Liberty Oak (Greensboro):** Casual American dining in a historic downtown location.
- **Sticks & Stones (Greensboro):** Famous for wood-fired pizzas with creative toppings.
- **1618 Midtown (Greensboro):** Innovative global cuisine with a chic vibe.

► **ACTIVITIES:**

- **Guilford Courthouse National Military Park (Greensboro):** A historic site with walking trails.
- **Tanger Family Bicentennial Garden (Greensboro):** A picturesque garden ideal for a relaxing stroll.

- **Tanger Center for the Performing Arts (Greensboro):** Home to touring Broadway productions, concerts, speakers, a symphony orchestra and comedy shows.
- **Wet 'n Wild Emerald Pointe (Greensboro):** A water park perfect for cooling off during warmer months.
- **Old Salem Museums & Gardens (Winston-Salem):** Step back in time at this restored historic district.

• **Hiking:**

- **Hanging Rock State Park:** Stunning views and waterfalls within a short drive.
- **Pilot Mountain State Park:** Great for hiking and photography.
- **Greensboro Science Center:** A museum, aquarium and zoo all in one.
- **Greensboro Coliseum Complex:** Catch concerts, shows or sporting events.

► **EVENTS:**

- **Greensboro Grasshoppers Baseball:** Affordable and fun minor league games.
- **Greensboro Farmers Curb Market:** A year-round indoor market with local produce, crafts and baked goods.
- **Carolina Theatre (Greensboro):** Live performances, movies and concerts in a historic venue.
- **Greensboro Food Truck Festival:** Enjoy a variety of local eats.
- **North Carolina Folk Festival:** Music, art and culture in downtown Greensboro every September.

Nearby events you heard about and want to attend:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Fun facts you learned about the Triad area:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



How to Get Around



On-Campus Transportation

**ELON
EXPRESS**

The Elon Express provides free transportation to all Elon students. Track your route using Passio GO.



Off-Campus Transportation

**Link
TRANSIT**
ride • enjoy • connect

Burlington Link Transit Bus System: Free to students. Servicing Burlington, Gibsonville, Alamance Community College, Alamance County Offices and the Town of Elon. The Blue Line connects the Town of Elon to Gibsonville and downtown Burlington.



P.A.R.T. Bus: The Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation offers a bus system that services Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Chapel Hill, Durham and a number of other towns in the Piedmont Triad region.



Elon Traditions

Since its founding in 1889, Elon University has established a history steeped in traditions — from the annual Commencement to the weekly College Coffee gatherings. Scan the QR code to learn more about Elon's traditions:



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Festival
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Long Live Elon
Numen Lumen
The Bricks

Festival of Lights
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College Coffee
Convocation
Elon Day

Well Connected
Under the Oaks
Oak Sapling





Your Phoenix Bucket List

- ☐ Rock Elon gear
- ☐ Attend your Neighborhood Welcome BBQ
- ☐ Follow Elon accounts on social media
- ☐ Cheer with the Phoenix Phanatics at Elon sporting events
- ☐ Attend New Student Convocation
- ☐ Work out in Campus Recreation
- ☐ Take a group fitness class
- ☐ Attend a Student Union Board event
- ☐ Go to a Homecoming event
- ☐ Take a walk along the Greenway
- ☐ Visit Loy Farm
- ☐ Take a faculty/staff member to coffee or lunch with Side Swipes
- ☐ Study abroad
- ☐ Attend the Org Fair
- ☐ See a movie in Turner Theatre
- ☐ Attend a neighborhood event
- ☐ Volunteer and serve in the greater Elon/Burlington community
- ☐ Invite your family to Family Weekend
- ☐ Share and show your love for Elon on Elon Day
- ☐ Go to the Festival of Lights & Luminaries
- ☐ Attend one of Elon Dining's Farm Table events
- ☐ Tailgate and go to a football game
- ☐ Attend a Department of Performing Arts production
- ☐ Take a selfie with the Phoenix
- ☐ Visit Smitty's for homemade ice cream
- ☐ Attend the Common Reading lecture
- ☐ See a speaker through Elon's Speaker Series
- ☐ See a presentation on SURF Day
- ☐ Attend the President's Holiday Party
- ☐ Meet with the Student Involvement Ambassadors
- ☐ Play bingo and win
- ☐ Go to Cram Jam and eat late-night breakfast before finals
- ☐ Get dressed up for the Elon ball
- ☐ Be challenged on Elon's Challenge Course
- ☐ Take an adventure with Elon Outdoors
- ☐ Grab a blanket and relax on Young Commons
- ☐ Complete your Elon Job Network profile and search for on- and off-campus jobs and internships
- ☐ Dance at ElonTHON
- ☐ Take a walk with Relay for Life
- ☐ Rent a hammock from Elon Outdoors and hang around the lake



