

# The ELI Weekly

## Out and About: St. Augustine

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Last weekend I went to St. Augustine, which I discovered is the oldest city in the United States. Although it is a small town, it had a lively atmosphere and the buildings reminded me of European architecture. The buildings by the Leitner Museum and Flagler University were beautiful because of their red roofs and French style. Overall, the scenery of St. Augustine was beautiful, and it was interesting to see that the downtown area, lit up after sunset, was bustling with people's footsteps. It was like traveling in Europe. To tell you an interesting anecdote, a girl passing by looked at us and complimented us on how pretty our outfits were. In Korea, we don't usually talk to passersby, but it was interesting to talk to them openly and kindly here, unlike in Korea. There is a lot to see, and although it is a small city, but there are restaurants, dessert shops, and souvenir shops, so it was fun to visit there. I ate jambalaya for the first time at a seafood restaurant, and I was surprised because it tasted similar to Korean shrimp fried rice. I also bought postcards and magnets as souvenirs. I was able to have a good time and share fun stories with Taylor (who is a UF student) and my Korean friends I met at the ELI, Huiho, Aram, Jiwoo, and Yewon. I was happy to make the memories of the trip together. I will remember this trip for a long time, and I will cherish these memories.



## CIP Weekday Activities

### Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> – Coffee Talk– 6:30-9:00pm



Socialize with LAs and ELI friends at the Starbucks on Archer Road next to Burger Fi! Play games, speak English, and drink a coffee or get dinner at one of the restaurants nearby! Take bus 1.

Address: 3524 SW Archer Rd, Gainesville, FL 32608

### Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 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.

Address: 3900 SW 27th St, Gainesville, FL 32608

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## Last Day of Classes

Thursday, December 8, is the final day of ELI classes this fall. Teachers will be submitting final grades and attendance reports on Wednesday, December 7. If you are absent on Thursday, your absence will not be counted for immigration, class grades, or any petition you have submitted. **All absences on December 5, 6, 7 still count!!! You should not miss class these days!**

We hope all ELI students will attend class on Thursday, December 8. Your teachers and LAs have fun and interesting lessons and activities planned. However, we know many ELI students are making preparations to leave Gainesville, so are very busy this last week. **If you will not be attending class on Thursday, December 8, please inform your teacher by Tuesday, December 6.** Your teachers and LAs need to know how many students to plan for.

All of your teachers and LAs will be at the ELI Commencement Ceremony on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will be there, too!

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## Welcome to Natalie Claytor!



Please help us welcome our new ELI Receptionist, Natalie Claytor! Natalie holds a BA in French and Music from Ohio Wesleyan University. She speaks French and Japanese and was an English teacher in Korea!!! Natalie just moved to Gainesville from Hawaii, where she taught Japanese to elementary school children. Guess what? Natalie also loves Disney, movies, cooking, and video games! We are so excited to have her join our team. Please be sure to stop by the office to welcome Natalie to the ELI and the Gator Nation!

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## Notes from the Office

**Thanksgiving Holiday:** There are no classes and the ELI office will be closed on November 23rd, 24th, and 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Check your I20s:** If your I-20 is expiring soon, make an appointment with Daryl in MAT 223 to renew your I-20 before it expires. If you are traveling during the holiday, make sure your I-20 is signed before you go.

**Fines and Fees:** Check one.uf to see if you have library fines and infirmary fees. If you're not sure how to do this, there is a handout in the ELI main office with instructions. If you don't pay your fines and fees, you won't receive your End of Term packet at Commencement.

**Financial Guarantees for Spring:** Dear scholarship students, we hope to see you again in the Spring! Therefore, we have sent you an early reminder to request your new financial guarantee letter for the Spring semester, if you plan to return. Most of your financial guarantees will expire this December, which means that you will need to submit a new financial guarantee by the tuition deadline of January 26<sup>th</sup> for the Spring C semester to avoid owing a late fee. If you need an enrollment letter or if you have any questions, please email Jennifer Vann at [jvann@eli.ufl.edu](mailto:jvann@eli.ufl.edu) ([opens in new tab](#)).

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## Photo of the Week



ELI Students at the volleyball game

## Birthdays!



### Students:

- 11/22-Luisa Velasquez Gomez
- 11/22-Juman Lee
- 11/26-Noha Alghamdi

Staff: none

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## Grammar

*Q: What is the difference between 'farther' and 'further'?*

**Farther** can be used as an adjective and an adverb. It means “at a greater distance.” It is used for literal distance, especially in the US.

**Further** may be used in a similar way to mean “at a greater distance.” But it can also be used as an adjective meaning “more,” as an adverb meaning “additionally,” and as a verb meaning “advance” or “promote.”

Consider these examples:

- I live **farther** from campus than Melina.
- I live **further** from campus than Melina.
  - Both *farther* and *further* are correct for literal distances.
- I could **further** my career by getting an advanced degree.
  - When used as a verb meaning ‘advance’ or ‘promote’, we can only use *further*.
- The politician refused to answer any **further** questions.
  - When used as an adjective meaning ‘more’, we can only use *further*.



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