

THE JONES NOTES



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Robert T. Jones, Jr. Program Newsletter



WELCOME

Thank you for reading the latest edition of the Jones Notes Newsletter! This issue contains plentiful updates from our scholars at Emory and St Andrews as well as many alumni updates.

Enjoy!

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MESSAGE FROM EMORY'S BOBBY JONES PROGRAM

It is my pleasure to introduce Lauren Cowan, the new Program Coordinator for the Bobby Jones Program at Emory. She will serve as the primary contact for Jones Scholars in the U.S., a liaison for the Emory Jones Advisory Committee, will look after our communication efforts (newsletter and website), and will be a friendly face at all our Atlanta area events.

Prior to this role, Lauren served as a Program Coordinator in the School of Medicine's Office of Medical Education and Student Affairs for just under 3 years. Before arriving at Emory, Lauren worked at the University of Georgia in Financial Aid and University Housing. Lauren obtained a master's degree in College Student Affairs Administration from the University of Georgia and a bachelor's degree in Business Management from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Lauren will serve as your primary point of contact for Jones program-related business. If you need to reach Lauren, she can be contacted at lauren.cowan@emory.edu.

Van Tong transitioned to a new role at Emory as an Events Manager for Emory College of Arts and Sciences, where she assists with planning Commencement and Orientation events. We appreciate Van's work with the Jones Program over the past 3 years and wish her well. She will continue to be a friend of Bobby Jones and a member of the Emory Bobby Jones Community.

Best wishes, Joanne Brzinski, Director, Emory Bobby Jones Scholarship Program

welcome
Lauren



thank you
Van

SCHOLAR UPDATES

St Andrews to Emory

Jessica Leech, 22BJS

I cannot believe we have been in Atlanta for three months already! I have had a fantastic first semester, met some wonderful people and been able to start exploring the US. My classes this semester have been incredibly interesting and have really complemented my studies at St Andrews. Taking classes from five different schools, I have been challenged to think about similar topics in different ways and open up to new ideas (and should finals get a bit too much, I have also been learning how to practice yoga!). I have also been volunteering with an Emory organisation that supports local refugees through the college application process, which has been really rewarding.

Outside of class, we've been exploring Atlanta and making (albeit slow!) progress in our golfing abilities, which has been fantastic and a real highlight of our time so far. I also had a fantastic time with some Bobby Jones alumni at the Chomp and Stomp festival in Cabbagetown - my first, but definitely not last, chili festival. I have also been able to visit a friend from St Andrews in Pennsylvania and I'm really looking forward to visiting her family in New Hampshire for Thanksgiving. Having initially booked flights home for the Christmas break, I have decided stay in the US instead and make the most of the Bobby Jones experience. I'm really looking forward to using the Winter break to explore more of the US, with trips planned to Arizona, Philadelphia, Alabama, and New York!



Robin, Advisory Committee Member - Jeff McKenna, Jessica, & Rebeca at East Lake Golf Club



Robin Legg, 22BJS

My semester so far has been a fantastic experience. I have thoroughly enjoyed my classes and I'm quickly adjusting to life in the states.

The flexibility of the liberal arts education has allowed me to truly broaden my horizons. Alongside some computer science courses (AI and Computer Science Practicum) I have been able to study some data and analytics which I'm sure will provide useful knowledge for my future. On a slightly less academic (but also way more fun) note, I've been able to also dip my toe into the world of acting and theatre. This has been a fantastic experience and something I never thought I would do again after well and truly leaving my acting career behind me with school plays. Additionally, choosing to "study" yoga and golf have possibly been one of the best decisions I've ever made academically. Both have been an absolute joy and are activities I hope to keep up in the future even if I still can't touch my toes or hit the ball straight!

Outside of the classroom, I have been trying to embrace all aspects of college life. In September, I decided to join the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, much to the surprise of my fellow Bobby's. Although, this judgement soon changed when they realised that I was then their ticket to some great college parties. Joining ATO has been one of the best choices I've made since moving as it has allowed me to make some really close friends very quickly and has opened up a whole new networking opportunity for my future.

Alongside my academics and the social scene, I have also managed to squeeze in a couple of trips outside of Atlanta. One to Savannah with some of the others which was a great (and surprisingly far) day trip and one up to Boston and New Hampshire to see some old faces and to meet some new ones. I loved my trip up to the North East as it provided a bit more of a

familiar climate and included some great tours and time to get to know one of my mentors, Chris Schoettle, who very kindly hosted me.

I have a couple of trips planned for the end of the academic year, one with a couple of the other scholars to Phoenix as well as spending Christmas in New York with my girlfriend which no doubt will be magical.

