

# Pirate Pearls

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## Summer Health & Fitness Access Options!

During Fall & Spring semesters, all students taking campus-based courses pay a fee for access to the Student Health Service and Campus Recreation & Wellness facilities (Student Recreation Center, Health Sciences Complex, North Campus Recreation Complex, etc.) You may not notice this fee because you are looking at the bottom line - your balance, which includes both tuition and fees. However, in the summer when a student is not enrolled in credit bearing courses, there are no fees for the student to pay because there is no “invoice” or “bill” from the university in your account.

Many graduate students do not enroll in any credit bearing courses during the summer semesters, yet they are still present on campus doing research or working in some type of assistantship. These students are still able to access the facilities of Campus Recreation & Wellness and the Student Health Service; however, an access fee is required to continue access.

Campus Recreation & Wellness and the Student Health Service both have a summer option access fee for students who want to continue to access these services in summer months despite not being enrolled in credit bearing courses! Currently, to access the Student Health Services in summer, the student must have been enrolled in the Spring prior, the Fall following, and pay an access fee (\$30 for one visit, or \$60 for unlimited visits all summer). Similarly, graduate students can pay \$64 for the three-month summer access fee to Campus Recreation & Wellness to ensure continued use of recreation facilities in the summer. This year the semester fee access ended on May 15.

These campus services are fee-based for all students in campus courses and in Summer, because there the student is not enrolled in campus-based courses, the fee is separate and you can visit these offices to request and pay for access.

If you have any questions, please contact the services directly at [Student Health Service](#) or 252-328-6841 and [Campus Recreation & Wellness](#) at 252-328-6387

# Important Reminders & Deadlines

Jun 19	Summer I classes end;	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
June 20	Last day to remove incompletes for graduate Courses from first summer semester 2016.	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
June 23	Last day for course adjustments for Summer II	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
July 4	State Holiday (no classes)	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
July 14	Last day for graduate students to withdraw from term length courses or withdraw from school without grades by 5:00 PM. See calendar for block courses.	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
June 14	Last day to submit a thesis or dissertation for Summer graduation.	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
July 27	Classes end for Summer II and II-week semester	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
Aug 3	Last day to pay for Fall 2017 without a processing fee Schedules canceled today if not paid by 5:00 PM Eastern	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
August 21	First day of classes for Fall 2017	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>
August 29	Schedules canceled if not paid by 5:00 PM Eastern Academic Calendars are always found at <a href="http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/senate/fscalend.cfm">http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/senate/fscalend.cfm</a>	<a href="#">Academic Calendar</a>

# Employment Opportunities

Thank you for your interest in employment with  
East Carolina University!



About East Carolina  
University

Types of Positions

To be considered for any position, you must apply on-line through this site. Please click on the links below:

EHRA Faculty Positions

EHRA Non Faculty Positions

Staff Positions

Postdoctoral Scholars

Student Positions



We know that many graduate students are looking for employment across campus in the form of part-time work or assistantships. The first place to ask is always your department and the program director for your degree or certificate program.

You can also review the jobs that are posted on the [Office of Student Employment page](#). Click Students in the top left corner and you will get to the place where you can search for jobs which is the main ECU employment website: <https://ecu.peopleadmin.com/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1297801919621>. There, you can click on Student Positions to see a variety of jobs including assistantships and self-help positions. Jobs that are listed as Federal Work/Study are for students who have been awarded federal work/study financial aid. You must speak with the Financial Aid Office to find out more about federal work study options for graduate students.

In addition, the Graduate School emails announcements about assistantships to the Graduate Student listserv when available. Review your emails carefully to watch for assistantship opportunities!

# Social Events

## NERD NIGHTS WELCOME ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS

Come join us for a Summer Nerd Nite! Our featured speaker is Tom Miller (recent Biology MS graduate) with his talk "Meme, Myself and I: The Rise of the Internet Meme". We also have something special planned... Nerd Nite Trivia!

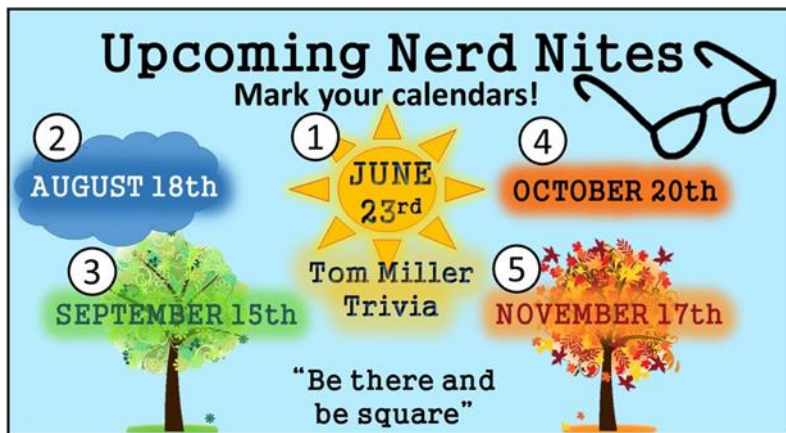
If you are interested in nerdery and trivia, join us at **Tapped** in Winterville on **June 23rd @ 7:30 PM.**

Also, mark your calendars for future Nerd Nite dates (August 18th, September 15th, October 20th, and November 17th)! Follow Nerd Nite Greenville on Twitter ([@nerdnite252](#)) and Facebook ([Nerd Nite Greenville](#)) for updates on future Nerd Nites!

