

THE JONES NOTES



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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SCHOLAR UPDATES

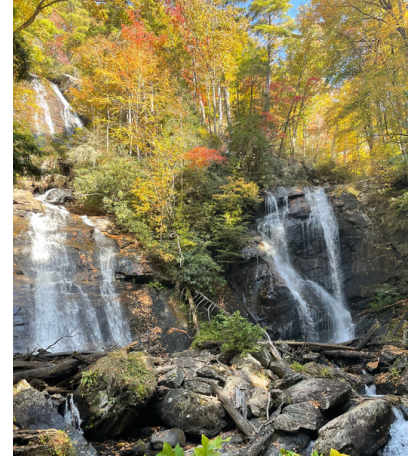
St Andrews to Emory

Ross Barclay, 23BJS

The Winter Break has allowed me to reflect on my time so far at Emory and what more I want to achieve in the upcoming semester. Thankfully I just missed the cold weather, having travelled home on the 19th of December – the thought of Scotland being warmer than Atlanta is a strange one! Since the last newsletter, I've explored more of Atlanta including the Georgia Aquarium, Stone Mountain, and the Christkindlmarkt in December. Listening to selections from the Nutcracker at the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra was an amazing experience and I look forward to going to other performances this semester. As part of a field trip with my Urban Geography class, we visited the Atlanta History Center, where I visited the "Fair Play: A Bobby Jones Story" exhibit (and forced my classmates to do the same). I also ventured out to Helen, Georgia, to visit Anna Ruby Falls and of course the annual Oktoberfest! It's fair to say that was quite an experience. We're hoping to have more weekend trips away during the semester and would love to meet more alumni and friends of the program.

I'm delighted to share that I was successful in my application for an internship at the Carter Center. I'm really excited to start work with the Democracy program which monitors elections worldwide and empowers local civil society groups to hold their democratic institutions to account. This follows from a Research Assistant post I held last semester with the Electoral Integrity Project. The internship counts for academic credit which means fewer classes this semester – provided I don't make yet more changes to my schedule, I will be taking classes in Business German and International Political Economy.

I'm really excited for the next semester and can't believe how fast time has flown since we first arrived. As we start thinking about the road trip, it'd be great to hear from alumni who would be willing to meet us along the way. Please get in touch!



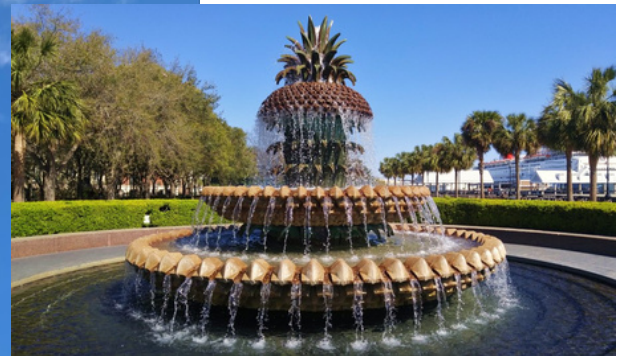
Photos from top to bottom; Anna Ruby Falls, a lake at Stone Mountain, and "Fair Play: A Bobby Jones Story" Exhibit

Sam Goldsmith, 23BJS

After completing my internship at The Carter Center, I travelled back to Edinburgh in early December. A month back home gave me a chance to see my friends, to take a trip down to London and also to see my family. In particular I was able to see my niece, Gracie who is 2 and half years old and finally meet for the first time, Fearne, who is 4 months old.

Since travelling back to Atlanta, I have been able to attend many different classes to scout out which ones are right for me and have now narrowed down to a diverse group of subjects from Southern Politics to US health policy to the History of Skiing and Snowboarding.

I also have had the chance to travel to Charleston with Ross and Sarah as well as a couple of our friends, where I was able to see the famous Pineapple Fountain. I'm looking forward to travelling more this semester to various places including Washington D.C.



Images from the Scholars trip to Charleston

Sarah Millar, 23BJS



NYC at Christmas and a beach at Long Island

Since the last update, I travelled back home to Scotland for the Christmas holidays to spend with family and friends in Glasgow.

Everyone loved hearing about my experience so far: living in Atlanta and my classes at Emory. Equally, many of my friends that golf enjoyed hearing about how my golfing is going and the amazing opportunities that have come along with it. I hope to take more lessons this year to improve my golf skills, as I cannot consider myself a pro just yet!

I have not done any extensive travelling in the US so far but have been lucky enough to be able to travel to New York City a few times to meet up with friends from St Andrews. I saw Christmas in NYC for the first time which I loved, it is definitely one of my favorite cities and feel very lucky I have been able to travel there over the semester! In November we were also kindly hosted at Bobby Jones Golf Club where we enjoyed seeing the course, learning more about Bobby Jones and the development of the course, as well as having dinner at its gorgeous restaurant.