Overall I'm having a fantastic time in Atlanta and I can't wait to see where the rest of the year takes me and the stories I will have to tell.



Rebecca Munro, 22BJS

My first semester at Emory has been exciting, busy, and challenging. Moving away from a semi-locked down Scotland to the US has been refreshing, especially with the university functioning like it did pre-Covid (except masks - although we are all very much used to them by now!).

I set myself up with quite the challenge in my class choices, with all of my classes being in subjects I have not previously studied. Regardless of the challenge, the breadth of my classes prove to be extremely interesting. My Law classes have exposed me to the world of Law, and how to think more critically than I have ever before, whilst my Gender Studies class has introduced me to a broad range of feminist scholars and to question the status quo of our world today.

Outside of the lecture hall, I have found myself enjoying as much yoga as possible - a passion that I dropped throughout lockdown but have unearthed at Emory. I look forward to taking a yoga class next semester! As well as working of my vinyasa flow, my weekends have been filled exploring Atlanta with the other scholars. One of my favourite days was seeing a large part of the belt line and Piedmont park on an electric scooter - would recommend.



We have also had the chance to meet up with lots of alumni in the local area who have been so kind to host and introduce us to different areas of Atlanta. Special shout out goes to Cabbagetown, where we visited for the Chomp and Stomp festival.

I'm really excited for a trip I have booked this winter break to Chicago, where I will spend two days absorbing the city and eating lots of food. I'm also really keen to visit New Orleans as soon as I can, considering I mentioned the city in my original application to this scholarship!

Scholars on Halloween

Robin - Thor

Ryan - Bobby Jones

Jessica - Britney Spears

Rebecca - Patrick Bateman
from American Psycho



Ryan Thorne, 22BJS

Reflecting back on my time here thus far, I feel I am a confident individual, one who has been enriched through academic and extracurricular activities. I have rather enjoyed taking golf lessons and this is by far one of the highlights of the last three months. I have been overjoyed by all the amazing Bobby Jones network I have met on my journey thus far and am extremely grateful for the opportunities to embrace culture and travel. I cannot wait to return for the spring semester!

I arrived in Atlanta in August, and joined the Emory community, to take up further studies in the Department of Environmental Sciences. Here I am involved in Emory Student Climate Talks and have been continuing my work on SMEs and Climate Mitigation, having recently featured on Amplifire – a student-led podcast which seeks to educate and inform listeners on climate change and related issues. As part of this, I interviewed a representative of Gravitricity, an Edinburgh based SME specialising in development of green energy storage. Recently, I delivered a presentation on Accelerating Climate Action and the role of non-state actors and also featured in [Emory University News](#), where I discuss climate change.

JONES ARCHIVE

Bobby Jones drives on the unfinished Augusta National as Alister MacKenzie and Jones work on the course in April 1932.



SCHOLAR UPDATES

Emory to St Andrews

Kendall Chan, 20C 22BJS

It's hard for me to believe that our first semester is already almost over. The first couple of months were mostly comprised of me marveling at the beauty of St Andrews and at the feeling of being surrounded by people again.

I've enjoyed my program in Peacebuilding and Mediation even more than I anticipated, and have been especially fascinated with what I have learned about feminist pedagogy through some amazing professors of mine.

The course also offered an opportunity to volunteer as an independent mediator at the COP26 climate conference in Glasgow— I seized on the opportunity to both practice the skills I have learned as well as attend a once-in-a-lifetime global conference. In Glasgow, I met mediators from all over the UK who had worked in conflicts from the Troubles in Northern Ireland to far-right protests in England. For the duration of my time in the city, BJS alum Debbie MacDonald was kind enough to host me in her home, and I had an amazing time sharing tea and poring over some incredible photos from her year at Emory. Thank you, Debbie, and I can't wait to return to Glasgow for more earl grey!

For our reading week, I got to spend a wonderful few days at Loch Ness with David and some new friends. Back in St Andrews, I've loved walking on the beach in the morning and attending ceilidhs on weekend nights. This winter, I'm looking forward to escaping the 3:30pm sunsets with lots of travel around the continent, including Budapest, Lisbon, and Berlin!



David Kulp, 20C 22BJS

My several months in St Andrews have brought immense happiness, vast exploration, deep sorrow, and joyous celebration. The Digital Health MSc Program has supplemented my understanding of technology in medicine. I've spent many nights in the Martyrs Kirk Research Library, trying to understand do...while loops for my computer programming course. I've enjoyed in-person lectures in the medical school from public health professors innovating in developing countries. My course-mates from around the globe each have a different passion and focus in medicine and technology.

