

## Welcome to Fall Semester, 2020!

As a Choose Ohio First Scholar at NC State, you have chosen a program, degree and/or certificate which the State of Ohio values highly. You have chosen a path for your education that the State of Ohio believes will lead to a career, which will not only enhance your life, but the lives of other Ohio Residents. If you are in one of our Choose Ohio First health programs, Ohio's leaders look to you to help keep Ohioans healthy and safe, while building meaningful careers for yourself. If you are a Math major, or in one of the several programs at Kehoe supported by Choose Ohio First, you are being counted upon by Ohio's leaders to help build and sustain Ohio's economy by ensuring our companies have employees with the technical skills and talents to contribute to successfully manage growth and change in any number of industries.

NC State is proud to be one of only thirty-nine universities in Ohio to receive Choose Ohio First scholarship funding. Other institutions include Case Western Reserve University, Kent State University, Bowling Green State University, University of Akron, and a number of Community Colleges. In the coming year NC State will award nearly \$500,000 in Choose Ohio First scholarship money to support you, your dreams, your family or your family to be – along with every resident of the state who will benefit from your work for years to come.

In exchange for this generous funding, we have to follow the guidelines the state imposes, account for the dollars we spend, match the dollars we spend by spending an equal amount of the College's funding to support your education, and do everything we can to make sure you work at the 3.0 grade point average or higher. Consequently, please remember that we will monitor your academic progress and ask that you get help and document that effort if your grades fall below 3.0.

Thank you for being one of our students and please ask any employee for help! It is our job and our honor.

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Dean of Health Sciences

**Greg Timberlake, PsyD**  
Dean of Business, Industry & Technology

**Tom Prendergast**  
VP of Institutional Effectiveness & Student Services

## From the Financial Aid Office

Congratulations to our new COF scholars on choosing to attend NC State and welcome back to our COF veterans. Just a few reminders from the financial aid office...

- COF rules require scholars to maintain a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA.
- Should a scholar's GPA fall to less than 3.0, the scholar is obligated to participate in prescribed tutoring activities.
- Continued poor academic performance will cause a scholarship to be lost
- Scholars must register for and successfully complete at least six credit hours per term.
- You will lose your scholarship if you change your major to one not covered by the scholarship.

We know this must sound *legalistic*, however, financial aid, especially aid provided by a government entity, is all about rules. Please let us know if you have questions about these or about any aspect of the Choose Ohio First scholarship program. Have a great fall semester.

## Honors College Events

Are you interested in participating in the Honors College or taking in a presentation? Check out the Honors College schedule below. All locations are to be announced.



### Shelby Solar Project

Peter Protopappas, Director of Business Development, AEP  
September 23, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

### Pandemic

Dr. Julie Chaya, Dir. of Comm. Health & Prevention Sciences, RPH  
October 12, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

### Giving Your Best Every Day

Isaac David, Workforce Development Coordinator, UMADAOP  
October 27, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

### Leadership

Sherrod Brown, United States Senator, Ohio  
November 12, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

For more information, contact [HonorsCollege@ncstatecollege.edu](mailto:HonorsCollege@ncstatecollege.edu)

## Share your COF Scholar Story

At NC State, we know that Choose Ohio First Scholarships are helping students achieve their educational goals and preparing them for rewarding careers with great futures. We'd love to hear your story as a Choose Ohio First Scholar. What are your plans? What are you doing today? What goals, successes and dreams do you have for your future?

Share them with us at <https://ncstatecollege.edu/submit-your-story/>. You can upload a video or word document, and fill out your information so we can follow up if we have additional questions.

## Career Development Services

Career Development Services is available for both our students and alumni, and provides a range of support in areas such as:

- One-to-one career exploration
- Resume assistance and cover letter writing, job search and career readiness training (interviewing, soft skills training, etc.)
- Training workshops (resume-writing, LinkedIn, appropriate business/interview attire, etc.), Job Fairs, and other events with employers

For more information, contact Paula Waldruff, Career Pathway Coordinator, at 419-755-4786 or [pwaldruff@ncstatecollege.edu](mailto:pwaldruff@ncstatecollege.edu).

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## Virtual Event

Welcome to fall! We are so excited to have you on campus if even for limited in-person classes.

Several of you have asked about opportunities for involvement to increase your scholarship even before classes began. We are excited to host our first virtual event on September 25, from 11:00 am-12:00 pm. A zoom link will be sent the week before as a reminder, but put this date and time on your calendar now. We will focus on the highlights of career options in our featured programs as well as detail the opportunities for you in Honors College as well as Honor Societies on campus. Not able to attend on the 25<sup>th</sup>? Check out the Honors College event dates noted in this newsletter as well.

We wish you a wonderful fall semester and look forward to getting to "see" many of you on our virtual events.

## Internship Program

The Internship Program is available to current students and offers services including:

- One-on-one appointments to develop a customized internship search process
- Job & Internship Fair, Internship and Resume Prep Workshops, and Meet & Greet
- Assistance with internship preparation (cover letter writing, interviewing, LinkedIn, connecting with employers, etc.)

For more information, contact Alicia Camak, Internship Coordinator, at 419-755-4052 or [camak.3@osu.edu](mailto:camak.3@osu.edu).

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