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Outstanding Student Honoree

Higher Education Appreciation Day
Working For Academic Excellence
February 21, 2017
Blake Wilson is President and CEO of the Mississippi Economic Council, a private sector organization with over 10,000 members from 1,100 different entities.

He came to MEC in 1998 from the Florida Chamber of Commerce where he served as Executive Vice President – and began his association career 35 years ago in Delaware with the State Chamber in his home state. He also spent 9 years as a newspaper reporter and editor.

Since joining MEC, the organization has focused on developing and implementing Blueprint Mississippi, a long range economic development strategy for the state with four pillars of progress – economic competitiveness, education and workforce, resources and infrastructure, and technology advancement.

He lives in Brandon with his wife, Ann, a retired public school teacher. They have three grown children.
Dr. Rod Paige, the son of a school principal and a librarian, rose from humble roots in a segregated small town in Mississippi all the way to U.S. Secretary of Education. He assumed the new role of Jackson State University Interim President on November 7, 2016.

From 2001 to 2005, Paige served in George W. Bush’s administration. As the nation’s top educator, he championed student achievement and employed “best of breed” solutions to raise national standards of educational excellence. A member of the presidential Cabinet, Paige spearheaded the implementation of the historic No Child Left Behind Act, with the goal of reinvigorating America’s education system.

Paige forged his reputation for seeking out and putting in place innovative approaches to systemic academic improvement when he was dean of the College of Education at Texas Southern University (TSU). At TSU, he established the University’s Center for Excellence in Urban Education.

He also has shown a knack for inclusive leadership, first as a school board trustee and then as superintendent of the Houston Independent School District, then the nation’s seventh-largest district. When he was appointed superintendent in 1994, he was the first African-American in the district’s history to serve in that position. In 1999, Paige was named one of the top two educators in the country by the Council of the Great City Schools. Two years later, Paige was honored as National Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School Administrators.

Following his time as Secretary of Education, Paige served as a Public Policy Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. In 2006, he authored The War Against Hope and, in 2010, published The Black-White Achievement Gap: Why Closing it is the Greatest Civil Rights Issue of Our Time.

In his relentless quest to improve the quality of education for all students, Paige is an active member of numerous boards, including the Universal Technical Institute (UTI), Thomas B. Fordham Foundation, the American College of Education, Patten University, Strake Foundation, Blue Cure Foundation, Texas Charter Schools Association and the National Council of Economic Education’s Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce, among others.

Paige is the eldest of five siblings. He and his wife, Stephanie Nellons-Paige, have a son and daughter.
February 21, 2017

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to welcome you to the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities 30th Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE). I commend the students and faculty being honored at this year’s event and look forward to your influence on our state’s future.

Recognizing the hard work and dedication of those working in higher education in our state is both an honor and a necessity. Mississippi is working hard to support instructors and students at colleges and universities, I am especially proud of our strides in supporting students of education. They are tomorrow’s teachers and will be instrumental in leading Mississippi’s education system to ever higher heights.

The work of the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities creates a positive impact on our entire state, and I appreciate your dedication to promoting scholarship and lifelong excellence. Mississippi is a better place thanks to your leadership and vision.

I welcome you to Jackson and to your state capitol. I wish the organizers, the students, faculty, and guests a very successful event.

Sincerely,

Phil Bryant
GOVERNOR
Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

As Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi, it is my honor to welcome you to the state capitol today to acknowledge your many contributions to higher education. I want to thank each of the honorees, students and faculty members, for your outstanding commitment to academic achievement.

Our institutions of higher learning have invested in these bright young leaders, and today, I want to extend my congratulations for your success. I applaud your commitment to excellence and continued determination, which is truly making an impact on our state’s educational system, and therefore, improving our state’s workforce and overall economy. Your commitment to academic achievement, campus leadership, and community service has all contributed to the success that has brought you here today.

Thank you for your efforts in helping us propel Mississippi forward. Again, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your significant accomplishments, and I wish you great success in all of your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Tate Reeves
Lieutenant Governor
February 21, 2017

Greetings,

On behalf of the City of Jackson, it is my absolute pleasure to welcome the 30th Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day and its visitors to our great city. The heartbeat of Jackson, Mississippi, is made evident through the dedication and diligence provided by its citizens, businesses, and organizations. As a city, we are extremely proud of the achievements and goals that are embodied and celebrated through this event, and we commend the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, the honorees, their families, and all guests who have come to partake in this wonderful day.

The City of Jackson is genuinely interested in making sure that all of its citizens have the best possible opportunities to succeed and to participate in culturally and morally relevant events. This event is an example of the excellence that is happening within our city and our state. As you honor talented students and faculty members from each of the state’s public and private institutions, we thank you for highlighting the achievements of those who walk in excellence. I applaud you for your determination to be a catalyst for progress and academic success.

Whether you have come from near or far, we encourage you to indulge in the cornucopia of restaurants, museums, parks, and historic landmarks that make this city the jewel it has become. If there is any way that we can continue to support your efforts, please feel free to let us know.

Again, welcome to the great City of Jackson. We graciously appreciate your service.

Regards,

Tony T. Yarber
Mayor, City of Jackson
Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

Congratulations on your recognition as your institution’s 2017 HEADWAE Award recipients. This award is a testament to your hard work and dedication to excellence both in the classroom and beyond. As students and faculty members, you are the heart of the educational mission of teaching and learning. Your recognition today signifies that you have dedicated yourself to this mission.

Today, we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of this program. Established by the Legislature, Higher Education Appreciation Day – Working for Academic Excellence recognizes academic achievement of faculty and students. Today’s event is made possible by the generous contributions of the sponsors and those who have worked so hard to plan this event. I would like to thank them for their efforts.

I would also like to thank our chair, Blake Wilson, President and CEO of the Mississippi Economic Council. He truly understands the important link between higher education and economic development. I appreciate his support of our institutions and this program.

Our keynote speaker today is a native Mississippian and Jackson State University graduate who has made a tremendous difference in education on a national scale and has come home to make a difference at his alma mater. Former U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. Rod Paige serves as Interim President of Jackson State University. I appreciate him joining us for this event and giving the keynote address.

Again, congratulations on this important and well-deserved recognition. I hope you will enjoy the day that has been planned in your honor.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Boyce, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Higher Education
February 21, 2017

Dear HEADWAE Honoree:

Congratulations on receiving this prestigious honor! You are considered among the best and brightest in Mississippi’s higher education system.

Student honorees have invested wisely in the future. Whatever career aspirations you have, you are positioning yourself to be successful.

Faculty honorees have invested much time, and energy to prepare students for their futures. Your servant leadership and passion for teaching makes a difference in the lives of people.

I offer special recognition and appreciation to our event sponsors. Sponsor support demonstrates commitment to the future of our state. I am appreciative of the Mississippi Legislature for their role in making higher education a priority.

