171st
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
DECEMBER 12, 2020
9:00 A.M.

Mickey L. Burnim Fine Arts Center | Floyd L Robinson Auditorium
Elizabeth City, North Carolina
Elizabeth City State University
Fall Commencement
December 12, 2020
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Elizabeth City, North Carolina
Message from the Chancellor

Dec. 12, 2020

Greetings,

Welcome to Elizabeth City State University’s 171st Commencement. When our graduating seniors came to this institution, it was a very different world from when they left these hallowed halls in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. These times call for extraordinary measures such as today’s drive-thru commencement.

We honor our graduates’ courage, resilience, hard work and dedication as we recognize and celebrate their accomplishments. They came to this institution to discover their passion, and they left prepared to conquer their dreams.

There is something special about being a Viking, and our graduates join a distinguished group of more than 20,000 ECSU alumni who are making a difference in their communities. They are now part of the ECSU legacy. They will serve as professionals, leaders, problem solvers and volunteers around the world.

Thank you to the families of our graduates and the friends of the university for your commitment to our students and to ECSU. Because of your support, our graduates are taking on their roles as productive, engaged citizens; they will continue to grow and prosper; and they can forge their future with Viking Pride.

Congratulations to the ECSU Winter Class of 2020. Go forth and conquer your dreams!

With Viking Pride,

Karrie G. Dixon, Ed.D.
Chancellor
Program

Presiding:
Chancellor Karrie G. Dixon

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL ................................................. Fanfare and Processional ................................................... Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

WELCOME ......................................................................................... Chancellor Karrie G. Dixon

VIRTUAL GREETINGS .......................................................... David Powers, UNC Board of Governors
Jan King Robinson, Chair, ECSU Board of Trustees

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS ........................................................ Dr. Farrah J. Ward, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Mrs. Lenora Jarvis-Mackey, Honorary Degree
Dr. Velma Blackmon, Professor of English, Professor Emeritus Status
Dr. Ronald Blackmon, Professor of Biology, Professor Emeritus Status

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES ........................ Dr. Farrah J. Ward, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Dr. Sheila Williams, Announcer

CONFERRING OF DEGREES .......................................................................... Chancellor Karrie G. Dixon

CHANCELLOR’S CHARGE TO GRADUATES .................................................. Chancellor Karrie G. Dixon

RECESSIONAL .......................................................... Fanfare and Recessional ................................................... Edward Elgar (1857-1934)
Historical Highlights

Founding
On March 3, 1891, Hugh Cale, an African-American representative in the N.C. General Assembly from Pasquotank County, sponsored House Bill 383, which established a normal (teaching) school for "teaching and training teachers of the colored race to teach in the common schools of North Carolina." The bill passed, and Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) was born. The institution’s first name was Elizabeth City State Colored Normal School (1891-1939).

Early Leadership
The first leader, Peter W. Moore, was called a Principal (subsequent leaders would be called President, then Chancellor). Moore served as Principal and then President until his retirement as President Emeritus, on July 1, 1928. During his tenure, enrollment increased from 23 to 355 and the faculty from two to 15 members. During the tenure of the second president, John Henry Bias, the institution was elevated from a two-year normal school to a four-year teacher’s college (1937). Two years later, the institution’s name was officially changed to Elizabeth City State Teachers College (1939-1963). The growth and elevation to teachers college changed the mission to include training elementary school principals for rural and city schools. The first Bachelor of Science degrees in elementary education were awarded in May of 1939.

Continued Growth
Between 1959 and 1963, the institution became more than a teaching college, adding 11 academic majors to the original elementary education major. In 1961, the college joined the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) accrediting group and maintains its accreditation with that body to the present. In 1963, the N.C. General Assembly changed the institution’s name from Elizabeth City State Teachers College to Elizabeth City State College (1963-1969) and on July 1, 1969, the college became Elizabeth City State University. In 1971, the General Assembly redefined the University of North Carolina system with 16 public institutions, including ECSU. Together, those institutions became constituents of The University of North Carolina (July 1972).

