

**ELON PHOENIX FAMILIES** 

**WINTER 2021** 

This e-newsletter is sent to the families of current Elon students by the Office of Parent Engagement.

#### **Student Involvement**

Each semester, <u>Student Involvement</u> provides over 75 student-centered programs, including concerts, comedians, late-night programs, movies and tailgates. Student Involvement staff also provide oversight and support to all recognized student organizations, including the chapters and governing councils within Elon's Fraternity and Sorority Community.

Student Involvement is committed to providing engaging, physically distanced live events, that provide opportunities for students to gather socially, but in smaller groups. We encourage students to visit <a href="PhoenixCONNECT">PhoenixCONNECT</a> for a full listing of recognized student organizations, and their upcoming campus events and opportunities to build community. Some highlights of what students can expect include late-night movies, super bingo, themed trivia nights, comedic and musical performances, and do-it-yourself craft kits.

<u>Late Night Elon</u> programmatic offerings this Winter and Spring include:

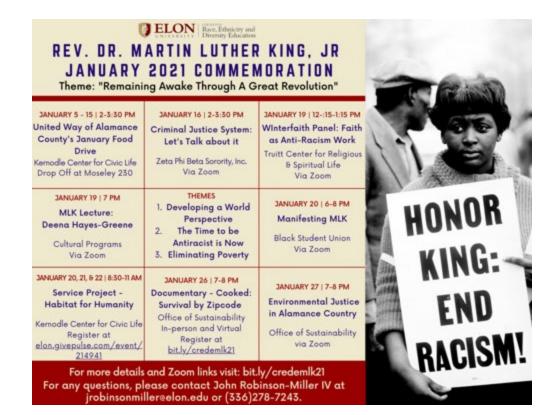
- A rotating Thursday night series which includes trivia, bingo and coffee house events
- Movies on Friday and Saturday nights

- DIY craft kits that can be completed either individually or in small groups
- Drive-In style movies in a parking area on campus
- Live instructor-led painting classes called Punch n' Paint

Is your student still looking for ways to get involved at Elon? The <u>Student Involvement Ambassadors</u>, a dynamic team of student leaders, are here to assist students one-on-one in identifying meaningful involvement opportunities across campus. Please encourage your student to contact the Ambassadors via <u>studentinvolvement@elon.edu</u>, or drop by Moseley 207.



Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration



Our theme for 2021 is "Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution."

Join the Elon University community as we celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy during the entire month of January. Based on one of the last sermons given by King on March 31, 1968, our theme asserts the three charges given to us in this speech:

- **1. Developing a World Perspective:** We must understand that our liberation is interconnected globally. "We are tied together in the single garment of destiny, caught in an inescapable network of mutuality."
- **2.** The Time to be Antiracist is Now: We do our best to choose to be antiracist in every situation. "The hour has come for everybody, for all institutions of the public sector and the private sector to work to get rid of racism. And now if we are to do it we must honestly admit certain things and get rid of certain myths that have constantly been disseminated all over our nation."
- **3. Eliminating Poverty:** We must understand the intricacies of poverty and work to eliminate the systems that maintain it locally and globally. "We are challenged to rid our nation and the world of poverty. Like a monstrous octopus, poverty spreads its nagging, prehensile tentacles into hamlets and villages all over our world."

Each event should aim to provide opportunities to "make the invisible visible" and advance the intersectional understanding of racism, classism, environmental destruction, and other injustices.

Please visit bit.ly/credemlk21 for more details and Zoom links.

If you have any questions, please contact CREDE (The Center for Race, Ethnicity and Diversity Education) Assistant Director John Robinson-Miller IV at <a href="mailto:jrobinsonmiller@elon.edu">jrobinsonmiller@elon.edu</a>.

### **Student Professional Development Center**

Greetings from the <u>Student Professional Development Center</u>! We want to update you on the outlook for jobs and internships in 2021.

- Are there internships available for summer 2021? Yes! Many organizations are still determining if summer 2021 internships will be in-person or virtual, but we have over 400 internships posted in the Elon Job Network.
- What should my student be doing if they are graduating in winter or spring 2021? Based on our conversations with employers, there are full-time jobs and post-graduation opportunities available. Students graduating in winter or spring 2021 need to be flexible when considering opportunities. We currently have hundreds of full-time positions and post-graduation fellowships/internships posted in the Elon Job Network!
- My student is interested in graduate school what should they do? Our
  Associate Director of Career Services for Graduate School Programs can
  support your student in searching for best-fit programs and preparing their
  graduate school applications. Please encourage your student to schedule a
  graduate school appointment through the Elon Job Network.
- How does my student connect with organizations in this virtual world? Great question! We are excited to continue offering virtual recruiting events in spring 2021. A few of our confirmed events include:
  - Accounting Meet the Firms (January)
  - Sophomore Success (January)
  - On-Campus Student Employment Fair (January and February)
  - Spring Job and Internship Expo (February)
  - Education Interview Day (March)
  - Just in Time: Jobs and Internships (April)

We are in the process of finalizing additional spring events. If your organization would like to participate in any of these events, we would love to have you!

 My student needs to meet with a career advisor. How do they schedule an appointment? Our highly talented career advising staff is available for virtual appointments with students and alumni. Please encourage your student to schedule an appointment through the Elon Job Network.

Please contact the <u>Student Professional Development Center</u> if you have any questions.



## **2021-22 Housing Selection Process**

The university housing selection process for next year will be underway soon.

Important notes about the upcoming housing selection process:

• Housing Reservation Fee: A \$125 housing reservation fee must be paid between December 1 and February 12 in order for students to participate in housing selection. All students will need to pay this fee, even those returning to their same apartment. This fee can be paid online in Ebill or at the Bursar's Office (Alamance 113). When paying online in Ebill, please choose 'Edeposits' on the top menu, then 'Fall 2021' for the term, then "housing deposit' as the payment type. More instructions on paying the housing deposit can be found here:

https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/current-students/housing-selection/housing-reservation-fee/

 Housing Agreement: Students must complete the housing agreement by February 12 through Self Service (their online housing portal) in order to participate in housing selection.

For more information on the housing selection process, <u>click here</u> or contact Residence Life at <u>residencelife@elon.edu</u> or (336) 278-7300 if you have questions.

### **Family Fun Packs For Sale**



Still looking to add some Elon "swag" to your collection? It's not too late to purchase an Elon Family Fun Pack, which includes a garden flag, window clings, koozies and more...all for only \$15!

#### FAMILY FUN PACK >>

# **Upcoming Events**

See the <u>2020-21 academic calendar</u> and the <u>university's cultural calendar</u> for upcoming event dates. You can also see a <u>full listing of on-campus events</u> on the new <u>Today at Elon website</u>.

Below, we've highlighted dates that may be of interest to you and your student:

Winter Term classes end: Feb. 2

Winter Term exams: Feb. 3

Spring semester classes begin: Feb. 8

Spring Job and Internship Expo: Feb. 18



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