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Summer school isn't a punishment

I felt like I had some how been cheated.

Don't get me wrong — studying abroad was one of the best times of my life, but spending the fall in another country meant I was going to miss out on a semester in Chapel Hill.

I was about to miss out on a whole season of football games, at least a dozen nights warm enough for He's Not Here and way too many Cosmic Cantina burritos.

So, I put Virginia Beach and summer vacation on hold and enrolled in a Summer Session to try to make up for some of the time I was going to lose out on.

For most of my life, I had looked at summer school as some kind of punishment. It's what would have happened if I didn't pass a standardized test or if my parents caught me lighting AXE body spray on fire again.

But something happens when you get to college. It's no longer a punishment, but an opportunity. As cheesy as that sounds, it's true.

Every semester, I've had at least one class that I had to put way down on my list of priorities because of other time commitments. Most organizations take a pause



Zach Gaver
Opinion Editor

during summer, so if you stay here, you'll find that you all of a sudden have a ton of free time. Free time you might as well put toward studying or doing homework.

Taking a class or two during summer ensures that you'll have ample time to commit to you class routine during the summer which you may not have during the fall or spring.

Whether you want to give an interesting Economics course everything you've got, or there's just no way in hell you'd actually study for Intro to Jazz in the fall, summer's got you covered.

But this isn't really anything an academic adviser couldn't tell you.

It seems like a far off memory now, but I do remember a time in high school when I consulted multiple college prep books to find out what college was

going to be best for me. Along with dining hall quality, how cool the computer labs were and kooky traditions, the size of the student population was a determinant factor. If you were like me and couldn't really come to a decision between a large or small school, going to summer school helps you get the best of both worlds.

With more than 29,000 students here, it's easy to see a completely new set of faces every day. And as great as that is when you're trying to avoid someone from last night, it's possible to get the feeling of being lost in the shuffle.

That's not true during the summer. You see the same people in class, the same people at the gym and the same people at the pool. A smaller community is quickly built.

When you take these things into account — along with kiddie pools in front yards, getting to watch clueless CTOP-ers and drinking Blueberry Wheat at ToPo — it's impossible to deny that everyone should spend at least one summer in Chapel Hill.

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COLUMN

Snow or no snow, I'll be around

Why am I staying in Chapel Hill this summer?

That's a great question. I'll get back to you on that.

See, I live on an island. I'm from Oak Island, N.C., where we spend our summers tan and happy. After the past three months of thinking, "This is going to be the time I freeze to death," when I walked to class, going home where it's always warm sounds like heaven.

In my hometown, we don't have snow days — we have hurricane days. We skip school only to see our teachers relaxing on the beach a few yards away. I still haven't forgiven Chapel Hill for the icy hell that was the past three months.

And I'm giving up a summer of hot sand, the ocean and a weekly 25-cent wing night to live and work at 151 E. Rosemary St. as the DTH's Summer Editor-in-Chief.

Some may call me crazy. You wouldn't be wrong.

If it helps any, I also can't find a subletter for my apartment.

Everyone says the summer in Chapel Hill is an experience you can't miss. These are the same people who told me going to UNC would be one of the best decisions



Paige Ladisic
Summer Editor-in-Chief

of my life. Turns out they weren't wrong, so I'm going to trust the majority again.

I'll revisit the question — why am I staying in Chapel Hill this summer?

My answer: I love this town, I love this school and most importantly, I love The Daily Tar Heel. I can't say UNC-Chapel Hill was anywhere near my first choice when I was applying to colleges, but now that I'm here, I know I didn't belong anywhere else.

Now, I'm ready to dive headfirst into what many say will be the best summer of my life.

I want to know what it's like to be an integral part of creating something I care so deeply about. I want to completely immerse myself in the University, the town and everything else that comes with staying here over the summer. I want to know

where the best trivia night is and what taking a summer class feels like. I want to discover Chapel Hill's hidden gems and tell all of the untold stories I can.

And when you pick up a copy of the DTH every week, I want it to be a product full of stories, photos and designs my staff and I put everything we had into. I want to pour my heart and soul into creating the best print edition and online content the summer has ever seen.

So I've gathered together a team of the nine most talented, creative journalists to accompany me on my adventures and dedicate their entire summer to the DTH. We've cleared our schedules, and we're ready to take on whatever the summer throws at us.

I guess you could say that I can't imagine being anywhere else.

Snow or no snow. I'm giving Chapel Hill a chance to thaw my frozen heart this summer. If any town could do it, it would be this one.

No funny business, UNC. If I see one day below fifty degrees, I'm going home.

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SUMMER EVENTS IN THE AREA

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Time: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday

Date: Monday - Saturday

Location: Williamson Athletic Center, 450 Skipper Bowles Drive

FOURTH OF JULY

Come enjoy this year's Fourth of July event at Carrboro Town Hall. Multiple events will be held throughout the day.

Time: 9:30 a.m. throughout the day

Date: July 4

Location: Carrboro, Carrboro Town Hall, 301 W. Main Street



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Liquid Pleasure performs at the town of Chapel Hill's Fourth of July celebration in Kenan Stadium in 2013.