Finally, I hope that each honoree will make Mississippi your permanent home. Our state is blessed to have a creative and intelligent citizenry, and the future of our state depends on bright, energetic people like you.

Again, congratulations to each honoree and good luck in the future!

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrea Mayfield
MCCB Executive Director
On behalf of the seven independent colleges and universities, I join our colleagues in the higher education community in expressing our gratitude to the Mississippi Legislature for establishing and continuing a program which recognizes and encourages excellence in higher education. There are many outstanding faculty and students in our colleges and universities who often go unnoticed and sometimes feel unappreciated. The program has served as another way to recognize and express appreciation to all faculty, staff, and students who have excelled in their various academic pursuits.

Congratulations to the faculty and student honorees that are recognized this year. Each is to be commended for setting a worthy example for all who are interested in and support academic excellence. We express appreciation for your dedication, commitment, and determination to develop your talents and abilities in such outstanding ways. It is our hope that you will continue to excel and successfully invest yourselves in your academic pursuits and service to others.

The continued development of our state is directly related to the quality of its leadership. We are grateful to the members of the legislature who recognize and support excellence as found in our institutions of higher learning and deeply appreciate their efforts in establishing The Higher Education Appreciation Day-Working for Academic Excellence Program.

Sincerely,

E. Harold Fisher

E. Harold Fisher, Executive Director
Mississippi Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
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The Mississippi Legislators, Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities, Steering Committee Members and the honorees sincerely thank all of the corporate sponsors for their continued contributions to the HEADWAE program and for their commitment to recognizing and supporting academic excellence in higher education.
A MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATURE

The Higher Education Appreciation Day Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) program was established by the Mississippi Legislature to honor academically talented students and faculty members who have made outstanding contributions in promoting academic excellence. The Appreciation Day is our way of saying “thank you” for your commitment to the future of Mississippi. It is an honor and a privilege for the Legislature to recognize these honorees for their outstanding achievements. We wish them every success as they pursue their personal and professional goals.
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Jeremy Alexander Martin

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Biology (Pre-Physical Therapy)
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.17 GPA; Dean's List
Career Goals: To become an experienced, certified Physical Therapist and assume leadership roles in rehabilitation; in prevention, health maintenance, and programs that promote health, wellness, and fitness; and also in professional and community organizations.
High School: Bassfield High School, Bassfield, MS
Family Information: Parents: Ira and Vickie Martin
Hometown: Bassfield, MS

Voletta Ann Williams

Title/Department: Professor/Chair, Biological Sciences, School of Arts and Sciences
Years of Service at This Institution: 27
Years of Service in Higher Education: 27
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BS, Biology Education, Alcorn State University, 1987. Graduate: MS, Biology, Alcorn State University, 1989; PhD, Environmental Biology, Jackson State University, 1998
Publications/Honors/Awards: State of MS Profile Doctoral Scholars’ Program; NASA Faculty Fellow; Who’s Who Among University and College Educators; Certificate of Outstanding Achievement in Research Award, USM, Stennis Space Center; Outstanding Faculty Member in Biology; Outstanding Customer Service Award
Professional Affiliations: Member and Advisor, Beta Beta Beta; Former Chapter President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; Quality Enhancement Plan writing instructor; Graduate Council, Alcorn State University; Chair, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
Civic Activities: Sunday School Teacher, Senior Care Facility; mentoring students; advisor of numerous organizations, i.e., Student Government affiliated organizations; Voter's Registration; sponsor numerous activities via student engagement
Family Information: Spouse: Richard Williams, Jr.; Children: Orlando, Deveron, Sharon, and TeAndrea
Hometown: Port Gibson, MS
Heather Marie Rasmussen

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Creative Writing
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; Honors
College Honors Held: National Society of Collegiate Scholars
Career Goals: In the long term, I want to be a novelist. In the short term, I wish to utilize my skills as a writer to advance the work of non-profit organizations. I will continue to write fiction on the side, both my own longer projects and shorter pieces for literary magazines.

High School: Watertown High School, Watertown, TN
Other Colleges: American University, Washington DC; National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland
Family Information: Wayne R. Rasmussen
Hometown: Watertown, TN

John W. Estes

Title/Department: Assistant Professor, The Yerger Chair of Mathematics and Director of Engineering Partnership, Department of Mathematics
Years of Service at this Institution: 5
Years of Service in Higher Education: 5
Professional Affiliations: Mathematical Association of America; Association of Christians in Mathematical Sciences
Civic Activities: Door greeter and guitarist, Word of Life Church, Flowood, MS
Family Information: Wife: Stephany Estes; Sons: Ethan and David Estes
Hometown: Blue Mountain, MS
PAGE ROWLAND THORN
Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Mathematics/Biology
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; All Academic SSAC team; Mathematics Award; President’s List
College Honors Held: Leroy Walker Award; Freshman of the Year, Cross Country; SSAC Cross County Championship Team
High School: Ripley High School, Ripley, MS
Family Information: Spouse: Avery Thorn
Hometown: Blue Mountain, MS

ANTHONY ALLAN BULLARD
Title/Department: Chair, School of Business and Associate Professor of Business
Years of Service at This Institution: 1.5
Years of Service in Higher Education: 12
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BSBA, IN Wesleyan University, 2003. Graduate: MBA, IN Wesleyan University, 2005; DBA, Jones International University, 2014
Family Information: Spouse: Kanina Bullard; Children: Daughters: Sondra Bullard, Whitney Bullard, Mariah Bullard, Crystal Bullard, Jennifer Bullard; Son: Austin Bullard
Hometown: Blue Springs, MS
JAUAN ADDISON
CLASS STANDING: Sophomore
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: General Studies
GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.82 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: MVP, Track and Field; President, Student Government
CAREER GOALS: My career goals include obtaining a master's degree in International Business and beginning my career abroad. I am hoping to combine my love for traveling with my passion for business.
HIGH SCHOOL: T.C. Williams High School, Alexandria, VA
FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Sharon Addison and Ralph Briscoe
HOMETOWN: Alexandria, VA

VIVIAN VONTINIA WILLIAMS
TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor, Social Science
YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 3
YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: 10
ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Criminal Justice, MS Valley State University, 1992. Graduate: MS, Criminal Justice, MS Valley State University, 1992; MS, Community Development, Delta State University, 2016
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: MS Community College Leadership Academy; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Willie D. Williams; Daughters: Deana Grossley and Chrystal Grossley
HOMETOWN: Moorhead, MS
Charlette Sue Smith
Class Standing: Sophomore
Major/Minor Field of Study: Administrative Office Technology
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 2.78 GPA; Who's Who Among Students in American Junior College
College Honors Held: Phi Theta Kappa
Career Goals: My goal is to obtain a job that will allow me to work in an office setting that assist the public in finding information they need.
High School: Mendenhall High School, Mendenhall, MS
Family Information: Mother: Charlotte Miller
Hometown: Mendenhall, MS

