Summer 2023 Alumni Newsletter

Summer time in the Caldwell Fellows office has three major undertakings:

- **Looking back** - we’ve compiled our stories and closed the books on 2022-2023
- **Planning ahead** - you’re invited to apply for Caldwell Fellows professional coaching certification, join our upcoming summer book group, and save the dates for upcoming events
- **Enjoying the present** - the staff are having a few adventures of our own but mostly living vicariously through our students across their summer experiences - many of them enabled by the resources of the program.
We hope that wherever this finds you, your favorite parts of summertime are bringing you joy.

So, for this mid-summer edition of Caldwell Fellows alumni news, we offer a glimpse into the year just past and program highlights on the near horizon of a new year.

Students during last year's Service-Learning course field trip.

Looking Back

Take a peek at our 2023-2024 Year in Review. We hope you enjoy the view.
Opportunity

Apply now for the Caldwell Alumni Coaching Certification Program

Professional coaching has become a major tool for supporting the development of our Fellows. Coaching is a powerful avenue for leadership and we are pleased to have a program that supports current Fellows while also investing in the development of our alumni. For the third year, the program will subsidize professional coaching certification for three to four Caldwell Fellows alumni who in turn will commit to providing volunteer coaching to one or more Fellows each year for a minimum of three years. Our seven alumni who have completed the training speak of the program’s excellent design and highly recommend our continuation of this offering. The training is formidable in time commitment and rigor and results in becoming a certified professional coach. The invitation is now open for alumni to apply for consideration for the 2023-24 coach training program. You may read about the program from the brochure of our training partner, Transformation Edge Coaching.

You can use the link below to complete a Google form indicating your interest in the Caldwell Coaching Certification program. Note that alumni must be a minimum of three years out from their undergraduate graduation date to be considered. The deadline to complete the expression of interest form is August 1. You will receive notice within the first week of August regarding your selection for the training program. The training begins in October. Please reach out to Janice (jeodom@ncsu.edu) with your questions.

Expression of interest form
Looking Ahead

Interactions between our alumni and current Fellows are part of the magic of this program. Here are some events on the horizon, a mix of in-person and virtual, where you can participate:

Summer Book Discussion
Wednesday, July 19
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (EST).
(Note the change from an earlier notice of July 12th as our date.)

Join us via this [Zoom Link](#) for a discussion of the novel by Irish writer Niall Williams, *This is Happiness*, or join us in person at the Caldwell Fellows office (1115 Pullen Hall), and afterward, as we drift across the street for some social time at Mitch’s Tavern (until 9:00 PM). Williams’ poetic writing transforms a fairly simple story into a thoughtful reflection on our expectations for what it means to be ‘happy.’ We strive to support Fellows’ holistic development in all dimensions of who they are as a path to healthy, productive living and Williams’ novel is a journey of mental, spiritual, and interpersonal meaning-making. We’ll appreciate knowing if you plan to participate. Whether or not you can join us on the 19th, we’ll get a kick out of knowing that you are reading the book. Use the link below to let us know your plans and share any thoughts about the book which you care to offer.

This is Happiness Event
Save the following dates. More details about registration is forthcoming.

**Student Poster Session**
**Sunday, August 20**
5:00 PM - 7:30 PM
**Talley Ballroom, NC State**
You are invited to an interactive session with our Fellows as they share posters about their experiential learning endeavors from the spring and summer, along with story-telling about group experiences and a light supper.

**Triad Alumni and Fellows Meet up**
**Sunday, October 8**
**Time TBA**
**Proximity Hotel, Greensboro, NC**
Our annual CCL training for Caldwell juniors and seniors will take place Oct. 9 - 11, with a kick off event on the evening of Sunday, October 8 where we hope area alumni will join Fellows and friends from CCL at the Proximity Hotel in Greensboro.

**Students' Service-learning Presentations**
**Mid-November (exact date TBA)**
**4:30 PM - 6:30 PM**
**NC State University (Exact Location TBA)**
You will be able to join in person or stream live the final presentations students will offer about their semester of service-learning with our six service partnerships.

**Online selection reviews (early to mid-January)**
The virtual format for our first step in the selection process allows you to contribute from wherever you are. Sign-up to participate in November for the January reviews. Look for a sign up form later in the fall semester.

**Selection Weekend and Gala (February 24th)**
Caldwell Fellows Selection Interviews on Saturday the 24th followed by our annual gala that evening at the North Carolina Museum of Art.