AUGUST 2025

The start of your Elon adventure!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	22 Move-in day! Orientation day 1	23 Orientation day 2
24 Orientation day 3	25 Orientation day 4	26 First day of classes College Coffee	27 Drop/add ends for first half semester courses	28 Elon @ Duke football watch party, 6 p.m., Moseley Center Numen Lumen	28	30
31						

Things to do/check out:

- Visit PhoenixCONNECT to learn more about student organizations before you go to the Org Fair on Thursday, Sept. 4.
- Get to know your peers in your residence hall, resident assistant, orientation leaders and Elon 1010 peer educator.
- Walk around campus and familiarize yourself with building locations.
- _____

Goals for the first week

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

PRO TIP: While there are over 200 clubs/orgs on campus, you don't need to sign up for all of them. Sign up for three to five, and plan to attend their meetings to help narrow down how you want to get involved.

Orientation doesn't end on August 25. Check out your curated list of activities for your first six weeks by visiting the New Student Programs website.



How are you feeling about your first week at Elon? Excited? Nervous? Anxious? All the above? However you are feeling, you are not alone. Remember all of the resources you learned about during New Student Orientation, and all of the faculty, staff and peers that are here to help. You got this!

Late Night Elon

Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night, check out PhoneixCONNECT for fun activities happening on campus. From bingo, movies and trivia to paint nights and live music, there is something for everyone!



SEPTEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Drop/add ends for full semester courses	2 College Coffee	3	4 Fall Org Fair, 6-8 p.m., Young Commons Numen Lumen	5	6 Football vs. Davidson; tailgating before the game Rhodes Run at 5:30 p.m.
7	8	9 College Coffee	10	11 Numen Lumen	12	13
14	15	16 College Coffee	17	18 Common Reading Lecture Numen Lumen	19	20
21	22	23 College Coffee	24	25 Last day to withdraw from first half semester courses (grade of "W") Numen Lumen	26 Fall Convocation with Katie Ledecy at 3:30 p.m. in Schar Center	27 Football vs. Hampton; tailgating before the game
28 Phoenix Leaders registration deadline	29	30 College Coffee	Family Weekend			
Family Weekend			SAIL Week			



Have Dining & Meal Plan Questions?

Scan the QR code to visit the Elon Dining website.



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College Coffee

One of Elon's oldest and most appreciated traditions, College Coffee brings Elon faculty, staff and students together to build community and develop friendships. This weekly event offers conversation in a relaxed atmosphere with snacks and beverages every Tuesday from 9:40-10:20 a.m.

Numen Lumen

Join us each Thursday from 9:40-10:20 a.m in the Numen Lumen Pavilion's Sacred Space for a beloved Elon tradition. Numen Lumen is a time set aside for inspiration, community and fellowship. Hear speakers and musicians share their thoughts, reflections and stories based on a common theme.



Attend events during **SAIL Week** (Students Are Important Leaders) to learn more about yourself as a leader AND don't forget to kick-start your leadership journey with the **PHOENIX LEADERS PROGRAM!** As a first-year student, you'll gain mentorship, attend dynamic workshops, build lasting connections and embark on an off-campus retreat to set your leadership goals at Elon. Don't miss this chance to grow, lead and make an impact!

Explore Your New Home

Grab coffee or a meal somewhere new, take a walk on the greenway, or check out a Late Night Elon event with a classmate or hallmate.

One thing I learned so far: _____

One habit I'm starting is: _____

When you read "First Gen," what were some ideas that felt familiar to you? In other words, what did Campoverdi help you understand about yourself and your own experiences, especially being a First and Only in any situation?

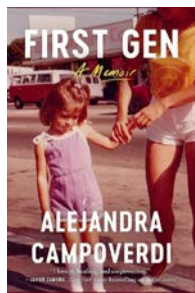
What tips or advice can you use as you navigate your new experience as an Elon student?

A lot of first-year students have difficulty with time management.

Tip: Write down all your assignments, quizzes and exams with due dates on your calendar to plan ahead for busy weeks. You can do this using electronic resources like your Outlook Calendar or an app on your phone so your plan is right at your fingertips.

What were some ideas that help you better understand the experiences of others, especially other students at Elon? For instance, even if you aren't a first-generation college student, how might understanding what it is like to be First Gen help you be a better friend or classmate?

The Common Reading author will be on campus for formal and informal conversations in September. What one big question would you ask her if you have the chance?