Laurie McIntosh Gambrell
Title/Department: Instructor, Business Technology, Simpson County Center
Years of Service at This Institution: 6
Years of Service in Higher Education: 19
Publications/Honors/Awards: Academic Achievement Award, USM College of Education and Psychology; Faculty/Staff Member of the Year; Howell C. Garner High Performance Award
Professional Affiliations: Phi Beta Lambda Professional Division; Certifications: Microsoft Office Master Specialist, IC3, CompTIA Strata IT Fundamentals, QuickBooks Certified User
Civic Activities: Relay for Life
Family Information: Spouse: Don Gambrell; Children: Matthew Gambrell; Kelly and Matthew Grant (daughter and son-in-law); Grandchildren: Addison, Caleb, Blythe, and Lincoln Grant
Hometown: Taylorsville, MS
ALLIE ROSE PARKER
CLASS STANDING: Senior
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Biology/Political Science
GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.46 GPA; Dean's List; Beta Beta Beta; Omicron Delta Kappa
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President, Vice President and Treasurer, Student Government Association; Junior Homecoming Maid; Freshman Class Favorite; Order of Omega Bobby Rowe Memorial Leadership Award
CAREER GOALS: I aspire to be an attorney in private practice, hopefully dealing with personal injury
HIGH SCHOOL: DeSoto Central High School, Southaven, MS
FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: David and Ashleigh Parker
HOMETOWN: Olive Branch, MS

SHERYL LYN STUMP
TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor, Cataloger, Technical Services, Library Services
YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 28
YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: 28
ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, Sociology, State University College at Potsdam, 1977. Graduate: MLIS, Library and Information Sciences, LA State University, 1988
PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Authored and co-authored several articles and book reviews in MS Libraries including: “The Basics of LC and Dewey” and “Keeping Your Plates Spinning: Technical Services Tasks from Delta State’s Perspective;” and published in Southeastern Librarian “After the System Upgrade or Migration: a Cataloging Checklist.”
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Library Association; MS Library Association
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: President, Neighborhood Children's Program Board
FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Richard Torgerson
HOMETOWN: Cleveland, MS
Katie Madison McCool

Class Standing: Sophomore  
Major/Minor Field of Study: Chemistry  
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; Valedictorian; Hall of Fame; President, Honor Society; MS Scholar  
College Honors Held: President, Phi Theta Kappa; Treasurer, sophomore class; BSU council; President's list scholar  
Career Goals: I plan to major in Chemistry and eventually attend optometry school.  
High School: Winston Academy, Louisville, MS  
Family Information: Parents: Robert and Pam McCool  
Hometown: Louisville, MS

Sharon LeJeune Fisher

Title/Department: Biology Instructor, Biology Department  
Years of Service at this Institution: 14  
Years of Service in Higher Education: 14  
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BS, Biology, University of West AL, 1979. Graduate: MAT, Biology, University of West AL, 1980; EdS, Specialist, University of West AL, 1989  
Publications/Honors/Awards: Instructor of the Year; HEADWAE  
Professional Affiliations: President and Vice President, AFSA  
Civic Activities: Very active in church; EC Environmental Club  
Family Information: Spouse: Chris Fisher; Children: Leslie Solomon, Allison and Bryan Holmgren, Erin Fisher, Corey Fisher and Jeff Fisher  
Hometown: Meridian, MS
MALLORY LEE VANCE
CLASS STANDING: Sophomore
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Occupational Therapy
GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; General Chemistry, Honors Composition II and Human Growth and Development, Most Outstanding Student Award; NJCAA Pinnacle Award for Academic Excellence; President’s List
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Officer, Phi Theta Kappa; Ambassador, EMCC; Miss East MS Community College; EMCC’s Student Voices
CAREER GOALS: I plan on obtaining a masters degree in occupational therapy and one day becoming a pediatric occupational therapist.
HIGH SCHOOL: West Lauderdale High School, Collinsville, MS
FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Max and Renee Vance
HOMETOWN: Collinsville, MS

JANET MCKENZIE BRIGGS
TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Chairperson, Humanities and Fine Arts Division; English instructor
YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 16
YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: 16
ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, English Education, University of West AL, 1985. Graduate: MEd, University of West AL, 1988
PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Phi Theta Kappa Horizon Award; Phi Theta Kappa MS/LA Regional Distinguished Advisor; Phi Theta Kappa International Hallmark Distinguished Advisor; William Winter Scholar
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: TYCA; NCTE; EMCC Faculty Association
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Briggs Chapel Church; Secretary, Relay for Life-Kemper
FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Greg Briggs; Son: Brandon Briggs; Daughter-in-law: Sera Beth Briggs
HOMETOWN: Porterville, MS
ASHLEIGH RENAE CHATFIELD

Class Standing: Sophomore
Major/Minor Field of Study: Interpreter Training Technology
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.96 GPA; Who’s Who in American Community & Junior Colleges; Phi Theta Kappa; MS Registry for Interpreters for the Deaf
College Honors Held: Hinds Community College Honors Program; Hinds Eagles Marching Band; Hinds CC Deaf Club; BSU
Career Goals: To graduate from Hinds Community College as a Level 2 apprentice interpreter and continue with my training to become a Level V master and perhaps work as an interpreter for government or in education.
High School: Homeschooled
Family Information: Parents: Tracey and Sid Chatfield
Hometown: McComb, MS

BOBBY GLENN

Title/Department: Director, Veterinary Technology Program
Years of Service at this Institution: 40
Years of Service in Higher Education: 40
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BS, Animal Science, MS State University.
Graduate: DVM, Auburn University
Professional Affiliations: MS Veterinary Medical Association; American Veterinary Medicine Association
Civic Activities: Alta Woods Methodist Church
Family Information: Spouse: Audrey Glenn
Hometown: Madison, MS
**WILLIAM LANE SPELL**

**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Mechanical Engineering  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.73 GPA; Valedictorian; Academic Wendy's Heisman Finalist; Eagle Scout; President's list  
**College Honors:** Holmes Plus Scholar; Historian, Phi Theta Kappa MS/LA Region; Ambassador; Cheerleader Co-Captain; Treasurer, Student Government; Volunteer Tutor; Who's Who Freshman Favorite; Homecoming Escort  
**Career Goals:** After graduating from Holmes Community College, I plan to attend Bagley College of Engineering at MS State University. I plan to work as a project engineer in the oil or chemical industry. I also plan to start several businesses in the food industry, while investing into real estate.  
**High School:** Central Holmes Christian School, Lexington, MS  
**Family Information:** Parents: William L. and Angela Spell  
**Hometown:** Lexington, MS

