

# STATE AND LOCAL

## 2012 Voter Information

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### Registering to Vote

North Carolina Deadline - Fri. Oct. 12

#### Requirements to register:

- US Citizen
- 18 years old by Nov. 6
- 30 days residence at your current address by Nov. 6

#### You can register on campus:

Self-service registration stations are set up in Joyner, Belk Dining Hall and Cate Center

Deposit your completed form in the box and it will be mailed to the board of elections

Don't forget to check the boxes at the top of the form and to sign the form.

#### Consider changing your registration to Raleigh:

The residence requirement is just 30 days so you are eligible to register and vote in Raleigh unless you have definite plans to return to your parents home after graduation.

NC law also allows students to register in the county where their parents live. Consider registering in Raleigh unless you have a strong interest in local politics

where you grew up. It will be easier to vote here and you are more likely to actually do so. You do not need a NC driver's license to register here.

#### To check if you are already registered:

Go to [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov). Click "Voter registration." Click "Check your registration."

#### If you want to vote in another state:

You will need to register in that state. Google "register to vote in (your state)" and you will find a number of options.

### Voting in North Carolina

#### Vote in person on election day:

On Tuesday November 6, the Polls will be open from 6:30 AM - 7:30 PM

#### Where do I vote?

If you registered using a Meredith address, your polling place is the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Raleigh, 3313 Wade Avenue, 27607 (1 block from campus)

If you registered elsewhere in the state, you can find your polling place by going to [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov). Click "Voter registration." Click "Check your registration."

#### Vote in person before election day:

Between October 18 and November 3 you can vote in person at various locations. The closest location to Raleigh is the Talley Student Center at NCSU.

To find other Wake County locations go to [www.wakegov.com/elections/](http://www.wakegov.com/elections/) To find early voting locations in other counties go to [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov)

Different sites are open at different times, be sure to check before you go.

The Talley Student Center is open M-F 11-7, Sat 10-6 (10-5 on Nov 3), Sun 1-5.

#### Vote absentee by mail:

Deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is October 30. You must send your request to the Board of Elections in your county. To find the address go to [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov).

The request must contain specific information and requests can be made by close relatives. For details go to [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov).

#### If you have questions:

Contact Clyde Frazier: [frazierc@meredith.edu](mailto:frazierc@meredith.edu)



Election Day polling place for students registered at campus address. Image via Google Maps.

## Equine (continued from front page)



Meredith student Nancy Merritt and horse GC Inspired Trust ("Inspired") Southern States Regional Morgan Horse Show at the James B. Hunt Horse Complex May 2012

side, but the Meredith horse lovers have already come up with some ideas as to how to bypass some of the legal obligations, "Since boarding barns already have their own liability insurance, there are equestrian facilities all over Raleigh that would be willing to let our team board with them. Plus,

many team riders have individual insurance on personal horses," said Merritt.

Merritt explains additionally, "The Morgan/Saddlebred communities in Raleigh are plentiful and are overwhelmingly able to donate horses for a new program.

The students at Meredith would earn points for the owners on their horses, yet again, excluding the college from any financial obligations."

Meredith student and three-day eventer Kerrigan Gudger adds, "The college would only have to let us enter intercollegiate shows with 'Meredith College' on our shoulders, which would be a pretty awesome feeling." Bottom line: students at Meredith are suggesting that "the equine program can be rejuvenated outside of the college campus, but still bring many girls

together who have this huge passion in common," said Mooney.

As far as the details of the team, the original equestrian program included only English disciplines like Hunter Jumping, Hunt Seat, and Saddle Seat. This left out all of the Western riders (Reining, Cutting, Western Pleasure, etc.) that were a part of the Meredith community, but Gudger says, "it could be a team where we all learn and help one another in areas where we're not as strong as individuals. It doesn't have to be a rigid list of disciplines that will exclude any

group willing to learn and/or ride on the team."

Although horses seem to be a thing of Meredith's past, many students believe that history should repeat itself, Mooney says, "There are so many positive effects that would arise from Meredith having a new equestrian program. It would be another support group, another community at Meredith, and it would show everyone that horses are not just a hobby, they're a sport and a way of life that so many of us love."

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