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The ELI Weekly

Scholarship Nominees

Please join us in congratulating the nominees for the ELI scholarships to study in the Spring 2022 semester.

- Yousef Alenezi from Kuwait
- Mireya Arreaga Ramirez from Ecuador
- Andres Del Castillo Arce from Bolivia
- Alvaro Herrera Fernandez from Spain
- Sol Ha Kim from South Korea
- Yan Lai from China
- Eungyeong Lee from South Korea
- Ali Salou Moumouni from Niger



It is very difficult to be nominated for a scholarship. This means the nominees all worked extra hard this semester and achieved the following criteria:

- Full-time C semester student
- Academic Excellence: 4.0 GPA and high level of proficiency in at least three of the four skill areas
- Outstanding Progress: outstanding progress in language skills
- Excellent Attendance: no more than ten hours absences
- Speak English: make every effort to speak English at all times
- Successful Work Strategies: demonstrate personal initiative in and out of the classroom

Congratulations nominees! Good luck to all of you!

Out and About: The Warmth of the Classroom

by Manal Almalki, RW20

There is an old proverb that says, "Places never forget their visitors." Everyone has a special place, and that place is so cozy for them. My ELI classroom at UF is one of those places. It has modern furniture, comfortable chairs, and heart-shaped tables. It is as if the room is telling students, "I love you." Whenever I enter my classroom, I feel so excited, and it is a place where students like to spend time. The classroom is small, but it is full of achievements. Students sometimes use the space to struggle with exercises or solve problems together in groups. My classroom is my favorite place at UF. I can study, meet international students, work alongside great teachers, and have fun too.



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CIP Activities

Sign up for all activities here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-student17

Monday November 8th - Cabana Hangout - 6:00 - 8:30pm

Come swim in the pool, play games, and socialize at the Cabana Beach Apartment pool area! Bring your bathing suit and towel. If you don't want to swim, just come and socialize! Take bus 21 to Cabana Beach Apartments.

• You must sign up to attend this activity.

Tuesday November 9th - Soccer - 6:30 - 9:00pm

Come play Soccer on campus at Flavet Field! No experience necessary!

• You must sign up to attend this activity.

Wednesday November 10th – Volleyball – 6:30 – 9:00pm

Come play volleyball and hang out at Lexington Crossing Apartments Phase 2! No experience necessary! Take bus 34 or 35.

• You must sign up to attend this activity.

Thursday November 11th – No Activity for Veterans Day Holiday

International Spirit Week Activities

Monday, 11/15: Language Day

• Wear something with your language on it

Tuesday, 11/16: Career Day

Wear the clothes you will wear to do your dream job

Wednesday, 11/17: Country Colors Day

Wear traditional clothes, flags, or country colors

Thursday, 11/18: Sports Day

Wear your team colors/jersey/shirt

Friday, 11/19: Celebrity Day

• Dress like a celebrity or famous person

Birthdays!

Students:

11/8 Taisa Aozani Prochnow Pipkin

11/10 Yousef Alenezi

11/11 Joshua Arroyo Arcos

11/12 Jaewon Kang

11/14 Brandon Diaz-Moret

Staff: 11/9 Lia Brenneman

Friday November 12th – Lunch at the Plaza – 12:15 – 2:45pm

Because there is no Gator Nights this Friday, come have lunch together with students and LAs at the Plaza instead. Get Krishna Lunch or takeout from University Ave and meet us at the Plaza of the Americas in front of Library West during your class break! You can also bring a lunch from home.

You must sign up to attend this activity.



Saturday November 13th — Gator Football Game — 11:00am-3:00pm

Come see the Gators play football! Meet at the Reitz Union Subway, and then walk to the Stadium together! You must have already purchased a ticket from Tate in the CIP office. Make sure to bring your e-ticket and have a charged phone to scan and enter.

If you would like to put your name on the waiting list or learn how to purchase a ticket through the Gator Ticket Office, see Tate in Matherly 211.

Notes from the Office

<u>Veterans Day Holiday:</u> Thursday, November 11 is Veterans Day. There will be no ELI classes, and the ELI main office will be closed.

<u>Out of the office</u>: Victoria will be out of the office on November 5th. Daryl will be out of the office from November 8th-10th. Plan around these dates if you need to talk to them.

<u>Thanksgiving Holiday:</u> Thursday, November 25th is Thanksgiving. There will be no ELI classes, and the ELI main office will be closed on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (Nov. 24-26). Please remember that classes will meet as normal on Monday and Tuesday (Nov. 22nd and 23rd).

<u>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Group:</u> The ELI wants students to feel welcome. In order to do this, we need your perspective. Therefore, you are invited to a Student Focus Group meeting. At the meeting, you can give your opinions about different ELI policies and activities so that we can improve in the future. We will have two meetings, and you should attend the meeting that best fits your schedule. The first meeting will be Tuesday, November 16th, at 5:00pm, and the second one will be Friday, November 19th, at 2:00pm. Both meetings are in Matherly Hall. If you have questions, please email Thomas Dolce (tomdolce@ufl.edu).

<u>International Education Week:</u> Send your international stories to Maya (<u>mshastri@ufl.edu</u>) by November 12th.



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