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**JAMES ERNEST SHIRLEY**

**Title/Department:** Instructor, Physics and Engineering Associate Department; Chair, Natural Science Department  
**Years of Service at This Institution:** 21  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 21  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: BS, Mathematics/Physics, Delta State University, 1962. Graduate: MS, Combined Physics and Mathematics, University of MS, 1965  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Honoree, Lamplighters Conference; Holmes Community College Board of Trustees Special Recognition Award; National Science Foundation Grant Recipient  
**Professional Affiliations:** MS Association of Physicists; Industrial Scientist & Engineer (retired), MS Chemical Corporation; Founder, Holmes Plus Scholarship Program; Industrial Engineering Consultant  
**Civic Activities:** Rotary Club; Mentor/Tutor, Holmes CC Former Engineering Students  
**Family Information:** Spouse: Amy; Children: Eva, Ernie, Penny and Loi; eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren  
**Hometown:** Yazoo City, MS
Blake Jordan Guntharp
Class Standing: Sophomore
Major/Minor Field of Study: Biochemistry (pre-med)
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; Dowell Leadership Scholarship
College Honors Held: President, Phi Theta Kappa; Vice-President, Student Body; Treasurer, Science Club; Who’s Who Among Students in American Community and Junior Colleges
Career Goals: I aspire to become a physician and open my own clinic.
High School: Pontotoc High School, Pontotoc, MS
Family Information: Parents: Melissa Lindsey and Keith Guntharp; Step Mother: Anna Guntharp; Step Father: Keith Lindsey
Hometown: Pontotoc, MS

Robin Monaghan Lowe
Title/Department: English Instructor, Fulton Campus
Years of Service at This Institution: 12
Years of Service in Higher Education: 20
Publications/Honors/Awards: Continued Excellence for Advisors and Bennie Warren Distinguished Advisor Award, Phi Theta Kappa, International and Regional Award; The Evelyn Webb Service Award; Two-Year College English Association of MS; Meritorious Achievement Award and Humanities Teacher of the Year, ICC
Professional Affiliations: Contact Advisor, Phi Theta Kappa; Secretary, TYCAM; Vice President, Faculty Association; Honors Council
Civic Activities: Treasurer, Beta Sigma Phi: (Epsilon Nu chapter), Amory, MS
Family Information: Spouse: Michael Lowe; Daughter: Caroline Lowe
Hometown: Amory, MS
William Kayitare

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Chemistry
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; AMGEN/CCHF Scholar; Transfer Student Success Mentor; Best Chemistry Student; President's Honor List; Phi Theta Kappa Full Scholarship Recipient; Phi Theta Kappa Officer's Award; President's List, Carl Albert State College; American Chemical Society; National Organization for Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers; Experienced Mentors Bettering Emerging Researchers; W.E.B Dubois Honors College; Who's Who among American College and Universities

College Honors Held: Phi Theta Kappa Alumni (Jackson State University); Dean's List, La Roche College

Career Goals: To attend Graduate School at the University of California, Berkeley and major in organic chemistry and specialize in the total synthesis of natural products.

High School: Wilson Christian Academy, West Mifflin, PA
Other Colleges: LA Roche College; Carl Albert State College

Family Information: Parents: Paul Bureshyo and Odeth Muteteri
Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA

Deidre L. Wheaton

Title/Department: Assistant Professor, Interdisciplinary Studies; Coordinator, Social and Cultural Studies Program
Years of service at this institution: 7
Years of Service in Higher Education: 8
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BS, English and African World Studies, Dillard University, 2001. Graduate: MS, American Culture, University of MI, 2003; MS, English with emphasis in Writing Problems/Composition, Jackson State University, 2012; PhD, American Culture with an emphasis in African American Literature and Culture, University of MI, 2008


Professional Affiliations: National Council for the Social Studies; National Association of African American Studies and Affiliates; American Association for Adult and Continuing Education
Civic Activities: Rendered service to my professional community by serving on various review boards for conferences and journals Provided service to the campus community by serving on University-wide committees and College Committees, which provide a platform for creating greater collaborations between the campus and the surrounding community
Hometown: Montrose, MS
SHAMERIA JONES  
**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Chemical Engineering  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.89 GPA  
**College Honors Held:** Letter J Award; Bazor/Devine Scholarship; ACT Scholarship; Phi Theta Kappa; Engineering Society; Student Government Association; Senator, Math Department.  
**Career Goals:** I plan to gain my Ph.D. in computational sciences and study combustion reactions for the purpose of refining space travel with cheaper fuel. My goal is to make extremely efficient fuel and by doing so I will be able to keep space travel alive even during economic hardships. These goals also include bettering myself as much as possible by way of constant problem solving. I wish to be the best scientist I can be, and to do that I will continue my learning as a way to help others and expand our knowledge of the unexplored frontier.  
**High School:** Oak Grove High School, Hattiesburg, MS  
**Family Information:** Mother: Natousha Arrington  
**Hometown:** Hattiesburg, MS

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JOAN McCoy  
**Title/Department:** Instructor, Science Division  
**Years of Service at This Institution:** 22  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 27  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: BS, Biology, University of Southern MS, 1990. Graduate: PhD, Biochemistry, University of Southern MS, 1994  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Three biochemistry research publications; over 50 published chapters, abstracts, and short articles covering science education and professional development; Exxon Education Foundation Innovation Teaching Award; Dudley F. Peeler Award for Outstanding Contributions to the MS Academy of Sciences; honored by MS House of Representatives, State Senate, and Lt. Governor for “significant contributions in the teaching of science in MS”  
**Professional Affiliations:** President and Board Member, National Association of Academies of Science; MS Academy of Sciences; JCJC Faculty/Staff Association; MS Science Teachers’ Association  
**Civic Activities:** Lion’s Club; City of Sumrall Beautification Society  
**Family Information:** Children: Kevin Cooksey, Melinda Lott, and Matthew Messer  
**Hometown:** Sumrall, MS
Jerod James Fritts  
**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Bio-Chemistry  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; All State Academic Team, Regional Vice-President (MS/LA Region), Five-Star Member and Co-Vice-President, Phi Theta Kappa; Nicholas Gianakos Memorial Scholarship; Walter and Cora Thompson Scholarship; MS Community College Student Leadership Conference  
**College Honors Held:** President's List; Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges; Ivy League; Honor's Council; Phil Hardin's Honors College  
**Career Goals:** I hope to go to either MS State or the University of MS to pursue my degree in Bio-Chemistry and get into dental school.  
**High School:** West Lauderdale High School, Collinsville, MS  
**Family Information:** Parents: Dan and Sam Fritts  
**Hometown:** Collinsville, MS

