## MTSU Students Represent MTSU at the 2013 APIEL Conference

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(Back row, L-R) Spencer Sherrill, Josh Moore, and Wesley Osborn. (Front row, L-R) Susan Shipley and Katherine Gable

Five students enrolled in Mary Evins's Civic Engagement and Survey of United States History courses travelled to the 2013 Appalachian Public Interest Environmental Law (APIEL) Conference, taking place October 11-13 at the University of Tennessee College of Law in Knoxville, Tennessee.

"The APIEL conference brings together hundreds of eco-minded and socially conscious activists, attorneys, students, scientists, and citizens in the interest of achieving environmental and social justice throughout Appalachia and surrounding areas. The conference features a series of workshops with the goal of exchanging information, sharing skills, and fostering collaboration between grassroots organizations, the bar, and future lawyers and policy-makers. These workshops address the region's most pressing ecological problems, as well as the underlying laws, policies and institutional dynamics that have enhanced these issues." To learn more about APIEL, click here: <a href="http://www.apiel.org/">http://www.apiel.org/</a>

Susan Shipley, Katherine Gable, Spencer Sherrill, Josh Moore, and Wesley Osborn attended the APIEL conference on behalf of Middle Tennessee State University and the Experiential Learning (EXL) Program, which provides hands-on opportunities to students through coursework. The EXL Program funded the trip for Dr. Mary Evins and her students in which they attended and took notes on various workshops and speaker lectures.