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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE



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May 1, 2021



Greetings to the Newest Falcon Graduates! I consider it an honor to be one of the first to congratulate the Class of 2021 on your graduation from Saint Augustine's University. Also, we are pleased to welcome the members of the Class of 2020 who are marching with the 2021 Falcons because the Covid-19 disrupted our 2020 commencement.

I applaud your perseverance and determination to complete your academic pursuits during the midst of a world-wide pandemic. This global tragedy has claimed the lives of over 3 million people globally and over 550,000 in the United States. Now, more than ever, the world is waiting for your brilliance and your vigilance. Your generation has seen more challenges than any before related to economic and social justice issues. But through your decision to finish this chapter of your educational journey, I am convinced the best is yet to come!

I encourage you to hold fast to the relationships you have forged with faculty, staff and your fellow Falcons here at SAU. You can now add your narrative to the one that describes the excellence on this campus among the dark hue of the violet and snow white lily's bloom. Saint Augustine's is the hope for current and future generations. We remain a beacon light for a generation that must face the darkness of racial oppression, but I see you -- with your heads unbowed but staring in the future -- your futures squarely in the face.

It is my hope that you will not stop here. I encourage you to seek after more opportunities to CREATE knowledge and share it with your peers and the world. Remember that the entire Falcon Family is here to support your efforts to reach your professional and personal goals. You are truly the epitome of Falcon Pride today and tomorrow! Again, I wish you the best. God's Speed and Congratulations!

Sincerely,

President

ORDER OF COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE

Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail
President, Saint Augustine's University
Presiding

Processional **"Pomp and Circumstance" The Saint Augustine's University Wind Ensemble**
Written by Edward Elgar *Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductor*
Arranged by James D. Ployhar

(Please remain seated during the processional)

Posting of the Colors **Army ROTC Color Guard**

(Please stand during the Posting of the Colors, National Anthem and the Negro National Anthem)

National Anthem **"The Star-Spangled Banner" The Saint Augustine's University Chamber Singers**
Written by Francis Scott Key *and Wind Ensemble*
Arranged by Steve Smith *Mr. Dessalines Ford and*
Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductors

President's Welcome **Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail**

Negro National Anthem **"Lift Every Voice and Sing" The Saint Augustine's University Chamber Singers**
Written by J. Rosamond Johnson and James Weldon Johnson *and Wind Ensemble*
Arranged by Alfred Davis *Mr. Dessalines Ford and*
Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductors

Invocation **The Reverend Hershey Mallette Stephens**
Chaplain

(Please stand and sing the University Hymn located on page 26 of the program)

University Hymn **The Saint Augustine's University Chamber Singers**
Written and Arranged by William A. Perry, Class of 1902 *and Wind Ensemble*
Mr. Dessalines Ford and
Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductors

Remarks **Ms. Chandra Duanae Mackey**
President, Class of 2021

Ms. Aaliyah Williams
President, Student Government Association

Mr. Bercario Bodie, '20
President, Class of 2020

Recognition of Platform Guests and Introduction of the Speaker **Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail**

Musical Selection **"Make Them Hear You" The Saint Augustine's University Chamber Singers**
from Ragtime, The Musical *Directed by Mr. Dessalines Ford*

Commencement Address **Marchell Adams-David**
City Manager, City of Raleigh Municipal Government

Presentation and Conferring of Honorary Degrees **Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail**
Dr. Josiah J. Sampson, III
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferring of Honorary Doctoral Degrees
Kevin “Coach K” Lee, ‘20
Benjamin Lloyd Crump, Esq.