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Arthur Alvie Mitchell  
**Title/Department:** Chair, Student Success Division  
**Years of Service at this Institution:** 23  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 23  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: BS, English, University of West AL, 1978. Graduate: MAT, English, University of West AL, 1982  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Clarence Roberts Teacher of the Year; William B. Crooks Teaching Chair; T.J. Harris Award  
**Professional Affiliations:** President, Meridian Community College Faculty-Staff Association; President, MS Faculty Association for Community and Junior Colleges  
**Civic Activities:** Deacon and Sunday School Teacher, Faith Baptist Church, Meridian, MS  
**Family Information:** Spouse: Melissa C. Mitchell; Children: Betsy Mitchell Brewer, Madison Mitchell, and Alyson Mitchell; Grandchildren: Mitchell and Caroline Brewer  
**Hometown:** York, AL
Co Dai Quach
Class Standing: Junior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Biochemistry and Applied Mathematics
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.97 GPA; Tribette Award; Joseph B. Price General Chemistry Award; Robert A. Shive, Jr. Freshman Mathematics Award; President’s Scholar
College Honors Held: Pi Mu Epsilon
Career Goals: I am still undecided about my future career, but I am thinking of becoming either an engineer or a medical doctor.
High School: Le Hong Phong High School for the Gifted, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam
Family Information: Parents: Tin Han Ly and Van Yen Ma
Hometown: Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam

James Eric Bowley
Title/Department: Professor of Religious Studies
Years of Service at this Institution: 14
Years of Service in Higher Education: 21
Publications/Honors/Awards: The Dead Sea Scrolls Concordance, 5 vols.; Living Traditions of the Bible: Scripture in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Communities; Introduction to Hebrew Bible
Professional Affiliations: American Academy of Religion; Society of Biblical Literature; Association for Jewish Studies
Civic Activities: Beth Israel Congregation; Board, Dialog Institute Southwest; Board, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion
Family Information: Spouse: Bonnie Bowley; Children: Spencer, Karissa, Austin, Sophia
Hometown: Lincoln, NE
Rowan Dale Stanley St. John

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Finance/Accounting
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.87 GPA; President’s List; Dean’s List; Business Advisory Board
College Honors Held: President and Vice-President, Student Government Association; Resident Assistant
Career Goals: Attend graduate school and hopefully get a job within my major.
High School: First Baptist Academy, Dallas, TX
Family Information: Parents: Rodney and Regina St. John
Hometown: Mesquite, TX

Teresa (Glover) Floyd

Title/Department: Retired Professor, Dr., Mathematics, Science and Mathematics
Years of Service at this Institution: 33
Years of Service in Higher Education: 34
Publications/Honors/Awards: Co-Author, “Algebraic Thinking” a Middle School Teachers Manual for MDE; Recipient, Eisenhower Grants including: Number and Operation, Teaching Algebra, Teaching Geometry and Middle School Mathematics Initiative; “What do we do with Computers?”, Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin; College Teacher of the Year for MS Council of Teachers of Mathematics
Professional Affiliations: MS Vice President and numerous committees, Mathematical Association of America, LA/MS Section; Executive Board as Chair of the 7th and 8th Grade Mathematics Tournament, Conference Chair, and President, MS Council of Teachers of Mathematics; President, MS Teachers of Collegiate Mathematics
Civic Activities: Choir member, MOPS mentor, committee work, Parkway Baptist Church; Jackson Bridge Association; Clinton Arts Council; MS Blood Services Donor; Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselor
Family Information: Spouse: Pat Floyd; Children: Heather Newell and Brian Floyd; Grandchild: Zoe Newell
Hometown: Clinton, MS
**Coleby Logan Hutchinson**

**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Electrical Engineering  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Delta Delegates; Vice-President, Phi Theta Kappa; Salutatorian; Literature Award; President's List  
**College Honors Held:** AISC David B. Ratterman Fast Start Scholarship; Dean's Scholarship  
**Career Goals:** To graduate with a degree in electrical engineering and going further to get my professional engineering license  
**High School:** Bayou Academy, Cleveland, MS  
**Family Information:** Parents: Chipper and Stephanie Hutchinson  
**Hometown:** Boyle, MS

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**Anthony S. Forte**

**Title/Department:** Biology Instructor, Math/Science Division, Greenville Campus  
**Years of Service at this Institution:** 15  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 15  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: BA, Zoology, University of MS, 1979. Graduate: MScs in Natural Science, Biology, Delta State University, 1989  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** MS STAR Teacher; Lamplighter  
**Professional Affiliations:** MS Faculty Association for Community and Junior Colleges  
**Hometown:** Greenville, MS
Jolie Kate Kavanagh

**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Basic Science  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.8 GPA; Most Outstanding President Award, MS Student Association of Student Councils; State Treasurer, National Student Council; Dale D. Hawley Leadership Award; Nominated for the Biloxi Regional Caring Women Promise award; Hall of Fame; Diocese of Biloxi St. Timothy Volunteer Award; Vice President's List; Bleuer Scholarship; Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Scholarship; ACT Scholarship  
**College Honors Held:** President, Student Government Association; Secretary, Phi Theta Kappa; National Residence Hall Honorary nominee, The Wesley Foundation; Dog Pound  
**Career Goals:** To receive a doctorate in Speech Pathology and to use it to help others in poor states throughout the world.  
**High School:** Biloxi High School, Biloxi, MS  
**Family Information:** Parents: Danny and Colleen Kavanagh  
**Hometown:** Biloxi, MS

Carin Platt

**Title/Department:** Chairperson and Instructor, Developmental Studies  
**Years of Service at This Institution:** 17  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 17  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: AA, Human Services, MS Gulf Coast Community College, 1980; BS, Special Education, University of South AL, 1982.  
Graduate: MEd, University of Southern MS, 1993  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Hancock Bank Leo W. Seal Teacher Recognition Award; MGCCC Master Teacher/Facilitator; Lamplighter  
**Professional Affiliations:** Phi Kappa Phi; Delta Kappa Gamma; Vice-President, MGCCC-JC-MS Faculty Association  
**Civic Activities:** Living Well Ministries, UMC, Ocean Springs, MS  
**Family Information:** Children: Drew, Austin, and Jon-Michael  
**Hometown:** Ocean Springs, MS
Roxanne Leslie Raven

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Political Science/History and French
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.96 GPA; Presidential Endowed Scholarship; Society Of Scholars; President's List; Dean's List
College Honors Held: Council, Shackouls' Honors College; Jack H. White Outstanding Service Award; Phi Kappa Phi; Golden Key; President, MS State University Student Body
Career Goals: I would like to attend Law School and eventually become a member of a General Counsel Team at a Public University similar to MS State. As the MS State University Student Body President, I have thoroughly enjoyed learning about how Higher Education is influenced by local, state and federal laws and I want to make learning about this field, and advancing public universities with this knowledge, my life's work.
High School: Okemos High School, Okemos, MI
Family Information: Parents: Dr. Matt R. Raven and Dr. Ann Rashmir-Raven
Hometown: Starkville, MS

