

Winter fashion: snuggle in with warmer clothing

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As the semester comes to an end and the weather begins to fluctuate, you have to admit you don't know whether to wear a sweater or a t-shirt.

This fall has been full of

windy days, cold and rainy days and sometimes the beautiful sunny days.

Now that we have less than two weeks left in the semester and finals are right around the corner, pulling out the warm knitted sweaters may be just what we need with our hot cocoas and Starbucks coffee.

Remember to dress in layers. North Carolina weather can be tricky. It could be warm in the afternoon hours and chilly at night. Dressing with multiple layers can help you avoid this problem.

Studying will consume our lives during the last weeks of the semester, but lets not forget to dress as warm as possible so that we can study and be as healthy as possible.

Contrary to belief, this winter calls for more than

sweaters. Scarves, thermal hoodies, fleece zip-up's, gloves, mittens, hats and most of all, the thickest wool coats you can find are a must.

Times are changing and the frosty car windows have rapidly become a norm this fall. Be ready with your warm attire to de-frost windows and get the heat pumping in your dorm, apartment, house or car.

Just remember to stay warm and bundle up this winter because over break you may need to get those thermals back into regular use.

Staying fashionable this upcoming season will not be an issue but more of a priority, so while remaining warm you can be ready to enjoy the endless nights of fun with your spunky and trendy attire.

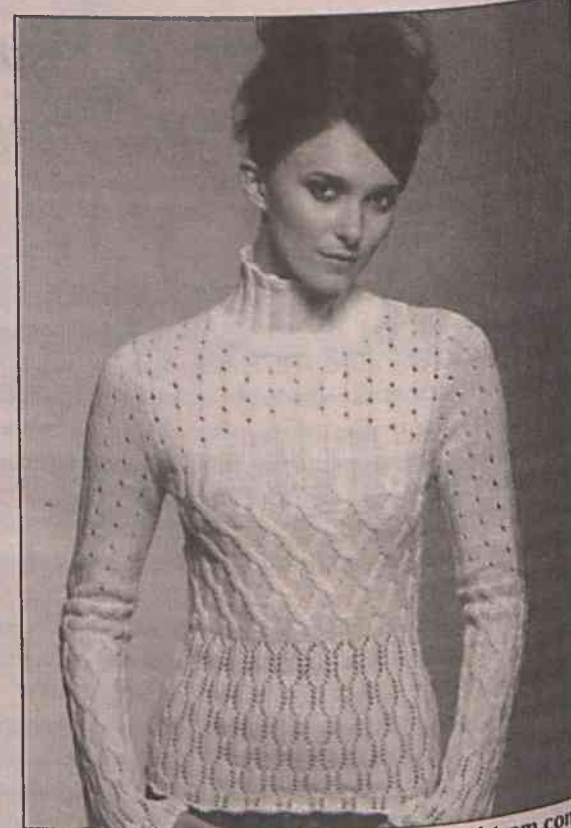
Ladies, this winter remember to layer up appropriately, accessorize your funky trendsetting styles and boots will be a must-have in order to complete your outfit.

Whether it's Ugg boots, Steve Madden stiletto pumps or perhaps the infamous "Daisy Duke" cowboy boots they will be necessary to protect your legs from the cold while still making a fashion statement.

Gentlemen, this winter scarves will be more prevalent and the fitted hats will take you back to the old days, but it will be worth it once you realize it keeps you warm.

So as we get ready for the holidays and prepare to study for finals let's remember the clothes needed for winter survival.

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Gear up for winter with a comfortable sweater and warm shoes.

Winter term brings many options to Elon campus

The month of January helps students to broaden their horizons by participating in a study abroad program, an internship or a fast-paced three week course

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January 3 – 24 marks Elon's winter term, a time when many students choose to go abroad, take a class on campus or opt not to take a class at all.

Dr. Earl Danieleley was the sixth president of Elon, who decided upon having winter term for two reasons.

"The first reason was to permit students to retake a course in which they had not done well during the fall semester," Danieleley said. "Another reason was to adjust the teaching load—faculty had been teaching 15 hours per semester, the new calendar permitted them to teach 12 hours in each semester and three hours in Winter Term for a total of 27 hours."

It turned out that winter term was ideal for special courses, including study abroad, as well as many other courses that are not offered during fall or spring semester.

The four-credit hour system of classes was established much later, adopted under the leadership of Gerry Francis, the provost of Elon.

There are currently 25 study abroad programs offered during winter term, covering many places such as Europe, Costa Rica, Ireland, Mexico, New Zealand, China, Peru and

countries in South America.

Sophomore Marlaena DeHaven decided to come to Elon because of the study abroad programs available to students.

"I want to experience other cultures while I have the opportunity, I hope by the time I graduate I will have been to six of the seven continents," DeHaven said. She has already studied in other countries during winter term.

"My freshman year I went to London for winter term, this year I am going to Australia for the Aboriginal Studies program," DeHaven said.

Maureen Vandermaas-Peeler, associate professor of psychology, has been a part of the study abroad program for nearly a decade. She feels Elon students have a very unique opportunity to spend January abroad, learning and experiencing first-hand another culture or cultures.

"Study abroad will hopefully broaden students' cultural awareness in general, expand their academic knowledge about the particular course of study, and heighten their own sense of responsibility and accomplishment," the study abroad web site said. "Also known as personal growth." These are the three goals of the study abroad programs.

Students have the choice of taking a class on campus, courses are three hours Monday through Friday for three weeks. Unique classes are offered that are not offered dur-

ing the fall or spring semester, which allow students to take a break from the normal grind of classes.

There is the choice to take challenging classes to get them out of the way, or not having to take them for a whole semester, or easier classes, gaining an easier credit.

Junior, Jim Knuff, has taken a class on campus each winter term so far. "This year I am taking an accounting class for my minor, last year I took literature just so I could get it out of the way, so I would not have to take it for a whole semester," Knuff said.

Justin Kafka enjoys focusing on one class. "I like the slower pace during winter term, it is a nice break from the rigorous fall and spring semester, just getting to relax with all the free time."

After exams on Jan 24, students enjoy a "fake break." This gives the students a chance to go home or stay on campus before spring semester starts.

For more information about study abroad programs or how to apply, visit the Isabella Cannon Centre for International Studies or go to <http://www.elon.edu/web/academics/cannon/>.

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