COMMON READING

Your Common Reading is "First Gen: A Memoir" by communications expert and women's health advocate Alejandra Campoverdi. Reading a book, whether fiction or, in this case, non-fiction, is an opportunity to learn more about ourselves and others.



OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Leadership Opportunities Fair	2	3 Leadership ELR registration deadline	4
			SAIL Week			
5	6	7 College Coffee	8	9 First half semester courses end Numen Lumen	10 First day of second half semester courses Drop/add begins for second half semester courses	11 Football vs. Villanova; tailgating before the game
	Student Homecoming Events					
12	13 Drop/add ends for second half semester courses	14 College Coffee	15 Midsemester evaluation grades released	16	17	18
				Fall Break (residence halls remain open)		
19	20	21 College Coffee	22	23 Numen Lumen	24	25
Fall Break						
26	27	28 College Coffee	29	30 Numen Lumen	31	

Mid-semester check-in

What has been the biggest surprise about your college experience so far — academically, socially or personally?

Where have you felt the strongest sense of belonging this semester? Where do you still hope to feel more connected?

What is one habit or mindset that's helped you navigate stress this fall — and what's one you want to improve before finals?



Career Ready = Life Ready!



Below are two of the many career and professional development resources to get you started in your first year. The Student Professional Development Center team offers support to help you get the most of your Elon experience and beyond.

- ▶ The Elon Job Network is our online database of jobs and internships posted exclusively for Elon students and alumni.
- ▶ Want to get an alum's perspective on an industry? Network with alumni in your career area of interest? Have an alum review your resume? Visit Elon Q&A today and network with over 35,000 Elon alumni who are standing by to help!

Understanding AI



Check out Elon's Student Guide to Artificial Intelligence, which includes guidance for students using AI in their college studies and offers practical advice about preparing for careers that require AI knowledge and skills.

Leadership Opportunities



Make a difference on campus by applying to be a resident assistant (RA), a premier leadership role focused on building community and supporting your peers where they live and learn. If you're passionate about mentoring others and creating a positive impact, this could be the perfect opportunity. Applications open in October.

Leadership Opportunities Fair

The Leadership Opportunities Fair brings together Elon University groups and offices that hire or sponsor leadership positions on campus. Drop by to learn about the recruitment timeline and what these groups are looking for in our top leadership positions.

What are three ways you will prioritize your self-care this month?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Feeling Sick?

- Take extra preventive actions to stop the spread of germs. Wash your hands and consider wearing a mask to protect yourself and others.
- Get your flu and Covid vaccines. Flu clinics will be scheduled throughout the fall semester.
- Maintain a healthy lifestyle. Prioritize sleep, eat healthy, exercise and drink lots of water.
- Schedule an appointment with Student Health Services if you're feeling sick. Visit elon.edu/healthservices to schedule an appointment.



NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4 College Coffee	5 Registration for winter, spring and summer classes begins	6 Numen Lumen	7	8 Football vs. Rhode Island; tailgating before the game
9	10	11 College Coffee	12	13 Numen Lumen	14 Last day to withdraw from second half semester courses	15
16	17	18 College Coffee	19	20 Numen Lumen	21	22 Football vs. N.C. A&T; tailgating before the game Residence halls (not apartments) close at 10 a.m.
23/30 Residence halls reopen at 10 a.m. (Nov. 30)	24	25	26	27	28	29
Thanksgiving Break						



Elon Traditions

The Festival of Lights and Luminaries, which began as a simple ceremony 30 years ago, has grown into a magical evening enjoyed by students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members alike. The evening is a celebration of the diverse identities held on our campus, as different groups host and share their traditions with the community members wending through the paths of the Historic Neighborhood, Under the Oaks and the Lambert Academic Village.

Academic Success Tip

After Thanksgiving break, there is only one week left of classes before final exams. Make sure to spend time reviewing your notes to help the information stick over the long break.

Things I’m grateful for this month:

- _____
- _____
- _____

TO-DO ITEMS BEFORE FINALS:

- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____



DECEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Housing Selection for 2026-27 information and timeline released	2 Festival of Lights and Luminaries College Coffee	3	4 President Book's Holiday Party Numen Lumen	5 Last day of classes (LDOC)	6 Reading Day
7 Cram Jam	8	9	10	11	12	13 Residence halls (not apartments) close at 10 a.m.
Exams					Winter Break	
14	15	16 Final grades released	17	18	19	20
Winter Break						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Winter Break						
28	29	30	31			
Winter Break						

Looking ahead to spring semester

As you start thinking about the spring semester, you'll hear more about Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) recruitment, which kicks off in late January. If that's something you're curious about, keep an eye out for more information.

