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# COMMENCEMENT

MAY 9, 2009

### ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding: David A. DeCenzo, Coastal Carolina University President

**Processional** 

Pomp and Circumstance Sir Edward Elgar Coastal Carolina University Symphonic Band

James Tully, Conductor

Star Spangled Banner

John Stafford Smith/Francis Scott Key arr. James Tully

Coastal Carolina University Concert Choir

Frances T. Sinclair, Director

Coastal Carolina University Symphonic Band

James Tully, Conductor

**Presentation of Colors** 

Coastal Carolina University Army ROTC Color Guard

Invocation

Preston McKever-Floyd

Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies

University Chaplain

Welcome and Acknowledgments

David A. DeCenzo

President

William H. Alford

Chairman, Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

*God Bless America* arr. Christopher

Coastal Carolina University Concert Choir

**University Distinctions** 

David A. DeCenzo

**Introduction of Speaker** 

Trevor Arrowood

President, Student Government Association, 2008-2009

Bachelor's Degree Candidate, Class of 2009

Address

Edward Ball

**Conferring of Honorary Degrees** 

David A. DeCenzo

Edward Ball, Doctor of Humane Letters
Presented by Trustee Samuel H. Frink

Clay D. Brittain Jr., Doctor of Public Service Presented by Trustee Daniel W.R. Moore Sr.

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### ORDER OF EXERCISES

Hilda M. Carter, Doctor of Public Service Presented by Trustee William H. Alford

Arthur H. Lachicotte, *Doctor of Public Service* Presented by Trustee Joseph L. Carter

Conferring of Degrees in Course

David A. DeCenzo

Robert J. Sheehan

Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

Henry Lowenstein

Dean, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration

Gibson F. Darden

Interim Dean, Spadoni College of Education

William H. Richardson

Dean, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Michael H. Roberts

Dean, College of Natural and Applied Sciences

Alma Mater

William R. Hamilton arr. James Tully

Coastal Carolina University Concert Choir Coastal Carolina University Symphonic Band

Benediction

Preston McKever-Floyd

Recessional

Coastal Carolina University Symphonic Band

#### Faculty Announcer

Preston McKever-Floyd, Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University Chaplain

#### Faculty Marshal

Donald J. Millus, Ph.D., Professor of English, Senior Faculty Member

#### Student Marshals

Elizabeth West, Graduate Studies

Maranie Staab, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration

Theresa Schamberger, Spadoni College of Education

Jill Nyhof, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

David A. Vilga, College of Natural and Applied Sciences

#### Ushers

Today's ushers are students representing the Coastal Carolina University Student Alumni Ambassadors, Omicron Delta Kappa, Wall Fellows, Leadership Challenge and the Student Government Association, as well as athletic event volunteer ushers.

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### 2009 HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS



#### 2009 COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

#### EDWARD BALL • Doctor of Humane Letters

Edward Ball received the 1998 National Book Award for Nonfiction for his first book, "Slaves in the Family," an investigation of 175 years of slave owning on his family's plantation near Charleston, S.C. Born in Savannah, Ga., Ball earned a bachelor's degree from Brown University and a master's degree from the University of Iowa. His other books include "The Sweet Hell Inside: The Rise of an Elite Black Family in the South," "Peninsula of Lies: A True Story of Mysterious Birth and Taboo Love" and "The Genetic Strand: Exploring a family history through DNA." Ball served as an art and film critic on The Village Voice and has written for many publications including The New York Times, New York magazine, Premiere, Artforum, Elle and many others. He taught in the writing program at the University of Iowa and in the film studies program at William Paterson University. Ball produced "The Other History," a radio documentary about slavery commissioned by National Public Radio, and he has appeared on "Oprah," "Good Morning America," "CNN Sunday" and many other television news programs.



### CLAY D. BRITTAIN JR. • Doctor of Public Service

Clay D. Brittain Jr., a pioneer in the Myrtle Beach area's tourism industry, is chairman emeritus of the board of the Myrtle Beach National Company and has been involved in many leading business enterprises in the Grand Strand area including the Sea Captain's House and the Chesterfield Inn. Born in Winston-Salem, N.C., Brittain attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has been an active member of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce since the 1950s, and he received the organization's 2005 Ashby Ward Pioneer of the Year award. He has served on the board of directors of Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday and the South Carolina Golf Course Owners Association. A longtime supporter of Coastal Carolina University, Brittain was named an honorary founder of Coastal Carolina University in 1995, and in 1997 he received the Jason Ammons Free Enterprise Award from the E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration. He has been a member of the Coastal Educational Foundation since 1976, including a term as president. Brittain was instrumental in the establishment of the University's PGA Golf Management program. The Clay Brittain Jr. Center for Resort Tourism was established at Coastal Carolina University in 2001.



#### HILDA M. CARTER • Doctor of Public Service

Hilda M. Carter has been involved in the civic life of the Grand Strand for more than 40 years. She has been a newspaper columnist, a television show host, a beauty pageant organizer, and an enthusiastic promoter of the culture and lifestyle of the Myrtle Beach area. She is known statewide for her work in pageant competitions, having often served as a judge, tutor and consultant. Carter serves as vice president of the Beach Music Association International and is a longtime advocate for the recognition of beach music and of the state dance, the shag. A native of Wilmington, N.C., she was involved in the Azalea Festival in its early years. After moving to Myrtle Beach, she was involved in the Sun Fun Festival. She has taken an active, personal part in many area civic organizations, including the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society and the Red Cross. She is particularly proud of her role in establishing the scholarship component of the Miss Myrtle Beach Pageant. Carter was awarded the Order of the Silver Crescent, the state's highest award for volunteer and community service, by Gov. Jim Hodges.

### 2009 HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS



### ARTHUR H. LACHICOTTE JR. • Doctor of Public Service

Born to a family with deep roots in the South Carolina lowcountry, Arthur Herbert (Doc) Lachicotte Jr. has emphasized the history and beauty of the region throughout his distinguished career in business and real estate. Born in Pawleys Island, Lachicotte earned a bachelor's degree in horticulture from Clemson University and served in World War II. His business activities have included manufacturing the world famous Original Pawleys Island Rope Hammock and the development of significant real estate and golf course properties, particularly along the Waccamaw Neck area of Georgetown County. He is involved in Ponderosa Inc., owners of Pirateland Family Campground and the Caledonia and True Blue golf courses. Lachicotte's considerable community involvement includes serving on the boards of the Georgetown Marine Institute, the Georgetown County Water and Sewer District and the Horry-Georgetown Technical College Foundation. He is a trustee emeritus of Brookgreen Gardens, a former member of the Clemson University Board of Visitors and an active member of All Saints Church. In 2007, Lachicotte was named a South Carolina Economic Development Ambassador for Georgetown County by Gov. Mark Sanford.

