Welcome Honors Class of 2026

The new incoming Honors students were welcomed with the traditional Honors Outdoor Orientation Trek (HOOT) activities facilitated by Gretna Glen and the Honors Student Council.
The Board of Directors of Alpha Lambda Delta is pleased to announce that a Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Scholarship in the amount of $2000 has been awarded to Lorraine Schlosser, a student at Elizabethtown College. The scholarship is for the 2022-23 academic year.

Schlosser is an Occupational Therapy major who hails from York, PA. She is an active member of the Elizabethtown College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta. On campus, Schlosser is a member of the Student Occupational Therapy Association, a member of The American Sign Language Club, and serves as a Learning Zone Tutor. When asked about the impact of her Alpha Lambda Delta membership, Schlosser said, “This ALD scholarship has given me the opportunity to make the most out of my academic experience. Additionally, ALD provides me a network of support that I can rely on to pursue my education. I am so grateful for this scholarship and the opportunities that ALD provides me.” Schlosser was inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta in 2021. Schlosser also adds that, “I am grateful to be a part of the honors program that supports me in finding and applying for scholarships and other academic opportunities.”

#NRHC2023 in Pittsburgh!

We are pleased to announce the following details for next year's NRHC (Northeast Regional Honors Conference) conference.

Dates: Thursday, March 30 to Sunday, April 2, 2023

Conference Theme, Strands, and Presentation Formats
The 2023 Conference Theme is Building Resilience from Tragedy: Understanding Hate, Violence, Loss and Reconciliation.

Our conference presentation formats and strands are forthcoming and will be released within the next week -- stay tuned! The following presentation formats will be included in #NRHC2023:

- Academic Panel Presentations
- Poster Presentations
- Roundtable Presentations
- Idea Exchange Presentations
- Art Gallery Presentations
- Performing Arts and Film Showcase Presentations

More details can be found on the NRHC website! Email honors@etown.edu if you are interested in attending or presenting.
Laura Cardona, Honors, Stamps, and Momentum student who is double majoring in International Business and Political Science has been granted a Critical Language Studies Scholarship through the U. S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program. This extremely competitive prestigious scholarship is a U. S. government initiative for expanding the number of Americans studying and mastering foreign languages critical to national security and economic prosperity: Arabic, Chinese or Russian. Laura will study Chinese through a pilot virtual initiative called CLS Spark. Designed to leverage best practices in online language learning developed by the CLS Program during the pandemic, CLS Spark, supported by the American Councils for International Education, provides American students the opportunity to study critical languages virtually when they may not have access to language learning on their campuses or the ability to travel overseas. Many Elizabethtown College students, over decades, have applied for Critical Language Studies scholarships and only one EC student has ever been granted a CLS, Tyler Butkus in 2016. Now, finally, we have an EC student who has been granted a CLS. Laura's acceptance letter includes this statement, "The applicant pool was highly competitive, making your selection an impressive accomplishment." As a virtual program, CLS Spark allows students to have immersive language and cultural experiences with international communities. With inclusive support provided by CLS Program staff, Laura and her colleagues will improve their command of all four modalities in these languages (listening, speaking, reading, writing), learn about the culture of their host country, and make connections with members of the host country’s community and their peers across the U.S. In 2019 Laura applied to study Persian through a Critical Language Studies Scholarship and was fortunate to be named an alternate, now she can learn Chinese as a CLS Spark Scholar. Apply often for Prestigious Scholarships and Fellowships and keep applying, great things are happening for our students. To apply for Prestigious Scholarships and Fellowships contact Professor Benowitz benowitzj@etown.edu.

Honors First-Year Peer Advising

Are you a first-year Honors student who is looking for peer advising from an upper-class Honors student? Please fill out this survey (https://forms.office.com/r/uZn8Tj4hrU) to let us know what kind of advising relationship you would be interested in having.

If you are an upper-class Honors student and would like to provide advising to a first-year Honors student, please email honors@etown.edu.
Peace and Global Scholars Program Application

The Peace and Global Scholars Program is a distinctive leadership program housed in the Center for Global Understanding and Peacemaking that is designed to prepare students to engage as global citizens and peacemakers to enact change and influence their communities. Over the course of their Elizabethtown career, students selected for this program work closely with a faculty advisor to design a program that includes co-curricular events and courses related to global understanding and peacemaking and ensures that the program of participation aligns with broader personal and professional goals.