Presentation of Candidates **Dr. Josiah J. Sampson, III**
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees **Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail**
Dr. Josiah J. Sampson, III

The Recognition of Commissioned Officers

Oath of Office **LTC Marcus Bynum**
Professor of Military Science

Alumni Induction Ceremony **Mr. Joseph “Joe” Lynn, ‘79**
Alumni Trustee Representative
Mrs. Sheryl H. Ximines, ‘86
Director, Office of Alumni Affairs

Special Presentation **Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail**

Retiring of the Colors **Army ROTC Color Guard**

Benediction **The Reverend Hershey Mallette Stephens**

Alma Mater **“The Blue and White”** **The Saint Augustine’s University Chamber Singers**
Written and Arranged by William A. Perry, Class of 1902 **and Wind Ensemble**
Mr. Dessalines Ford and
Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductors

Recessional **“The Crowning Glory”** **The Saint Augustine’s University Wind Ensemble**
(Please remain seated during the recessional.) *Written by Alfred Reed* *Mr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Conductor*

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

MARCHELL ADAMS-DAVID

Marchell Adams-David is a native of Richmond County, more specifically Hamlet. Marchell has lived a life committed to public service. She is currently the City Manager for the City of Raleigh. She is the first African American and first female to serve in this capacity in the state's capital city. Prior to her 2014 appointment as Assistant City Manager for the City of Raleigh, NC, Marchell served the City of Hamlet for 20 ½ years – the last 13 as City Manager. Her efforts in community development, community engagement, downtown revitalization, fiscal accountability, and strategic planning helped the City of Hamlet to brand itself as “The Little Town that Does.” One of Marchell's greatest accolades in her professional career was the relocation and renovation of the award- winning Hamlet Passenger Depot. She was also instrumental in rebuilding a sense of community pride and creating a sense of place for the City of Hamlet after the Imperial Foods Fire.



A 1988 graduate of Richmond Senior High School, Marchell has always valued education and the opportunities that a solid education affords. A two-time graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill, she earned her B.A. in Public Policy Analysis with an emphasis in State & Local Administration and her Master of Public Administration with a concentration in Public Management. She was an instructor at Richmond Community College and served as an adjunct professor for the University of North Carolina at Pembroke in the Political Science/Public Administration Department for approximately 20 years and intends to continue teaching after retirement from local government.

In her role as Raleigh's City Manager, Marchell leads a City of more than 500,000 people, 4,100+ full-time employees within 20 departments, 3,000+ part-time employees and a capital and operating budget of \$1 billion dollars for FY 20-21. “This is a career opportunity of a lifetime and one that I am not only qualified for, but one that I am uniquely built for during this challenging time in our country's history, says Adams-David.”

A firm believer in the principle “To Whom Much is Given, Much is Expected & Required”, Marchell has often sacrificed herself for the good of the community. Her greatest personal accolade is being the mother to her three daughters Brianna, Kiersten and Kennedy.



HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

KEVIN "COACH K" LEE, '20

Kevin "Coach K" Lee is one of the most innovative and influential figures in modern hip-hop who has a proven gift for spotting new talent, and new ways to promote them. As a manager, label owner, and innovator, he's played a key role in making trap music one of the most successful genres of the new millennium. In 2013, Coach K and partner Pierre "P" Thomas formed Quality Control Music - the label that has evolved top artists such as: Migos, Lil Baby, Lil Yachty, City Girls, and more. In 2020 QC's Lil Baby released *My Turn*, the highest selling & streaming album of the year and the first and only album of 2020 to go RIAA certified double-platinum, with his entire catalogue hitting over 20 Billion streams.

Coach K and P also act as managers of Solid Foundation Management and have expanded Quality Control's reach into sports and film. QC Sports currently represents star running-back Alvin Kamara of the New Orleans Saints and more recently D'Andre Swift who was drafted to the Detroit Lions and wide-receiver Deebo Samuel of the San Francisco 49ers. QC Films is responsible for the forthcoming "City Girls: The Series" and "Ice Cold." Coach K and P have earned the prestigious titles of 2018's Executives of the Year by Billboard, Innovators of the Year by Variety, and served as co-chairs of the 2019 Revolt Summit in Atlanta. Coach K and his work with QC has received high praise from The New York Times, The New Yorker, Billboard, Document Journal, Variety, XXL, Vice, The Source, and Steve Harvey on Watch, and joined his co-founder in gracing the cover of Complex. Throughout his career, Coach K has shown a talent for balancing an old-fashioned eye for talent with an uncanny understanding for where the industry's going next.