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Students work in summer programs at UNC

By Deborah Harris
Staff Writer

Summer signals a break for many UNC students, but some find that a summer on the Hill spent participating in summer programs are just the kind of vacation they are looking for.

Wayne Capps, a 2011 UNC graduate, he said he has stuck around during the summer to teach K-8 students at the Morehead Planetarium and Science Center

Capps, the Gravity Games Coordinator at the Center, said he found his passion for informal education through the Center, which hosts \$150 one-week sessions for grades K-8 every year from mid-June to mid-August.

Before working at the planetarium, Capps said he was uncertain of his career path. After three years as a camp counselor and one as administrator, Capps said he realized his interest in informal education.

"I just thought the summer camps were really fun," he said. "I was just going out and playing with the kids and helping them learn about the things all around them."

Every year, the planetarium hires current UNC students as summer camp counselors.

Jonathan Barnes, the planetarium's summer camp coor-

dinator, said he expects to hire between 20 and 40 students, and provide a pay rate around \$7 or \$8 an hour.

"We train them in classroom techniques, as well as give them all this really cool science knowledge," he said. "Then we release them into these camp worlds to entertain and educate our campers."

"Teaching (here) doesn't feel like a chore," Capps said. "Instead, it feels like, 'Oh great, today, we get to explode gummy bears. It's gonna be awesome.'"

Junior Rachel Bates, media coordinator for the diversity and multicultural affairs student staff, said she has found that the summer is a different experience at UNC as well.

Since last year, Bates said she has worked as a student administrator for Project Uplift.

Project Uplift, which is held on campus, hosts between 1,100 to 1,200 high school students from underrepresented backgrounds — such as Native Americans, African Americans, Hispanic/Latinos, Asian Americans and first-generation college students — over four weekends in May and June.

"Students really have a chance to view what it's like to be a Carolina student prior to matriculation," said Ada Wilson, director of Project Uplift. "I think that exposure

is helpful in terms of our recruitment and retention."

Participants have the chance to sit in mock classes, interact with UNC students, faculty and staff, as well as take part in social and cultural activities.

"Especially for minorities and underrepresented populations, it's hard for them to see themselves at a big school, or even going to college," Bates said. "(Project Uplift) gives them that perspective."

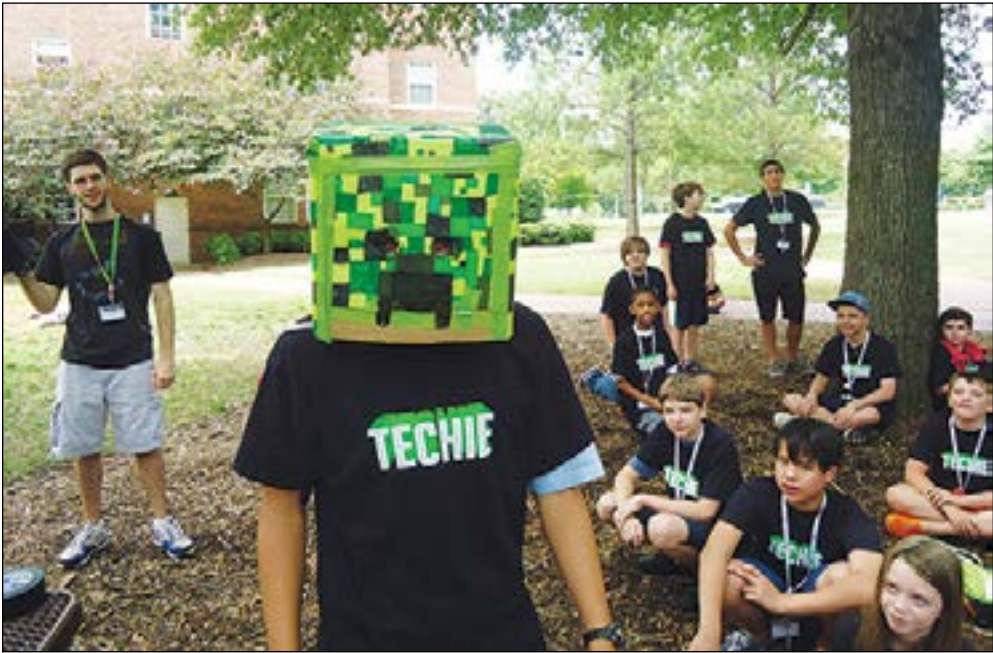
Wilson said about 60 UNC students will work as counselors, activity advisers and resident assistants. In addition to receiving a stipend, the students will be trained in risk management, group facilitation and teamwork, among other skills.

Tates said, for counselors, the best part is at the very end while reading student evaluations.

"It's eye-opening to see how much you can effect (the high school students') lives just by talking to them, smiling, and inviting them into your space and daily life," she said.

Stephen Anderson, director of the UNC Summer Jazz Workshop, also said the summer is a great way to reach out to the community and to recruit students into UNC's music department.

He said he organizes the annual workshop, which hosts between 70 and 80 stu-



DTH FILE PHOTO

A variety of summer reaseach camps are available for students at UNC over the summer. UNC students can work with high school students as counselors at a variety of camps.

dents for a week in June.

