

# TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

MAY 11, 2013

101<sup>ST</sup> SPRING COMMENCEMENT

**Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover**  
**President**







# *Spring* COMMENCEMENT

**SATURDAY, THE ELEVENTH OF MAY  
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**TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY**

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## Office of the President

May 11, 2013

To the Graduating Class of 2013:

On behalf of the faculty, staff, and students at Tennessee State University, it is my distinct honor and privilege to extend heartfelt congratulations. I applaud you for having reached this extraordinary milestone. Today is a momentous occasion for you and those family members and friends who supported you during your matriculation, and helped you reach this pivotal moment in your academic, professional and personal development.

As a graduate of Tennessee State University, I am proud of the leadership development that I received, and the impact that TSU has had on the lives of students for over a century. The educational foundation that I received as a student at TSU became the underpinning for a successful career, which culminated in my returning home to TSU as President.

Now as you begin your professional lives with TSU as your foundation, you have become a member of a coveted class of individuals who are well equipped to make an impact on our society and to transform humankind. As you proceed through your career, always remember to keep your eye on the mark, and maintain a high degree of integrity and character. And as you join the numerous alumni who contribute to TSU's excellence, and cement your place in our historic lineage, you do so with our expectation that you will utilize the skills, resources, and experiences that you garnered while here at TSU.

It is my hope that you will forever cherish your years at Tennessee State University. Please accept my best wishes for a bright and successful future; and may God's blessings follow you throughout all your personal and professional endeavors.

Sincerely,

Glenda Baskin Glover  
President



## Tennessee Board of Regents

May, 2013

Dear Graduates:

Congratulations for what you have achieved. Today is the culmination of many years of hard work, focused study and resolute dedication to your goals. Your experience here reflects an engagement of mind and a development of character.

But this is just the beginning.

As a Tennessee State University graduate, you join an elite group of individuals who uphold the proud history of a great institution and represent the bright future of a new generation. You are also among a small percentage of individuals in Tennessee and across our nation who have earned a college degree. With passage of the Complete College Tennessee Act, the role our institutions of public higher education play in fulfilling our state's - and our country's - need for a more educated citizenry and highly skilled workforce was clearly defined. With your proud achievement today, you can play a critical part in helping us meet those expectations.

I ask you to commit yourselves to the communities where you live and encourage those who follow behind you to embrace the opportunities available. As you find your future, I hope you will take TSU in your hearts and leave your lasting impression wherever you go.

On behalf of the Tennessee Board of Regents, congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,

John G. Morgan  
Chancellor







## Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County

May 11, 2013

Dear Graduates:

As Mayor of Nashville, I would like to offer my congratulations to the 2013 graduating class of Tennessee State University. We join you, your family, and friends in celebrating one of life's most momentous milestones. You have succeeded in laying a strong educational foundation which will serve you well for the rest of your personal and professional life.

Your hard work and dedication are to be commended. Well done, Tennessee State University Class of 2013.

Regards,

Karl F. Dean  
Mayor



## Bill Haslam Governor State of Tennessee

March 20, 2013

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the great State of Tennessee, it is my pleasure to congratulate the graduates of Tennessee State University. You are to be commended for your hard work and dedication in obtaining your degree.

As you start your new career, I have no doubt that the wisdom you have gained will lead you along a prosperous and rewarding path. I am sure you will use the knowledge and lessons you have learned to improve your community and the lives of those around you. Your family and loved ones must be extremely proud of your accomplishments and I join them in wishing you well as you embark on your next exciting adventure.

Again, congratulations on reaching this milestone. Crissy and I send our best wishes and hope your future endeavors are filled with joy and success.

Warmest regards,

Bill Haslam







## United States Senate

May 11, 2013

Dear Class of 2013,

Congratulations on graduating from Tennessee State University. I am honored to join your family, friends, and professors in recognizing this accomplishment.

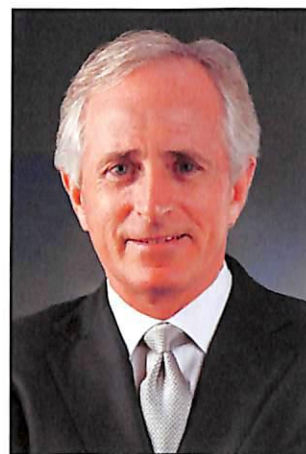
Hard work and determination have helped you reach this goal. These are qualities that will also help you achieve your dreams. By making the most of your education, you are laying the groundwork for a successful future. Our state and our nation will surely benefit from the knowledge and skills you have obtained.

It is an incredible privilege to serve you in the United States Senate. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a bright and prosperous future.

Sincerely,

Bob Corker  
United States Senator



## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

May 11, 2013

Dear Tennessee State University Graduates and Families,

Congratulations on your graduation from Tennessee State University. Your degree is your ticket to a better future, and I wish you continued success.