Peace and Global Scholars are eligible to apply for up to $2,000 to support study abroad, research, or community-based learning projects centered on the themes of internationalization or peacebuilding. Upon graduating from the program, scholars can earn an Intercultural Competence Certificate and are recognized with the presentation of the Global Scholars medallion.

What are the benefits of participating in the Peace and Global Scholars Program?

- Gain skills in leadership, peace building, and global issues
- Participate in a dynamic academic community with others that share interests in peace and global issues
- Coordinate and attend events on a wide variety of topics related to peace and global citizenship
- Engage in intentional planning from the first day of your college career to build an impressive scholarly portfolio
- Work with a faculty/staff advisor to craft a unique experience tailored to your interests, skills, and strengths
- Become eligible for up to $2,000 in funding for study abroad or individual service and/or research projects
- Collaborate with other students, faculty, staff, and CGUP to design events and experiences for the campus community

How do I apply?

Interested students can complete the Peace and Global Scholars application online (https://cutt.ly/globalscholars). Priority given to applications received by Sept. 15, 2022.
EuroScholars Research Study Abroad Program

An opportunity for Honors students to participate in supervised research/scholarship with faculty in Europe. EuroScholars is a unique research abroad program designed for advanced and talented undergraduate students from U.S. institutions looking for an international research experience. The EuroScholars Program offers you opportunities for conducting research in Language & Culture, History, Humanities, Law, and Social Sciences, Physics, Biology, Biomedical Science and Chemistry at one of the 4 internationally renowned European Research Universities: KU Leuven University, Belgium, Leiden University, the Netherlands, Ludwig-Maximilians University, Munich, Germany, University of Geneva, Switzerland. All research projects are conducted in English unless otherwise specified. To attend a European Research University and engage in supervised research/scholarship with faculty in Europe, for the spring semester 2023, the deadline is 1 October 2022. Here is the link for the website: https://euroscholars.eu/ To apply, make an appointment to meet with Professor Benowitz benowitzj@etown.edu

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

The U.S. Department of State’s Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program application is open for Gilman and Gilman-McCain Scholarships. The Gilman Program offers scholarships of up to $5,000 to U.S. undergraduate students of high financial need (Pell Grant recipients) participating in credit-bearing abroad programs. Eligible in-person study abroad programs or internships must start between December 1, 2022 and October 31, 2023. Students studying critical need languages may be eligible to receive an additional award of up to $3,000. This program enables U.S. undergraduate students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad, providing them with skills critical to our national security and economic prosperity. The application deadline is Thursday, October 6, 2022, by 11:59pm Pacific Time. To apply for a Gilman Scholarship make an advising appointment with Professor Benowitz at benowitzj@etown.edu.

Harry S. Truman Scholarship Program

The Truman Scholarship application is open, this is a highly competitive, merit-based award offered to U.S. citizens and U.S. nationals from Pacific Islands who wish to go to graduate school in preparation for a career in government, the non-profit sector or elsewhere in public service. Truman Scholars participate in leadership development programs and have special opportunities for internships and employment with the Federal government. In order to qualify for this benefit program, you be planning on attending graduate school to further a career in public service. At the time you apply, you must either have junior-level academic standing or senior-level standing in your third year of college enrollment. Truman Application Deadline: February 7, 2023. To apply for a Gilman Scholarship make an advising appointment with Professor Benowitz at benowitzj@etown.edu.

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship Program

The Goldwater Scholarship Program application is open, one of the oldest and most sought-after undergraduate scholarship in the natural sciences, engineering and mathematics in the United States, the Goldwater seeks to identify and support college sophomores and juniors who show exceptional promise of becoming this Nation’s next generation of research leaders in these fields. The characteristics the Foundation seeks in a Goldwater Scholar include: (1) effective display of intellectual intensity in the sciences, mathematics and engineering, and (2) strong commitment to a research career in the natural sciences, mathematics and engineering, (3) potential for a significant future contribution to research in their chosen field. Scholarships of up to $7,500 a year are provided to help cover costs associated with tuition, mandatory fees, books, room and board. A sophomore who receives a Goldwater Scholarship will receive up to $7,500 in each of their junior and senior years. A junior who receives a Goldwater Scholarship will receive up to $7,500 in their senior year. The application deadline is the last Friday in January by 5pm Central To apply for a Gilman Scholarship make an advising appointment with Professor Benowitz at benowitzj@etown.edu.
Prof. Benowitz & Dr. Nolt Publish Article on Pennsylvania Garb Law

Professor Benowitz and Dr. Nolt had an article published in Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies, about the 1895 Pennsylvania Garb Law (still on the books) which discriminates against public school teachers who wear clothing related to their religious convictions. This law, in part, was the reason for the founding of Elizabethtown College, in 1899, to protect Brethren and Mennonite students, who dressed plain, and were studying to become teachers.