Participants learn jazz theory and improvisation, practice in combos and take breaks with jam sessions daily. Nights conclude with performances by different faculty members each evening until Friday, when student combos perform.

"We give (the participants) so much information, knowing that they can't absorb it all then," Anderson said. "But they will practice it for the next couple of years."

The workshop's cost starts at \$375. For extra, UNC students have the opportunity to earn three credit hours and an experiential education credit for participating in the program.

Anderson said he usually hires two UNC counselors to watch high school students staying on campus at Granville Towers.

TJ Richardson, a 2014 UNC graduate in bass performance, has been both a participant and a counselor, and will be a counselor again this year.

"As a counselor, I was able to meet these students who, in addition to having a lot of drive and having love for jazz and music in general, were a lot more skilled than I was," he said. "When you have people five or years younger than you can outplay you, it helps motivate you."

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Men's lacrosse works on making up slow start

By Max Miceli
Staff Writer

The North Carolina men's lacrosse team won its first ACC Championship since 1996 last season.

But this season, the team isn't even guaranteed a spot in the ACC Tournament, and after going 0-2 in their first ACC matchups against Notre Dame and Duke, the Tar Heels are working to make up ground in the nation's toughest conference.

In UNC's first ACC game, missing face-off specialist R.G. Keenan and giving up numerous penalties the Tar Heels were handed a one-goal loss at the hand of the Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

"We just can't foul, and they were man-up most of the second half," coach Joe Breschi said after the 11-10 loss.

"Our offense is explosive when we can get the ball, and I guess that was the most disappointing part because we put a lot of pressure on our

defense," he said.

After being brought down by the newly-added ACC team, the Tar Heels headed to Durham to engage in a more well-established conference rivalry.

Facing the Duke Blue Devils, the Tar Heels found a new young stud at the face-off X in Stephen Kelly, who went 13-20 against last season's first-team All-American Brendan Fowler.

But despite a valiant defensive effort on UNC's part, the Tar Heels were handed their

second loss of the season in a 9-8 overtime game after allowing a hat trick's worth of transition goals by Jordan Wolf in regulation and a golden-goal game winner on overtime.

"I thought we played great," goalkeeper Kieran Burke said. "It just came down to one play with one of the best attackmen in the country."

Going into the Tar Heels' game against the Maryland Terrapins in Kenan Stadium, the pressure was on to avoid

0-3 and get out of last place in the ACC.

The game was no easy task for the Tar Heels though — Maryland was the top-ranked team in the nation.


Giving another strong defensive effort, the Tar Heels locked down stout freshman attackman Matt Rambo and then limited the effectiveness of sharpshooter Mike Chanenchuk on their way to an 11-8 win to get rid of the goose egg that had formerly occupied the conference win

column.

With Kelly now out of the lineup and Keenan's recent return, the Tar Heels haven't had a lot of consistency or stability at the face-off X. But as the season has progressed, the defense has propelled to keep the team into contention.

"All you hear about the UNC defense is that they're not that great," Burke said. "And we've been proving them wrong so it feels good."

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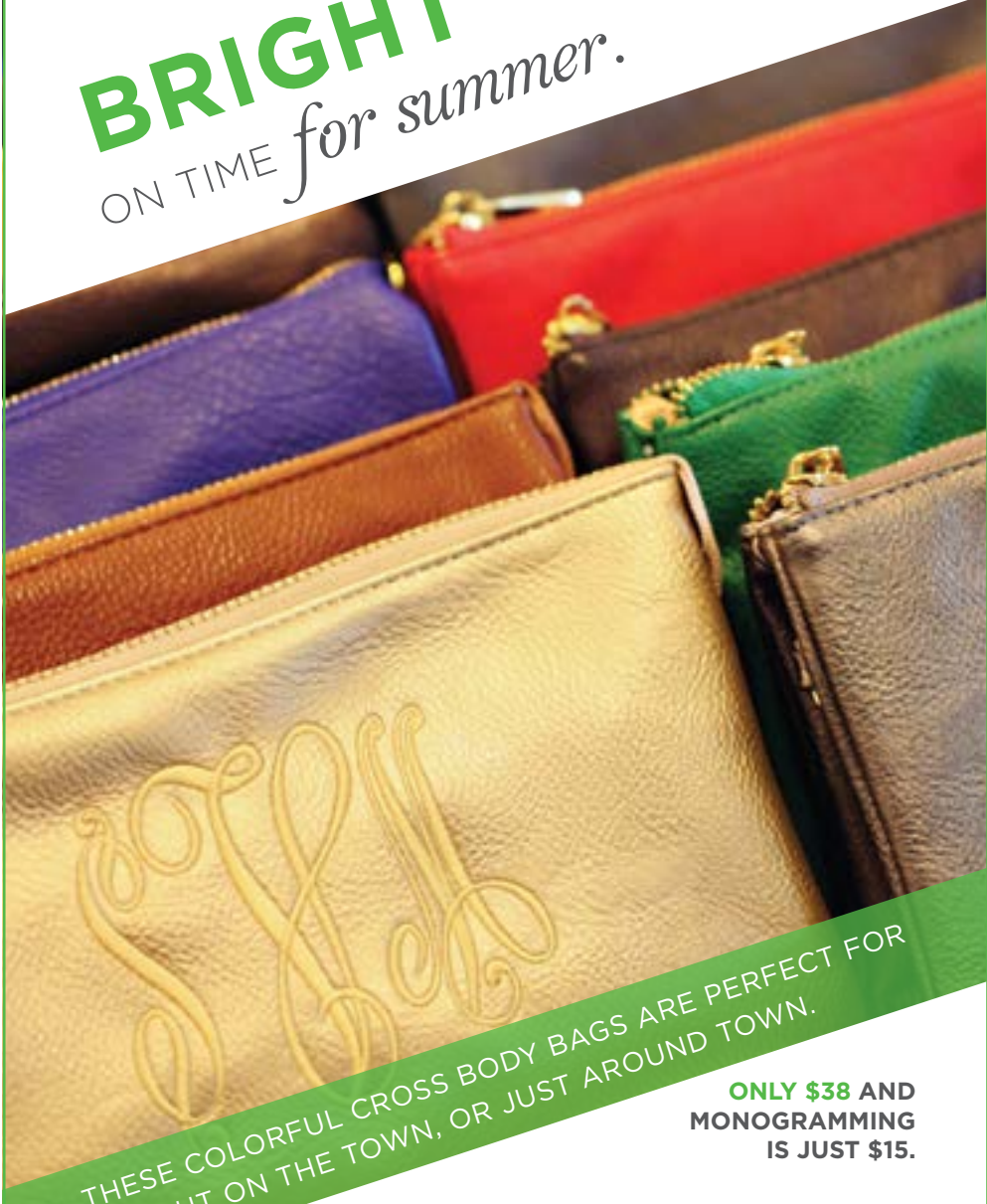
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Summer school lightens course loads