We live in the greatest nation on earth, and you have graduated from a great institution. Over the past 100 years, Tennessee State University has garnered a well-earned reputation for serving our community and the nation. I know you will represent your school and our state well in all your future endeavors and as you hold close the motto, "*Think. Work. Serve.*"

Again, congratulations on your achievement, and please accept my very best wishes for a fun-filled and reflective celebration.

Sincerely,

Jim Cooper  
Member of Congress







## Tennessee State University National Alumni Association

May 11, 2013

Dear Esteemed 2013 Graduates,

Congratulations!

On behalf of the Tennessee State University National Alumni Association Executive Board, and the thousands of alums across the nation that it represents, I feel privileged to say we are proud of your accomplishments which are evident by your presence at this ceremony today. To the fullest, you have exhibited the drive and determination to be an inspiration to others.

All of the late night studying, the sacrifices and the will to complete the race to Graduation Day have finally paid off. This is your moment, **THIS IS YOUR DAY** and no one deserves it more!

Revel in this monumental achievement, celebrate with your friends and loved ones . . . for you have definitely earned it. And, just as importantly today, we ask that you honor and give thanks to those who worked incessantly on your behalf and sacrificed much so that you could graduate. To this we say, "Always remember the "wind" beneath your wings."

Now it is time for you to go forth and serve. You have the tools, you have the will, and you have the vision.

Lastly, to receive your graduation gift from TSUNAA, call the National Office at (615) 963-5885. A complimentary one (1) year membership (from July 1, 2013 – July 1, 2014) in the Tennessee State University National Alumni Association awaits activation by you. We look forward to hearing from you.

Welcome to the Tennessee State University National Alumni Association.

Stay Blue!!!

*Tony L. Wells*

Tony L. Wells  
President, TSUNAA



## Commencement Speaker

*The Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr.*

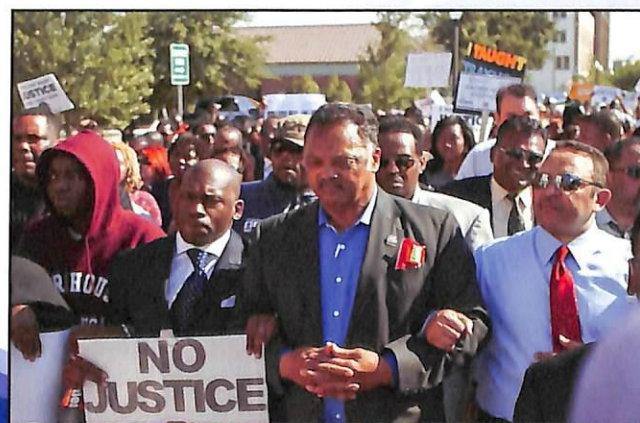
This year marks the 50th anniversary of the historic March on Washington which focused on employment and equal opportunity. Among the 250,000 people attending was a young man destined for greatness as the world watched, captivated by the likes of A. Phillip Randolph, gospel icon Mahalia Jackson, and Dr Martin Luther King, Jr. Just off the podium as King delivered his "I Have A Dream Speech" was the Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr.

Today, the Rev. Jesse Jackson is an internationally-known civil rights leader and remains at the forefront of world issues.

The Rev. Jackson, founder and president of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition, is one of America's foremost civil rights, religious and political figures. For more than 40 years, he has played a pivotal role in virtually every movement for empowerment, peace, civil rights, gender equality, and economic and social justice.

A native of Greenville, S.C., the Rev. Jackson began his activism while still a college student and went on to work side-by-side as a full-time organizer with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He founded Operation PUSH in December 1971 with the goal of expanding educational, business and employment opportunities for the disadvantaged and people of color. He later established the National Rainbow Coalition, a social justice organization devoted to political empowerment, education, and public policy change.

For his work in human and civil rights and nonviolent social change, the Rev. Jackson has received more than 40 honorary doctorate degrees and frequently lectures at major colleges and universities, including Howard, Morehouse, Yale, Princeton, Harvard, Columbia, Stanford and Hampton. He was made an Honorary Fellow of Regents Park College at Oxford University in the UK in November 2007, and received an Honorary Fellowship from Edge Hill University in Liverpool, England. In March 2010, the Rev. Jackson was inducted into England's prestigious Cambridge Union Society. In April 2010, he was awarded an honorary doctorate from the University of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa.



The Rev. Jackson has been called the "Conscience of the Nation" and "the Great Unifier," challenging America to be inclusive and to establish just and humane priorities for the benefit of all. He is known for bringing people together on common ground across lines of race, culture, class, gender and belief. On Aug. 9, 2000, President Bill Clinton awarded him the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

He and his wife, Jacqueline, have been married 51 years and have five children.





# History of Tennessee State University



Tennessee State University is a comprehensive, urban, land-grant university founded in 1912 in Nashville, Tennessee. The university has two locations – the 500-acre main campus, with more than 65 buildings, located in a residential setting along the Cumberland River; and the Avon Williams Campus, located downtown, near the center of Nashville’s business and government district.

Through successive stages, TSU has developed from a Normal School for Negroes to its current status as a national university with students from 45 states and more than 50 countries.