Outside of academics, I've spent late nights training at Saint Sport with the University of St Andrews Triathlon and Road Cycling Team. I've ran, biked, and swam before, but never competitively nor at the same time. I've been exploring St Andrews on my bike (and haven't gotten hit by a car yet!). I also completed a 102-mile bike ride through the Highlands—my first century (for all the non-bikers, that's 100 miles in a day!). St Andrews' relatively flat landscape is conducive to my running—I particularly like the West Sands beach next to the Old Course. The many surrounding fields of flowers and farmland, paired with sunsets from the Fife Coastal Path, always impress me with their beauty.

Weekends are always booked—Welly Ball at the Kinkell Byre, trips to Harrogate to visit cousins, spontaneous weekend £10 flights to Paris, Deans Court formal dinner, jazz nights at 601 on Thursdays, céilidhs at Forgan's on Fridays (which we love!), challah baking in the South Street kitchen, and *some* studying here or there. I've spent time in my room applying for medical schools back home (my next professional step!). The dining hall in Deans Court has been closed for much of the semester, but we enjoy meals together in St Salvator's. Though the Bobby Mobile delivery is delayed, some of us rented a car and drove to Loch Ness/Inverness for Independent Learning Week. The Jewish Society (JSoc) is much smaller than the community at Emory, but incredibly welcoming. I'm fortunate to have the other Bobbies here with me. We've enjoyed several Bobby brunches, pints, and meals, and have relied on each other for support these past few months, something I'm immensely grateful to have in my experience.

I'm very thankful for the Bobby Jones community and their support this year. Be it a WhatsApp from an alum or comments in response to a post in the Facebook group, the community across the pond has been welcoming to us during our time here. I'm also planning a trip to the range to *attempt* golf in the near future and hope to visit the R&A to learn more about the legacy of Bobby Jones. Though I won't be returning home for the holidays, I'm looking forward to traveling to London, Israel, Switzerland, Spain, Jordan, and other places in Europe with friends and family for winter break. Happy holidays to all!



Dinner with Deans Court friends in Drumadrochit (near Loch Ness) under the grapevines at our AirBnB



70 miles into the ride, final stretch of our century through the Highlands in Cairngorms National Park

Sarah Hunter, 20C 22BJS

As the daylight wanes, I find myself reflecting on the memories I've made in the past two and a half months. Being back in a university setting has allowed me to rekindle my passion for dance and outdoor adventure. I've joined the Ballroom and Latin dance society and we are currently preparing for a competition at the end of the month and many more next semester. Partner dance was something I'd wanted to learn for awhile, and between ballroom, reeling, and ceilidhs my dance heart is happy, and my feet are sore. I've also enjoyed exploring the beautiful countryside. I've rekindled my love of climbing and have even braved outdoor climbing for the first time at BennyBeg. Being from the notoriously flat state of Illinois, I'm quite enjoying hiking the seemingly endless rolling hills and beautiful coastline cliffs. The winter weather is making it trickier to enjoy the outdoors but I've been keeping warm by baking (too many) cookies and drinking cocoa.

I'm looking forward to spending the Christmas Holiday and experiencing Hogmanay in Scotland! Still on my bucket list is visiting the Christmas markets in Edinburgh, exploring the Isle of Skye, hiking some highland munros, and hitchhiking to Brighton as part of the Race2 charity hitchhike! I'd love to tell you a bit about our charities this year:

- LoveOliver is a Fife based charity started in 2011 in loving memory of baby Oliver who passed away after his battle with cancer. Since then, the charity has helped families and children all over Scotland by providing financial support, supermarket vouchers, gift packs, and funding research into childhood cancer.
- Shelter Scotland is working to provide support and advice to the 1.5 million people affected by bad housing, instability, high rent, overcrowding and discrimination in Scotland.
- The International Justice Mission is fighting to end slavery and trafficking worldwide. Their models to protect people in poverty from violence include, bringing people to safety, bringing criminals to justice, and strengthening justice systems.

I'm very excited to support these charities while representing St Andrews and traveling the country meeting people in a safe and unique way. If you'd like to follow my journey next February as my partner and I complete challenges throughout Scotland while racing to Brighton please follow us on Instagram @race2brighton_16 for live updates and photos. If you'd like to support my journey and our charities please [donate here](#).