### RETIRING EMERITUS FACULTY

The Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees recognizes the meritorious service of a retiring professor with the title of Distinguished Professor Emeritus or Emeritus Professor. These titles are granted to professors meeting established eligibility criteria. Distinguished Professor Emeritus and Emeritus Professor are earned titles that acknowledge the value of an accumulated record of teaching, research and community service with the university.



### GILBERT H. HUNT Distinguished Professor Emeritus

Gilbert H. Hunt joined the Coastal Carolina University faculty in 1975, and he served as dean of the Spadoni College of Education from 2001 to 2008. He is the author of four books and more than 25 journal articles on public school and higher education topics. Some of the state and local organizations he has worked with include Phi Delta Kappa, Association of Teacher Education, the South Carolina Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (president 2001-2002), the National Middle School Association and The Renaissance Group. Hunt earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Campbell University and a master's degree and Ph.D. in elementary education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In 1999, Hunt was recognized by the South Carolina House of Representatives for his distinguished work as a professional educator.



### E. CRAIG WALL SR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

#### Master of Business Administration

Christine Lee Bell Brandon Taylor Charpied George Brendon Clonts Karla Kay Davis Krystal LaTrisha Davis Courtni Clardy Day John Wiley Dennis III Vanessa Rene Fiske Kathleen Emilyn Heher Lucas Herman Nicholas Terry Hucks Chrystal Marie Johnson Mariana Levi Adam Cole Rabon Daniel Alexander Smith Barry Randall Spivey Gregory Timothy Thompson George Von Todd Matthew Allen Turbeville Michael John Wallace Jr. Kimberly Lynn Warne Keith Phillip Wehrung

### SPADONI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

#### Master of Arts in Teaching

Steven Durell Barr James Elba Booth III \* Ienna Marie Boyle \* Katherine Noel Bracero \* Nicholas O'Brian Bratcher \* Rebecca Ann Carter \* Amanda June Daley \* Victoria Lahoma Damron \* Adalia Bahiyyih Ellis \* Chelsea Marissa Engle \* Travis Ryan Evans \* Christopher Michael Ferry \* Lauren Nancy Green \* Crystal Dawn Parsons Griffith \* Shawna Annatte Halbert \* Dana Kay Hamilton \* Elizabeth Ann Harvey \* Douglas Robert Henderson \* Jennifer Lynn Hess \* Lauren Preston Hinson \* Dawn Danielle Hodges Neal Anthony Howe \* Lyndsay A. Knowles Leah Elizabeth Kunz\* Amanda Storey Lane \* Mario James Lawrence Scott Lenox Lefke \*

Michael Maloney \* Alexander Louis Mazevski \* Kenneth Howard McWilliams \* Jenelle Million \* Robbie Anthony Morales Jr. \* Amy Bree Murphy \* Kendra Lea Osbahr \* Jon Reed Peret \* Stephanie Arlene Piette \* Mark Alexander Robinson \* Paul McKeever Robinson \* Danielle Nicole Sauvé \* Michelle Elaine Scott \* Heather Elizabeth Smith Panteleimon A. Taxakis \* Chadd Michael Toothman \* Matthew James Vassallo \* Gregory Shepard Williams \*

### Master of Education

Gini Ingram Abee
Tracy LaShawn Swinton Bailey
Meredith Lee D'Amico
Jamie Ranee Mishoe Gore
Robin Andrea Hardwick
Jamie Jones Hedges
Lori Vasser Hudgins
Jill A. Lovell
Alison Rabon Martin
Gillian Nicole McColgan

Casey Elaine Roberts Crystal Faye Seaver Terasa Marie Young

### COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES

#### Master of Science

Samuel J. Gary Jr.
Carrie Anne Jones
Jessica Laurel Kanes
Jeremy Wade Mull \*
Craig Patrick O'Connell
Megan Schaeffer Savard
Laura Jean Shappell
Julia Loretta Stevens
Eric Lee Tosso
Emma Kate Wear
Rebecca Alice Xiques

The list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will, in fact, receive a degree from Coastal Carolina University at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student's name from this list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. Honors for degree candidates are based on the cumulative grade point average on file at the time of application. Honors to be printed on the diplomas will be based on the final Coastal Carolina University cumulative grade point average.

L'Tisha Lee Love \*

Where indicated with an asterisk (\*) the individual is a candidate for graduation based on a minimum amount of coursework to be completed by August 2009, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation.

summa cum laude A cumulative GPA of 4.0

magna cum laude A cumulative GPA of 3.75 to 3.999

cum laude A cumulative GPA of 3.5 to 3.749

\*August 2009 Graduate

### E. CRAIG WALL SR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Christopher Jamal Abercrombie Jill Angeline Adams Stephen Derek Adkins Jessica J. Alden Caroline Joy Alderman Ionathan Michael Anderson Kristyn Deanna Anderson Amna Anjum Jordan T. Armstrong \* John William Arrants \* Christopher Arrington II Margaret Louise Bailey Carson Franklin Baker \* Chad Eric Barnes Amber Lindsey Barton Michael Jay Baumhor Maurice Lamont Bellamy Wendy Ann Bernstein - magna cum laude Krista Alexandra Bird \* Jeff Collin Bleiler Felicia Marie Bolick Todd Anthony Boucher Joseph Dalton Bowen \* Timothy Allan Bowie - magna cum laude Joshua Cody Brannon Holly Marie Broadwater \* Tiffany Nicole Brown - magna cum laude Robert James Bruecken Joseph Vann Burgess Nickolas Matthew Buttles William Garrett Camp \* Christopher Ryan Carter Stuart Hames Cason Elizabeth Ann Casselman \* Aubrey Phillip Castor \* Gary Frank Catalanotto Donald Weston Christy \*

Aaron Thomas Clark Jr. Anthony Joseph Cocca \* Ross Allen Collins \* Jordan Nathan Colway \* Ashley L. Connor \* Candace Carolyn Cooper Michael Sean Corbett Maura Nicole Counahan Wesley Paul Covely \* Katherine Leigh Cressinger Joshua Fredrick Cudney Peter Daniel D'Amico \* Iessica Elizabeth Davis David Del Pizzo Jr. Gregory Reid Delco Brent Raymond Derbecker Danielle Leigh DeSonia \* Adam Jonathan Dexter \* Paul Daniel Dienberg \* Petya Spasova Dimitrova Joshua David Dissin Brian McCarthy Doring Matthew Steven Dougherty Jimmy Douglas Doyle - magna cum laude James Donald Easterling Rebecca Erin Eckard Brian Joseph Edwards Sarah Ruth Eggebeen David Michael Ellis Bryson Sidney Elvis Mark Scott Evanko - cum laude Francis Earlee Evans III David William Fallon \* Daniel Lee Fazakerly \* Lindsay Michelle Fertig - magna cum laude Carlos Antonio Figarella \* Geoffrey Tyler Finnie Matthew Allin Fish Austin Jay Fleet - magna cum laude Christopher Michael Fling - cum laude Mattie Ryan Flowers - cum laude Lydia Ann Fore