Lee was born in Indianapolis, Indiana and raised by two generations of women who worked at a nearby RCA Records pressing plant and kept their homes filled with music. He first got in touch with his competitive side on the basketball courts of the city's Tarkington Park. Basketball took him around the world, taught him how to navigate different cultures and classes. Eventually it earned him a scholarship to the Historically Black University, St. Augustine's University in Raleigh, North Carolina. Lee received his Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management in May of 2020 from his beloved Alma Mater, St. Augustine's University. In October 2020, Lee was inducted to the Indianapolis Public School System's Hall of Fame as an Inspiring Alumni.

An offer to run a label for childhood friend and Atlanta Hawk Alan Henderson brought Lee to Atlanta just as the city was just beginning to establish itself as a hip-hop capital. He soon found a part to play in the city's rise. As manager for Young Jeezy, Lee used mixtapes to negotiate the rapper's evolution from street CEO to serious artist. With Gucci Mane, he harnessed the newfound power of social media and the new digital mixtape format to elevate him from a local mixtape sensation into an internet icon. The strategies he developed for his artists quickly became the new industry standard, not just in hip-hop but for all facets of the music business.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

BENJAMIN LLOYD CRUMP, ESQ.

Through a steadfast dedication to justice and service, renowned civil rights and personal injury attorney Benjamin Crump has established himself as one of the nation's foremost lawyers and advocates for social justice. His legal acumen has ensured that those marginalized in American society are protected by their nation's contract with its constituency. He is the founder and principal owner of Ben Crump Law.

Crump's tireless advocacy has led to legislation preventing excessive force and developing implicit bias training and policies. He has been nationally recognized as the 2014 NNPA Newsmaker of the Year, The National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Lawyers, Ebony Magazine Power 100 Most Influential African Americans and has been referred to as "Black America's Attorney General." In 2016, he was designated as an Honorary Fellow by the University of Pennsylvania College of Law



He has represented families in several high-profile civil rights cases including George Floyd, who was murdered by police in Minneapolis in 2020; Breonna Taylor, who was murdered by police in her own apartment in Louisville in 2020; Trayvon Martin, who was killed by a neighborhood watch volunteer in Sanford, Florida, in 2012; Michael Brown, who was killed by a law enforcement officer in Ferguson, Missouri, in 2014; as well as the residents of Flint, Michigan, who were affected by the poisoned water of the Flint River. Crump represented 9 of the 13 black women who were victims in the Holtzclaw Oklahoma City Police rape case in 2015 and worked on the precedent-setting U.S. Supreme Court case involving excessive police force against Robbie Tolan in 2008.

Crump is the President of the National Civil Rights Trial Lawyers Association and previously served as President of the National Bar Association. He was the first African-American to chair the Florida State University College of Law Board of Directors and currently serves on the Innocence Project Board of Directors. He is the founder and director of the Benjamin Crump Social Justice Institute.

Among dozens of accomplishments, Attorney Crump has been recognized with the NAACP Thurgood Marshall Award, the SCLC Martin Luther King Servant Leader Award, the American Association for Justice Johnnie Cochran Award, and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Eleanor Roosevelt Medallion for Service.

He hosted the critically acclaimed legal docudramas "Evidence of Innocence" on TVOne and "Who Killed Tupac: The Search For Justice" on A&E, and served as executive producer of the documentary, "Woman in Motion," about Nichelle Nichols, one of the first African-American TV actresses. He is a frequent contributor to Huffington Post Black Voices, CNN, and USA Today.

Crump's book, published in October 2019, *Open Season: Legalized Genocide of Colored People*, reflects on the landmark cases he has battled, and how discrimination in the courthouse devastates real families and communities.

Crump graduated from Florida State University and received his law degree from FSU College of Law. He is married to Dr. Genae Angelique Crump.