By virtue of a 1909 Act of the General Assembly, the Agricultural and Industrial State Normal School was created, along with two other normal schools in the State of Tennessee, and began serving students on June 19, 1912.

William Jasper Hale was appointed as head of the school. The original 247 students, along with the faculty and staff, operated as a family to keep the institution operating. Everyone worked to keep the institution running in its early years, from clearing rocks to harvesting crops to carrying chairs from class-to-class.

In 1922, the institution was raised to the status of a four-year teachers’ college and was empowered to grant the bachelor’s degree. The first degrees were granted in June 1924. During the same year, the institution became known as the Agricultural and Industrial State Normal College. In 1927, “Normal” was dropped from the name of the College.

As the college grew in scope and stature throughout the 1920s and 1930s, so too did its impressive roster of alumni who embodied the school’s charge: “Enter to learn, go forth to serve.”

In 1943, when William Jasper Hale retired after more than 30 years at the school’s helm, an alumnus was chosen to succeed him. From 1943 until his retirement in 1968, Walter S. Davis led the institution through an era of tremendous growth in academics, facilities and athletics leading to worldwide recognition. The Tennessee General Assembly of 1941 authorized the State Board of Education to upgrade substantially the



educational program of the college, which included the establishment of graduate studies leading to the master’s degree. Graduate curricula were first offered in several branches of teacher education. The first master’s degree was awarded by the college in June 1944.

Accreditation of the institution by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools was first obtained in 1946. In August 1951, the institution was granted university status by approval of the State Board of Education. The reorganization of the institution’s educational programs included the establishment of the Graduate School, the School of Arts & Sciences, the School of Education and the School of Engineering. Provisions were also made for the later addition of other schools in agriculture, business, allied health professions and home economics.

After Walter S. Davis retired as president in 1968, another TSU alumnus, Andrew Torrence, was named the university’s third president. During his relatively brief tenure, the state legislature dropped “Agriculture & Industrial” and officially changed the name to Tennessee State University.

When Frederick Humphries became TSU’s president in 1975, Nashville was also home to a second public four-year university. The Knoxville-based University of Tennessee began offering extension credit in Nashville in 1947 and expanded its programs throughout the 1960s. By 1971, it was accredited as a degreegranting institution that occupied new quarters at the corner of 10th and Charlotte Avenues.



But in 1968, TSU faculty member Rita Sanders filed a lawsuit, which became known as Geier v. Tennessee, alleging a dual system of higher education in Tennessee based on race. On July 1, 1979, the case was settled by a court order merging the former University of Tennessee at Nashville with TSU as a result of a court order. Humphries was the first to face the challenge of maintaining the balance between TSU’s role as one of America’s preeminent historically black universities and its emerging status as a comprehensive national university.

Following a year as interim president, Otis Floyd became TSU’s fifth chief executive in 1987 and continued moving the university forward. In 1988, the university received an unprecedented \$112 million from the state general assembly for capital improvements. Under this plan, nearly all buildings on campus have been renovated, and eight new buildings were constructed, including the Floyd-Payne Campus Center, the Ned McWherter Administration Building, the Wilma Rudolph Residence Center and the Performing Arts Center.

Then, in 1990, the Tennessee Board of Regents appointed Floyd as its chancellor, opening the way for James Hefner to become the sixth president in 1991. Hefner supervised additional improvements to campus facilities and fostered enrollment growth to an all-time high. The Otis Floyd Nursery Crops Research Station in McMinnville was dedicated in 1996 and, in 1999, researchers at the TSU Center for Automated Space Science were the first to discover a planet outside the solar system.



Melvin N. Johnson became the university’s seventh president in June 2005, and was instrumental in continuing to bring national attention to the university by recognizing the Freedom Riders, engaging the university in the Tennessee Campus Compact, receiving national awards for community service and engagement, awarded \$8 million for Race to the Top Funds by President Barack Obama, opening the



university's doors to flood victims and businesses, and obtaining Community Engagement Classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. During his tenure as president, Johnson commissioned the Academic Master Plan as well as the Facilities Master Plan in 2007, and the development of a strategic approach to transforming TSU into a 21st century institution of higher education.

In the university's second century of academic excellence and service, Glenda Baskin Glover became the eighth president and first woman elected to lead the institution in January 2013. She continues to make changes to further emphasize the excellence for which Tennessee State University is known worldwide. Through its eight colleges and schools, TSU offers 42 bachelor's degrees, 24 master's degrees, and awards doctoral degrees in seven areas: biological sciences, computer information systems engineering, psychology, public administration, curriculum and instruction, administration and supervision, and physical therapy.