Today
Academics. Currently ECSU offers over 30 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, with several online degree options. From business to education to aviation and emergency management, ECSU prepares students to compete in the global workforce. We achieve our commitment to the highest quality education by maintaining a rigorous focus on academic excellence through liberal arts programs and using innovative and flexible technology-based instruction models to enhance our signature areas: integrating technology with education, improving human health and wellness, and advancing the natural and aviation sciences. As of May 2020, undergraduate and/or graduate degrees have been conferred upon more than 20,000 students.

Rankings. Over the years, the university fared well among publications that rank institutions. ECSU has earned national acclaim for its advancements: U.S. News and World Report ranked ECSU #7 Top Public Schools, #14 Top Performers in Social Mobility, #22 Top HBCUs, #22 Top Regional College, South (2020-21). Washington Monthly ranked ECSU #11 Best Bang for the Buck Colleges (2020-21). Best Historically Black Colleges ranked ECSU #6 (2020). CollegeNET, Inc. ranked ECSU #7 for Social Mobility Innovator (2019). ECSU was ranked a Top 5 Military Friendly® School for small public institutions, receiving a gold medal award for its service to the men and women who serve or have served in the United States military (2020). Military Times ranked ECSU 84th in the nation for Best Bet for Vets (2020).

Leadership. On December 14, 2018, Dr. Karrie G. Dixon was named 12th Chief Executive Officer and 7th Chancellor of Elizabeth City State University. Dr. Karrie G. Dixon was installed on October 11, 2019.
Elizabeth City State University
Chief Executive Officers

Hugh Cale
Founder and member of the
N.C. General Assembly

Peter Weddick Moore, A.M., LL.D.
Principal, 1891-1928
President Emeritus, 1928-1934

John Henry Bias, A.B., LL.D.
President, 1928-1939

Harold Leonard Trigg, Ed.D.
President, 1939-1945

Sidney David Williams, A.M., D.PED.
President, 1946-1958
President Emeritus, 1969-1974

Walter Nathaniel Ridley, Ed.D.
President, 1958-1968
President Emeritus, 1988-1996

Marion Dennis Thorpe, Ph.D.
President, 1968-1972
Chancellor, 1972-1983

Jimmy Raymond Jenkins, Ph.D.
Chancellor, 1983-1995
Chancellor Emeritus, 1995-

Mickey Lynn Burnim, Ph.D.
Chancellor, 1995-2006

Willie James Gilchrist, Ed.D.
Chancellor, 2007-2013

Charles L. Becton, J.D.
Interim Chancellor, 2013-2014

Stacey Franklin Jones, Ph.D.
Chancellor, 2014-2015

Thomas E. H. Conway, Jr. Ph.D.
Chancellor, 2016-2018

Karrie G. Dixon, Ed.D.
Chancellor, 2018-
Regalia

The pageantry of today’s academic procession harks back to the middle Ages. From the monk’s habit has evolved the long black gown, and from the cowl, which monks wore as shoulder covering, comes the hood. The square “Oxford Cap” with stiff crown, known as the mortarboard, was developed from the skull caps worn by churchmen. American colleges and universities adopted the custom of wearing the gown, hood, and cap from English universities, and this ceremonial attire has withstood centuries of modifications in form, fabric, and color from its early European inception.

In 1895, a uniform code for academic costumes was adopted by most colleges and universities in the United States. This code prescribes the style of gown and hood worn by the degree recipient.

THE GOWN

BACHELOR’S GOWN - black, has long pointed sleeves, and is worn closed.

MASTER’S GOWN - also black, is usually worn open, and has longer, narrower, closed sleeves which extend below the knee.

DOCTORAL GOWN - usually black also, but may be of a color representing the institution granting the degree; two, five-inch wide velvet panels extend from the collar to the hem along the front edges of the gown, worn closed, and the bell-shaped sleeves have three velvet bars.

