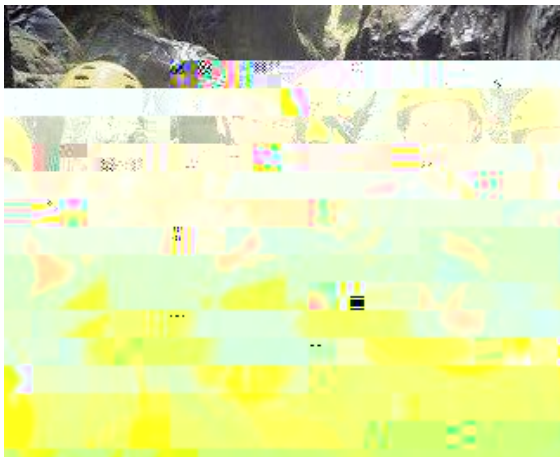




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Commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Honors Program, which was established on the Dahlonega campus in 1995, the Honors Advisory Council launched the "20 for 20" fundraiser in January 2015. To date, the initiative has raised just over \$10,000. Thanks to the generosity of the program's alumni and friends, Honors was able to offer a record number of stipends for student study abroad, with seventeen awards on the Dahlonega campus, and three on the Gainesville campus. Students travelled to a wide variety of countries, including England, Taiwan, Belize, Germany, Spain, Bolivia, and Dominican Republic.



(Above, Michael Norman, center, on study abroad in Taiwan, spring 2015)

The "20 for 20" campaign will continue to run through December of 2015. The Honors Program hopes to use these funds to support additional study abroad, as well as student research, field trips, student conference travel, and facilities improvements.



(Above, Nora Suton accepting an award for her paper at the 2015 Georgia Collegiate Honors Council Conference)

(Below, John Dees and his family following commencement, May 2015)



In May 2015, UNG's Gainesville campus honored the first two of its bachelor's Honors graduates: John Dees and Jennifer Ford. The number of medallions awarded on this campus will increase substantially in coming years.

Serving on the 2014

The Honors Program is pleased to celebrate several winners of nationally competitive scholarships:

Class of 2005

got a new job with Wells Fargo and has moved to Charlotte, N.C. He is sad to be leaving Oregon, but is glad to be closer to Georgia and South Carolina.

Class of 2006

is in the Biophysics Ph. D. program at the University of Maryland, where she is researching the interaction between beryllium and phosphoserine that leads to berylliosis. Ali is married with two kids, one 6 and one a year old. (*Right: Ali and Lily, the one-year-*

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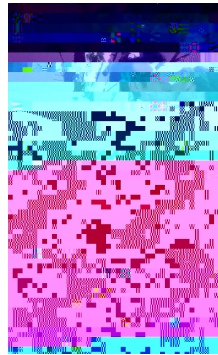
Senior biology major Obadi M. Obadi, president of the Honors Program at the Gainesville campus from 2013-2015, exclaims, "The experiences I've had, the lessons I've learned, the opportunities that have come my way,

Class of 2012

was married to D.J. Humphreys in May. (*Right*)

Class of 2013

got married on April 11th, having bought a house just a few weeks before. She and husband Jacob reside in Cheyenne, WY.



did a fellowship at Goddard Space Flight Center this summer, and also received a *Scientist in the Classroom* fellowship through Vanderbilt for the upcoming school year.

was wed to Margaret Kellum in May (*left*), and is working with Walker Therapy in Gainesville; he will finish the DPT program in spring 2016. Jacob is still the Resident Director for Donovan Hall, so he and Margaret are living in the dorm for their first year of marriage.