In summary, during its 100-plus year history, eight presidents and five interim presidents have served the institution. They are:

William Jasper Hale	1912-1943
Walter S. Davis	1943-1968
Andrew P. Torrence	1968-1974
Charles B. Fancher	1974-1975 (Interim)
Frederick S. Humphries	1975-1985
Roy Peterson	1985-1986 (Interim)
Otis L. Floyd	1987-1990, 1986-1987 (Interim)
George W. Cox	1990-1991 (Interim)
James A. Hefner	1991-2005
Melvin N. Johnson	2005-2011
Portia Shields	2011-2012 (Interim)
Glenda Baskin Glover	2013-Present





# TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

## *Eighth President*



### Glenda Baskin Glover, Ph.D., JD, CPA

Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover began serving as president of Tennessee State University on January 2, 2013. She has advanced a five-point vision that includes: (1) academic progress and customer service, (2) fundraising and partnerships, (3) diversity and inclusion, (4) shared governance, and (5) business outreach.

Glover was formerly the dean of the College of Business at Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss., where she led the College of Business throughout the accreditation process, and spearheaded the implementation of the nation's only Ph.D. in Business at an HBCU. She is a certified public accountant, an attorney and is one of two African-American women to hold the Ph.D.-CPA-JD combination in the nation.

Glover's educational development began as a student at Tennessee State University, where she majored in mathematics. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science, she pursued the Master of Business Administration at Clark Atlanta University. She then completed her doctorate in business from George Washington University, and later completed her law degree from Georgetown University.

Prior to joining Jackson State University, Glover served as chairperson of the Department of Accounting at Howard University. Her past employment also includes positions as senior vice president and chief financial officer of an engineering firm, a tax manager at a major public utility company, and an accountant with a Big-Four CPA firm.

Glover has been a corporate board member of three publicly traded corporations. These include Citigroup-Student Loan Corporation, American Learning Corporation and First Guaranty Bancshares. She served as chair of the Audit Committee or financial expert on each board. Glover also is a member of the Advisory Board of Regions Bank of Mississippi, and chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Jackson (Mississippi) Airport Authority.

Glover was named to *Diverse Issues in Higher Education's* prestigious list as one of the "Top 25 Women in Higher Education." She also is the recipient of numerous other educational, community, professional, and civic awards.

Glover is the author of more than 100 articles and papers, and is regarded as one of the nation's experts on corporate governance. She is a member of several professional, civic and nonprofit organizations, and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors. She is married to Charles Glover, and they have two adult children, Attorney Candace Glover and Dr. Charles Glover II.



# Notable Facts about Tennessee State University

Tennessee State University graduates become local, regional, national, and international leaders:

- Oprah Winfrey, producer/talk show host
- Curtis Collier, chief judge, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Ralph Cook, associate justice of the Alabama Supreme Court
- Jesse Russell, pioneer in the development of the cellular telephone
- Lloyd W. Newton, 4-star general, retired as highest ranking African American in the Air Force
- S. Allen Counter, explorer and Harvard neurophysiologist
- Levi Watkins, Jr., M.D. associate dean and cardiac surgeon at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; implanted first defibrillator for the heart
- Wilma Rudolph, Ralph Boston, Wyomia Tyus, Edith McGuire-Duvall, Barbara Jones-Slater, and Chandra Cheeseborough, Olympic gold medalists
- Harvey Johnson, the first African American mayor of Jackson, Mississippi
- Xernona Clayton, retired vice president for urban affairs with Turner Broadcasting/CNN and founder/CEO of the Trumpet Awards
- Bobby Jones, executive producer of the Bobby Jones Gospel Show and Ambassador at large of the Commonwealth of Dominica
- T. B. Boyd III, president and chief executive officer, R. H. Boyd Publishing Corporation
- Glenda Baskin Glover, first female president of Tennessee State University, an alumna, and one of only two African-American women to hold the Ph.D.-CPA-JD combination in the nation.
- Richard Dent, the first TSU alumnus to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
- Ed "Too Tall" Jones, retired American NFL Football Player spent 15 years with the Dallas Cowboys from 1974-1978 and again from 1980-1989.

Tennessee State University has a Center for Academic Excellence in Intelligence Studies, one of only four in the nation that prepares students for professional careers in the U.S. intelligence community.

Tennessee State University was the first HBCU in the nation to have a Supply Chain Management program-the study of e-business and global manufacturing-at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Tennessee State University's engineering students are developing robots the U.S. Army can use to sweep for mines, and a software program they developed for Boeing is saving space in airplane cockpits and other workspaces.

In recent years, Tennessee State University's athletes have had the highest graduation rate in the Tennessee Board of Regents system and among historically black colleges and universities.

The Olympian statue located at Olympic Plaza, the entrance to the Gentry Center Athletic Complex honors Tennessee State University's 59 Olympic athletes, who won 32 medals, 17 of them gold.

Tennessee State University offers 42 bachelor's degrees, and 24 master's degrees, and awards doctoral degrees in seven areas. Tennessee State University is known for producing outstanding engineers, nurses, and teachers.

Tennessee State University is one of only three historically black colleges in the nation with a Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, the most prestigious honor society comprising all academic disciplines.

# Vision, Mission and Core Values

## VISION STATEMENT

Tennessee State University aspires to achieve national and international prominence, building on its heritage and preparing leaders for a global society.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Tennessee State University, a Historically Black College/University (HBCU), fosters scholarly inquiry and research, life-long learning, and a commitment to service.