CANDIDATES FOR BACHELOR DEGREES

Spring 2021 Commencement

Bachelor of Arts Degrees

Communication
Elementary Education
English
Film
Music
Political Science
Psychology
Religious Studies
Sociology
Theatre
Visual Arts

Bachelor of Science Degrees

Accounting
Biology
Business Administration
Chemistry
Computer Information Systems
Criminal Justice
Engineering Mathematics
Exercise Science
Physical Education
Organizational Management
Public Health Science
Sport Management

Students Graduating with Honors are notated with (*) asterisks.

***Cum Laude 3.40 – 3.59 (double white cords)**

****Magna Cum Laude 3.60 – 3.79 (double gold cords)**

***** Summa Cum Laude 3.80 – 4.00 (one white cord and one gold cord)**

(+) Summer 2019 and Summer 2020 Graduates are notated with a (+) plus symbol.

(#) Fall 2019 and Fall 2020 are notated with a (#) numeric symbol.

(^) Presidential and Honor Scholars are Graduates notated with a (^) caret symbol.

Spring 2020 Degree Candidates for Bachelor of Science

School of Business, Management & Technology

Bercario Giovanni Bodie ***^	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Kade Bodie ***	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Shavaughn E. A Coakley	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Rakwon Credle-Titus #	<i>Riverdale, MD</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Jalen C. Gaddy *	<i>Durham, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Kivarno Denard Handfield	<i>Orlando, FL</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Bobby James Hill	<i>Levittown, PA</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Ellis Joseph Lee Hill	<i>Rocky Mount, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Otis L. Hill Jr. #	<i>Rd. Supply, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Jailyn N. Johnson #***^	<i>Highland Springs, VA</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Lenwood M. Joyner +	<i>Miami, FL</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Andre Labat	<i>Miami, FL</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Jaylon Gregory Lynn	<i>Garner, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Avery Manigault	<i>Mount Pleasant, SC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Cortney McCoy	<i>Clayton, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Shianka McKay	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Accounting</i>
Raven Alexis Mobley	<i>Marshville, NC</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
James Thomas Moore ***	<i>Spring Lake, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Curt Daryel Morris	<i>Carterville, GA</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Quinton Lamar Morrow	<i>Burlington, NC</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Carnell Jerome Norfleet #	<i>Williamston, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Sheila Odhiambo #***	<i>New York, NY</i>	<i>Accounting</i>
Jaquan Rayshaun Phillips #	<i>Rocky Mount, NC</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Kamaya Alicia Renwicks	<i>Baltimore, MD</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Christian Y. Smith	<i>Grayson, GA</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Jasean Corte Smith	<i>Scotland Neck, NC</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Edmond Steele IV	<i>Knightdale, NC</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Shyheim Deshon Swinson #	<i>Virginia Beach, VA</i>	<i>Sport Management</i>
Alcion Thompson	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Marcelas Wilkinson	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Accounting</i>
Justin Guy Williams	<i>Westbury, NY</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>
Kaaliya Williams	<i>Petersburg, VA</i>	<i>Business Administration</i>

Spring 2020 Degree Candidates for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