Daniel Loren Forshaw \*

David Michael Fox Daniel Gordon Franks Jordyn Che' Funderburk Alexandra Jeanne Galanis Michael Paul Garbett Harrison Lee Gaskins - cum laude Amanda Kay Gilbert \* Kevin James Gilbert - cum laude Paige Catherine Glerum Lacey Jean Gonzalez Remy Gahie Gouahoury Jr. \* Matthew Justin Goudy Trent Dwayne Graybeal \* Peter John Graziano Michael Scott Green Jr. Ryan Eric Green - magna cum laude Iames Fredrick Grice Jr. - cum laude Braxton Wells Hall \* Bethany Frances Hamilton \* Matthew Wilson Hammond Andrew Taylor Harrelson Lauren Elizabeth Harris Deborah Alford Haselden \* Earl Woodrow Hawley III Emily Rachel Hefner \* Laura Ann Hendershot \* Jared Allen Hensley Ainsley Morgan Hertrich \* Ashton Michael Hildebrand Timothy Ryan Hinkle - cum laude Kyle Stetson Hoddy William Benton Hodges Andrew Joseph Hoffman III Amanda Lee Hollingsworth - magna cum laude Charles Damon Holmes Matthew Milton Holmes Cameron Donald Hooper - cum laude Trevor Andrew Horrocks - magna cum laude Benjamin Grady Hosenfeld Kevin Matthew Howard

Jamie Gayle Hug Richard James Hunt Jr. \* Ron Christopher Jackson William Joshua Jackson Keredith Cherise James Christopher Julian Janus \* Stefan Roumenov Jelev Brian William Johns - magna cum laude Ralph Howard Jones \* Adrienne Marie Jordan Anna A. Kaufmann Justin Patrick Keenan Gregory James Keil \* Christopher James Keller - cum laude Erik Matthew Kelly Caitlin Barrett Kenney Nathan Richard Kimball \* **Dustin Anthony King** Howard King - magna cum laude Joshua Brandon King Amy Marie Krainas Shari Lee Kuck Marielle J. Kuhlman \* Thomas James LaBaugh Jr. \* Deborah Anne Leibbrandt - cum laude Stephen B. Lanham Ashton Edward Lawrence Patrice LaVerne Lawson Oron Levi \* Timothy Leo Linehan \* Ana Ashley Long - cum laude Aaron John Lopatich Seth Robert Lorson \* Paul Edward Louis III Madison Anjanette Lucas \* Thomas Mark Lyons Jr. Adrian D. Mackey \* Christina Patricia Mango Shaun Michael Manson Megan Elizabeth Manter Anthony Wesley Maria Charles William Mason Robert John Mattei \* Justin William Maxwell

Kassi J. Hucks \*

Karlene Amanda McCathern Meghan Marie McCausland - magna cum laude Amy Lynn Mello Sonila Merkouris Jeffrey Nalls Michlovitz Christopher Donald Miller - magna cum laude Sally Ann Miller - magna cum laude Jonathan Wesley Mishoe II \* Kevin Andrew Mitchell \* Travis Michael Mogilski \* Cynthia D. Moore Heather Marie Moore **James Thomas Moore** - cum laude Lashonda Marinda Moore Christopher M. Moran Jason Martin Morra Robert Quentin Morrell Jr. Erik Mitchell Morrison Luke Christopher Morrow \* Neil Alan Mover \* Madeline Rose Mrozek Michael Thomas Muller Tyrone Brian Murphy Nikole Jeanell Nelson \* Simone Silva Neves Susana Silva Neves Teodora A. Nica Joshua L. Norman Linda Patricia Nuss Matthew E. Oliver \* Monish Ajit Patel Mary Elizabeth Perian Andrew John Pesa Michael Anthony Pesce \* Robert Alan Peterman **Justin Riley Phillips** - cum laude Casey Pierce Lisa Jeannette Pierce Timothy B. Pittman Neal Ryan Player Jordan Michael Plyler \*

Zachary Steven Poinar \*

Robert John Pommerenke Daniel Gregoire Potts - magna cum laude John George Pratsinak \* John Scott Prevatte Joseph Michael Primeau \* Sirtoria Sharell Purnell Wahid Hussaini Quadri Russell Alan Radel \* Amanda Elizabeth Ranum Whittmin Antoinelle Reese \* Thomas Matthew Reynolds - magna cum laude Christopher Daniel Ribe Brandon Heath Roach Kelly Elizabeth Roark Kisha Lilly Roberts William Patrick Ross \* Christopher N. Ross-da Silva \* William Durand Rowehl Samuel James Rozier Christopher Hood Rudden James Patrick Salazar \* Ryan Matthew Samuelsen Lisa Maria Schaefer - summa cum laude Bonnie Maria Schwerd - magna cum laude Vincent Charles Serio \* Paddy Kathleen Shaughnessy Victoria Allison Sheets \* Allison Ellen Sheppard Julie Rae Shoaf Arthur Fitzgerald Sitton \* Bradford Blair Skupaka Kimberly Michelle Small \* Michelle La'Trece Smalls \* Adam Thomas Smith Hollie Felton Smith Justin Clayland Smith \* Lauren Nicole Snider Douglas Andrew Spender Jr. Julia Francesca Spurlock \* Michael Bradley Stalvey Jeffrey Robert Stanford \* Alexa Michelle Stoop

Blake Gordon Strong

Dana Elizabeth Stubbs Sara Ashley Sutherland - magna cum laude Özgür Takmaz - summa cum laude Anna Alexandrovna Taormina Michael Buford Taylor \* Tyra L'Chela Taylor \* Steven B. Teague Cory Michael Tolerton \* Allison Rose Tomko \* Jeffrey Frederick Townsend \* William Taylor Turbeville Miller Caitlyn Turner \* Kathryn Gibeau Upchurch - magna cum laude Ryan Allen Updike \* Vincenzo D. Ursino - cum laude Arthur Bradley Vooys \* Kevin James Waldron Kristopher Robert Walker Christine Jolly Walraven Brian Edward Watson Michael David Weaver Alex Weilersbacher \* Nicole Michelle Welo \* Matthew Goodrich White \* Craig Ryan Willey Kai Richard Williams Reuben Hayes Williams Coe Armstrong Wilson Terence Randall Wilson Madeleine G. Winstead - cum laude Candra Vinetta Witt \* Brandon Lee Woodrum - magna cum laude Courtney Brice Wooten Clayton Ashworth Wynne John Wayne Xanthos \* Alizar Nicholas Zorojew - magna cum laude