By Carolyn Ebeling
Staff Writer

As most students at UNC forget about writing papers, doing research and solving formulas over the summer, others will be continuing their academic work during the summer months through summer school at UNC.

Jan Yopp, dean of summer school, said most students take summer classes to meet general education requirements or to complete course requirements for their major.

“Some want to lighten their course load during the academic year or pick up a course they were closed out of,” she said. “Some want to improve their GPAs, and some take courses for personal enrichment.”

Yopp said about 550 courses are taught over the summer, but students are only able to take eight credit hours per each five-week session.

“That allows students to focus on the material in just two courses rather than four or five courses,” she said.

Sophomore Eric McKenzie said he took both MATH 232 and 233, both calculus classes, during the summer 2013 session.

McKenzie said that, in general, he found he could better manage his summer course load in relation to his course-work during the normal academic year.

“That could have been because I only had one class to focus on, whereas I have five to seven to focus on during the school year,” he said.

McKenzie said his biggest problem with summer school was finding food.

“Lenoir and Rams are virtually closed because of orientation and most other places close at 5 p.m. with the exception of a select few that close at 8,” he said. “In addition, those same locations don’t even open until about 10:30 a.m., so breakfast is out of the question if you have morning classes.”

The on-campus food options are closed on week-ends during the summer, so Franklin Street is the only option for any type of meal on Saturday and Sunday, said McKenzie.

English professor Liz Gualtieri-Reed, who will be teaching ENGL 121, 19th and early 20th century British literature, online this summer,

said she expects the class to be more intense than it would be during the regular academic year.

“We will cover the same material in 11 weeks that we cover in 15 weeks during the regular school year,” she said. “The class is more intense, paper assignments come up more quickly, and students are expected to participate more regularly and at a higher level.”

Gualtieri-Reed said the intensity affects students in different ways depending on how they deal with the fact that summer is typically associated with rest and time off.

“One, they embrace the intensity and get more from the class than they would have under regular semester circumstances or, two, they

have a difficult time managing intense studying with the many distractions summer can offer,” she said.

Yopp said she thinks most students handle the intensity relatively well.

“I think students like the focused, intensive nature of summer courses,” she said. “They like earning three credits in Maymester or completing several requirements in five weeks.”

McKenzie said that summer classes were good for him because the campus environment was more relaxed and that it was easier to find a job.

“I’d recommend taking a summer course, but make sure you give yourself a large food budget,” he said.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Summer sessions will take place during the following dates:

- Maymester: May 13 through May 30
- First session: May 13 through June 17
- Second session: June 19 through July 25

The last dates to drop for sessions are May 20 for Maymester, May 29 for first session and July 7 for second session.

For more information, visit the UNC summer school website at www.summer.unc.edu.

Job opportunities available for students

UNC offers resources to help students find jobs in Chapel Hill.

By Sarah Moseley
Staff Writer

As summer approaches, so does the impending doom of trying to find a summer job.

But luckily for students living in Chapel Hill over the summer, there are plenty of resources available to make the search for summer employment a little less stressful.

Jade Barricelli, University Career Services coordinator of job location development, said she works to connect students with part-time job opportunities through the numerous resources available to them.