School Of Humanities, Education, Social & Behavioral Sciences

Jimmie D. Allen	<i>Fort Washington, MD</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Makayla Johnne' August	<i>Desert Hot Springs, CA</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Karise Baron *	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Visual Arts</i>
Aqueelah Tydaj'sha Brown	<i>Raeford, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Jailyn Tahirah Brown *	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Martinay Butler	<i>Washington, DC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Joshua Theron Cartwright	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Shankia Faith Clark	<i>Orlando, FL</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Michael Steve Collins *	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Timbrel Ann-Marie Cunningham	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Communications</i>
Leroy Dean	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>English</i>
Charles Edmond II	<i>High Point, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Joseph Jermaine Edwards	<i>Kinston, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Hayward Leonder Fain, Jr. #	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Breana Jhane Gambrell #*	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Communications</i>
Rashad D. George	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Visual Arts</i>
Diamond Da'jana Harris #	<i>Camoron, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Bryka Jeanna Hewett	<i>Knightdale, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Sayetia Latisha Hilliard	<i>Henderson, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Juwan Tyree Ingram	<i>Salem, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Brittany Alanna Jamison	<i>Summerville, SC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Erica Nichelle Jeffries	<i>Graham, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Roy Garris Jr.	<i>Knightdale, NC</i>	<i>Communications</i>
Chelsea Bonee' King	<i>Nashville, NC</i>	<i>Visual Arts</i>
Cameron Jamal Lee **	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Noel Yuuka McNeil	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Angie Alexandra Mejia-Ruiz #**^	<i>Durham, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Jeremiah Nathan Miller	<i>Miami, FL</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Calvin Nathaniel Montgomery Jr.	<i>Baltimore, MD</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Duane Murray **	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Karolynn Murray	<i>Kinston, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Imani Prince-Gay *	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Billie Jean Savage	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Ronesha Mikia Scott #*	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Janazjia' Tyaira Smith	<i>Washington, DC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Shalisa Haile Smith #	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Wanae Denazia Smith **	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Kaveyana Jamesia Snow	<i>Smithfield, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Queen Ester Terry #*	<i>Henderson, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>

Jeydri Urbina ***^	Honduras	Communications
Tanisha Wall	Franklinton, NC	Sociology
Mariska Janay Whitaker	Roanoke Rapids, NC	Theatre
Markyl Wilson	Spartanburg, SC	Sociology
Marcus Jon Woods	Durham, NC	Criminal Justice

Spring 2020 Degree Candidates for Bachelor of Science School of Sciences, Mathematics & Public Health

Asia Shanice Bethea #	Charlotte, NC	Public Health Science
Arlenn Campos-Martinez	Middlesex, NC	Biology
Angela Yvonne Caraballo	Richmond, VA	Biology
Marcella Dobberty Da Costa ***^	Fayetteville, NC	Biology
Naudia Manee Gay^	Goldsboro, NC	Biology
Samantha Gray	Nassau Bahamas	Biology
Aarnesica Aashad Harris	Wakeforest, NC	Public Health Science
Derrell Joseph Harrison	Winston-Salem, NC	Exercise Science
Na-Jay Hakeem Harrison	Rocky Mount, NC	Exercise Science
Angelica Patrice Henderson	Springs, Georgia	Exercise Science
Abib Alaya Rebecca Hooker	Charlotte, NC	Chemistry
Celine Or'Nea Elaine Jones **	West Palm Beach, FL	Exercise Science
Aminah Octavia Keys #	Charlotte, NC	Public Health Science
Lashan Eloise Knowles *	Nassau Bahamas	Biology
Eddiesha R. M. Laing	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Engineering Mathematics
Emon D. Lawson-Lester	Halifax, VA	Engineering Mathematics
Nia Moore	Deltona, FL	Public Health Science
Myhikkah Rickara Morris *	Nassau, Bahamas	Public Health Science
Kamari Quandre Parks #	Kinston, NC	Exercise Science
Karen Lizbeth Pichardo #*	Knightdale, NC	Biology
Ayinde Rami Pope *	Brooklyn, NY	Exercise Science
Aziza Pope ***	Brooklyn, NY	Public Health Science
Sean Patrick Smith	Raleigh, NC	Exercise Science
John Anthony Soriano III	Eastside, CA	Engineering Mathematics
Chuka Umeana	Raleigh, NC	Public Health Science
Darryl Lee Webster Jr. #	Raleigh, NC	Exercise Science
Quylaijia Jikieria Williams	Lillington, NC	Exercise Science

Spring 2020 Degree Candidates For Bachelor of Arts & Bachelor of Science Department of Extended Studies

Deidre Jelani Alford **	<i>Knightdale, NC</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
Tawanna Jones *	<i>Algonquin, IL</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
Kevin Robert Lee	<i>Atlanta, GA</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
Marie M. Powell ***	<i>Garner, NC</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
Phyllis Ann Price #	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Religious Studies</i>
Maggie Maria Rodriguez ***	<i>Zebulon, NC</i>	<i>Religious Studies</i>
Denise Sheree Scott	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Religious Studies</i>

The Commencement Program is published prior to the satisfaction of all graduation requirements. Therefore, the roster of degree candidates represented may not be complete. This program does not represent the University's official certification of degree requirements.

