Dear Alumni:

It’s been thirty years since Eastern’s Honors Program was created in 1986, and we are incredibly proud of the hundreds of alumni that have graduated from our program. In recognition of that pride, we are continuing a tradition that will strengthen the connection between our Honors alumni and our current Honors Scholars.

Each spring we hold a reception to honor our graduating seniors and recognize the work they have done in completing their Honors Thesis, and I’d like to invite you to join us so you can see the work that our current students have done, and to provide a bit of advice to our graduates as they embark on the next stage of their lives.

The Graduating Honors Scholar Reception will be held on campus on **Saturday May 14, 2016**, and a wonderful afternoon has been planned for you and your fellow alumni. After checking in at our new Fine Arts Instructional Center (don’t forget to pick up your Barbeque tickets and your alumni gift), we’ll begin with the reception for our graduating seniors at 3:00 p.m. in the Johnson Room of the J. Eugene Smith Library. Then at 5:00 p.m., we’ll join the rest of the Eastern community for a grand Alumni March to the “Big Tent Barbeque” where alumni, parents, faculty, and staff will welcome the newest members of the Eastern family of alumni – the Class of 2016. The Barbeque is always a great event where new friends mingle with old while enjoying an excellent feast to celebrate this year’s graduates.

*Please review the attached schedule of reunion events, and select those which you plan to attend. Return the reservation form to the Office of Alumni Affairs in the envelope provided by May 9.*

I also hope you will consider making a gift to the Honors Program Fund, which supports programs and activities for our Honors students. Not only will your gift support a strong Honors Program at Eastern, but it will also help Eastern rise in the annual U.S. News & World Report rankings, which will help us recruit more academically talented students.

I hope that you’ll be able to join us for this special day. As you remember, graduation is a time of great celebration mixed with anxiety about the future. I know your presence would mean a lot to our seniors who hope to follow in your successful footsteps.

If you have any questions, please call Michael, Ryan or Sheila in the Office of Alumni Affairs at (860) 465-5302.

I look forward to seeing you on May 14.

Sincerely,

William M. Salka
Director of the University Honors Program
Professor of Political Science
HONORS ALUMNI SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
SATURDAY MAY 14, 2016

The ECSU Alumni Association cordially invites you to join fellow alumni and faculty on campus to visit with your favorite current and emeriti faculty, tour the Science Building, and reconnect with great friends. Parking will be available in the parking garage across from the Student Center.

3:00 p.m.  
**Check-In**  
Fine Arts Instructional Center, Lower Level  
*Stop by to pick up your Barbeque ticket and your alumni gift!*

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
**Reception and Recognition**  
J. Eugene Smith Library, Johnson Community Room  
*Meet our Honors Program graduates and faculty, and reconnect with alumni and friends.*

5:00 p.m.  
**Alumni March**  
Meet outside the upper level of the Fine Arts Instructional Center  
*The Class of 1966 will lead all of our alumni into the Big Tent Barbeque to continue our celebration.*

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.  
**“Big Tent Barbeque”**  
Gelsi-Young Hall Parking Lot  
*Continue catching up over a delicious barbeque.*

*There is no charge for the reunion activities,*
*courtesy of the ECSU Foundation, Inc. and the ECSU Alumni Association.*

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU HOME TO EASTERN!
REUNION RESERVATIONS

Please complete and return this form in the enclosed self-addressed envelope by May 9, 2016. For special needs, information on accommodations, or other questions contact the Alumni Affairs office at (860) 465-5302. If it is easier for you, please email any concerns or questions to alumni@easternct.edu. Parking is available in the University Parking Garages next to the Student Center. Be sure to check-in at the lower level of the Fine Arts Building to receive your Barbeque tickets and alumni gift!

Name ___________________________________________ Class Year __________

Name While at Eastern ____________________________________________________________

Name of Guest __________________________________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________________

City/Town ______________________ State _______________ Zip Code __________

Employer __________________________________________ Position _______________________

Employer Address __________________________________________________________________________

Daytime Phone ______________ Evening Phone __________ Email _________________________

______ Yes, I/we will attend the Honors Alumni Reunion on Saturday, May 14, 2016!

______ No, I/we will be unable to attend the Honors Alumni Reunion on Saturday, May 14, 2016.

Please indicate for the following events, the number of persons attending, including yourself and your guest: Note: These events are provided on a complimentary basis. There is no charge for any of the Reunion activities!

________ Honors Program Reception (3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Johnson Room of the J. Eugene Smith Library)

________ Big Tent Barbeque (5:00 – 7:00 p.m.)

Please share any information for “Class Notes” in an upcoming edition of Eastern Magazine:

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Please share your favorite memories of your years at Eastern. (Feel free to attach additional pages):

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Return your Reunion Reservation by Monday, May 9, 2016 to:

Honors Alumni Reunion
Office of Alumni Affairs
Eastern Connecticut State University
Gelsi-Young Hall, Room 128
83 Windham Street
Willimantic, CT 06226
I/we wish to contribute to the Honors Program Fund

Method of Payment:
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Please make checks payable to The ECSU Foundation, Inc.

Charge:  ☐ VISA  ☐ MasterCard  ☐ Discover
Account #_____________________________  CSC   ____________
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Signature  _______________________________________
Print Name  _______________________________________
Address   _______________________________________

Please provide personal or professional news that we may share with alumni and friends.

If you have already sent in your gift, please accept our thanks.