### SPADONI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Education

Bachelor of Science

Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

Nicole Kathleen Abelli Rachel Devlin Addis Michael Kent Altman \* Charles Christian Asbury Brenton Michael Atkins Erica Lauren Ayersman - cum laude Alicia Ann Bagatti Amanda Leigh Baxter Raegan Elizabeth Belk - magna cum laude Amy Elizabeth Boulton - magna cum laude Daniel Carl Boyd \* Nikki Reed Brawley - magna cum laude Charles Wesley Brown Patrice Clare Brown Sylvia Brown Andrew Cory Bruton Leroy Burgess III Gina Marie Burroughs \* Zachary Michael Byrd Christina Allyson Byron Alana Elizabeth Cambareri - magna cum laude McKenzie Lee Cantwell - cum laude Quentin Brandon Canty Kevin Patrick Casse \* Casey Andrew Casselman \* Erin Wood Caswell \* Ryanne Christine Cessna - summa cum laude Hannah Louise Chavis - cum laude

Caleb Moses Coblentz Caroline C. Cole \* Harold Hubert Collins Jr. \* Sarah Jeannette Collins - cum laude Erin Nicole Compton - magna cum laude Megan Kathleen Conroy \* Kristin Leigh Cook \* Michael Robert Coppola Bethany Janette Cordell - cum laude Steven Bahjat Courtney \* Paul Daniel Covine Kari Lynn Cregger Kristen Leigh Cribb - magna cum laude Brittany Dawn-Para Cummings - magna cum laude Anna Mary D'Andrea - magna cum laude Ashley Lynn Davis - cum laude Matthew Dominic DeCastro Lisa Marie Delk Kristin Margaret Distad - magna cum laude John Fowler Dodenhoff\* La'Toya Monique Eaddy Kari Anne Edwards \* Cierra Nicole Ellerbe \* Allison Leigh Elliott Brett Richard Etter \* Dale Wesley Eutsler Rebecca Marie Filler Amanda Lee Findlay - magna cum laude Scott Allan Finnegan Jason Patrick Fong Sam \* Jerald Jamison Fordham Andrew David Fox Cara Ann Gallagher - cum laude Roger William Gantt Jr. Caryn Anne Gavelek Keyatta Tyreese Gee

Rachel Lynn Gibbons

John Charles Gilday Laura A. Ginder \* Margaret Anne Gise - cum laude Melissa Nicole Gray Kelli Joann Green Wanda Nichelle Green \* Lua Navvab Greene \* Miles Anthony Groff \* B. Devan Gwin \* Joseph Jon Anthony Harris \* Heather Michele Haupt - cum laude Ashlee Ward Hendrix - magna cum laude Maria Carmella Henry \* Jewell Ashleigh Hilbourn - cum laude Samantha Caroline Hinton \* Christine Marie Hofmann - summa cum laude Steven Robert Holmes \* Brittney Lyn Holsinger - cum laude Robert Allen Holstein Casey Alexander Hornung Robert Talmadge Horton Chase Adam Howe Kristin Lee Hucks Kristen Leigh Hunter - magna cum laude Jennifer Marie Janes - magna cum laude Jacob Addison Jarrell \* Brittney Noel Johnson Harold Karlton Johnson Jessica Lynn Johnson \* Rufus Jermaine Johnson Maegan Elizabeth Jordan - cum laude Alexander George Katsianis Damon Paul Kempski \* Susan Brown Key - summa cum laude David Gene Keyes \* Tiffany Ann Killian

- magna cum laude

Margaret Elizabeth King \*

Michael David King \* Heather Sharee Knight Ashley Nichole Lamontagne \* Philip Ernest Lauer \* Breon Damien Lee Sarah Opal Libby Pamela Irene Liggett \* Micah Adam Lillard \* Kimberly Michelle Lombardi - cum laude Hayley Christine Lynch - magna cum laude Heather Lee MacRae ~ cum laude Sara Jean Mailloux - cum laude Kandice Mercedes Marchman \* Kevin Michael Marrie Marshawn Markise Martin \* Matthew Glenn Massey Maren Knight McCarty Gwenn Elizabeth McCoy - cum laude Rebecca Lynne McCredy Brandy Nichole McCutchen - magna cum laude Robert Mcrae McIver - magna cum laude Martha Brittney McMillan - summa cum laude Willa Kathryn Means Amanda Danielle Mehany \* Lauren E. Micho Ashton Rhea Mincey Blair Kathleen Monroe Kelsha Patrease Moore - cum laude Rebecca Adriana Morgan Heather Lynne Mullendore Robert Lloyd Mullinax - magna cum laude Terry James Murphy Jeremy Deon Neal Mallory Marie Neal \* Ashley Celeste Nelson Kelli Jean Nilan \* Thubelihle Nkomazana

Emma Catherine O'Brien-Gayes - magna cum laude Ericka Danielle O'Connor Nicole Michelle Ottavinia Heather Jean Outlaw - cum laude James Brian Pallassino Katherine Patrice Parmelee Ashley Darren Pearce \* Cameron Ainsley Pickens \* Nicole Marie Pioli Ashley Bunker Poston \* Matthew Ryan Poston LaShauntra Teresa Powell - cum laude Theresa Eileen Power - magna cum laude Ashley Ann Price Amanda Caitlin Przybylowski - cum laude Rachel Marie Ramsey Matthew David Rathbone \* Alysa Ann Reardon \* Christine Kelly Redmond - cum laude Jennifer Marie Regan Lindsay Michael Renolds Lindsey Michelle Richardson - cum laude Courtney Marie Rowell - cum laude Andrea Michelle Rudder Christopher Michael Sabbia \* Justin Daniel Salorio \* Lance Michael Sampieri - cum laude Andrea Santonastaso - magna cum laude Brittney Tierra Scott \* Krista K. Selvey - cum laude Steven Mark Sexton \* Jeffrey Joseph Shencavitz Sara Ann Sholomicky - cum laude Eric Jerome Singleton LeAuna Sistrunk

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Antonio S. Nunes

Alexis Ann Skelley \* Ionathan David Slatten - cum laude Erica Leigh Durham Smith - magna cum laude Jennifer Nicole Smith Jessica Rosetta Smith - cum laude Justin Allen Smith \* Suzanne Katie Smith - magna cum laude Whitney Lauren Spinks Kelli Nicole Stanton - cum laude Frank Paul Starace Brett Ashley Starbuck - cum laude Anthony Cortez Steele Zachary Major Stines - cum laude Hollis Nichole Strickland \* Kayla Marlowe Strickland Nickolas Jerome Sumpter \* Kenneth Leiner Supplee Kayla Eileene Swinyer James Richard Taylor \* Felicia Jenise Thompson - cum laude Lauren Elizabeth Thompson - magna cum laude Travis Anthony Thompson \* Susan McKenzie Tickel Brittany Nicole Tinder Brett Anthony Toler \* Carrie Leigh Tomchik - magna cum laude Lacy Marie Turner Laura Elizabeth Usher - magna cum laude Jennifer Lauren Vallee Chantal Reneé Vereen Megan Bethany Vereen - magna cum laude Margaret Ellen Viner Cecilia Johanna Ware - magna cum laude Ronald DeOntae Washington Marissa Elyse Watson