Spring 2021 Degree Candidates for Bachelor of Science School of Business, Management & Technology

Ovonnie Baker	Philadelphia, PA	Business Administration
Tashoy Tashane Blake *	Stone Mountain, GA	Sport Management
Kerri Dominique Brodie ***	Raleigh, NC	Accounting
Samuel Cudjoe **^	Bethel Trinidad Tobago	Sport Management
Aaron Daley	Nassau Bahamas	Computer Information Systems
Shaquille Alen Dill #	Pembroke Bermuda	Sport Management
Tanner Mason Duncan #	Clayton, NC	Business Administration
Shania Tyneisha Duncombe ***^	Nassau Bahamas	Accounting
Devante Jervon Gardiner #	Grand Turk, West Indies	Business Administration
Angela Adamaris Gutierrez-Castillo ***^	Honduras	Accounting
Phillip Marcelle ***	New Rochelle, NY	Sport Management
Kurt Modeste ***	Grenville, Grenada	Computer Information Systems
Tavon Murphy #	Charlotte, NC	Computer Information Systems
Heave Nahra	Woodbridge, VA	Computer Information Systems
Malik Juwon Newbold	Nassau Bahamas	Computer Information Systems
Tanae Alexia Newry **	Naussau Bahamas	Accounting
Briana Dayon Person ***	Virginia Beach, VA	Accounting
Travis Pratt	Raleigh, NC	Computer Information Systems
Jessica Quiller	Raleigh, NC	Business Administration
Tony M. Rodgers +	Waldorf, MD	Computer Information Systems
Wanda Ross	Raleigh, NC	Business Administration
Jordan Alyssa Rozier ***^	Raeford, NC	Business Administration
Danielle Chaunte Scantlebury **	St. George, Barbados	Accounting
Lavar Christen Stubbs # *	Nassau Bahamas	Business Administration
Brandon Valentine-Parris	Saint Vincent	Sport Management
M'kyah Lavon Waddy	Waldorf, MD	Business Administration

Spring 2021 Degree Candidates for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science School Of Humanities, Education, Social & Behavioral Sciences

Ishmael Baldwin +	LA Grange, NC	Sociology
Sabrina Janeisha Barnes	Warrenton, NC	Elementary Education
Shantel Barnes	Warrenton, NC	Sociology
Kejuan Best	Raleigh, NC	Sociology
Armani Elizabeth Bostick	Rockingham, NC	Psychology
Kevin Stanley Brown *	Raleigh, NC	Criminal Justice
Nakia Yasmeen Brown	Goldsboro, NC	Psychology