## CORE VALUES

Tennessee State University maintains the following core values:

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|---------------------|-------------|
| • Excellence        | • Learning  |
| • Accountability    | • Integrity |
| • Shared governance | • Diversity |
| • Service           |             |

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Tennessee State University, an HBCU and 1890 land grant institution, is a major state-supported urban and comprehensive university. This unique combination of characteristics differentiates the university from others and shapes its instructional, research, and service programs designed to serve Metropolitan Nashville, Middle Tennessee, the State of Tennessee, the nation, and the global community. The university is committed to maintaining its diverse student body, faculty, and staff.

Tennessee State University provides quality instruction through academic programs which are broadly comprehensive at the baccalaureate and master's levels. Doctoral programs are offered in select areas where the University exhibits strength in instruction and research and consistent with the University's unique mission. The University's educational programs are intended to increase the student's level of knowledge, enhance the student's skills, and expand the student's awareness.

Tennessee State University is committed to engaging in pure and applied research which contributes to the body of knowledge and which broadens the application of knowledge. Whenever possible, the university strives to provide its students with the opportunity to be involved in the research activities of the faculty and academic staff.

Tennessee State University serves its constituents through an array of programs and services which apply the knowledge, skills and discoveries of the instructional and research units at the institution. These services are intended to broaden the perspectives and enhance the quality of life of the University's service constituents.

Tennessee State University expresses its commitment to students' overall development by promoting lifelong learning, scholarly inquiry, and a commitment of service to others. Programs and services are geared toward promoting and nurturing students' growth and development as persons who are liberally educated, appreciate cultural diversity and embody a sense of civic and social responsibility.

Tennessee State University projects itself to its students, faculty, and alumni and to the citizens of the State through the motto, "Think. Work. Serve." Tennessee State University remains committed to the education of a non-racially identifiable student body and promotes diversity and access without regard to race, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability, or veteran status.





## Executive Officers

Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover	President
Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson	Interim Provost and Executive Vice President
Attorney Jane Shaw Jackson	Vice President, Administration
Mrs. Cynthia Brooks, CPA	Vice President, Business and Finance
Dr. A. Dexter Samuels	Associate Vice President, Student Affairs
Dr. John Cade	Associate Vice President, Enrollment Management & Student Services
Mrs. Patricia Hairston	Interim Vice President, University Relations & Development
Ms. Teresa Lawrence-Phillips	Director of Athletics
Attorney Lawrence Pendleton	University Counsel

## Academic Deans

Dr. Chandra Reddy	Dean, College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Sciences
Dr. James Ellzy	Interim Dean, College of Business
Dr. Heraldo Richards	Interim Dean, College of Education
Dr. S. Keith Hargrove	Dean, College of Engineering
Dr. Kathleen McEnerney	Dean, College of Health Sciences
Dr. Gloria Johnson	Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Dr. Stephanie Bailey	Interim Dean, College of Public Service and Urban Affairs
Dr. Michael Orok	Dean, College of Graduate Studies and Research

## Accreditation and Affiliations

Tennessee State University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) to award the associate, bachelor's, master's, specialist in education and doctoral degrees. In addition, the following programs and associations support the high quality education available on the TSU campuses.

### College of Agriculture

Family and Consumer Sciences (B.S. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, American Dietetics Association)

### College of Business

Business (B.B.A., M.B.A.; AACSB is the Association of Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International)

### College of Education

Education (B.S., M.S., M.A.Ed., Ed.S. Ed.D: National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)  
Psychology (B.S., Ph.D with concentration in Counseling: American Psychological Association (APA)

### College of Engineering

Aeronautical & Industrial Technology, Architectural & Mechanical Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering (B.S.: Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology)

### College of Health Sciences

Cardio-Respiratory Care Sciences (B.S.: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs)  
Dental Hygiene (A.A.S., B.S.: Commission on Dental Accreditation)  
Health Care Administration and Planning (B.S.: Association of University Programs in Health Administration)  
Health Information Management (B.S.: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs in collaboration with the Council on Education of the American Health Information Management Association)  
Medical Technology (B.S.: National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences)  
Occupational or Physical Therapy (B.S.: Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Association; Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association)  
Physical Therapy (M.P.T.: The Master of Physical Therapy program was granted candidacy status from the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)  
Speech Pathology and Audiology (B.S., M.S.: Council of Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association)  
Nursing (A.A.S., B.S.N., M.S.N.: National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission)

### College of Liberal Arts

Art (B.A.: National Association of Schools of Art & Design), Music (B.A.: National Association of Schools of Music), Social Work (B.S.: The Council on Social Work Education)