Barricelli said she encourages students looking for summer employment to check out Careerolina, which many local employers post job opportunities on.

During registration on the site, students can opt to have weekly emails sent to them by Barricelli about part-time job openings in Chapel Hill.

As far as working on campus during the summer goes, Barricelli said it can be tough to find a job because summer positions are usually filled by people who have worked with the campus organization before.

Senior Jordan Barham, who has worked at the Student Stores post office over the last several years, said she maintained her job throughout the school year and into the summer leading up to her junior year.

“It’s such a small department that getting a job there you kind of have to know someone,” she said.

Fortunately, local businesses on Franklin Street and elsewhere in Chapel Hill need positions filled during the summer months when many of their student employees leave.

Barricelli said when looking for employment on Franklin Street, it’s best to go in and inquire, even if they don’t have a “Now Hiring” sign in their window.

“A lot of businesses have no indication (that) they’re hiring, but actually are,” she said. “They get enough people that walk through their door, so they don’t have to advertise.”

Barricelli encourages students going door-to-door to bring their resumes, put their phones away, dress nicely, and be prepared to fill out an application on the spot.

Mike Handy, who hires for the Student Store’s main sales floor and Pit Stop, said he prefers when students come in prepared with their applications.

“I’m old school about it,” Handy said.

One manager at Franklin Street’s Ben & Jerry’s, Mallory Sturdivant, also said she appreciates students who apply in person.

“It puts a face with the

name, and you can see who really wants to be here,” Sturdivant said.

Internships offer another opportunity for students to gain work experience over the summer.

For students who are unsure about what they want to do academically or career-wise, internships provide a great opportunity to explore options, Barrecelli said.

But ultimately, some summer jobs are better than others, and not every job or internship will fall under a student’s long-term career goals.

Barricelli said it’s a matter of communicating the transferable skills a student might gain from summer work onto their resume.

“The more related to their field, the better,” she said. “Sometimes it’s not that simple. You’ve got to market yourself on your resume.”

At businesses like Ben & Jerry’s, Sturdivant said students can gain skills such as customer service, teamwork,



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Ben & Jerry’s employee Wesley Honeycutt restocks toppings at the Franklin Street location on April 7.

problem-solving and self-motivation — skills that can apply to any future job.

Whether you’re just looking to make money or to gain transferable experience, Barricelli said doing something is better than doing nothing.


But Barham said the warm weather can be tempting

enough to do just that — nothing.

Barham acknowledged that there were times when the sun was out and she wished she didn’t have to work.

“But beyond that, it’s a pretty good situation,” she said.

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Housing options vary in the summer

Students can choose to live on- or off-campus housing.

By Danny Nett
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill may be a home away from home for many students, but which housing option to choose can be a headache for those who opt to stay during the summer months.

Depending on prices, openings and personal preferences of residents, summer session students can stay on or off campus. Options include living in on-campus housing, in Granville Towers, or subletting an apartment or house in the area.

On campus

The roughly 800 students who choose to stay on-campus for summer session I and the average 600 for summer session II can live in any of the summer housing options.

Available dorms are Kenan, Alderman, McIver, Spencer, Graham, Aycock and Stacy. Prices for the rooms vary depending on the type of room a student wants.

A typical residence hall double room is \$846 per session. Rooms in alternative set-ups such as Ram Village and Odum Village are based on whether there are one or two bedrooms.

Prices range from \$931 for a two-bedroom Odum

apartment and \$1,209 for a one-bedroom set-up in Ram Village.

Rick Bradley, director of operations for UNC Housing and Residential Education, said students must apply for summer housing under the application on the website. The application is currently open, and room assignments begin April 16.

“We don’t typically have a deadline to submit housing,” Bradley said. “The application remains open until the opening of summer school or until we’re full, whichever comes first. We normally have space for all students who need it.”

He said there are still resident advisers during the summer, and although there are residence hall programs for students, they focus less on the communities students live in and more on different aspects of summer school.

Most summer programs are organized by the Carolina Union Activities Board, Bradley said.

Amenities, which are typically available for check out in dorms during the school year, are not available in the summer due to differences in fees during the traditional school year, he said.

Granville Towers

Granville Towers offers three different room styles for students who are staying close to campus over the summer but do not want to go through RHA to arrange

accommodations.

A traditional double room is \$1,317 per person per summer session. The single Franklin design, which includes extra amenities like a mini fridge, is \$1,783, according to Granville’s web site. The single Ramses design includes a kitchenette and costs \$1,998.

Prices include 15 meals per week, bathroom cleaning, access to recreational facilities and other utilities.

Students may also receive a parking permit for \$85 per session. Payments for the first summer session are due May 1, and payments for the second summer session are due June 1.

Applications can be filled out in person at Granville Towers, on its website or over the phone. A nonrefundable application fee of \$50 is required for individuals who are not current residents during the regular school year.

Off campus

It is a common practice for UNC summer students to sublet — a legal agreement in which a landlord permits his tenant to let someone else stay in his residence, said Dorothy Bernholz, director and staff attorney for Carolina Student Legal Services.