Justin Bush	<i>Holly Springs, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Jazmyl Clarisa Christian #	<i>Oxon Hill, MD</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Marquie Clemonts	<i>Weldon, NC</i>	<i>Communication</i>
Nia Imani Cornegy ***	<i>Laurelton, NY</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Dandre Donte' Conyers #	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Destiny Racquel Cruz	<i>Murfreesboro, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Dejuan Roya Davis	<i>Waldorf, MD</i>	<i>Communication</i>
Jadareah DeBerry	<i>Wadesboro, NC</i>	<i>Communication</i>
Milequa Shania Eason	<i>Woodland, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Hope Infinity Evans	<i>Salisbury, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Joyce Flores **	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
India La'Shae Frederick	<i>North Brunswick, NJ</i>	<i>Criminal Justice / Theatre</i>
Baron Freeman	<i>Hampton, VA</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Priscilla Clara Gilbert #	<i>College Point, NY</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Junine Shacquana Goodison *	<i>Maricopa, AZ</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
LaShonda Renee Hardison	<i>Fayetteville, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
I'-Yana R. Harrison	<i>Oxford, NC</i>	<i>Political Science</i>
Bryka Hewett +	<i>Knightdale, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Briana Rae Hicks #	<i>Garner, NC</i>	<i>Communication</i>
Jonise Holmes	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Deja Alexis Huggins	<i>Creedmoor, NC</i>	<i>Visual Arts</i>
Tireka Johnson	<i>Rocky Mount, NC</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
Takiya Jordan	<i>Fayetteville, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Ileana Elane Joseph #	<i>Monroe, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Sha'nia Sequoia Leach ***^	<i>Wake Forest, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
Brandon Long #	<i>Jacksonville, FL</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Darnecqua Lucas	<i>Upper Marlboro, MD</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Osei Malloy +	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Visual Arts</i>
Nija Aquette McAdams	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Gia Brittany Minnis **	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Nia May Phillips	<i>Bronx, NY</i>	<i>Communication</i>
Desmond Antonio Quinerly # *	<i>Garner, NC</i>	<i>Health & Physical Education/Non-Teaching</i>
Draquan Tyheem Ray	<i>Fayetteville, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Adrail T. Reid	<i>Monroe, NC</i>	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Heavenly Alexis Robinson	<i>Salisbury, NC</i>	<i>Psychology</i>
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Cashmere Waynique Bentley	<i>Franklinton, NC</i>	<i>Exercise Science</i>
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Ciani Crissie Bradley *	<i>Middletown, DE</i>	<i>Biology</i>
Candace Demery #	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Exercise Science</i>
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De'narius Guy	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Exercise Science</i>
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Rodney Montel Hawkins	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Engineering Mathematics</i>
Alex Victor Johnson ***^	<i>Nassau Bahamas</i>	<i>Public Health Science</i>
Danyzia Jones *	<i>Charlotte, NC</i>	<i>Public Health Science</i>
Shannon Chrisann Ocia Kalawan #	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Exercise Science</i>
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Markaylia T. Mitchell +	<i>Greenville, NC</i>	<i>Public Health Science</i>
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Elijah Potts	<i>Durham, NC</i>	<i>Public Health Science</i>
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Anjenesha Lache Shuler	<i>Farmville, NC</i>	<i>Public Health Science</i>
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Ernestine Bailey Johnson	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Religious Studies</i>
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April Elyse Kilson *	<i>Rocky Mount, NC</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
Damien Antoinette Mitchell	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>	<i>Organizational Management</i>
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ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic regalia has a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townspeople – men and women – wore long flowing robes and gowns. The materials and colors varied according to the wealth and rank of the individual and were governed by royal decree. Gradually, distinctive gowns were developed for the various professions, trades and guilds.

Students in the medieval universities of Paris, Bologna, Oxford and Cambridge organized themselves into guilds. Their usual garb, a long gown, was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore robes and also hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head and the hood became a cope that could be pulled over the head during unpleasant weather. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the robe and hood were adapted by their faculties for bachelor's (apprentices of arts), master's (teachers), and doctor's (teachers, who had completed postgraduate studies). Variations appeared mostly in the hood and were regulated by strict rules. Tailors who departed from the authorized design could be punished. When caps and hats came into fashion in the fifteenth century, the hoods became ornamental, draped over the shoulders and down the back.

The academic hat was adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. It was first worn as a symbol of the master's degree and existed in various forms. Some caps were stiff, some soft, some square, and some round with a tuft in the center. The tassel of today is an elaboration of the tuft. The mortarboard style comes from Oxford University.

When academic regalia came to America in 1754, styles were quite varied. In Europe they still are; however, in the United States, usage has been standardized by the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume.

Hoods for American usage are lined with colored silk. The colors of the linings are indicative of the degree-granting institution and the velvet trim indicates the degrees awarded. The colors used in the hood of Saint Augustine's University academic regalia are blue and white. When the University awards honorary degrees, the outside of the hood is black and bordered with different velvet or velveteen colors to indicate the discipline or the area in which the honorary degree is awarded. For example, purple indicates an honorary degree for Civil Laws, white for Humane Letters or Arts and Letters, and gold for Sciences. The reading of the degree, not the department or discipline in which the major work was done, determines the proper color of the border.