Questions? Interested in speaking at a future Nerd Nite? Contact us at [parrishs15@students.ecu.edu](mailto:parrishs15@students.ecu.edu) or [brooks16@students.ecu.edu](mailto:brooks16@students.ecu.edu).

**Tapped address:** Tapped, 650 East Fire Tower Road, Winterville, NC 28590

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# Study Part-Time at the ECU Language Academy

[www.ecula.ecu.edu](http://www.ecula.ecu.edu)

The ECU Language Academy (ECULA) offers English for Academic Purposes classes for international students on the main ECU campus.

Beginning Fall 2017, ECULA classes are open to any second language speakers in the academic and local community wishing to study English part-time.

*Take a class—or two!*



## Classes That Part-Time Students Can Choose From:



### Grammar/Writing

Get your writing right! Ideal for students who have dissertation or publication requirements, or anyone looking for greater English accuracy.



### Reading/Vocabulary

Reading takes practice. This class focuses on academic texts & the vocabulary most often used in them. Great for people facing a standardized test.



### Oral Communication

Concerned about speaking, especially in front of a class or crowd? The presentation skills learned in this class will give you the confidence you need.



### Listening Comprehension

Train your ear to really hear! Practice testing your listening with authentic English language audio from academic & professional settings.

This is a great opportunity to improve your English for academic, professional or personal reasons. Perfect for:

- Relatives of ECU or Pitt students on F-2, H-2, or J-2 visas
- ECU students who need to strengthen specific skills
- Any second language speaker who simply wants to read, write, speak, or listen better in English!

## Why take classes part-time at the ECU Language Academy?

- Classes are interesting, fast-paced, & fun!
- All classes taught by professionals with Master's & PhDs
- You can improve your English to engage more fully in the Greenville environment
- Get involved; meet people on campus

Click the Links  
for more info!

We'd Love to See You In Our Classes!

[Start an Application](#)

[Visit the ECULA Website](#)

[Send a Question](#)



<https://ecu.peopleadmin.com/applicants/jsp/shared/search/SearchResults.css.jsp>

*"Search Postings" for Position: Y198*

The Department of Construction Management within the College of Engineering and Technology is seeking a graduate assistant for the 2017-2018 academic year to work 20 hours per week beginning August 16, 2017. The Department is housed in the Rawl Building on ECU's East Campus.

**Job description:**

The GA will be assigned to work on a funded research project titled *"Implementing a Peer Mentoring Program for Safety Improvement."* The project is projected to runs through June 30, 2018.

The aim of the grant is to evaluate how peer mentoring improves the safe work practices among construction field workers. Specific tasks the GA will undertake:

- Support the research team comprised of the PI, external advisory committee member(s) and GA. Research meetings held weekly.
- Develop and prepare program materials (implementation manual, outline of mentoring activities associated with the safety training topics, and program evaluation materials.
- Assist with program implementation at 6 construction sites (site visits, follow-up communications, and email support.)
- Analyze the program's effectiveness utilizing measures applicable to peer mentoring.
- Draft quarterly research reports, conference papers, and journal articles reporting the program's status.
- Work comfortably with a broad spectrum of construction industry partners.

**Minimum qualifications:**

A qualified candidate should submit a letter of interest with their resume and copy of their Fall 2017 schedule.

- Excellent interpersonal skills, analytic abilities, and ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing is required.
- This position requires the GA to frequently work independently.
- Candidate must have a strong computer background and experience with MS Office applications.
- High level of accuracy and attention to detail is required.
- Good report writing and documentation skills are mandatory.
- Ability to maintain focus and complete projects on time is key.

**Preferred qualifications:**

- Background in construction, industrial psychology, occupational safety or industrial safety preferred.
- Frequent user of tablets or other mobile computing devices.
- Fluent in Spanish would be a bonus.

**Application Procedure:**

Interested applicants should email Donna Hollar at [hollard@ecu.edu](mailto:hollard@ecu.edu). Attach a letter of interest, resume, and your Fall 2017 schedule to the email. Please put "JSI GA position" in the Subject line. No phone calls please.

*Online Job Posting Date Range: Starting June 1, 2017 through July 31, 2017.*