Getting the averages for the best time to apply and pricing for this housing option is difficult because they vary based on the situation and needs of both



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Ram Village is one on-campus housing option for students living in Chapel Hill over the summer. Pricing for the apartments for the summer depends on whether the unit has one bedroom or two.

the tenant and subtenant, Bernholz said.

She said students considering this housing option should be careful to make everything clear and understood when making a subletting agreement.

The legal services office has sample agreement forms, and Bernholz said she encourages both parties to come in together, get the document and talk with an attorney.

“Whatever you do, you must get permission of the landlord,” she said.

Bernholz said she recom-

“The application remains open until the opening of summer school.”

Rick Bradley,
director of operations, UNC Housing

mends subtenants go in and take photos of where they will be staying prior to moving in to avoid being held responsible for any existing damage.

Bernholz also said that students who are subletting to others should be care-

ful about whom they lease their space to because the regular tenant could be held responsible if the subtenant leaves the residence dirty or damaged.

“The landlord will keep the security deposit from the regular tenant, if that happens,” she said.

“To protect yourself, you should have it in writing and a complete understanding between the two students of what’s going on, and then written permission from the landlord.”

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Some Chapel Hill bus routes limited

By Katie Hjerpe
Staff Writer

When spending summer on the Hill, UNC students have had to adjust how they climb it.

In the past, a drop in demand during the summer months caused certain Chapel Hill Transit routes — such as the CM, CW, D and J — to decrease their hours of operation.

“As of this summer, there really isn’t much of a change,” said Brian Litchfield, director of Chapel Hill Transit. “Thanks to improvements that we’re able to make as a result of the Orange County Bus and Rail Investment Plan, the routes that used to end earlier in the day when the University is not in session are now operating year round.”

The Orange County Bus and Rail Investment Plan includes funding for improvements to available services.

As of this summer, the only route changes will occur to the U and NU, which will not operate on the weekends when the University is not in session. The NU route will also decrease its evening service hours.

“It was really frustrating for customers to have trips that operated nine months out of the year, then once the University was out of session no longer operated,” Litchfield said.

“The partners that fund Chapel Hill Transit have agreed to utilize funding to help fund services that will make better connections for folks going to and from jobs, especially on nights and weekends, and also help improve access to retail and medical care and things that are important for folks to get to and from on a regular basis,” he said.

In addition to the greater Chapel Hill community, UNC students planning to take summer classes will also benefit from Chapel Hill Transit’s new year-round schedule.

“With certain buses changing up their routes, ending early or choosing not to run at all, this leaves a lot of students up a creek without a paddle,” said sophomore Miranda Barrigas, who said she plans to live off campus this summer.

“I think that a major part of the decision to live off campus is determined by the questions, ‘How far am I living away from campus? How am I going to get to school every day?’” she said.

Although Chapel Hill Transit will see fewer changes in its summer routes, the P2P

Express will still end its services. Its on-demand service, however, will still operate.

“The on-demand service has traditionally accommodated the (decreased) amount of demand during summer semesters,” said Randy Young, spokesperson for the Department of Public Safety. “We haven’t heard a large outcry from the student body or student government saying there is excess demand out there for the supply that’s being provided.”

He additionally said the budget for the P2P Express has always been for the fall and spring semesters only. Students can still call the on-demand service for transportation, as they can during the regular academic year.

All information regarding the P2P’s services can be found online, Young said.

“It’s always been communicated that the P2P Express runs fall and spring academic semesters,” he said. “We always use social media to let folks know of any changes, and it’s always been on the website.”

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Town offers parks, camps in summer

By Tyler J. Rouse
Staff Writer

Local recreation offer residents and students who choose to stay in Chapel Hill over the summer multiple options to enjoy the beautiful outdoors and participate in physical activity.

With 15 parks, trails and a number of public facilities, the town of Chapel Hill offers a chance for immersion in community-hosted summer activities.

Town of Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation offers numerous summer camps and clinics in which undergraduates can participate including Adult Night, Sunday Nights 1/2 and 1/2 Basketball and an adult softball recreational league.

Registration information can be found on the town’s parks and recreation website.

The Carolina Tarheels, a local nonprofit bike club, offers an alternative to playing a sport or getting a tan by the pool.

The group promotes cycling in the community by providing the opportunity for residents to ride in groups on designated trails throughout Chapel Hill.

Most rides take place on the weekend, but they also host Wednesday morning

rides for retired citizens and UNC students without Wednesday classes, said John Rees, the president of Carolina Tarheels.

During the summer, they increase to two to three rides on the weekends, up from the singular weekend ride during the school year.

Prospective participants must pay a yearly membership fee of \$20.

Rees said becoming a member is not necessary, but instead, encouraged because continued giving aids in helping the group sustain itself and grow its activities such as Bikefest in August.

Bikefest is held annually and all event proceeds go into the community for cycling grants and activities.

Rees said the nonprofit also provides bike racks in the community, pays for Port-a-Potties and sponsors trips for Durham youth.

UNC Campus Recreation also provides ways for students to get out during the summer.

Different sports camps are hosted during the summer, as well as intramural sports for enrolled Summer School students.