The colors of representative fields are:

Architecture	Violet
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Accountancy, Business, Commerce	Drab
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts	Brown
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Science	Gold-Yellow
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Speech	Silver-Gray
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President McPhail, guests, members of the graduating class, ladies and gentlemen. Again, the portals of our Alma Mater have opened and through them appear candidates for graduation who seek admission to the coveted realm of its sons and daughters. They stand with great anticipation awaiting their call to duty in whatever matter may be coming to those who have worshipped at her shrine.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT: By what means are the candidates proven worthy?

DIRECTOR: By their deeds and actions, their loyalty, and pursuit of wisdom.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT: Who represents the candidates that are said to be worthy?

DIRECTOR: Their chosen representative **Ms. Chandra Duanae Mackey, president of the Class of 2021**

CLASS PRESIDENT: Let the candidates stand.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT: Graduates, raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear to uphold the program of the Saint Augustine's University Alumni Association with your talents, your time, and contributions?

GRADUATES: We solemnly dedicate ourselves to the program of Saint Augustine's University Alumni Association. We shall achieve leadership through excellence.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT: Will you take care to see that your Alma Mater is informed always of your professional successes and the successes of other Alumni?

GRADUATES: We shall take care to do so.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT: So help you God.

GRADUATES: So help us God.

DIRECTOR: Graduates, please repeat after me. I shall strive to perpetuate friendships begun while in Saint Augustine's University. I shall strive to promote the cause of Education in general. I shall use my influence in my community to encourage worthy students to matriculate at Saint Augustine's University. **EACH YEAR**, in keeping with my income, I plan to make a financial contribution to Saint Augustine's University.

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STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Written by Francis Scott Key

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched 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.
Oh, 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

Written by James Weldon Johnson

Music by John Rosamond Johnson

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 died?
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.

UNIVERSITY HYMN

Words and Music by William Augustine Perry, Class of 1902

God of every Nation, Every Race and Creed;
Lord of every creature, Every budding seed;
Friend of every right and foe of every wrong;
Father, Son, Great Spirit, Listen to our song.

So with thankful hearts, we worship and adore Thee,
Father, Son, Great Spirit,
Holy Trinity.

Ye alumni loyal, who have passed and gone,
Of your Christian lives this day for us was born.
Grant, O God, that we may live as worthily,
Passing onward greater opportunity.

So with thankful hearts, we worship and adore Thee,
Father, Son, Great Spirit,
Holy Trinity.

ALMA MATER

(The Blue and White)

Words and Music by William Augustine Perry, Class of 1902

The dark hue of the violet
The snow white lily's bloom,
Are emblems of the virtues rare
That seal all failure's doom;
That give us courage ever
To dare to do the right;
For Alma Mater dear they stand,
All hail the Blue and White.



This Shield of Saint Augustine's University incorporates two images, Saint Augustine and the Tree of Knowledge and is the official logo of the University. Saint Augustine's University was incorporated in 1867 in Raleigh, NC. The background of the Shield consists of seven wavy stripes, representing "Seven Springs," the original name of the property on which the school was established. Forming a cross against this background are two bands of priestly black, representing the two chief clerics who made the school possible: Bishop Atkinson and Father Smith. The heart of gold, enflamed and pierced by arrows is the internationally recognized symbol of Saint Augustine of Hippo, representing his zeal and the pain of his sacrifices. The crest above the Shield shows a Falcon's bell, symbolic of the school's athletic mascot and subordinate to an oak tree of learning, symbolic of the prime function of the institution. Lastly, the Latin words Veritas Liberabit Vos (Latin) is a variant of Veritas liberabit vos (the truth shall set you free), Chapter 8: verse 32 of the Gospel of John.

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