Rodney Pearson

Title/Department: Professor of Information Systems and Director of Student Success
Years of Service at this Institution: 29
Years of Service in Higher Education: 40
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BBA, Accounting, University of MS, 1975; BE, Computer Science, University of MS, 1975. Graduate: MBA, Accounting, University of MS, 1976; DBA, Information Systems, Harvard University, 1984
Publications/Honors/Awards: Broadening Participation in Computing Grant, National Science Foundation; Veterans Business Outreach Center Grant, US Small Business Administration; Upper Level Teaching Award, MSU Alumni Association; MSU Grisham Master Teacher; MSU Robert Keil Innovative Teaching Fellowship
Professional Affiliations: Vice-Chairman, Board, MS Department of Information Technology Services; Chair, MSU Instructional Technology Advisory Committee; Chair, MSU Student Success Committee
Civic Activities: Board Member, Memorial Gardens; Track and Field Official
Family Information: Spouse: Allison W. Pearson
Hometown: Clarksdale, MS
Gabriella Regina Yray
Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Biology/Chemistry
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.93 GPA; President's List; Dean's list
College Honors Held: Ina E. Gordy Honors College
Career Goals: To pursue the field of medicine and become a surgeon.
High School: Lewisburg High School, Lewisburg, MS
Family Information: Parents: Valerie and Michael Leathers
Hometown: Portland, OR

Tammie Lynn/Mann McCoy
Title/Department: Professor and Chair, Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program, College of Nursing and Speech Language Pathology
Years of Service at this Institution: 17
Years of Service in Higher Education: 17
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BA, Biological Science, University of MS, 1982; BSN, Nursing, University of MS Medical Center, 1985. Graduate: MSN, Nursing Administration, University of MS Medical Center, 1995; PhD, Higher Education Leadership, University of MS, 2004
Publications/Honors/Awards: Charlotte Emerson Brown Award for State Leadership, General Federation of Women's Clubs; Community Service Nurse of the Year, MS Nurses Association and MS Nurses Foundation; Distinguished Service Award, MS University for Women Alumni Association; MS University for Women Kossen Faculty Excellence Award; MS University for Women Faculty Member of the Year
Professional Affiliations: MS Nurses Association; Secretary and Accreditation Review Committee, MS Council of Deans and Directors of Schools of Nursing; Governance Committee Chair, Sigma Theta Tau International (Zeta Rho Chapter); Phi Kappa Phi; Accreditation Team, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
Civic Activities: Home Life Chair and Protocol Chairman (Southern Regions), General Federation of Women's Clubs; Finance Committee Chair, MS Federation of Women's Clubs; Parliamentarian, District III; Parliamentarian, Pontotoc Woman's Club; Secretary-Treasurer, Gavel Club; Reporter, Dixie Regional Library Board
Family Information: Spouse: Milton Bruce McCoy; Stepsons: Jonathan McCoy (Hope); Stepsons; Brian McCoy (Laura), Matthew McCoy (Brooke)
Hometown: Pontotoc, MS
Jamal Rishun Stevenson
Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Mathematics Education
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.57 GPA; Honor Scholar; 3.5-3.70 Scholar
College Honors Held: REU Participant; Kappa Delta Pi; Golden Key International; TMCF Fellow; Who’s Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges
Career Goals: My career goals are to receive a full admission into a graduate mathematics program to achieve a Doctorate in Mathematics. This will lead to my career as a college professor.
High School: Rosa Fort High School, Tunica, MS
Family Information: Parents: Meshelle Conway and Michael Stevenson
Hometown: Dundee, MS

Oko O Elechi
Title/Department: Professor, Criminal Justice Department
Years of Service at this Institution: 4
Years of Service in Higher Education: 18
Professional Affiliations: American Society of Criminology; Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences; Southwest Association of Criminal Justice; Midwestern Criminal Justice Association; Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution
Civic Activities: Assistant Secretary General, Government Secondary School Afikpo Alumni Association; Secretary, Afikpo (Nigeria) Family Union, Houston, TX
Family Information: Spouse: Juliet U. Elechi; Children: Dr. Eze Elechi, Nnenna Elechi, Ola Elechi, and Junior Elechi
Hometown: Richmond, TX
Kristin Marina White
Class Standing: Sophomore
Major/Minor Field of Study: Music Education
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.93 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa; President's List; Vice Presidents’ List
College Honors Held: Phi Theta Kappa; HEADWAE
Career Goals: I plan to receive my associate's degree at Northeast MS Community College, a bachelor's degree at MS State University, and continue on to receive my master's degree.
High School: Saltillo High School; Saltillo, MS
Family Information: Parents: Bruce and Melanie White and Jim and Michelle Denson
Hometown: Guntown, MS

Terry Frank Anderson
Title/Department: Art Instructor, Fine Arts Department
Years of Service at this Institution: 34.5
Years of Service in Higher Education: 34.5
Publications/Honors/Awards: Teaching Outstanding Performance Award, NEMCC
Professional Affiliations: President, MS Community/Junior College Art Association; MC/JCAA
Civic Activities: Board Member, Deacon and Church Pianist, Salem Christian Church
Family Information: Spouse: Pat; Children: Bryan (Ginger) and Jason (Dixie); Grandson: Nolan
Hometown: Corinth, MS
Joshua Douglas Bell

Class Standing: Second Year
Major/Minor Field of Study: Computer Programming
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.86 GPA, President's list; Vice President's list,
Career Goals: I hope to obtain an entry level position at a company with room for growth, and enhance my professional skills in a dynamic and stable workplace.
High School: Horn Lake High School Horn Lake, MS
Family Information: Spouse: Rebecca Bell; Parents: Kenneth Bell and Step-Mother Brenda Bell; Mother: Beverly Rolison and Step-Father David Rolison
Hometown: Walls, MS

Thomas Lenton Watson

Title/Department: Instructor and Director, Civil Engineering Technology
Years of Service at This Institution: 10
Years of Service in Higher Education: 10
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: US Army Advanced Non-Commissioned Officers Academy, 1995; AAS, Civil Engineering Technology, Northwest MS Community College, 2004; BS, Organizational Leadership, Union University, 2009
Publications/Honors/Awards: Top Graduate, Green Beret Engineer Course; US Army Combat Patch; US Army Bronze Star; Rotary Club; NWCC Teacher of the Month
Civic Activities: First Baptist Church, Batesville MS
Family Information: Spouse: Vicki Watson; Children: Maegen Gentry, Drew and Joseph Watson
Hometown: Greenwood, MS
Brendan Ryan Massey

Class Standing: Sophomore

Major/Minor Field of Study: Theoretical Mathematics

GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; Pearson Scholar; STEM Scholarship; Phi Theta Kappa; Five Star Competitive Edge; Sigma Kappa Delta; Mu Alpha Theta; MSLAMATYC Scholarship

College Honors: Student Government Service Scholarship; Adult Education Success Calendar; Honors College

Career Goals: To become a professor of Mathematics.