Adesola Thomas, 20C 22BJS

When in conversation with the brilliant Barry Jenkins for the A24 podcast, one of my favorite writer/director's Greta Gerwig (Frances Ha, Ladybird, Little Women) told a story about how she always knew she wanted to write. But she goes on to share that she had to give herself permission to direct. Now, 3 weeks into my first theater directing experience I better understand what Gerwig expressed. Writing is a part of our everyday lives. We write grocery lists, emails, birthday cards, love letters. Of course, the practice of doing it professionally is a different thing altogether.

In narratology, scholars often point out that a narrative written for the stage or screen is a story in a way that that aforementioned grocery list is not. But directing a group of actors and shaping the delivery of a story is an entirely different thing.

Directing requires a fluency in the story being told, a capacity to hold all of the talents, enthusiasms, concerns, and fears of a group people in the front facing part of your brain, then an ability to translate all of that observation and intuitive understanding into language. Direction! Action! Moreso, when directing you have to possess a self-awareness and confidence that tethers the entire floating contraption, we call story back to Earth. In my 3 weeks of doing it, I have found a sense of fulfillment and alignment within myself that I have long suspected was possible to feel. And for that I am grateful.

When I first began writing Flounder, my play about climate catastrophe, I sought to figure out how people create pockets of joy in difficult, devastating circumstances. After working on this piece and attending the COP 26 Climate marches in Glasgow I have come to realize that when we give ourselves permission to try on new experiences and contemplate new possibilities -- whether that be directing a play, demanding a right to a livable Earth-- we get closer to living an embodied and whole life. That is a powerful concept that I am grateful to have grasped at 23-years-old, here in a cold and salty Scottish seaside town.



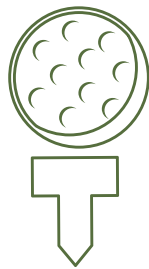
COP 26 climate march in Glasgow

FALL RECEPTION - SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

Alumni and current scholars with President Fenves



Left: Robin's winning putt as Jessica watches on.



Right: Alum, Steve Cannon, presents Robin with the annual Putting Contest trophy.







ADVANCEMENT & ALUMNI

Emory Advancement and Alumni Engagement

Back in July, we created a Bobby Jones LinkedIn Group with recommendations from alumni and staff from Emory and St Andrews. The group was created with the consideration that some individuals are not active on Facebook nor have Facebook accounts. We hope that the group will be used to support each other's careers, offer advice and mentorship, and connect whilst on business trips or vacations.



To join the LinkedIn Group, click the image on the right.





ADVANCEMENT & ALUMNI

St Andrews Development

The University of St Andrews is delighted to announce the formation of its very first Robert T. Jones Memorial Scholarship Advisory Committee. The committee, which includes 13 Bobby Jones Alumni from both sides of the pond, has been established to support the Board of Trustees and the University of St Andrews with strengthening and developing the scholarship programme, UK side. The committee will endeavour to build relationships among the Bobby Jones alumni community, connect students with fellow alumni, strengthen the student experience in St Andrews, and serve as ambassadors to the programme. The committee welcomes fellow Bobby Jones alumni to get in touch, email: roberttjones@st-andrews.ac.uk

The following are members of the St Andrews Advisory Committee.

Alumni

Home University

BJS Year

David Walker (Co Chair – London based)	St Andrews	1989/1990
Pamela Forbes (Co-Chair – St Andrews based)	St Andrews	2013/2014
David Henry	Emory	1983/1984
Liz Quigley	St Andrews	1993/1994
Keri Eisenbeis	Emory	1995/1996
Liz Wilson	St Andrews	1998/1999
Caroline Paranandi	St Andrews	2002/2003
Derek MacLeod (member of Board of Trustees)	St Andrews	2003/2004
Harriet Andrews	St Andrews	2005/2006
Uriel Castaneda	Emory	2008/2009
Joel Dobben	Emory	2012/2013
Rachel McNally	St Andrews	2013/2014
Claire Dougherty	St Andrews	2014/2015

Ex Officio Members

Principal, University of St Andrews, Sally Mapstone

Director – Development, University of St Andrews, Robert Fleming

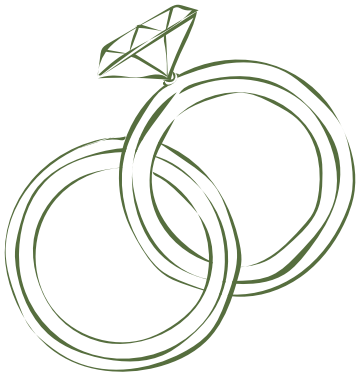
Director – Corporate Communications, University of St Andrews, Niall Scott



ALUMNI NEWS

Anna Lisa Stone, St Andrews to Emory, 12BJS

Anna Lisa Stone has had an eventful couple of years despite the pandemic. After scaling back her wedding from 200 plus guests to fewer than 20, she married her husband Reeve Rixon in the backyard of her childhood home near Glasgow, Scotland. In the spring, they celebrated the arrival of their baby boy, Wolfjack. She is currently making the most of her maternity leave before returning to her job as Global Head of Creative for Scotland's leading scotch whisky company, Edrington, in the new year.