- cum laude

Michelle Marie West - magna cum laude Keli-Jo White - magna cum laude Mary Elizabeth Whitt - cum laude Jason Ryan Wilkes Jessica Marie Williams Jeremy Jonathan Winans Jessica Marie Wolfe Layden Benjamin Wood IV Ameriki Dawn Worrell - cum laude Jennifer Marie Worthington Ashley Marie Yount \* Alyssa Erin Zechman \* Ashley Elizabeth Zurowski

THOMAS W. AND ROBIN W. EDWARDS COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

#### Bachelor of Arts

Sarah Leann Abushakra Ashley Regina Acquaviva \* Samantha Jo Agnew - cum laude Derek Matthew Allison Claire Marie Arambula - cum laude Christopher John Arcari Whitney Lanné Ard - magna cum laude Elijah Washington Armstrong Trevor Lee Arrowood \* Alicia Anne Barnes Gilbert Daniel Barnhill - cum laude Mallory Lee Bay Sabrena Roshell Beale - magna cum laude Kimberly Ann Blalock - cum laude Victoria Nicole Blanchard \* Brittany Noelle Bonney Michele Shani Boston Christopher Edward Boykin Jacob Matthew Brockman Brentley Ashton Broughton Porsche Sierra Brower Sarah Morgan Brown Victoria Heather Brown \* Ashley Caroline Buchanan \* Alicia Faith Burnette Robert Thomas Byrd Lottie Elisabeth Carlin - cum laude Ashley Nicole Clark - cum laude Robert Douglas Collins Jr. Brian Taylor Colosia \* Katherine Bailey Conger

Kira Renee Connie Brandon John Count Caroline Nicole Cuseo - cum laude Jennifer Renae Custer - cum laude Ashley R. Cyr JoAnna Dalton - magna cum laude Jason Miller David \* Darren Christopher Davis Elise Michele Davis Kelly Marie DeMasi Gregory J. Denn \* Kyle Hadden Dilschneider Caitlin Marie Dorman Robert Reshard Durrah Philip Robert Edwards \* Christopher Douglas Eley Kelly Marie Emerick Jillian Maria Esteves Heather Elizabeth Eurell - magna cum laude Alison Elizabeth Evans - magna cum laude Sara Ellen Evans - cum laude Meggan Ann Farish - summa cum laude Tray Ryan Floyd \* Lauren Melody Formalarie - cum laude Jenna Nicole Gailliard Alexis Lee Gavin \* Austin Bradley Gavin Misty Rae Gazdacko \* Ashley Alyssia Gerdts Brett Leeanna Gibson - cum laude Michael Brendan Ginty \* Evan Paul Glasgow Blake Cole Graham - cum laude Chancey Marie Greco Ryan Charles Grogg - summa cum laude Ashley Elizabeth Gruber \* Amelia Gay Hammond - summa cum laude

Kevin Curtis Hanes Zachary McDaniel Harris Erin Rachel Heaney Iennifer Loren Helms Taylor Nichole Hemple - magna cum laude Rebecca Claire Henegar Nicole Alisha Fant Horton Tennison Lee Hubbard Vernon Thomas Huggins Jr. Kyle Albert Hughes Michelle Ashley Hyde \* Nicole Lorraine Jablon Sara Ashley Jacobsen \* Kourtney Denise James Roger Kenneth Johansen - magna cum laude Candace Leigh Johnson Kirk Warren Johnson Sara Elizabeth Kane Brittany Cole Kelly Stephen Nicholas Kelly Melanie Marie Knies - magna cum laude Kirstyn Lynn Kristiansen \* Felicia Ann Kulczak - magna cum laude Kelly Marie Lamar \* Justin Britt Leggett Julie Ann Lenhardt Samantha Kate Levinson - cum laude Seymour Anthony Lewis II Timmy Richard Lewis Craig George Lindner Thomas Brandon Lockett - magna cum laude Ashley Meryl Logan Karen Marie Loman - magna cum laude Mark Adam Lowder Melissa Noel Lyons Rachel Mackles - cum laude Kellan Maloney Ashley Fay Manger Angela Christine Marcolini

- magna cum laude

Michael Anthony Marinaccio Adrian Ann Powell Marlow Rainee Christina Marshall Courtney Ruth Martin - magna cum laude David William Martin - cum laude Steven John Martinez Nicole Patricia Marvaso \* Ronnie Dale Mason \* Brian Robert McCov \* Constance Michelle McDaniel - magna cum laude Ieanne Marie McDonald \* Leevander McRae Jr. Michael Patrick McShane - magna cum laude Lauren Jaclyn Merritt Daniel John Mesich \* Amber Melissa Miller - magna cum laude Lisa Ann Miller \* Kent Timmons Moore \* Iamie Lee Marvin Morales \* Nicholas Stephen Morenz - cum laude Lauren Elizabeth Morris Revonda Diane Moss Chelsey Rae Mozingo - magna cum laude Alex V. Murphy Stephanie Paige Musick Leyla Ipek Nardali \* John Wesley Bigby Northington Jr. Carrie Martha Nyberg Mohammed Hassan Omar Brittany Elyse Ousley - cum laude Christopher Michael Overholt - cum laude Tajuana Nicole Paige \* Jennifer Dee Palm Meghan Jean Parker - cum laude Jessica Lynn Parrill Kimber Leigh Parris

Michelle Paul \*

Megan Julia Perrault Elizabeth Perry Maria Kathleen Phillips Lauren Nicole Pirie - cum laude Charles Alan Prescott Jr. Kelsey Nicole Presswood \* Amanda Nicole Price - cum laude Krysta Lauren Price \* John Paul Puccinelli Jr. John Jason Purvis Carolyn Jean Quaranta - cum laude Mary Kathryn Rafail - cum laude Terry Lee Raines Felipe German Rancier Michelle Marie Rankin Shane Dylan Ratliff James Frederick Rebeschke \* Juliet Elizabeth Richardson - magna cum laude Ebone Nicol Ridley \* Bryan Daniel Robinson Jessica Paige Robinson Colin Arthur Rodgers Matthew Thomas Romano \* Bridget Lynn Rowe Ali Marie Schmid - magna cum laude Caitlin Marie Scholl Christi Eve Scott - magna cum laude Jayme Lynne See Kym Cody Shurbutt Tonya Nichole Singleton Brandon Burroughs Skipper Chauncey Alex Smith William Edward Smith \* Kevin Brodie Spear - cum laude Jennifer Lauren Spivey Whitney Kaye Stuart ~ cum laude Saura LeeAnn Stuhlman Joel Christopher Thomas Katie Marie Thompson