Between three and five intramural activities — ranging from three-on-three basketball, four-on-four flag

football, softball, tennis and volleyball — are available to students over the summer.

Justin Ford, director of intramural sports at UNC Campus Recreation, said 176 students participated in the four intramural activities offered during the first summer session of last year. Second session saw a lower turnout of 139 participants.

Most of the recreational facilities on campus — Student Recreation Center, Rams Head Recreation Center and Woollen Gym — operate on shortened daily hours which are posted on the website, said Bill Goa,

director of campus recreation.

For students looking to swim, Kessing Pool, located directly behind Woollen Gym, is open to the public and officially opens for the summer on May 13.

Goa stressed that cost efficiency was an important issue when deciding what programs work best for students during the summer.

“We strive to keep student fees as low as possible,” he said. “We cut back on summer programming, not the resources offered.”

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Students share orientation memories

Orientation gives incoming freshmen a first look at UNC.

By Kristen Chung
Staff Writer

At New Student Orientation, incoming students get a taste of all things UNC from residence hall-living to academic advising to the Honor Codeto the cookies at Lenoir Hall.

Every summer, the Office of New Students & Carolina Parent Programs hosts New Student Orientation, a series of two-day programs aimed at facilitating a smooth transition into UNC.

"Orientation is intended to be an introduction to the UNC experience both in and outside of the classroom," said April Mann, director of New Students and Carolina Parent Programs

During orientation, students meet with their academic adviser, participate in a service project through Stop Hunger Now -- which was added to the orientation schedule in 2012 -- and hear from various departments on campus about the different academic paths available to students.

"We're trying to give incoming students the information they need to be successful," Mann said.

Sophomore Meagan Barger said she enjoyed staying on campus and meeting peers, but found some information sessions less helpful.

"There was a section on how to interact with other people. It was the most bizarre thing ever," said Barger. "This is kind of terrifying. I thought I knew these things."

Mann said specific information sections had been added throughout the years in response to student feedback, including the session on net-

"We're trying to give incoming students the information they need to be successful."

April Mann,
director of New Students and Carolina Parent Programs

working hosted by University Career Services.

"In the orientation evaluations from previous years and other assessments, student feedback showed students were having difficulty on how to connect with their peers and creating networks," she said.

There are 14 orientation dates for first year students throughout June and July and one make-up session in August. A parent and family orientation runs concurrently with the new student program. There are four sessions and one make-up session reserved exclusively for transfers. Sessions are limited to 300 first year students and 240 transfer

students.

This year, as in years past, current UNC undergraduate students serve as orientation leaders to help guide new students through the program. This year, there are 23 leaders.

"We use orientation leaders as peer leaders to really help serve as a guide, a support someone to ask beyond the information presentation," said Mann.

Freshman Colleen Watson felt that her orientation leader Tommy Yandle really enhanced her orientation experience.

"I liked him because he was very connected to us on our level. He didn't treat us like high schoolers. He treated us like incoming freshmen, which was really nice."

man Sifron Benjamin.

Benjamin and Khan have co-captained an intramural soccer team and had three classes together this year.

"Looking back, I never thought this would happen," Benjamin said. "I thought I'd see them (the people at orientation) on campus, but not actually be friends with them."

As an international student from China, Lili Chen felt orientation really introduced her to the campus.

"Before I came here, I didn't think a lot of people would learn Chinese, because Chinese is so hard, but in my orientation group of just eight or 10 people, I met a girl that learned Chinese in her high school," Chen said. "One day, I met her in Lenoir, and she was still taking Chinese classes and wanted to learn more about it. It made me very happy."

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Q&A with Kimberly McCullough

Orientation leaders are responsible for helping first-year and transfer students get acquainted with the UNC campus life. They help out with New Student and Parent/Family Orientation, Week of Welcome, Tar Heel Beginnings activities and Family Weekend.

The Daily Tar Heel spoke with Kimberly McCullough, a junior who became an OL in December 2012 and worked summer 2013, about her experiences.

DAILY TAR HEEL: Why did you apply?

KIMBERLY MCCULLOUGH: One of my friends was actually an orientation leader, and they talked about how great of an experience it was. And I realized that as a student at orientation, I did not have the best experience. And I wanted to give back something to the students ... something that I didn't have. You can build close and intimate relationships.

DTH: What's your favorite part about being an orientation leader?

KM: My favorite part of being an orientation leader was definitely connecting and talking to the new students and families, just because sometimes I feel like you can get lost in your job that you forget the reason why you do things. And just being with my students and just having conversations with them and, you know, getting to know them a little bit better, it really reminded me of why I wanted to be an orientation leader in

the first place. We're all people. We all just genuinely want to have a good time and just enjoy life. That's what really hit home for me with the job. It no longer was a job for me.

DTH: What are some of the concerns that you've heard from incoming freshmen?

KM: Most of the concerns were either centered around diversity or how they would adjust to the college lifestyle. And I think that mostly came in part from, you know, they all come from different areas and walks of life, and they're nervous about coming to a big campus like UNC. And with the great reputation that UNC has, it can really play a role in how you may view your competitiveness or how you will perform as a student academically. Even socially they had some concerns, you know, meeting new friends and things like that. So, they would always talk to me about the social life and academic life. I was able to provide them my own personal account of my story, but I always remind my students that your journey is your own. And it definitely is what you make it.

