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found himself in some pretty unusual situations, including a visit to an outdoor convention where he climbed inside a monster truck, scaled a rock wall and shared a moment with a llama.

"Dormland" is an inside look at what goes on behind the closed doors of University residence halls.

Cohoon describes another portion of the show as "Siskel and Ebert" meets "Jackass."

An additional entertainment segment, "Duck U Music," features Jamie Hichens and Ben Miljkovic, who offer a glimpse into the local music scene. On a recent episode, Hichens and Miljkovic recounted an evening they spent hanging out with the Wu-Tang Clan during the group's visit to Eugene.

Recent "Duck U" highlights include exclusive interviews with Shaquala Williams and Bev Smith concerning the player's dismissal from Oregon basketball.

Scriven said "Duck U" uncovers a side of Eugene and the University that other shows cannot portray. But while the program may push the envelope at times, Scriven maintains that there is a line she doesn't wish to cross.

"We just want to have the most fun we can and still remain tactful," Seriven said.

The show is not expressly affiliated with the University School of Journalism and Communication, but utilizes equipment supplied by the department. Funding for the show is the sole responsibility

of the creators and production team. This has resulted in various creative fundraising initiatives, including a recent T-shirt sale.

Cohoon and Scriven came up with the concept for the show after meeting in an Introduction to Electronic Media class last spring. With the help of Professor Rebecca Force, their professor in the class and current faculty adviser for the show, "Duck U" began to take shape.

"We started leaving notes for her all the time after class, and then basically bullied her into helping by taking her out for sushi," Cohoon said.

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Emily Scriven co-executive producer

Their persistence is paying off as the "Duck U" team begins preparations for the winter term finale, airing next Wednesday. After that, planning begins for the spring set of shows with auditions to be held at the beginning of the term. Interested students can contact "Duck U" at DuckU@uoregon.edu.

In addition to the original Wednesday 10 p.m. airtime, "Duck U" also airs on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 p.m. on channel 14 in the residence halls.

Contact the senior Pulse reporter at ryanbornheimer@dailyemerald.com



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The student-produced weekly television program 'Duck U' tackles various student-related issues, including everything from current events and dorm life to local entertainment.

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