That said, FSL isn't for everyone, and that's more than okay. What matters most is finding spaces where you feel seen, supported

and inspired. From service organizations and club sports to academic groups and cultural communities, there are so many ways to get involved at Elon.



Use winter break to explore PhoenixCONNECT and start bookmarking opportunities that speak to you.



Elon’s Returning Student Housing Selection



All current students who intend to return to campus housing, in residence halls and apartments, need to take action by Feb. 10. Elon has a two-year residency requirement, so all rising sophomores are required to live on campus.

Students simply need to take these three steps:

- 1. **APPLY:** Complete your housing application on Self-Service at elon.edu/myhousing by Feb. 10.
- 2. **MATCH:** After applying, mutually match with desired roommates on Self-Service, if applicable.
- 3. **SELECT:** On the desired selection day in March (rising sophomores), the group member with the best selection time will choose a space for the group.



Scan the QR code for an idea of the housing selection timeline and process.

REFLECTIVE QUESTIONS:

What are you looking for in a living experience next year?

Who are you considering as a roommate/suitemate next year?

What housing selection process do you plan to participate in?

Final Exams Tip

Studying for all your final exams can get pretty stressful. Remember to take frequent study breaks, eat healthy meals and get exercise. It’s also important to get enough sleep rather than cram information the night before a final.



Attend Cram Jam!
Look out for other fun de-stress events during the week of finals.

Things to do before you leave campus:

- ☐ Unplug all electronic devices in your room.
- ☐ Clear out any snacks/food that may spoil.
- ☐ Make sure to take your room key, Elon ID and any prescription medicines you might need with you.
- ☐ Lock up your room. Store any valuables in a safe place.
- ☐

This semester did I reach my goals? Why or why not?

This semester taught me...

Where did I find community this semester?



JANUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Residence halls reopen at 10 a.m.
				Winter Break		
4	5 Winter Term classes begin Drop/add begins Drop/add ends	6 College Coffee	7	8 Numen Lumen	9	10
11	12	13 College Coffee	14	15 Numen Lumen	16 Last day to withdraw from courses (grade of "W")	17
18	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	20 College Coffee	21 Intersect Conference	22 Winter Term classes end	23 Exams	24
						Fake Break
25	26	27	28	29 First day of spring semester classes Drop/add begins Numen Lumen	30 Drop/add ends for first half semester courses	31
Fake Break (residence halls remain open)						



Become an orientation leader and help guide new Elon students through their transition to campus life.

Intersect Conference

Join the Center for Race, Ethnicity, and Diversity Education and the Center for Leadership for Intersect, taking place on the National Day of Racial Healing. The event will feature a keynote speaker and a free lunch along with meaningful conversations about identity and leadership. Connect with fellow Elon students, staff and faculty as we engage in community building and interactive dialogue.



Winter Fun in the Triad

- **Burst the Bubble:** Discover your passions or try something completely new with Burst the Bubble programs — free, student-led Winter Term sessions where you can learn fun skills like knitting, guitar strumming, swing dancing or cooking Greek cuisine, all without the pressure of homework or grades.
- **Ice skating in Greensboro:** Glide on the outdoor rink located in downtown Greensboro.
- **Hot Chocolate Crawl:** Visit different cafés in the area to taste-test their best hot chocolate.
- **Movie Marathon:** Host a cozy movie night with friends at the on-campus theater or a local cinema.
- **Holiday Markets:** Check for seasonal markets in Burlington or Greensboro for unique gifts and crafts.
- **Winter Wonderlights at the Greensboro Science Center:** A dazzling outdoor holiday light display.

FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 College Coffee	4 Drop/add ends for full semester courses	5 Numen Lumen	6	7
8	9	10 2026-27 housing application deadline College Coffee	11	12 Numen Lumen	13	14
15 Phoenix Leaders registration deadline	16	17 College Coffee	18	19 Numen Lumen	20	21
22	23	24 College Coffee	25	26 Numen Lumen	27	28

This semester I want to keep...

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This semester I want to change...

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MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Last day to withdraw from first half semester courses (grade of "W")	3 College Coffee	4	5 Elon Day Numen Lumen	6 Leadership ELR registration deadline	7
8	9	10 College Coffee	11	12 Numen Lumen	13	14
15	16	17 Last day of first half semester courses College Coffee	18 First day of second half semester courses Drop/add begins for second half semester courses	19 Drop/add ends for second half semester courses	20	21 Residence halls (not apartments) close at 10 a.m. <div>Spring Break</div>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Spring Break						
29 Residence halls open at 10 a.m. <div>Spring Break</div>	30 Classes resume	31 College Coffee				

Mid-semester check-in

What's one thing you've grown more confident about since the start of the year? What helped build that confidence?