- magna cum laude

Trisha Noel Transue Samantha Marie Turley \* Jessica Lauren Turner Kate Michelle Valvo Kari Ann Vander Weit Jessica Lynn Vincent Melanie Nicole Vining - magna cum laude Katie Nicole Voress \* David Kyle Weber Amber Nicole White Brandalyn Myron White Jason Thomas Wiggins Desmond Kelsie Williams Ashley Nicole Williamson \* Marcie JoBeth Willis - summa cum laude Brandon Jacob Wolf - cum laude Mikkenna Michelle Woods - cum laude Ricardo Dequan Wrice Peter Bristow Wu Liudmila Yatsenka Scarlett Erin Zee

#### Interdisciplinary Studies

Robert Bruce Bechtel \* Ronnie Gerome Bethea Katrina Joanne Boley Stephen Dominic Bontatibus \* Shannon Ashley Bush Danielle Diane DelPercio - magna cum laude Timothy Devers Adam Krause Edwards Kirby Walker Hood Suzette Sharia McCray Holly Perez Christopher Joseph Sauri Erica Lynn Serra Mary Kathleen Sloan \* Velma Millicent Suggs \*

### COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES

#### Bachelor of Arts

#### Bachelor of Science

Travis Joseph Abel - cum laude Matthew Corey Alexander Adam Grey Alford Stefanie Nichole Altavilla \* Jessica Faith Anderson - cum laude Shannon Lee Reynolds Anderson Shameka Latrice Anthony Jenné Marie Assard - magna cum laude Tobias Lee Banks ~ cum laude Caitlin Elizabeth Bartlett Antonio Matthew Bellamy Leah Marica Biango - magna cum laude Trudy Lynn Blackburn Takeeious Sheré Boatwright **Jacob Samuel Bodie** - cum laude Shannon LaRay Bogart - cum laude Lauren Elain Bohrer - cum laude Amanda Rose Broderick Annie Danielle Brown \* Joshua Zachary Brown Megan Marie Bruns - cum laude Ashley Caroline Buchanan \* Natalie Sheree Burgess - cum laude William Preston Busch Jr. \* Jessica Lynn Bush David Lee Camp

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### A HISTORY OF COASTAL CAROLINA

**1954** On the evening of July 23, 1954, a group of citizens meets in the Horry County Memorial Library to discuss a daring proposal – the creation of a local college. The group soon becomes a nonprofit organization, the Coastal Educational Foundation. Coastal Carolina Junior College opens September 20, 1954, as a branch of the College of

Charleston. Fifty-three students are enrolled, taught by a handful of part-time faculty, with classes meeting after hours in Conway High School.

1958 Coastal Carolina Junior College becomes independent when College of Charleston discontinues its extension program. Horry County voters approve a referendum, which raises taxes by three mills to provide funding for the college.

1959 The South Carolina General Assembly creates the Horry County Higher Education Commission, a government regulatory agency to oversee use of Coastal Carolina's county tax money.

1960 The Horry County Higher Education Commission is responsible for a contract that establishes Coastal Carolina Regional Campus of the University of South Carolina, effective fall 1960.

1961 Members of the Horry County Higher Education Commission and Coastal Educational Foundation agree it is time to move to a campus suitable for institutional growth. They select the present site of the University, most of which was donated by Burroughs Timber Company and International Paper Company. A major fund-raising drive raises \$317,000 for construction.

**1963** Ground is broken for the campus and, less than a year later, Coastal Carolina's 110 students move into the first campus building, the Edward M. Singleton Building.

**1966** With an idea and a gift from William A. Kimbel and L. Maud Kimbel, the Atheneum, the campus symbol, is completed.

**1973** USC Coastal Carolina College adds a junior year; in 1974, a fourth year is added.

**1975** USC Coastal Carolina College awards its first four-year degree.

**1981** Wheelwright Auditorium, the first center for the performing arts in northeast South Carolina, is dedicated. The \$3.1 million facility is funded almost entirely by private

donations, including a \$1.2 million gift from the Kimbel family. The facility is named for L. Maud Kimbel's maternal grandfather, John Wheelwright, who was involved with the cotton trade in South Carolina in the early 1900s.

**1983** USC Coastal Carolina College becomes a charter member of the Big South Athletic Conference.

**1986** USC Coastal Carolina College becomes a full member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

**1987** The first on-campus residence halls open.

**1989** Enrollment reaches more than 4,000 students. The number of full-time faculty grows to 175.

**1990** The Campaign for Progress surpasses its goal of \$5.5 million in fewer than five years, spurring growth in capital projects, the arts and academic enrichment programs.

1991 On July 23, 1991, the Coastal Educational Foundation and the Horry County Higher Education Commission vote to seek legislative approval to establish an independent Coastal Carolina University. USC System President John Palms recommends to the USC Board of Trustees that Coastal Carolina pursue independence from the University in name and administration. The trustees adopt President Palms' recommendation in June 1992.

1993 The South Carolina Legislature passes legislation establishing Coastal Carolina University as an independent, public institution, effective July 1, 1993. Governor Carroll Campbell signs the bill during a ceremony at Coastal Carolina on May 14, 1993. The University's first Board of Trustees meets for the first time July 1, 1993. Ronald R. Ingle is named the University's first president. Coastal Carolina University begins offering its first graduate programs in education in the fall of 1993. The E. Craig Wall Sr. School of Business Administration Building is completed

# THE UNIVERSITY'S LEADERS

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Ronald R. Ingle
President • 1993-2007
Chancellor • 1992-1993

Ronald G. Eaglin Chancellor • 1985-1992

Frederick W. Hicks III
Chancellor • 1983-1985

Edward M. Singleton
Chancellor • 1963-1983

William C. Casper
Director • 1961-1963

George C. Rogers
Director • 1955-1961

Edward J. Woodhouse
Director • 1954-1955

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and dedicated in honor of Mr. Wall, who was one of the University's original founders.

**1994** The Eldred E. Prince Building, funded by the Horry County Higher Education Commission, is completed and dedicated. New projects include plans for a humanities building, residence hall/dining facility, athletic administration complex, printing services facility and renovations to existing buildings. The University's first formal Inauguration is held to install President Ingle.

**1996** A new 400-bed residence hall and dining facility is completed for fall 1996 occupancy; the number of students who live in campus residence halls reaches 1,000. A \$68 million campus master plan is unveiled that will guide development of the University to the 50th anniversary of the institution, to be celebrated in 2004.

**1997** The Board of Trustees adopts A Journey of Excellence, a plan to guide the University into the next century. The South Carolina General Assembly approves \$11.7 million for the new Humanities and Fine Arts Building.

