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Elon students make the most of their free time

Photo by Scott Lansing

Elon Teaching Fellows to be highlighted in CBS broadcast

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April Craft is not sure if she'll be watching herself tonight on TV, but those who know her most likely will be.

Craft, along with Allison Miller, both sophomore Teaching Fellows at Elon will be featured in a section of a two-hour documentary called, "Project Education," tonight from 9-11 p.m. on CBS (channel 2).

Those interested in the college Teaching Fellows program and its role in education will most likely tune in also. One of the focuses of the segment will be on recruitment for better teachers and how to keep them.

The Fellows were chosen in early May by Lawrence Simon, director of Elon's teaching fellows program, to participate in the documentary. They were followed by the CBS camera crew throughout an entire day and were interviewed on their impressions of the Teaching Fellows program.

"I was very flattered to be

Two Elon students will be included in a CBS education special tonight at 9 p.m.

chosen to represent the program," Craft said.

"I feel the Elon Teaching Fellows program gives the students in the program a broader perspective on things," Craft said.

Four hundred students are selected each year for the North Carolina Teaching Fellows Scholarship. The recipient must be a resident of N.C. and want to teach in a public school. A high GPA and SAT scores are other requirements.

Elon is one of two private institutions in N.C. chosen to offer the N.C. Teaching Fellows program. Elon offers a four-year program which focuses on leadership training, internships and travel.

Teaching Fellows receive a \$5,000 annual loan from the N.C. Teaching Fellows Commission.

The loan is not required to be paid back as long as the Fellows teach for four years in the North Carolina public school system.

Elon picks up the difference between the annual \$5,000 and the cost of tuition, room and board at Elon. The college also supplies allowances for all activities required by Elon's Teaching Fellows program. Another benefit of the program is the study abroad opportunities. All Fellows get to experience studying abroad in London for a semester during their sophomore year. Elon also provides books for the students use each semester.

The Teaching Fellows program at Elon offers a sense of camaraderie among the students.

"It's a really great program. It gives you a sense of belonging. We were all housed together our first year. It makes the transition a little easier," Miller said.

One other benefit of the program at Elon is the amount of power and influence the Fellows have.

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Enrollment of new students decreases

Murray Glenn
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The smaller size of the 1990 class of new students at Elon College signals a decline in high school graduates.

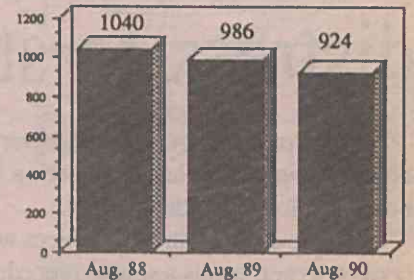
From August 26, 1988, to August 25, 1990, the number of paid deposits for incoming students has fallen from 1,040 to 924. The 62-student decline in paid deposits from the 1989-90 school year represents more than \$400,000 in lost tuition.

The number of North Carolina graduates is expected to drop from 69,709 in 1989 to 62,023 in 1992, according to projections by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

"The drop in admissions has nothing to do with anything that the college has done. Colleges all across the area are experiencing drops in enrollment," said Pat Kinney, director of public information at Elon.

Ms. Kinney said the college's board trustees developed a

Deposits Paid



Deposits paid in late August for student admissions of each year.

contingency plan in the early 1980s that would prevent the college from ever having to resort to deficit spending.

Records in the student affairs office indicate that there are 70 vacant female spaces and 28 vacant male spaces in the on-campus housing facilities. Lee Proctor, director of housing, said, "In previous years, the dorm occupancy has been at 100%. Last year that figure dropped to 97%. The 1990 figures indicate that we will be looking at a 94% occupancy."

Fall convocation features international message

Deborah Durkee
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The theme for this year's Fall Convocation is international studies.

Elon student Robb Hughes will discuss his travels in the Soviet Union and Hungary.

The keynote speaker is Le Ly Hayslip, whose story of a childhood raised during the Viet Nam war has recently been bought by filmmaker Oliver Stone.

Stone is known for his Viet Nam films, *Platoon* and *Born on the Fourth of July*.

"Her story is powerfully told," Elon Chaplain Richard McBride said.

Hayslip's message is peace and reconciliation in her address,

Fall Convocation

When: Thursday,
September 13

Time: 11 a.m.

Where: Under The Oaks
Speaker: Le Ly Hayslip,
author of *When
Heaven and
Earth Changed
Places*.

"A Vietnamese Woman's Journey from War to Peace."

Hayslip's story is a nice prelude to the Symposium on Cultural Diversity scheduled September 23-27 McBride said.

Fall Convocation is scheduled for Thursday, September 13 at 11 a.m.