DTH: What are some of the things that you tell the first-years about UNC to get them excited about coming here?

KM: I really just talk to them more so about the social aspects and life and saying that there is more to being social than going to parties. You have these cultural shows and programs on campus, and I remind them about

how diverse UNC really is in terms of the way that they cater to their students' needs, in terms of sponsoring different programs and hosting different initiatives on campus. And, telling them about the over 700 organizations that we have on campus, just reminding them that there is somewhere that you can fit into UNC. Telling them that I found somewhere where I fit in and I'm happy and I'm so glad I did, that in turn got them excited because they realized that they could find their niche as well.

DTH: Was there anything the freshmen were afraid of that they may have heard about UNC, in terms of college life, that you nipped in the bud?

KM: The main thing that my first-years were worried about was registration. You know, when they register for classes, either they were scared they weren't going to get the classes that they wanted, or if they didn't get the classes that they wanted, they didn't think that they would ever get into it. I reminded them that they have four years here at UNC. I reminded them that in your four years, you can take from 12 to 18 hours. You have the time to be able to take the classes that you want. There are also summer classes available. Once I reminded them of the time that they do have that they can maximize their true potential by utilizing that time, they were a little bit more at ease after that.

DTH: What is it like being in



DTH/KENDALL BAGLEY
Kimberly McCullough, a junior sociology major, was an orientation leader during the summer of 2013. She says her favorite part of being an orientation leader was forming relationships with new students.

Chapel Hill for the summer?

KM: Being in Chapel Hill for the summer is lovely for me. I know during the school year I can get a little antsy because there's so many people on campus and there's so much to do. But, in the summer, it's just so easy going and free-flowing and I feel like I can just walk outside and it's just peacefulness and calm. It's just something beautiful about the weather in the summertime as well, just UNC lights up. I think that's the best part about being here in the summer, is that you find a sense of calmness that you

might not have otherwise during the school year.

DTH: In the time that you've been doing this, has there been any freshman that stood out and stuck with you over the years?

KM: There are those students of mine that really stood out to me. And it's not that they were either the loudest or asked the most questions, but their presence reminded me so much of myself. So, there were those students who, at orientation, may have felt a little uneasy or uncomfortable, but I related to them so much

because I was that person. And seeing their growth and seeing them develop and running into them on campus and still talking to them and, you know, we'll call each other by name because we remember each other just that well, I think those students are the ones that really, once again, remind me that I'm so glad that I did this. I'm so happy that I was able to impact and influence somebody to want to stay at Carolina and ultimately realize that they made the best decision that they could.

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UNC baseball has uneasy start to season

By Pat James
Staff Writer

Following a record-setting 59 wins and a trip to the College World Series, the North Carolina baseball team entered this year looking to build off one of the best seasons in program history.

But gone are Kent Emanuel, Colin Moran, Cody Stubbs and other integral cogs to last year's well-oiled machine.

A combination of old and new talent comprises this year's roster, and that mixture has resulted in an erratic start.

The Tar Heels began the season by dropping their opening series to the College of Charleston. And after losing its home opener to Xavier, the first loss in a home opener since Mike Fox became head coach in 1999, UNC sat at 1-3 — a far cry from last season's 16-0 start.

The Tar Heels entered the bottom of the ninth inning of the third game of the series against Xavier tied 2-2, in danger of dropping another series. But, with the bases loaded, freshman Adam Pate drove home the winning run to clinch the series.

"We're a great team — we just haven't showed it yet as far as the bats," Pate said. "But we're going to come alive soon and stop hitting balls right at people. We're going to feed off of this win, I really think."

The Tar Heels proceeded to reel off 11 wins over a 13-game stretch, including winning series against ACC foes Pittsburgh and Maryland, and vaulted up to the No. 12 spot in the nation. But the run would be fleeting.

Despite boasting a pitching staff with a combined 3.06 ERA, errors and a plethora of missed opportunities offensively caused the team to plummet.

UNC would lose seven of its next eight games, including a sweep at the hands of Duke for the first time since 1994, behind 20 errors and stranding 53 men on base.

In order combat the skid and prepare his team for the road ahead, Fox preached a more patient approach.

"You've gotta take this game in really short windows," Fox said after a win against UNC-Wilmington on April 1 that snapped the losing streak.

"When you're on a losing streak you have a tendency to kinda look too deep at things and look too far ahead," he said. "We've just gotta shorten that window and not worry about what's next."

What's next for the team will ultimately determine whether that road will take them back to Omaha, Neb.,

Freshman Wood Myers has been dynamic with his bat — leading the team in hitting.

Meanwhile, Skye Bolt and Landon Lassiter find themselves in the midst of sophomore slumps — hovering just above the Mendoza line.

Sitting in the middle of a highly contested Coastal Division, UNC will desperately need Bolt and Lassiter to step up to the plate with tough conference matchups still looming.

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