NEWSLETTER BLAST #2

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1. TRIVIA TIME

Throughout the summer and into the fall, we will share facts, legends, and maybe even a superstition or two to help you get acquainted with ECU and our community. There are so many rich details to share with you. Here are a couple of trivia on how it all started.
*Trivia #1*

PURPLE and GOLD is everything to Pirate Nation. Why are ECU colors purple and gold? Old Gold & Royal Purple to be exact!

In 1909, the school administration asked students to vote on the school colors. Old Gold and Royal Purple won! Purple and Gold chants start off many events here at ECU. Students, faculty, and staff can be seen covered head to toe in purple and gold. Even the sunsets are purple and gold!

ECU Pirates School Colors

*Trivia #2*

ECU started as East Carolina Teacher Training School. ECTTTS was chartered in 1907 and the doors opened in 1909 with 123 students and 11 faculty.

Postcard of several buildings on the campus of East Carolina Teachers Training School, Greenville, N.C.

http://digital.lib.ecu.edu/360

Check out ECU’s timeline at ECU Libraries Digital Collections

ECU History Collection: Chronological Sort
2. FIRST GLANCE AT NFO SCHEDULE!

This year's NFO is a hybrid event full of support for your professional career, your students, your research and creative activities, and your wellness. Monday, August 16 is virtual and Tuesday, August 17 is in-person at Janice Faulkner Gallery in Joyner Library.

View the 2021 NFO Schedule
3. PREPPING FOR FALL: YOUR TO DO S

To Do #1 Prepare Yourself and Your Courses for Your Students

Universal Design for Learning is a set of principles focused on creating equal learning opportunities for all students. Watch this great video from College Star for an introduction to the basic principles of UDL. The principles of UDL will help create an optimal learning environment for your students. For more resources on UDL, visit the OFE Teaching Resources webpage.

To Do #2 Getting your textbooks and materials for your courses.

Check with your unit chair about textbooks or other materials that might be required for your courses. Some units choose to use the same book for all sections of certain course. For other courses, the materials will depend solely on the professor's preferences. Be sure to ask your chair if there is a specific text you should use.

If you need to submit a textbook and material adoption for your course, visit SOC Dowdy BookStore and go to Faculty Resources in the upper right corner to get started.
Syllabus Tip: Add in as much detail as possible for clarity.
See the example below from an ECU faculty's syllabus.

**Recommended Text:**

* The 3rd and 5th Editions are also acceptable to use.

ISBN 9781457697180

**Required Technology Platforms:**
Canvas - [https://canvas.ecu.edu/](https://canvas.ecu.edu/)
Tricider - [https://www.tricider.com/](https://www.tricider.com/)
4. GET TO KNOW ECU

ECU By The Numbers

ECU has close to 29,000 students and a little over 2000 faculty members. Learn more about the ECU community by checking out ECU By The Numbers.

Have a great week!

Credits
East Carolina University sign – Brittany Thompson
Peedee “The Pirate” – ECU News Services
Sunset over Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium – ECU Career Services Twitter
Postcard of ECTTS – ECU Libraries Digital Collections
Janice Hardison Faulkner Gallery – ECU Libraries Digital Collections
UDL at a Glance YouTube Video – College Star
Syllabus Material Example – Brittany Thompson
Wright Auditorium and Fountain – ECU News Services