1998 The R. Cathcart Smith Science Center is dedicated, and a \$2 million campaign to upgrade the facility is announced. Coastal Carolina University offers baccalaureate degree programs in 36 major fields of study through its four academic schools, graduate programs in education, and seven cooperative programs with other South Carolina universities. The E. Craig Wall Sr. School of Business Administration gains accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

**1999** The South Carolina General Assembly approves the final funding for the new Humanities and Fine Arts Building. Nobel Laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu visits the campus as part of the Kimbel Distinguished Lecturer Series. The School of Education gains accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. The Board of Trustees approves the sale of revenue bonds to begin construction of a 350-bed residence hall, expansion of the dining facility and University Hall. Football will be added to the intercollegiate mix in 2003; with football, the University will offer 17 NCAA Division I intercollegiate programs.

**2000** To reflect the growth of academic programs and the maturity of the institution, the four academic schools of the University are renamed colleges. The College of Humanities and Fine Arts is named for Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards. A statewide awareness campaign bolsters the University's visibility. The University endowment tops \$12 million, reflecting a more than 300 percent increase since 1993; the total number of donors increases by 17 percent in

the past year.

2001 University enrollment increases to almost 5,000 students from 47 states and 50 countries. The average SAT for entering freshmen tops the national average. New degree programs are approved for middle grades education, music, philosophy, Spanish and special education. A major construction boom is highlighted by the opening and formal dedication of the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, the largest building on campus. A \$1.8 million gift from the estate of Rebecca Randall Bryan marks the largest single cash gift in the University's history. In collaboration with the Georgetown community, the University brings the Freedom Schooner Amistad to Georgetown. The Amistad attracts more than 16,000 visitors, including more than 8,000 school children from Horry and Georgetown counties.

**2002** The University's enrollment rises to a record of nearly 6,000 students. A baccalaureate degree program is offered in management-international tourism. The first class of recruits for the new football team begins practice in preparation for intercollegiate play in Fall 2003. State appropriations fall to approximately 23 percent of the total current funds, and tuition and fees represent nearly half of the University's \$63 million operating budget.

The University now offers master's degree programs in education, instructional technology, and coastal marine and wetland studies. A growing array of international programs take students to places such as Australia, Costa Rica, Cuba, England, Ecuador, Galapagos Islands, Germany, India, Japan, Russia and Spain. The University anticipates its anniversary in 2004 with plans for the 50th Anniversary Initiatives, an ambitious campaign to raise private funds to support the academic, physical and athletic needs of the University. A \$1.5 million gift from Burroughs & Chapin Company Inc. is announced to support the construction of an education and research facility at the University's Waties Island/Tilghman Point property. A \$2 million gift from Loris native Bob Brooks marks the largest single gift in the history of the University and places the Brooks name on the new football stadium. More than 8,000 fans pack Brooks Stadium on September 6 for the inaugural game of the Chanticleer NCAA I-AA football squad.

**2004** Coastal Carolina University offers baccalaureate degree programs in 38 major fields of study and 36 undergraduate minors, including a new bachelor's degree in economics. The University serves students and the community with a new location, the Waccamaw Higher Education Center in Litchfield, and sites in Georgetown and Myrtle Beach. The 50th Anniversary celebration officially begins on Founders Day, September 20, with a formal convocation to honor the three educational institutions that

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roles in the shaping of Coastal Carolina University: Horry County Schools, University of South Carolina and College of Charleston. The Spadoni College of Education is named for William L. "Spud" Spadoni and members of his family through a \$1 million gift to the 50th Anniversary Initiatives. The public phase of the 50th Anniversary Initiatives is announced in September with more than \$10 million already committed.

2005 Coastal Carolina University has a record enrollment of 7,613 students; to accommodate the growth, the University continues to extend its physical presence to the East Campus, located in the Atlantic Center on Highway 501. The campus now comprises 52 main buildings on 302 acres. The long-awaited Master of Business Administration degree gains approval, and the Wall College of Business begins accepting MBA students for fall 2006. New baccalaureate degree programs are approved in communication and in recreation and sport management, bringing the total number of undergraduate degree programs to 40 fields of study. The 50th Anniversary Initiatives campaign raises \$3 million over the \$10 million goal, reflecting the growing community support for the University. For a conference-record seventh time, Coastal Carolina University captures the Sasser Cup for athletic program success. President Ronald R. Ingle announces his retirement for June 2007, and the Board of Trustees begins planning the search for the University's second president.

**2006** The University continues record growth with 8,049 students from 44 states and 32 foreign countries enrolled for fall 2006. The freshman class has an entering SAT score of 1,047 and an average high school GPA of 3.32, topping national averages in both categories. The University's operating budget hits \$110 million, 12 percent of which comes from state appropriations. Ground is broken for the Adkins Field House following a \$1.8 million gift from Charlotte businessmen and twin brothers Mark and Will Adkins, representing the largest pledge ever received from

alumni.

**2007** David A. DeCenzo takes office as the second president of Coastal Carolina University on May 7, 2007. His formal inauguration – built around the theme "Dawning of a New Tomorrow" – is held September 14. The new president appoints a Strategic Planning Steering Committee comprising all University stakeholders to examine and refine the University's mission, establish priorities, and link strategic direction to budgeting and assessment. The total number of alumni since 1993 reaches 10,129. The annual economic impact of the University tops \$225 million.

Coastal Carolina University receives its largest grant, \$2.3 million, from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish a program that partners graduate students and Horry County K-12 teachers in coastal science research. For the first time, a Coastal Carolina University faculty member is named the Governor's 2008 Professor of the Year. The BB&T Center for Economic and Community Development has a banner year providing economic analysis on the state of the economy and impact studies on local projects such as the possible impact of airport expansion and the 2008 NCAA Baseball Regional held at the University. A prestigious Fulbright Award is made to a University faculty member, the fourth such award to the University since 1989. A building campaign exceeding \$54 million is under way to expand Kimbel Library and the Williams-Brice Building, to build an annex to the R. Cathcart Smith Science Center, as well as to create a student recreation facility, among other projects. Horry County voters approve a penny sales tax to provide funding to be divided among the Horry County public schools, Horry-Georgetown Technical College and Coastal Carolina University. Student-athlete alumni earn accolades in the U.S. Olympics, the PGA Tour, the NFL and professional soccer.



### ACADEMIC REGALIA AND PROCESSION

The custom of wearing a distinctive dress for academic ceremonies dates back to the Middle Ages, when people dressed in keeping with their class: nobility, clergy or third estate. The faculties of American universities have worn distinguishing costumes since the beginning, in 1636, at Harvard University.

Today, academic regalia is worn in the United States by persons taking part in academic ceremonies in general, at commencement exercises, at baccalaureate services and at various inauguration ceremonies, such as the installation of a president, the conferring of an honorary degree on a distinguished guest or the laying of the cornerstone of a building.

The institutions awarding degrees, the nature of the degrees and the major fields of knowledge represented by the degrees can be readily identified by the designs and colors used.

The baccalaureate gown is the simplest in design. Usually black, it is distinguished by a wide yoke with shirring in front and back and by open flowing sleeves which end in a point. The baccalaureate gown is worn closed.

