



# The Pendulum



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## Out-of-state students cite improvements for Elon

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Although the majority of Elon students come from the local areas of North Carolina, quite a few students attend Elon from states as far away as Connecticut and Florida. In interviews with out-of-state students to find out why they chose Elon and how they like it so far, the students expressed similar reasons for their choice and agreed upon possible improvements and changes that would enhance student life.

Freshman George Chrysanthopoulos of Sayerville, N.J., has a brother who is a junior at Elon. When George visited him at Elon he liked the friendly atmosphere, and the milder weather. Another appealing aspect that he found after actually becoming a student is the accessibility to professors.

Chrysanthopoulos points out that the one undesirable aspect of Elon is that there is not enough to do on weekends. He says, "There should be more social activ-

ities and a slacker visitation policy. I'd really like to see kegs on campus, too, so the parties would be more like the ones the frats have."

"Sometimes it's hard to get socially active when you aren't a Greek because a lot of their activities are centered around each other and some parties are closed to people who aren't members."

Carmen Pascarella of Northrose, N.Y., and Mark Landschoot of Clifton Springs, N.Y., knew each other before coming to Elon. Pascarella, a resident counselor for second floor Moffitt and a senior, transferred to Elon from Fredonia College.

He had two friends who attended Elon and he learned about Elon through them. "After hearing them talk about Elon, I wanted to find out all I could about the college. I heard that Elon had excellent business and accounting departments, and a good golf team, too."

Landschoot says, "Both

Carmen and I are from small towns, and we wanted to go to college in a place that was like our hometowns, just in a warmer place because it really gets cold up in New York.

"There really aren't any 'in-between schools' up north either. You either have a community college or huge universities where you are just a number. There really should be a low ratio of students to professors for more individual attention."

Pascarella says, "But your choice of professors in a particular department at Elon is really limited, but that's true for any small school. Sometimes if there's a professor you've already had and want another, there isn't anyone else to teach it."

Landschoot says, "Socially, everything is formed around Greeks. I'm not down on them by any means, but if you aren't a brother, then it's hard to get involved. I'm involved with the East Area Council, and we're doing the best we can to get people socially motivated with activities like roller skating parties and bus trips to events."

"I had three schools that I wanted to attend, and after visiting them, I liked Elon the best — its size, the course offerings, and the friendly people," Nancy Moreton, a freshman from Windsor, Conn., says about the things she found most appealing about Elon.

"I also like having a dorm right on the main campus. It's in the middle of everything. The cafeteria and the classrooms are close by and everyone on the hall is really tight; you can talk to anyone."

"At first it's hard being away from home; money gets low and you have so many more responsibilities, but, my parents help me out and I'm getting used to being alone. Sometimes, though, it's hard to meet people outside the hall because there aren't many social events."

Senior Michael Bowling from Kentucky transferred to Elon last semester from

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**OUT-OF-STATERS** — Students talk about the pros and cons of attending a small North Carolina school. Top to bottom: Carmen Pascarella, Colleen O'Brien, Nancy Moreton, Olga Patthoff, and Mark Landschoot. Photo by Nader Hamidpour.

## ODK names inductees

Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society, inducted 18 new student members and two faculty members in a special ceremony held Sunday afternoon.

These new student members are Margaret Adams, Charlotte Alford, Julia Blevins, Kyle Campbell, Rae DiProfio, Stephanie Hampton, Marty Hardison, Bob James, Kevin McCauley, Ralph Mueller, Tracy Owens, Kevin Robinson, Kim Steffen, Bill Tippet, Vic Vickers, Miguel Viso, Teresa Warren, and Ann Wickham. The two faculty inductees were Dr. Russell Gill and Dr. Herbert House.

ODK places emphasis upon the development of the whole person, both as a present member of the college community and as a prospective contributor to society.



**FIRED UP DEFENSE** — Elon gridders Jeff Cooper [62], Ken Angel [32], Christ Worst [74], Mike Edmonson [33], Stanley Tootoo [46], and Mark Dennis [90] converge on a Concord College player in Saturday's quarterfinal game. The Christians will play Hillsdale this Saturday. See page 4 for football coverage. Photo courtesy of Joseph H. Pitts.