Jacqueline Cassidy, St Andrews to Emory, 96BJS

Jacqueline is starting a new job in January as the Director of Practice and Scotland for the Fostering Network. She is interested in hearing from any Jones Scholar who has experience of fostering from any perspective - as a carer, a child, a family member - and encourages you to drop her a line at jacqcassidy@hotmail.com



Elizabeth Prelogar, Emory to St Andrews, 02C 03BJS

The Bobby Jones Community offers congratulations to Elizabeth on her appointment as US Solicitor General for the Office of the Solicitor General in the Department of Justice. [Click here](#) to see her appearances on C-SPAN.



ALUMNI NEWS

Thomas Kadri, St Andrews to Emory, 11BJS



Thomas is an assistant professor of law at the University of Georgia and received a National Science Foundation grant to fund a \$750,000 research project on digital evidence and privacy rights. This interdisciplinary project will consider the potential for using artificial intelligence to constrain police discretion in searching digital devices, enabling judges to authorize narrower searches that respect constitutional and statutory privacy law. In addition, Thomas published an open-access casebook, *Tort Law: Cases & Critique*, which is [available for free](#) to help make legal education more affordable and accessible.

Claire Dougherty, St Andrews to Emory, 15BJS

This summer Claire celebrated her engagement to her partner Chris - they will be getting married in Fall 2022. Claire was promoted to Assistant Director at the Competition and Markets Authority, where she specialises in financial analysis and remedy implementation for competition cases including mergers, markets and antitrust. Claire also successfully completed her postgraduate diploma in Economics for Competition Law with King's College London.



Alexander Thompson, Emory to St Andrews, 13BJF 14T 22G

Alex is working as an Assistant Professor of religion at Tennessee Wesleyan University and as a ordained elder in the United Methodist Church, serving Niota UMC and Cedar Springs UMC. Alex has two books under contract for publication in the coming year: *O Come Emmanuel: An Advent Study* with Wipf and Stock and a revision of his doctoral dissertation *Recognition and the Resurrection Appearances of Luke 24* with De Gruyter. Alex was also named one of the Society of Biblical Literature's Regional Scholars for 2022.

Anne Hill Barry, Emory to St Andrews, 78C 79BJS

Anne welcomed her first grandchild, Evelyn Claire de Montille, in Capitol Hill, DC on April 9, 2020. Congratulations, Anne!



ALUMNI NEWS



Leslie Johnson, Emory to St Andrews, 09OX 11C 12BJF 14PH 22G

As of May 2021, Leslie became an Assistant Professor in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine. She was also recently awarded a grant from the Emory Maternal and Child Health Center of Excellence for a study entitled *"The Impact of COVID-19 on Women's Experiences of Prenatal Care, Birth Support, and Delivery in the US South."*

David Kirkpatrick, Emory to St Andrews, 95C 96BJS

"Greetings from San Diego! Amara and I had some fun on the water recently. She's in 10th grade and starting to think about colleges that focus on molecular biology. Maybe a second generation Emory grad in the making! My work in renewable energy is as busy as ever with 2 clients in the UK looking to expand their activity in the US. Christine is finishing her computer science PHD remotely while running the supercomputer center at UCSD. Mary is advancing her work in nursing. If any of the scholars will be visiting San Diego, we'd love to grab a dinner with you while you're here."



Fergus Neville, St Andrews to Emory, 06BJS

Fergus is currently on the management faculty at St Andrews University. He obtained tickets to the COP26 summit in Glasgow through Emory with a number of former Bobby Jones Scholars. He had a lovely time catching up with some old friends and meeting new ones! His own work at COP26 examined the dynamics of protest and policing and the consequences of this for perceptions of Scotland as an inclusive democracy, and processes of behaviour and attitude change inside the summit.



Fergus with fellow alum, Harriet Andrews 06BJS, at COP 26



ALUMNI NEWS



Garrett Turner, Emory to St Andrews, IIC 12BJS

Garrett made his Broadway debut in a new play called *Thoughts Of A Colored Man* on October 21, 2021. Opening night was on October 13, 2021 then Garrett made his debut just over a week later. It's his first ever Broadway show, and he is understudying four different lead characters. Watch Garrett's first Broadway bow on his Instagram.