Colors

Modern times have allowed some variation in color scheme, including both the color of the gown and sleeve stripe, but most generally, discipline colors are restricted to the hood. The lining of the hood is usually done in the colors of the institution conferring the degree, and the bars of color on the hood represent the academic field in which the degree was awarded. Although not all-inclusive, examples of discipline colors are:

- Arts, Letters, Humanities .................................. White
- Business Administration/Commerce .................. Drab
- Economics .................................................. Copper
- Education .................................................. Light Blue
- Fine Arts (including Architecture) ................. Brown
- Journalism .................................................. Crimson
- Law .......................................................... Purple
- Library Science .......................................... Lemon
- Medicine .................................................. Green
- Music ...................................................... Pink
- Nursing .................................................... Apricot
- Oratory (Speech) ......................................... Silver Gray
- Philosophy ................................................ Dark Blue
- Physical Education ...................................... Sage Green
- Public Administration/Foreign Service ............ Peacock Blue
- Public Health ............................................. Salmon Pink
- Science Golden .......................................... Yellow
- Social Science ........................................... Cream
- Social Work .............................................. Citron
- Theology .................................................. Scarlet
The Mace

Bearer of the Mace

The Mace, representing the ceremonial symbol of authority, is worn by the highest grade point average of an undergraduate non-transfer graduating senior earning all credits at ECSU. It was designed by Professor Alexis Joyner, former Chair of the ECSU Art Department, and unveiled at the installation of Chancellor Mickey L. Burnim on October 18, 1996. The Mace is 70 inches tall and consists of three dynamic centers of significant components. The focal point is a replica of a Viking’s head, cast in bronze, with brass rays extending from the center depicting knowledge, enlightenment, wisdom and democracy; a bronze seal of the University adorns the reverse side. Chosen for its durability and dark, rich color, the Mace’s wooden staff is crafted from black walnut, topped with a hand-turned polished brass finial, and is footed with a base replicating the ancient, time-defying pyramids.

GRADUATION HONORS
To be eligible for degrees with distinction, a student must have earned at least 60 semester hours in residence at Elizabeth City State University. The student must also have the required overall average in all course work attempted and at least a 3.00 cumulative grade point average in all transfer courses.

CUM LAUDE (With Honor) White Cord Awarded for a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 to 3.59

MAGNA CUM LAUDE (With High Honor) Gold Cord Awarded for a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 to 3.79 with no grade below “C”

SUMMA CUM LAUDE (With Highest Honor) Scarlet Cord Awarded for a cumulative grade point average of 3.80 to 4.00 with no grade below “C”
Candidates
Saturday, December 12, 2020
Graduation

Candidates for Graduation

**HONORS**

**Baccalaureate**

**SUMMA CUM LAUDE** (With Highest Honor)
- Daniel Dean Ashley, Engineering Technology, Gates, NC
- Christopher James Colvin, II, Aviation Science, Elizabeth City, NC
- Jaida Monét Ellis, Psychology, Bowie, MD
- Alexis Renee Galloway, Graphic Design, Moyock, NC
- Parker Allen Hammer, Biology, Moyock, NC
- Kameron Iriarte, History, Elizabeth City, NC
- Jarrett Aaron Moss, Aviation Science, Spring Hope, NC
- Beatriz Pinheiro Aroso Neto, Business Administration, Espinho Aveiro Portugal

- Caitlin Marie Patterson, Chemistry, Bladenboro, NC
- James Earl Smith, Criminal Justice, Elizabeth City, NC
- Victoria Grace Vacca, Mathematics, South Mills, NC

**MAGNA CUM LAUDE** (With High Honor)
- Tyrus G. Alston, Kinesiology, Raleigh, NC
- Joann Nicholett Burgess, Business Administration, Elizabeth City, NC
- Ny’Ghea Alexis Freeman, Biology, Ahoskie, NC
- Lakisha Trinelle Garrett, Social Work, Roanoke Rapids, NC
- Cameron James Harmon, Aviation Science, Elizabeth City, NC
- Maria Antoinette Knight, Business Administration, Edenton, NC
- Rebecca Kiley Ann Rawls, Biology, Elizabeth City, NC