Read more at: https://cutt.ly/garlaw

City As Text Master Class at NCHC 2022

Based on the success of Professor Benowitz’s work at Etown College with City As Text in his Honors local history community based learning course and the positive responses, nationally, from honors colleagues about his chapter in the NCHC monograph about field based learning and our mission of “Educate for Service” and the Honors Program mission “Learn, Serve, Lead,” Dr. Badenhausen and Dr. Braid have asked him to be the facilitator for the City As Text Faculty Master Class at the annual meeting of NCHC in Dallas, Texas (November 2022). They have also asked Prof. Benowitz to be a part of a team of honors faculty leading the student signature event at the Dallas conference for City As Text. Dr. Badenhausen and Dr. Braid have asked him to be the facilitator of a NCHC Faculty Institute about City As Text in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania (June 2023). Dr. Badenhausen and Dr. Braid have asked him to plan and facilitate an NCHC Faculty Institute to be held in Lancaster City (June 2024).

In the honors student experience engaging in the City As Text pedagogy, at the annual NCHC conferences, as the students explore the city where the conference is held, the student do field work learning in neighborhoods with racially and ethnically diverse populations, among them, immigrants, undocumented migrants, and refugees. Often these neighborhoods, socio-economically, illustrate poverty and low income working class persons. City As Text was created in 1973. In the past two years, during the students post city exploration debriefing discussions, some students have shared their observations and experiences with language which demonstrates a lack of cross cultural awareness and their comments have contributed to micro and macro aggressions toward students of color participating in this NCHC signature student event.

To this end, the NCHC national committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is joining with the NCHC national committee on Place As Text/City As Text to form a working group charged with the responsibility of creating, for honors faculty, guidelines and best practices for leading City As Text student debriefing discussions educating faculty on how to guide students to be civil and respectful in their discussions about race, race relations, and multiculturalism; especially when debriefing about the student experience exploring in urban neighborhoods with diverse racial/ethnic socio economically under-represented populations.
Honors Thursday Sessions

This year we are excited to announce weekly Honors Thursday Sessions held each Thursday of the semester offering discussions on current events, topics, and U.S. Foreign Policymaking. Attending and participating in any of the following Honors Thursday Sessions each counts for one hour toward your co-curricular requirement.

**Dr. Wayne Selcher Lecture/Discussion Series**

Dr. Wayne A. Selcher is Professor of International Studies Emeritus (Political Science) at Elizabethtown College. His major academic interests are international relations, Latin American politics and foreign policy, American values and culture in a comparative context, and Internet use in international studies teaching and research. He is fluent in Portuguese and Spanish and has spent nearly 3 years in Latin America, on over 40 trips to 11 countries in the region, in addition to the Caribbean. In his career, he pursued a wide variety of professional and volunteer activities in the US and Latin America, including as a Fulbright Scholar four times, in Brazil, Argentina, and Chile. He is the creator and editor of the WWW Virtual Library: International Affairs Resources, an academic Internet directory for International Studies sources (https://internationalaffairsresources.com/).

**Thursday, September 29th at 7:00 pm in Hoover 110: “American Cultural and Public Opinion Traits and the US Leadership Style in the World: End of Consensus”**

The US has been the single most influential country in the world since 1945 and claims to exercise world leadership since then. The style of that American leadership, its internal contradictions, and its acceptance or rejection by other countries have significant roots in American values, attitudes, and interests that are not widely shared in other countries, which make up 95 percent of the world’s population. The nature of US public opinion, our political style, and the sharp debate about national goals and what it means to be an American carry over to our foreign relations. This presentation will focus on how American values and the changing US public opinion climate and political culture affect our broader foreign policy stances and our characteristic approaches to specific issues, with major consequences on the world scene. Tips on how to sharpen your own understanding of US foreign policy will be offered as we survey the topic.

**U.S. Foreign Policymaking Leadership Sessions with Ambassador John Craig**

Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Honors Center:

- September 22
- October 13
- October 20
- October 27

**Politics & Religion: Let’s Talk! Discussions led by Luke Mackey**

Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Honors Center:

- November 3
- November 10
- November 17
- December 1
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