I look forward to exploring more of the US in the upcoming semester, as we plan to travel more over the weekends we have left - so any recommendations welcome! We recently went to Charleston with friends over the MLK weekend and absolutely loved it. Although it seems like a while away, hopefully we will start planning our road trip which we aim to be toward the west coast!

SCHOLAR UPDATES

Emory to St Andrews

Sojourner Hunt, 22C 23BJS

I am writing this update from London which is my last stop of four weeks of travel. I wrapped up first semester with my first dance performance at St Andrews and exams. After everything was submitted I started my travels in Malta. One of my top priorities for traveling this winter was going to places where the sun would be shining in preparation for many more days of darkness in Scotland. Malta was a good start with beautiful coast lines and the sun shining every day.

Next, I headed to Madrid, which has turned into one of my favorite cities in the world. From Madrid I flew to Morocco where I spent 9 days traveling around the country. Spending Christmas Day on the beautiful dunes of the Sahara and visiting the city of Marrakesh were my highlights.

Next, I spent New Year's in Edinburgh where I experienced Hogmanay and saw the greatest firework display of my life. While in Scotland I had the chance to show my mom and cousin St Andrews for two days before we headed down to London to end the trip.

It's been a fabulous month of travel, but I am ready to return to St Andrews for second semester. I am most excited to begin my work placement where I will be cataloging the letters of the Lorimer family for the National Trust for Scotland. I am also looking forward to returning to London for our Bobby Jones event in the Spring.



Sojourner Meeting a Camel and celebrating Hogmanay with a friend

Chanelle Russell, 22C 23BJS

During the first half of my year at St Andrews, I gained something invaluable through rediscovering my love for writing and literature.

As an English major at Emory, the work was more critical than it was creative. Being at St Andrews has allowed me the space to begin to think, write, and explore literature in new, expansive ways. Working on numerous novels and two short stories while here, I have thrown myself into my creative endeavors and appreciate my program and cohort for giving me the room to create freely.

My cohort, a tight knit group held together by a kind instructor, spent Thanksgiving Day together in Edinburgh where we shared laughter, soup, and an American-style feast—a day which remains my favorite memory since arriving in Scotland.

During Fall Semester, I also had the unique opportunity to visit the Highlands where I explored Loch Ness and a beautiful castle in the area. The fog, the feeling of being surrounded by history, the beautiful, enduring architecture all impressed upon me with the greatest clarity the opportunity I have being here. I look forward to more days exploring St Andrews, days in Edinburgh with my cohort, and to a semester of joy and abundance.



Chanelle visiting a castle

Bryn Walker, 200x 22C 23BJS

Bryn has returned to Atlanta to finish her Bobby Jones term. She is looking forward to taking courses at Emory this upcoming semester and connecting with the Atlanta based Bobby Jones community!

Sean Woo, 22C 23BJS

The past few months flew by as I worked hard to keep up with my classes, run experiments in research lab, and apply to medical schools back in the States. I've particularly enjoyed the guest lecturers that are invited to take part in our courses. They have shown me how pervasive chemistry is in every single aspect of our lives, furthering my appreciation of Chemistry and solidifying my choice to pursue this Chemical Science MSc.

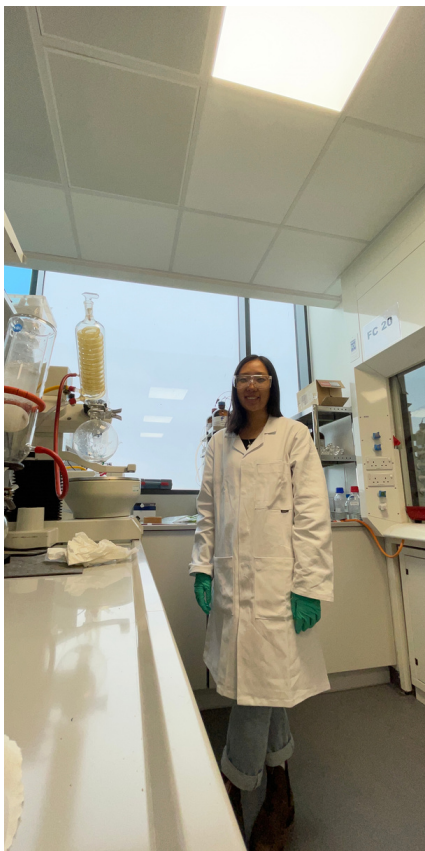
In addition to my studies, my semester was also filled with exploration and adventure! I have become more familiar with the Fife area as I made my way through the Tentsmuir Forest, the Scottish Deer Centre, and the Kingsbarn beach. I especially enjoyed my time doing the Elie Chainwalk, a coastline scramble using chains that had historically been installed for fishermen.