The master's gown is similar to the baccalaureate gown except that it has a closed or glove sleeve which is open at the wrist. The master's gown has no other trim and may be worn either open or closed.

The doctoral gown is full flowing and has large bell-shaped sleeves. It is trimmed with velvet panels down the front and has velvet chevrons on the sleeves. While black is still the predominant color for doctoral gowns, the trim may be in a color which denotes the wearer's discipline or the color of the gown may denote the wearer's university.

The square Oxford cap, or mortarboard, of serge or broadcloth, with a stiff crown, is traditionally black. Once the baccalaureate degree has been conferred, the tassel is worn on the left side. The tassel is usually black, but may be of a color denoting the major field of knowledge for bachelor's and master's degrees and gold for doctoral degrees.

The white honor stole, worn around the neck, signifies honors; it is embroidered with the University seal and the honors to which the graduating student is entitled, academic and/or societal. Recognized honor societies and their representative disciplines at Coastal Carolina University are:

Alpha Kappa Delta: Sociology
Alpha Mu Gamma: Foreign Language
Alpha Psi Omega: Adult Learners
Alpha Sigma Lambda: Drama
Beta Gamma Sigma: Business and Management
Delta Omicron: Music
Eta Sigma Gamma: Health
Kappa Delta Pi: Education
Omicron Delta Kappa: Leadership
Order of Omega: Greek Leadership
Phi Alpha Theta: History
Phi Eta Sigma: Freshmen
Phi Sigma Tau: Philosophy

Pi Mu Epsilon: Mathematics Pi Sigma Alpha: Political Science Psi Chi: Psychology Sigma Tau Delta: English Sigma Zeta Beta Mu: Science and Mathematics Upsilon Eta: Communication Upsilon Pi Epsilon: Computer Science

The greatest degree of symbolism is represented by the hood. The size and shape of the American hood mark the college degree attained by the wearer. The lining of the hood is indicative of the college from which the degree was granted. If more than one color is used, one color is generally arranged as a chevron upon the other. The velvet trim of the hood indicates the major field of knowledge.

Business Administration: Drab Communication: Crimson Computer Science: Golden Yellow Divinity / Theology: Scarlet Dramatic Arts: Brown Economics: Copper Education: Light Blue Engineering: Orange English: White Fine Arts: Brown History: White Humanities: White Journalism: Crimson Jurisprudence: Purple Library Science: Lemon Mathematics: Golden Yellow Marine Science: Golden Yellow Medicine: Kelly Green Music: Pink Speech: Silver Gray Pharmacy: Olive Green Philosophy: Dark Blue Physical Education: Sage Green Physics: Golden Yellow Political Science: Dark Blue Public Administration: Peacock Blue Public Health: Salmon Pink Science: Golden Yellow

Most academic ceremonies begin and end with an academic procession. At Coastal Carolina University, candidates for degrees are first and process in the order in which the degrees will be bestowed, followed by the faculty, with senior professors first, and the platform party.

Social Science: Citron

Coastal Carolina University recognizes members of the 1954 Society who support the University while they are undergraduate students. Members of the 1954 Society wear special pins which they receive during a formal induction ceremony held each spring.

# COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TRADITIONS









### The University Seal

The seal of Coastal Carolina University designates the founding year of the institution and associates the campus symbol, the Atheneum, with the coastal locale of the University. Carrying the Latin motto – Ex Libertate Veritas, From Liberty, Truth – the seal refers to the Temple of Athene in ancient Athens where professors and students came together. The Greek temple was named for Athena, the daughter of Zeus, who embodies wisdom and reason. The waves at the foot of the Atheneum acknowledge a diversified coastal environment encompassing a distinctive geography and history, a vital present, and an abundant future. The seal was commissioned by Trustee Oran P. Smith as a gift to celebrate the July 1, 1993, establishment of the University as an independent, public institution of higher education.

### The University Logo

The identifying symbol of Coastal Carolina University captures the dynamic and traditional commitment of the University to teaching and learning. The Atheneum, constructed on the campus in 1966, is a recognized architectural symbol of a meeting place for persons engaged in literary and scientific pursuits. In the logo, the Atheneum is set against an undulating background which captures the energy and unbounded promise of the institution, and is always positioned above the institutional typeface.

#### The Presidential Medallion

As symbols of events and affiliations, medallions in academic regalia can be traced to religious orders during the Middle Ages. Since many orders, societies and universities used similar designs – a circle, cross or an oval – the detailed artwork in the center of the medallion was adopted to differentiate each affiliation. Colleges and universities traditionally use ceremonial and commemorative medallions for formal occasions such as commencements, convocations and inaugurations, when academic regalia is worn. To commemorate Coastal Carolina's status as an independent University, the institution's medallion was commissioned in 1994. The installation of President Ronald R. Ingle on October 22, 1994, was the first time the Coastal Carolina University Medallion was publicly displayed.

### The University Mace

The University mace, the symbol of the Coastal Carolina University community, attaches significance to important events of the academic calendar. Commissioned by the Horry County Higher Education Commission, the mace was designed and crafted by silversmith Alfred D. Ward and presented to the University in the spring of 1997. The mace is carried during official convocations of the University by the senior member of the faculty. When not being used for a convocation, the mace is on display in the boardroom of the E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration.

The three dimensional 48-inch staff is topped with a 22-karat gold-plate model of the campus symbol, the Atheneum. Modified relief seals of the University and engraved lettering embellish the sterling silver cup. Supported by a base of solid walnut, the stem of the mace is adorned with sterling silver shells, reflecting the coastal location of the University. On the base of the stem is an engraved seal of the state of South Carolina, representing the University's status as a public institution.

Originally used as weapons during the Middle Ages, maces came to be viewed as symbols of authority and were adopted by officials of English municipalities by the end of the 16th century. Maces are now used for legislative assemblies, ecclesiastical processions, and at college and university ceremonies of outstanding importance, such as commencements.

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AND LEARN TO REACH BEYOND OURSELVES —

Below the Earth, beyond the stars —

TO FORM OUR DREAMS FOR BETTER YEARS.

Here, Green and Bronze in Nature; light –
sweet pine forests that surround us,
ocean waters that sustain us –
reflect your standards that prepare us.

May we return in thought and care
to share your promise of enrichment,
and celebrate and sing our praise
for Coastal Carolina.

Bennie Lee Sinclair

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The Coastal Carolina University Alma Mater was written in 1994 by the late Bennie Lee Sinclair, the fifth Poet Laureate of South Carolina, to commemorate the first year of the institution's status as a university.

The original score for the Alma Mater was written in 1994 by Coastal Carolina University emeritus professor William R. Hamilton.

"Coastal Carolina" was first performed at the Inauguration of the university's first president, Ronald R. Ingle, on October 22, 1994.