**CUM LAUDE** (With Honor)
- Emmanuel A. Butts, Business Administration, Jacksonville, NC
- Rachel Alexandra Casas, Special Education, Columbia, NC
- Lindsay Nicole Dalton, Criminal Justice, Hertford, NC
- Kathy Elaine Ekstrom, Interdisciplinary Studies, Elizabeth City, NC
- Laura Lynn Flowers, Biology, Moyock, NC
- Travis Deroecha Harding, Elementary Education, Garysburg, NC
- Asia JaCole Honablew, Birth through Kindergarten, Creswell, NC
- Armani A. Hope, Aviation Science, High Point, NC
- David J. Lassiter, Kinesiology, Edenton, NC
- Dion C. McDonald, Kinesiology, Elizabeth City, NC
- Rashan Mckey, Criminal Justice, Clayton, NC
- Alexander James O’Connor, Aviation Science, Chesapeake, VA
- Jessica Pizano, Psychology, Elizabeth City, NC
- Naima Imani Ramirez, Criminal Justice, Elizabeth City, NC
- Heaven N. Tate, Mathematics, Elizabeth City, NC
- Diamond Andrea Vann, Psychology, Elizabeth City, NC
- Alnekia Shanice Wheeler, Interdisciplinary Studies, Tarboro, NC
**MASTER OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**
Sean Daniel Lynam, School Administration, South Mills, NC
Cotina Eason Skinner, School Administration, Hertford, NC

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS**
Bradley Wayne Brickhouse, Jr., Mathematics, Columbia, NC

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION**
Rachel Alexandra Casas, Special Education, Columbia, NC
Gabrielle Mae’cha Clark, Birth through Kindergarten, New Bern, NC
MeShawn Latoya Hall, Birth through Kindergarten, Edenton, NC
Travis Deroecha Harding, Elementary Education, Gaysburg, NC
Asia JaCole Honablew, Birth through Kindergarten, Creswell, NC
Shakayla Allena Jordan, Elementary Education, Elizabeth City, NC
Maria Del Carmen Lopez, Elementary Education, Hertford, NC
Ebony Jalisa Reid, Birth through Kindergarten, Elizabeth City, NC
Krashauna S. Williams, Birth through Kindergarten, Elizabeth City, NC

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Tyrus G. Alston, Kinesiology, Raleigh, NC
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Tamara Nicole Lee, Social Work, Roanoke Rapids, NC

As final action cannot be taken by the time this program is printed, the listing of candidates and honor rankings is tentative. The university reserves the right to withdraw or add names and honors after the printing of this program.
Newly Commissioned Second Lieutenants in the United States Army

2LT Emmanuel Alexander Butts – United States Army, Ordnance Corps
2LT Major E. Parsons – United States Army, Field Artillery Corps
2LT Kiera Destiny Forte Reid – United States Army, Quartermaster Corps
2LT Diamond Andrea Vann – United States Army, Signal Corps

Thesis for Master of Science in Mathematics, Computer Science and Engineering Technology

Bradley Brickhouse | Julian Allagan, Thesis Chair,
“Introduction To Chromatic Polynomials Of Graphs And Hypergraphs”

Thesis for Master of School Administration

Sean Lynam | Dr. Kay Burks, Committee Chair,
“Evidence of Preparedness in School Administration”
Cotina Skinner | Dr. Kay Burks, Committee Chair,
“A New Beginning”
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Senior Class Dedication

With Special Thanks and Appreciation

On behalf of the Class of 2020, we extend a heartfelt thank you to all faculty, staff and administrators who have contributed to making this a successful year.

A special thank you to Chancellor Karrie Dixon.

Senior Class Officers

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The Oath of Allegiance

I hereby solemnly pledge unbroken allegiance to my Alma Mater in appreciation for the opportunities for development afforded me as a student at Elizabeth City State University.

I pledge active membership in the National Alumni Association wherever I may be. Through association with my fellow alumni, I shall forever do my best to uphold the ideals and traditions of my Alma Mater.

I pledge, as a person, to exemplify high ideals by rendering positive and dignified service to the community, state, nation, and world, thus living to bring honor and respect to my Alma Mater.

The Star Spangled Banner

O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hail’d at the twilight’s last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight
O’er the ramparts we watch’d were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?
Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;

Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,

Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.*

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,

Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,

Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,

We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,

Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
God of our weary years,

God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light,

Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,

Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,

May we forever stand.
True to our God,
True to our native land.

*Please be seated.
To thee Dear Alma Mater,
A tribute song we sing,
Of thy true worth to all of us
O may we honor bring.

Refrain
Hail to thy lovely halls, ECSU
We’ll hear when duty calls, ECSU
Faithful and ever true, we’ll be to you.
For in our hearts, we’ll still love thee ECSU.

So now we’ll join together
For thee O’State to work
Let none of us be faint at heart
Nor any duty shirk.

Words & Melody by
Joy Wallace Brown

Harmonized by
Evelyn Adelaide Johnson