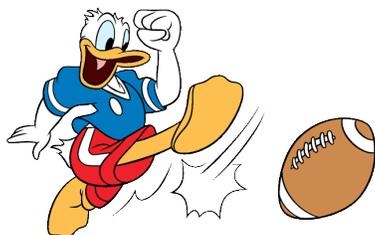


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# The ELI Weekly

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## Football Game

*Come out and cheer with us!*

Experience the thrill and excitement of a Gator football game! We will be attending the UF-Arkansas football game together. This is a great opportunity to see what makes the Gators the best! Please wear Orange and Blue support our team!

**When:** October 5<sup>th</sup>, TBA. Game time will be announced this week so please check the Activities Board in Norman Hall, the ELI FB group, or facebook.com/UFLELI.

**Where:** Meet outside of the Subway at the Reitz Union

**Cost:** ELI tickets are sold out! If you bought a ticket, Nate will have your ticket at Subway.

Have fun and Go Gators!

## The Next Trip

There is no ELI trip scheduled next week, since we will be in our Midterm Week. Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our **Midterm Picnic**. This will also be the welcome picnic for our new B-Term students, so be sure to come out, give them a warm welcome, and make some new friends!

## Reminder from the Office

**New students:** You currently have an *Initial I-20*. Jessica has your new *Active I-20s* which state that you are enrolled at the ELI. With the

*Active I-20*, you can get a driver's license, and you will avoid confusion if you exit and reenter the US. If you are a new student, please go to the ELI Main Office (Norman 315) to pick up your *Active I-20s* starting Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Immunizations:** Remember to take care of this as soon as possible. You will not be allowed to attend class until you do. When returning to class, make sure to show your teachers the note from Emily or the Student Health Care Center.

**Daryl out:** Daryl will be out October 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Scholarships for the Fall 2013 semester!

**The Jayne C. Harder Memorial Scholarship:** Hyojin Lee

**The J.C. Casagrande Peace Scholarship:** Luis Stein Ruiz

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

- Full-time semester student at the ELI.
- Academic Excellence: The student should have a 4.0 GPA and demonstrate a high level of proficiency in at least three of the four skill areas.

- Outstanding Progress: The student should display outstanding progress in language skills as evidenced by improvements in coursework.
- Excellent Attendance: The student should miss no more than ten hours of class in the semester.
- Speak English: The student should make every effort to speak English at all times while at the ELI and at ELI-sponsored activities.
- Successful Work Strategies: The student should demonstrate personal initiative in and out of the classroom, making an effort to get involved in the ambient culture through outside activities such as regular participation in Cultural Immersion activities.

Students, if you want to win the scholarship this semester, make sure to follow the same criteria and talk to winners to learn how else to become an excellent student.

## Student Voices

Student Voices is a collection of student writing: paragraphs, essays, letters, recipes, poems, etc. You can submit anytime but the last day is November 7<sup>th</sup>. Email your submissions to Melina Jimenez at [mpjimenez@ufl.edu](mailto:mpjimenez@ufl.edu). To get you thinking about your submissions, here is the winning piece from Summer 2013. If you'd like to see more submissions, check out past issues online at: <http://www.eli.ufl.edu/publications.htm>

## Dedication Makes Difference

By Débora Ferreira de Moura (RW21)

One of the major decisions to make in my life is certainly the choice to have a profession. With the large number of paths to be taken, this task was very difficult. I made of my choice to become a nurse was when I met Dona Maria, a lady of almost 65 years of age, and with 25 years of nursing experience. She worked in the emergency hospital where my brother Diulio was treated after a serious accident. In the early morning on a rainy day, I received a call from a lady asking me if I knew Diulio. I got scared at the news I was receiving, so I immediately asked what had happened. She asked me to come to hospital because he had a very serious accident. When I arrived to the hospital, Dona Maria calmly explained me what had happened. I spent the whole day at the hospital watching my brother, and I saw the dedication and love for her profession towards her patients. This caught my attention and caused me to take the decision to study in health department and become a nurse. My brother recovered well after the accident. After I finished my nursing course, I had an opportunity to work with Dona Maria. Today she is retired, but she set a good example of how one should be devoted in their profession.

## Manners and Culture

*Q: I'm homesick and sad. I don't know what to do to get better.*

A: Don't worry! This is a natural when you move to another country. The best thing you can do is to keep active: participate in class, go to the CIP activities, and chat with friends. You can also talk to someone about how you feel. New students are going through the same thing and probably need your support, too. Returning students went through the same thing in their first semester and will have good advice for you. Your teachers and Language Assistants are also there for you. The person who talks most, adjusts the best.

Make local connections, with your own culture and the host culture. Did you know that UF has many student organizations including international student organizations? You can make friends with UF students who speak English but who are also from your country. You can find links to them on the ELI website:  
<http://www.eli.ufl.edu/firsttime/university.htm>

If you do all these things and you still feel sad, talk to Emily. She is in her office in Norman 316 and can listen to you or refer you to a counselor who can help more.

## Grammar

*Q: What's the difference between the present perfect and the present perfect progressive?*

A: Some verbs can mean the same thing in the present perfect and the present perfect progressive. These are verbs of habitual activities.

- I have worn glasses since 2001.
- I have been wearing glasses since 2001.

For other verbs, it depends on the context. Use the present perfect for something that happened at an unspecified time in the past. Use the present perfect progressive for something that is still happening. You can also use the present perfect progressive for actions that happened in the past but still have some connection to the present.

- I have seen the movie *Dumbo* a dozen times and I cry every time.
- I have been watching this movie for the past 30 minutes.
- My eyes are puffy because I have been crying from watching *Dumbo*.

## Quote of the Week

The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience.

Eleanor Roosevelt

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