

The **Elon** Experiences

2025-26 ANNUAL REPORT



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Report Produced by the Office of the Vice President for Student Life

Why Engaged Learning at Elon?

Decades of research shows that Elon students are engaged learners who work alone, with peers, and alongside faculty and staff mentors to solve problems, think critically and creatively, and master difficult material. Engaged learning allows students to be active participants in their own learning and development processes and by the time Elon students graduate, they have a wealth of real-world experiences that support their post-graduation plans. The Elon Experiences form the foundation of the university's renowned engaged and experiential learning program, including five opportunities that enable students to put their learning into action and see the impact they can have in their local and international communities. Engaged learning at Elon provides an intentional approach to undergraduate education and student success.



What is the Elon Experiences Transcript?

The Elon Experiences Transcript, administered by the Office of the Vice President for Student Life, enables students to present a university-validated record of their participation in the five Elon Experiences. These include meaningful experiences across the student experience, both inside and outside of the classroom. The transcript is available to students through OnTrack and serves as a catalyst to incorporate out-of-class experiences with academic, career and personal development goals.



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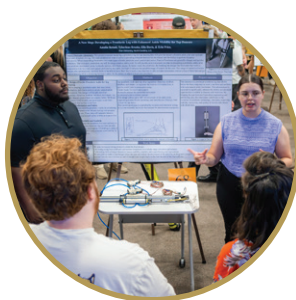
How mentors can use the transcript

Faculty and staff can use the transcript to help students map their Elon Experiences throughout their college career, reflect on their experiences and make connections in and outside the classroom.

First-year Students

Mentors might teach first-year students how to describe the Elon Experiences and how the transcript can serve as a record of activities during their studies. The transcript helps identify ways students can be meaningfully engaged outside of the classroom.

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Sophomores and Juniors

As sophomores and juniors, students can review what they have accomplished since arriving at Elon and identify patterns that can lead to majors, internships and career paths. Students may also be encouraged to find ways to take part in any potential new experiences.

Seniors

Seniors may use the transcript to articulate the value of their experiences as they prepare to launch from Elon, notably in job and graduate school interviews. They can also request official copies of their Elon Experiences Transcript to include with applications for jobs and graduate schools.

2025–26 PARTICIPATION BY THE NUMBERS

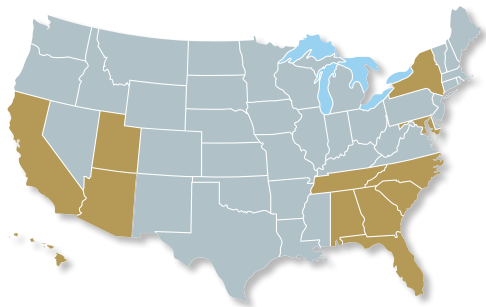
Global Engagement	# of Study Abroad Students	1,618
	# of Study USA Students	298
Internships	# of Student Interns	1,018
Leadership	# of Organizations and Programs	267
	# of Students Holding Leadership Roles	1,883
Research	# of Students Involved in Projects	705
Service	# of Student Service Hours	88,084

CLASS OF 2026

Participation in the Elon Experiences by graduating seniors at any point in their undergraduate experience

Global Engagement	Combined Total (Study Abroad, Study USA or Travel-Embedded Courses)	82%
	Study Abroad	73%
	Study USA	7%
Internships	Internship(s) for Credit	82%
	Self-Reported Internships (Source: Graduation Survey)	88%
Leadership	At Least One Leadership Role	58%
Research	Conducted Research with a Faculty Mentor	29%
Service	Students Engaged in Service	82%

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global engagement
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Global Engagement

The Isabella Cannon Global Education Center is home to the university's distinctive study abroad and Study USA programs, which help to rank Elon each year among the nation's top doctoral institutions for global engagement. Elon empowers students to explore the world through experiences rooted in mentorship and experiential learning, advancing their personal, professional, and academic journeys. Here's where they studied last year:



Austria	Kenya
Argentina	London
Australia	Malaysia
Barbados	Mauritius
Belize	Morocco
Bhutan	New Zealand
Brazil	Panama
Chile	Peru
China	Poland
Costa Rica	Portugal
Cyprus	Singapore
Czech Republic	South Africa
Denmark	South Korea
Dominican Republic	Spain
Egypt	Sweden
France	Taiwan
Germany	Tanzania
Ghana	Thailand
Greece	Turkey
Hong Kong	United Kingdom
India	Vietnam
Ireland	
Italy	
Japan	

Study Abroad Experiences	1,618
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Study USA Experiences	298
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Total Global Experiences	1,916
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Service

The Kernodle Center for Civic Life connects students with service opportunities to engage in the community beyond Elon through classes and co-curricular experiences. Each year, students demonstrate Elon's strong commitment to service through their work in the local community and around the globe. In the 2025-2026 academic year, 82 academic courses were linked to service.

Service Areas

Community-Based Learning Course Service Hours	44,485
Community-Based Learning Students	1,440
Students Completing More than 20 Hours of Service	1,324
Total Service Hours	88,084
Total Volunteers	3,256



Leadership

The Office of Student Involvement collaborates with a broad range of student organizations and validates leadership positions for the Elon Experiences Transcript.

Type of Organization	Number of Organizations
Academic & Professional	52
Club Sports	31
Competition	2
Cultural	18
Fraternities & Sororities	31
Honorary	29
Media	6
Performance	20
Political	5
Programming	29
Service & Advocacy	8
Spirituality	14
University Programs	22
Total Organizations	267
New Organizations	16
Total Number of Students in Leadership Positions	1,883



Internships

The Elon Student Professional Development Center connects students with internship opportunities. University data has found that students who prepare for professional roles through these experiences are more likely to be hired upon graduation. In 2025-2026, a total of 1,018 students completed validated internships in 50 states and 19 countries.

Examples of Internships

Alamance County District

Attorney's Office

Atlantic Coast Conference

Big League Productions

Charlotte Checkers

Cone Health

Deloitte

EY

Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI)

Federal Trade Commission

Hanesbrands

Honda Aircraft Company

Hugo Boss Fashions, Inc.

KPMG

Melrose Sound Studios

Morgan Stanley

NASCAR



New York State Department of
Environmental Conservation

PwC

Smithsonian National Museum of
American History

The Price Group Talent Agency

The Walt Disney Company

Violetta Group

WBAL-TV



Undergraduate Research

Students work collaboratively with faculty mentors on research projects and presentations. These research experiences prepare students for graduate/professional school and employment opportunities. In 2025-2026, 705 students enrolled in mentored research through an academic department.

Program	Number of Projects/Presentations
National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR)	51
Professional Travel for Students	76
Research Grants-In-Aid	69
Endowed Grants	34
Spring Undergraduate Research Forum	384
Summer Undergraduate Research Experience	52





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