A special moment during the semester was when the scholars and I met up with 2020 Jones alumna, Farah, during her quick visit to St Andrews. The fondness with which she spoke about her Jones year was a great reminder to me to slow down and truly appreciate little aspect of my time here.

Over the holiday break, I spent time enjoying the beautiful Lake District in England where my days were filled with outdoor activities from mountain biking, to hiking, to rock climbing. In early January, some Deans Court friends and I made our way to the Azores Islands in Portugal where we spent the week surrounded by lush greenery and the bluest sea waters.

I'm particularly excited for my courses this semester, as they are closely related with the work that I've done in pharmaceutical drug development and chemical biology research during my four years at Emory. I'm also looking forward to our Jones trip down to London as well as attending a Six Nations match with the Bobby Jones community in Edinburgh.

My Jones year has already been such a gift thus far, and I am looking forward all that the new semester has in store!



One of the vertical climbs on the Elie Chainwalk and a glimpse into our research group's beautiful lab space

ADVANCEMENT & ALUMNI

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EMORY CONNECTS

Alumni Network

Join the [Bobby Jones Program Alumni page](#) on Emory Connects, Emory's exclusive online networking platform! Search for and network with fellow alumni using the People Directory, raise your hand to support Emory students, seek or offer mentoring, browse through Alumni owned business, look for jobs, stay updated on our latest career resources and opportunities, and more - all in one place.





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St Andrews Updates

- Promotion of the 2023/2024 programme received a positive applicant response with interviews for the next cohort of St Andrews to Emory students scheduled to take place on February the 10th.
- On the 3rd November, the University of St Andrews hosted a Bobby Jones Alumni event at Brewhemia in Edinburgh. It was wonderful to bring together such a fantastic group of individuals and to introduce the current Emory to St Andrews students to some of the wider Bobby Jones community. This event is set to be an annual gathering in the Bobby Jones calendar.
- The St Andrews Bobby Jones Advisory Committee would like to extend a warm welcome to Amanda Spafford (St Andrews to Emory, 84/85), who joined the committee towards the end of 2022. The committee, made up of Bobby Jones Alumni, is working with the University of St Andrews to create opportunities for the Bobby Jones Scholars in the UK and to bring together and strengthen the Bobby Jones Community.
- Would you like to connect with Bobby Jones Alumni in your area? Bobby Jones alumni in Edinburgh recently created a Whats App Group for those members of alumni who are based in Scotland. The group has proved to be a great success, with all members able to invite alumni known to them. If you would like to do something similar in your area, please get in touch with Imana Holden (imana.nichole.holden@emory.edu) or Katie Birrell (kjb21@st-andrews.ac.uk) who will be able to share WhatsApp Group codes with alumni who reside in the relevant areas.

Emory University Updates

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS!

Emory Bobby Jones Program Coordinator, Lauren Cowan, welcomed a new addition to her family on December 21, 2022. Elizabeth "Ellie" Arlene Cowan was born 8 pounds 4 oz and 19 inches.

Congratulations!



ALUMNI NEWS



Jonathan Durie, St. Andrews to Emory, 12BJS

Jonathan is now based in Los Angeles, California. A recent advertisement he created for Joybird Furniture was aired on Hulu and won the MarCom Platinum Award for Best Television Campaign. The ad was chosen out of 6,000 entries to receive this prestigious award!



Garrett Turner, Emory to St Andrews, 11C 12BJS

Garrett is playing Ike Turner in the first national tour of TINA the Tina Turner Musical. Click [here](#) to view the schedule. Consider seeing Garrett in February when TINA is at the Fox!



Hannah Rose Blakeley, Emory to St Andrews, 16C 17BJS

Hannah Rose Blakeley is an art history doctoral candidate at Princeton. She is conducting research in Belgium this year for her dissertation centering on "The Carnavalesque and Belgian Modernism". Supported by a Fulbright grant and a Belgian American Education Foundation fellowship, she is based at Ghent University and diving into archives and museums across the country.

Pamela Dobson, St Andrews to Emory, 14BJS

Congratulations to Pamela Dobson who had Fergus Alban Dobson on August 21st, 2022!





Claire Bush, St Andrews to Emory, 15BJS

Claire married Christopher on October 21st, 2022, just outside Edinburgh, Scotland. It was a fantastic day of bagpipes (played by St Andrews to Emory Scholar '16-17 Kyle Blain), whisky, dancing and laughter. Claire was joined by her fellow Bobby Jones scholars, as well as friends from her year at Emory for the big day. To celebrate their honeymoon, Claire and Chris plan to travel to Atlanta in April 2023, and roadtrip round the South. Claire can't wait to be back in Georgia, and hopes to see as many of you as possible while there!