### College of Public Service and Urban Affairs

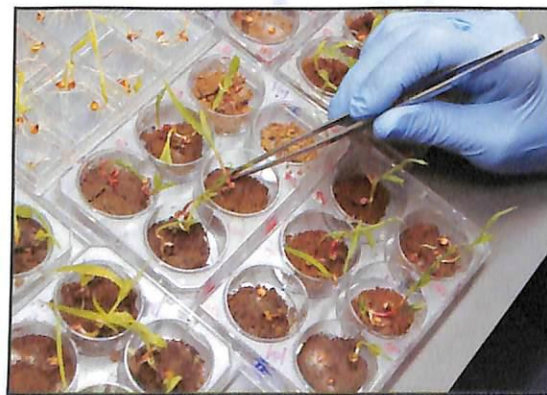
Public Administration (M.P.A.: The National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration)



# College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences

The College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences offers teaching, research and extension functions and B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees through four academic units: the Institute of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Research, the Cooperative Extension Program, and four research centers—the Center for Prevention Research, the Otis L. Floyd Nursery Crops Research Center, and the Agricultural Research and Education Centers at Nashville and Ashland City. The academic units are: the Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, the Department of Biological Sciences, the Department of Chemistry, and the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences. Recently, the College has been improving and expanding, including some of these highlights:

- Agricultural enrollment has more than doubled while graduate student enrollment has increased eight-fold.
- The Dean's Scholars Program and pre-college summer apprenticeship programs continue to attract highly qualified students.
- The College's educational programs help educate minorities in STEM fields and offer pre-professional programs in medical, dental and veterinary medicine.
- Through youth and community development programs (4-H and FFA), the College teaches and encourages youth in science and engineering, as well as valuable leadership and life skills.
- In 2011-2012, TSU agriculture received the highest dollar amount grants and contracts among peer institutions. In fact, the college's current research outlays are about \$55 million—a three-fold increase in four years.
- Research in the College is focused on bio-energy, environmental sustainability, human health/nutrition/obesity/cancer, food safety and food security.
- The Nursery Crops Research Center at McMinnville provides leadership, research and support for improving the Tennessee Nursery industry.



- University outreach in Tennessee communities has expanded to include agents in 32 counties—another three-fold increase in four years. Technical assistance is provided to farmers, homeowners, and the general public on a variety of issues including crop, animal production and human health.
- The college has engaged in multiple construction projects including a 25,000 square foot Agricultural Biotechnology building, six new greenhouses, a new landscape studio, an agricultural education workshop, and a field research support building—totaling a commitment of nearly \$11 million.

# College of Business

Tennessee State University's College of Business was the first business school in Nashville to earn dual accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International), the most prestigious accrediting body for business schools. The College of Business earned its initial accreditation from AACSB in 1994. Such achievement resulted in Tennessee State University becoming the first university in Nashville and the first public Historically Black College and University (HBCU) in the country to gain dual accreditation at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

- The College of Business has approximately 900 students and is also home to nationally recognized outreach programs including its Nashville Business Incubation Center, Tennessee Small Business Development Center, Office of Business and Economic Research, and Office of International Business Programs.
- The College of Business offers Bachelor of Business Administration programs to undergraduates in Accounting, Business Administration, Business Information Systems, and Economics and Finance. Concentrations are available in Supply Chain Management, Marketing, Management, Human Resource Management, Hospitality, Real Estate and Urban Development, Business Information Systems—Industry, and e-Business Technology. Additionally, the College offers minors in General Business, Entrepreneurship, and International Business. At the graduate level, the Master of Business Administration is offered with concentrations in Accounting, Management of Information Systems, Healthcare Economics and Management, and Supply Chain Management.
- Recently, 24 students participated in study abroad programs that included China, Italy, and that Great European Capitals. Additional efforts in international education include a memorandum of understanding with Tianjin University in China and Meliksah University in Turkey; both initiatives are aimed at increasing enrollment in the College's MBA program.
- Accreditation and assurance of learning remain a top priority as the College continues with strategies and processes to gain separate accreditation in Accounting from AACSB International.
- The College successfully recruited two distinguished scholars to hold the Frist Chair of Excellence in Business with a focus in Accounting and the newly endowed Chair of Excellence in Banking and Financial Services. The College is continuing its efforts to raise funds for a third Chair of Excellence in Supply Chain Management.



- The College of Business has established alliances with a long list of community organizations that provide resources earmarked for internships and scholarships, business industry needs assessments, and recommendations for continuous curriculum improvements. The COB community partners include: Corning, Dell, Boeing, HCA, Lemark, Ernst & Young, Asurion, Regions Bank, KraftCPAs, Nissan, PricewaterhouseCoopers, just to name a few.



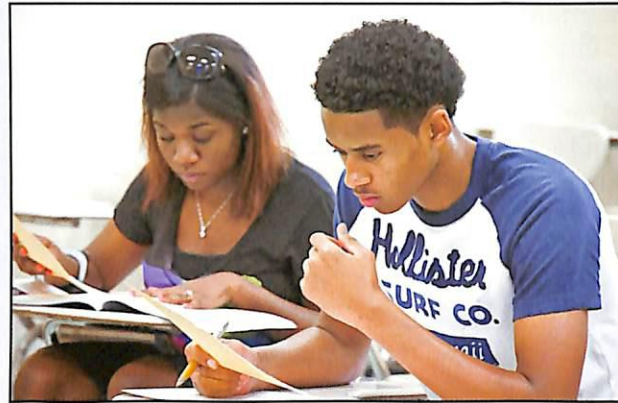
- The Financial Trading Room is a state of the art facility designed to give students hands-on training and knowledge regarding the stock market and trading.