As you begin thinking about your second year, what opportunities or communities do you want to explore more deeply?

How are you balancing your academic, social and personal commitments? What would "better balance" look like for you?

APRIL 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Mid-semester assessment grades released Numen Lumen	3	4
5	6	7 College Coffee	8	9 Numen Lumen	10 Last day to withdraw from full semester courses (grade of "W")	11
12	13	14 College Coffee	15	16 Registration begins for fall 2026 Numen Lumen	17	18
19	20	21 College Coffee	22	23 Numen Lumen	24	25
Pay It Forward Week						
26	27	28 Student Undergraduate Research Forum Last day to withdraw from second half semester courses (grade of "W")	29	30 Numen Lumen	31	



Reach out early to schedule an appointment with your academic advisor about registering for fall 2026 classes this month. Explore resources on the academic advising website and review the academic plan you crafted in Elon 1010.

SURF Day

The Spring Undergraduate Research Forum (SURF) is a time each year when we suspend other campus activities to celebrate the academically centered creative endeavors and research efforts of Elon’s students. Join and support the student presenters and performers as they share the joy of exploration and discovery that are the hallmarks of an intellectual community.



Reflecting on Meaningful Connections

As your first year at Elon comes to a close, take a moment to reflect on the meaningful relationships you’ve built. Who has supported, inspired or challenged you this year? At Elon, mentoring is about forming intentional, reciprocal connections that foster growth and purpose. Your mentors may include peers, faculty, staff or others in your community — those who lift you up, guide you and help you discover your potential. Consider who is part of your support network now and who you might seek out to continue growing your ecosystem of meaningful relationships. These connections will be the foundation of your success and well-being throughout your Elon journey.

PEERS

FACULTY/STAFF

COMMUNITY MEMBERS

FAMILY MEMBERS

OTHERS



MAY 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 College Coffee	6	7 Numen Lumen	8	9
10	11 Last day of classes (LDOC)	12 Reading Day	13	14	15	16
Exams						
17	18	19	20 Graduate-level Commencement Residence halls (not apartments) close at 10 a.m.	21	22 Undergraduate Commencement	23
Exams						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

After a year at Elon, how have you crafted your communities?
One piece of advice I would tell my past self is...

Things to do for moving out:

☐ Remove all belongings from the room, check drawers, under the bed, etc.

☐ Clean the space and take out trash

☐ Turn in your metal key(s) to your neighborhood office in the checkout envelope

☐ Other things I need to do:

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Preparing for Year Two

While campus might be familiar, your second year will be full of new opportunities and challenges.

How do you think your sophomore year will be different?

HERE ARE SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT AS YOU PREPARE FOR SOPHOMORE YEAR...

DECLARING YOUR MAJOR

What classes have you enjoyed the most in your first year? Connect with the Student Professional Development Center to do more career exploration, talk to Elon people in particular fields, explore more about your strengths and interests. Remember: Your major doesn't lock you into one path — study what excites you, and let your interests guide your future.

ENGAGING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Alamance County is our home and we hope you get to explore it even more and continue to be good neighbors. Get started through the Kernodle Center for Civic Life.

GETTING INVOLVED

It can be hard to get involved in everything you wanted to during your first year, but you still have the chance to explore. Check out PhoenixCONNECT for different clubs you can join when you come back to campus in the fall and attend the Org Fair that happens the first week of classes.

NEW ROOMMATE(S)

Time to re-adjust and set new expectations. Living with friends can be fun and can also be challenging. Be sure to discuss expectations with your new roommate(s) so that you all can start off on the right foot.

UTILIZE CAMPUS RESOURCES

Elon's campus is full of different resources to help each and every student, so continue to take advantage of them during your sophomore year.

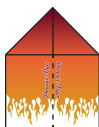
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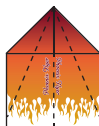
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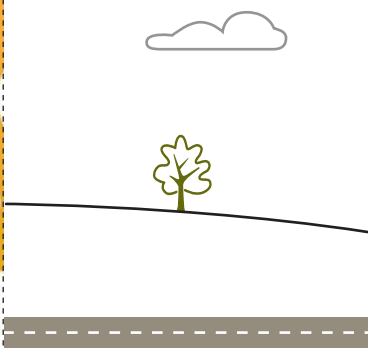
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