High School: GED, Pearl River Community College, Hattiesburg, MS.

Family Information: Spouse: Melinda Massey; Mother: Jennifer Massey

Hometown: Hattiesburg, MS

James David Collum

Title/Department: Instructor, Electronic Engineering Technology

Years of Service at This Institution: 7

Years of Service in Higher Education: 7


Professional Affiliations: Association for Career and Technical Education; Electronics Technicians Association international; National Association for Gifted Children

Civic Activities: Supporter, Southern MS Youth Orchestra and the Frances A. Karnes Center for Gifted Studies; Temple Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, MS

Family Information: Spouse: April Collum; Daughter: Olivia Collum

Hometown: Greenville, MS
Kathryn Dawn Blankenship

Class Standing: Second Year
Major/Minor Field of Study: Master of Arts
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA
College Honors: Alpha Sigma Lambda
Career Goals: I hope to pursue further studies in Old Testament and teach in the future.
High School: Homeschooled
Other Colleges: BA, Music, Thomas Edison State University
Family Information: Parents: Richard and Linda Blankenship
Hometown: Indianapolis, IN

Benjamin Gladd

Title/Department: Assistant Professor of New Testament
Years of Service at This Institution: 5
Years of Service in Higher Education: 7
Publications/Honors/Awards: Revealing the Mysterion: The Use of Mystery in Daniel and Second Temple Judaism with Its Bearing on First Corinthians. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter
Family Information: Spouse: Nikki; Children: Judah and Simon
Hometown: Chester, MD
Monique Channel McKoy-Lewis

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Business Administration
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.76 GPA; HEADWAE; Dean’s List; President’s list
College Honors: Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
Career Goals: Teach on the post-secondary level in Business Administration and fully develop the breast cancer outreach non-profit organization for which I am a co-founder.
High School: Vicenza American High School, Vicenza, Italy.
Family Information: Spouse: Michael K. Lewis
Hometown: Baltimore, MD

Berry Leon Cooper

Title/Department: Assistant Professor, Division of Business
Years of Service at this Institution: 3
Years of Service in Higher Education: 17
Graduate: MBA, Centenary College, 1980
Publications/Honors/Awards: Certified Internal Auditor; Certified Government Financial Manager
Hometown: Lexington, MS
Southeastern Baptist College

Laurel, MS
Interim President: Scott Carson

Matt Ruben Crumpton
Class Standing: Freshman
Major/Minor Field of Study: Associate of Arts/Bible Emphasis
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.77 GPA; Honor Graduate; Vocational Industrial Clubs of America
Career Goals: I would like to successfully graduate from Southeastern Baptist College with a bachelor's degree in Church Ministries. I would love to continue my education by earning my graduate degree in Christian Ministry.
High School: Raleigh High School, Raleigh, MS
Family Information: Spouse: Cortnee Crumpton; Children: Zhane and Rosabelle
Hometown: Raleigh, MS

Scott Robert Carson
Title/Department: Dr., Academic Dean
Years of Service at This Institution: 1
Years of Service in Higher Education: 1
Publications/Honors/Awards: Legion of Merit; Bronze Star; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Iraqi Campaign Medal; Master Parachutist Badge
Professional Affiliations: U.S. Army Chaplain Corps Regimental Association
Civic Activities: Disabled American Veterans Post 59
Family Information: Spouse: Linda Carson; Children: Melissa Pichon, and David Carson; Grandchildren: Penelope Miller, Lilly Miller, Judah Miller
Hometown: Mission, TX
Matthew Jordan Black  
**Class Standing:** Sophomore  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Criminal Justice  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa; President’s List; Award for Excellence in Criminal Justice  
**Career Goals:** To pursue a degree in Criminal Law.  
**High School:** Bogue Chitto Attendance Center, Bogue Chitto, MS  
**Family Information:** Parents: Chris Black and Sandra Graham  
**Hometown:** Bogue Chitto, MS

James Patrick O’Rourke  
**Title/Department:** Chairperson, Humanities/Fine Arts Division  
**Years of Service at this Institution:** 30  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 30  
**Academic Credentials:**  
- **Undergraduate:** BA, English, University of Southern MS, 1982.  
- **Graduate:** MA, English, University of Southern MS, 1990  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Humanities Teacher Award, MS Humanities Council  
**Hometown:** Summit, MS
AMANDA DANYELLE DORTCH
CLASS STANDING: Senior
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Psychology
GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.82 GPA; Jackson Heart Study Scholar; Ronald E. McNair Scholar
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Tougaloo College Presidential II Scholar; Who’s Who Nominee
CAREER GOALS: My goal is to acquire my Bachelor of Arts degree and enroll in a graduate school program where I will pursue a PhD in clinical psychology. Once I have this degree, I plan to become a therapist for children and adolescents.
HIGH SCHOOL: Terry High School, Terry, MS
FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Edwin and Darlene Dortch
HOMETOWN: Terry, MS

SHAILA KHAN
TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor and Chairperson, Department of Psychology
YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 18.3
YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: 33
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: MS Academy of Science; MS Psychological Association; Southeastern Psychological Association; International Society for Interpersonal Attachment and Rejection; Society for Cross Cultural Research
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Hurricane Disaster Relief Committee, American Psychological Association; MS Psychological Association; Red Cross; Coordinator, MS Bengali Academy, Jackson, MS.
FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Dr. Abu Khan; Children: Linsa Jabeen and Protiti Khan
HOMETOWN: Brandon, MS
Austin Jared Powell

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: Public Policy Leadership and Philosophy/Business Administration
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 3.75 GPA; Rhodes Finalist; Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College; Honors Thesis: “Entrepreneurial Correctional Education in the Criminal Justice System”; Presented Paper at the MS Political Science Association on the topic of “Modern Tort Reform”; Published academic writing with the University of MS Undergraduate Research Journal called “Hyper-Incarceration: America’s Deep Rooted Division in Race.”
College Honors Held: Outstanding Freshman Leader, Omicron Delta Kappa; Order of Omega; University of MS’s Columns Society; President, Associated Student Body
Career Goals: I am interested in social justice and economic policy specifically in MS. I plan to attend law school and focus on criminal law.
High School: Corinth High School, Corinth, MS
Family Information: Parents: Eric and Gwen Powell
Hometown: Corinth, MS

John Michael Czarnetzky

Title/Department: Professor of Law
Years of Service at This Institution: 22
Years of Service in Higher Education: 22
Publications/Honors/Awards: Elsie Hood Award; Outstanding Law Faculty Member; Numerous publications in business and international law
Professional Affiliations: Advisor, Holy See Mission to the United Nations; Advisor, Business Law Institute; Advisor, Thomas More Society
Family Information: Spouse: Sylvia R. Czarnetzky
Hometown: Guilderland, NY
Benjamin Wesley Carroll