## College of Education

The College of Education is rooted in the historical purpose of the Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State Normal School—now Tennessee State University: “to prepare teachers and leaders to meet the demands for more efficient and practical service in the public schools and life.” Today, the College of Education continues to fulfill that purpose in the community it serves.

- More than 90 percent of graduates in the Professional School Counseling Program have obtained positions in the Middle Tennessee School System. The impact of the College is evident in school leadership as well. More than 40 percent of the principals in the Metropolitan Nashville Public School System attended TSU.



- The College of Education at TSU along with other universities, such as Vanderbilt, partnered with the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (National Board) to obtain a \$3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education under its i3 (Investing in Innovation) grant competition. The grant aims to improve teacher preparation and enhance early-career teaching support, with the ultimate goal of promoting student achievement in grades 3-6 mathematics and science in high-need schools. Entitled, Building a Pipeline of Teaching Excellence, the project will utilize the national board's extensive repository of resources on teaching, such as video case studies of best practices to support TSU's teacher preparation program, and seven local education agencies.
- The Department of Psychology in the College is engaged in cutting-edge research in neuropsychology. With funding from the National Science Foundation and Title III, TSU's Experimental Psychology Teaching and Research Laboratory was developed. The laboratory contains neuropsychology tests, psychophysiology equipment, computer workstations, and a high-density electroencephalogram (EEG) for conducting neuroimaging research. These tools are also used to enhance coursework in Sensation and Perception, Cognitive Psychology and Brainwaves and Cognition.



- The College of Education, a partner with the Educational Testing Service, succeeded in obtaining a Race to the Top grant three years ago, making TSU one of the few institutions to acquire the competitive funds. The grant has allowed the College to provide professional development in mathematics instruction for practicing elementary school teachers throughout Tennessee.
- The Colleges of Education; Engineering; and Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences have collaborated to obtain a National Science Foundation grant, entitled Career Commitment and Retention in STEM: Building the STEM Workforce. The project is designed to develop and validate culturally-appropriate career management intervention for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) majors.

The Teacher Education Program is undergoing a major redesign that will place teacher candidates at a school site for a year-long residency during the senior year. The new initiative, Ready2Teach, is scheduled for full implementation in fall 2013 and will involve intense mentoring for candidates and teachers who will engage in co-teaching.

## College of Engineering

The College of Engineering is challenged and committed to providing the highest quality industry-driven curricula in Engineering, Technology, Mathematical Sciences and Computer Science to meet the growing demand for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) professionals in industry, government and entrepreneurship.

- The college currently provides bachelor's degrees in Architectural, Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering with several concentrations such as manufacturing, environmental, facilities and computer engineering. The college also awards degrees in Aeronautical & Industrial Technology, Computer Science, Mathematical Sciences and graduate degrees for the Master of Engineering and M.S. and Ph.D. in Computer and Information Systems Engineering.



- Recognizing the need for developing graduates with an appreciation for global awareness, solid engineering fundamentals and professionalism, the college strives to develop and promote an educational experience that produces the “global engineer” through life or language learning, a FE-based (Fundamentals of Engineering) curriculum for outcome assessment and critical skills in research, design, problem solving and communication. A dedicated faculty and staff seek to integrate innovative approaches to instruction, laboratory experience and internships to address the contemporary challenges of the profession and engage the community through service and outreach.
- The College of Engineering's programs complement the student learning experience with aggressive research initiatives in areas such as intelligent sensors, robotics, manufacturing, environmental issues, data fusion, cyber-security, renewable energy, nano-materials and signal/image processing. The Engineering Research Institute (ERI) serves as the primary entity to collaborate and partner with industry and government, complemented by several research centers in specific areas of scientific investigation.



- As the leading producer of African-American engineers in the state, the college continues to strengthen its partnerships with local, regional and national corporations and government. Producing a diverse population of graduates has prepared quality students for employment with companies such as IBM, GM, Corps of Engineers, TDOT, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, P&G, and Boeing and the U.S. Navy and Air Force.



# College of Health Sciences

The College of Health Sciences at Tennessee State University serves 2,611 students in 20 programs ranging from Associate to Doctoral degrees. Some unique aspects of the College are:

- The Division of Nursing offers two career mobility accelerated degree completion programs in nursing including the LPN-AASN/RN Program and the AASN/BSN Program, each specifically designed for the working nurse.
- The College offers three clinics that serve the public - Dental Hygiene, Speech Pathology, and Audiology – at low or no cost.
- The M.S. in Speech and Hearing Sciences is the only fully online graduate program offered by Tennessee State University.
- The College has a new partnership with Hillwood High School's Academy of Health Sciences.
- The College has a long-standing partnership with the LEND (Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities) program with Vanderbilt University.
- The Dental Hygiene Clinic was recently renovated with state-of-the-art equipment and technology.
- The Physical Therapy program had 100 percent pass rate on the licensure examination for the 2012 graduates.
- The nursing clinical simulation lab was recently renovated and houses cutting edge clinical simulation equipment.
- The Physical Therapy students work with Access Nashville to assess local restaurants and other venues for accessibility for disabled customers.
- The Cardiorespiratory Care Sciences program boasts a 96 percent pass rate on the licensure examination, a 92 percent job placement rate, and overall employer satisfaction of 100 percent.