**Class Standing:** Fourth Year  
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Medicine  
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.62 GPA; Gold Humanism Honor Society; UAB Center for Clinical and Translational Science Summer Research Fellow; Duke Divinity School Distinguished Service Scholarship  
**College Honors Held:** Margie Bulboff Scholarship; Carl G. Evers Leadership Award; Mark T. Smith Memorial Award; President, Carl G. Evers Honor Society; Board Member, Jackson Free Clinic; Hall of Fame; Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award; Mr. Rhodes; Rhodes Service Scholar  
**Career Goals:** To pursue a degree in Neurosurgery  
**High School:** Madison Central High School, Madison, MS  
**Other Colleges:** BA, Religious Studies, Rhodes College; Master of Divinity, Duke Divinity School  
**Family Information:** Parents: Rev. David and Laura Carroll  
**Hometown:** Jackson, MS

David Ronald Norris

**Title/Department:** Associate Professor and Director of Student Programs, Department of Family Medicine  
**Years of Service at this Institution:** 6  
**Years of Service in Higher Education:** 6  
**Academic Credentials:** Undergraduate: BS with Honors, Biology, cum laude, Millsaps College, 2003. Graduate: MD, Medicine, University of MS Medical Center, 2007; Residency in Family Medicine, University of MS Medical Center, 2010  
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Medical Student Educators Development Institute; Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Emerging Leaders Program; Gold Humanism Honor Society; Faculty Honoree; Norris D, Clark MS, Shipley S. The Mental Status Examination. American Family Physician. 94(8):635-641. Norris D, Clark MS. Evaluation and Treatment of the Suicidal Patient. American Family Physician. 85(6):602-605.  
**Professional Affiliations:** Society of Teachers of Family Medicine; Medical Student Education Committee; Gross Anatomy Test Material Development Committee; National Board of Medical Examiners; Alliance of Clinical Educators; President, UMC Faculty Senate; Diplomate, American Board of Family Medicine  
**Civic Activities:** Medical Director and Physician, Jackson Free Clinic; Volunteer Medical Director, Semi-annual Medical Mission to Leogane, Haiti  
**Hometown:** Gautier, MS
Kimberly Brooke Boisseau

Class Standing: Senior
Major/Minor Field of Study: International Studies, French, Religions
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA; Presidential Scholar; Clayton Sullivan Scholar; USM Scholar Athlete; Order of Omega; Phi Kappa Phi
College Honors Held: Ambassador, USM College of Arts and Letters; USM Cheerleader; Founding Member, Vice President of Public Relations and Marketing, and President, Alpha Chi Omega; Historian and President, L'Association Francaise
Career Goals: Enroll in a dual degree program to earn both a J.D. and a master’s with an emphasis in Human Rights and work for an international organization such as the UN or ICC.
High School: North Pontotoc High School, Ecru, MS
Family Information: Parents: Angela and Rick Allen
Hometown: Pontotoc, MS

Jiu Ding

Title/Department: Professor, Department of Mathematics, College of Science and Technology
Years of service at this institution: 26
Years of Service in Higher Education: 27.5
Academic Credentials: Undergraduate: BS, Computational Mathematics, Nanjing University, 1982. Graduate: MS, Computational Mathematics, Nanjing University, 1984; PhD, Applied Mathematics, MI State University, 1990
Publications/Honors/Awards: 114 refereed international journal publications and 6 books; University Research Award in Applied Research; University Excellence in Teaching Award; University Grand Marshal; University Innovation Award in Basic Research
Professional Affiliations: Editor, Mathematical Culture; Associate Editor, International Journal of Bifurcation and Chaos; Editorial Board, Numerical Mathematics: A Journal of Chinese Universities
Civic Activities: Faculty Advisor, Chinese Students and Scholars Association
Family Information: Spouse: Jun Li; Children: Victoria Y. Ding and Yichen L. Ding
Hometown: Yangzhou, Jiangsu Province, China
Joshua Robeson Friedeman

Class Standing: Fourth Year
Major/Minor Field of Study: Master of Divinity
GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date: 4.0 GPA
High School: Homeschooled, Jackson, MS
Other Colleges: BA, Ancient Languages, Asbury University
Family Information: Parents: Matt and Mary Friedeman
Hometown: Jackson, MS

Rebecca Ruth Luman

Title/Department: Dr. and Director of Distance Learning and Assistant Professor of Formation and Instruction
Years of Service at this Institution: 20
Years of Service in Higher Education: 17
Civic Activities: Create and lead Bible Studies, Central MS Correctional Facility; Spiritual Director, Kairos Outside, a spiritual retreat for women relatives of prisoners.
Family Information: Spouse: Karl Luman
Hometown: Florence, MS
ADRIENNE MELISSA MADDEN

CLASS STANDING: Senior  
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Biology and Chemistry (Pre-Medicine)  
GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Alpha Chi; Communications Officer, Omicron Delta Kappa  
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Carey Scholar Honors College; Pre-Student Osteopathic Medicine Association; Editor-in-Chief, The Cobbler; 3rd Place for “Best Sports Feature”, MS Press Association’s Better Newspaper Contest - Student Division  
CAREER GOALS: I plan to attend medical school and become a physician.  
HIGH SCHOOL: Purvis High School, Purvis, MS  
FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Jerry and Marissa Madden  
HOMETOWN: Purvis, MS

NOEL RUSSELL MANN

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor, Dr., Chemistry, School of Natural and Behavioral Sciences  
YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 3  
YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION: 41  
Graduate: MS, Chemistry and Physics, Delta State University, 1971; PhD, Environmental Science, University of Southern MS,1980  
PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Outstanding Young Men of America; Instructor of the Year, MS Gulf Coast Community College; Excellence in Teaching Award, National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development; Instructor of the Year, Presbyterian Christian High School; Numerous Military Awards and Decorations  
PUBLIC AFFILIATIONS: MS Association of Physicists; Past Vice-President, MS Academy of Science Retired Officers Association  
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Pastor, Plainview Baptist Church, Poplarville. Little Creek Baptist Church, Perkinston, Bethel Baptist Church, Wiggins; Assistant Moderator, Baptist Missionary Association of MS; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Southeastern Baptist College; Assistant Moderator, Board of Trustees, Youth Department and Children’s Home, BMA of MS; Missionary, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Ghana; Veteran, Vietnam, Gulf War, Cold War; U. S. Army (Ret) LTC; MS Senior Olympics medalist; National Senior Olympics; State Games of MS medalist; Participant, State Games of America  
FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Katherine Anne Mann; Children: Joshua Russell Mann, M.D., Kacey Noelle (Mann) Higdon, and Natalie Angele (Mann) Smith  
HOMETOWN: Wiggins, Hattiesburg, Petal, MS
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