## Associate Degree Programs

Dental Hygiene • Nursing

## Bachelor's Degree Programs

Cardio-Respiratory Care Sciences • Dental Hygiene  
Health Care Administration and Planning  
Health Information Management • Health Sciences  
Health Performance and Sports Science • Nursing

## Master's Degree Programs

Human Performance and Sport Sciences • Occupational Therapy  
Public Health • Nursing - traditional • Nursing - ROCC  
Speech and Hearing Sciences – traditional  
Speech and Hearing Sciences - distance

## Doctoral Degree Program

Physical Therapy

## Certificate Programs

Holistic Nurse Practitioner • Nursing Education  
Family Nurse Practitioner

# College of Liberal Arts

The College of Liberal Arts offers courses and programs in the arts, humanities, and social sciences, preparing students for a wide range of graduate and professional opportunities.

From the traditional academic disciplines at the heart of a university education to new interdisciplinary fields, major and minor programs in the College promote a vision of liberal learning that recognizes the unique gifts, interests and goals of each student.

By engaging with the rich intellectual traditions, promoting knowledge of global cultures, and developing vital career skills, Liberal Arts courses and programs prepare their graduates for resilience and adaptability, lifelong learning, and leadership in a changing world.

The faculty of the College of Liberal Arts is committed to helping students make the most of their college education. Whether majoring in a Liberal Arts program, enriching a degree with a Liberal Arts minor or simply taking a class, the College supports each student on their intellectual journey.

The Liberal Arts vision of education is about exploration. From English, art, theater, and music to history, political science, criminal justice, and mass communications, Liberal Arts disciplines put the intellectual growth of the student at the center of the university experience.

All of the majors in the College of Liberal Arts are guided by common core values:

- Integrative Learning
- Responsibility
- Professional Competency
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking and Reasoned Judgment
- Student Service and Support



## Bachelor's Degree Programs

Art  
Communications  
Criminal Justice  
English  
History  
Interdisciplinary Studies  
Music  
Political Science

## Master's Degree Program

Criminal Justice





## College of Public Service and Urban Affairs

The College of Public Service and Urban Affairs became operational January 2008 with the appointment and arrival of the founding dean, former Nashville Mayor Bill Purcell. The new College fulfilled the Geier Consent Decree of 1984 and from the Institute of Government has expanded to include the Department of Public Administration and the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Urban Professions. The intent of the Consent Decree was to establish a division that would address the workforce needs of the city and state in the various areas of government and public service.

The mission of the College is to educate, socialize and serve students and employers of nonprofit, health and urban organizations by:

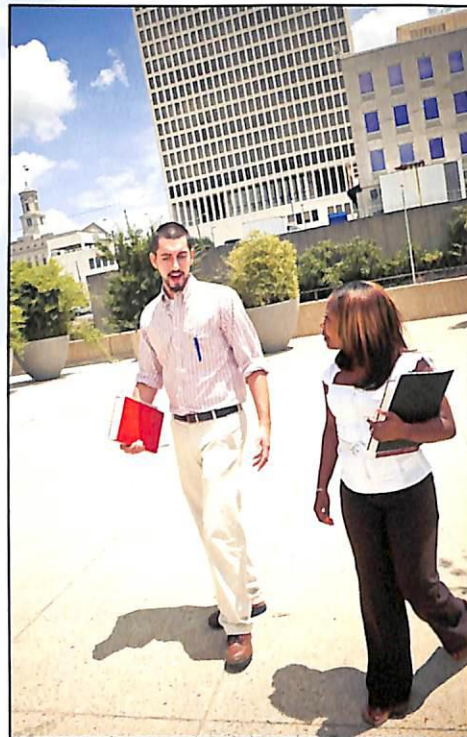
- **THINK** – Providing educational programs that build skills in knowledge of sociology, social work, urban affairs, public administration and leadership;
- **WORK** – Conducting scholarly and applied research activities supportive of these educational purposes;
- **SERVE** – Consulting and applying research and knowledge of social programs.

The College features three undergraduate degrees:

- B.S. in Urban Studies, B.S. in Sociology and B.S. in Social Work;
- Two undergraduate minors in Nonprofit Management and Leadership;
- Six graduate degrees: online Master of Professional Studies, Master of Public Administration, a Graduate Certificate in Health Planning and Administration, a Graduate Certificate in Non-Profit Management, a Master of Social Work (the only multi-collaborative master's program among three universities in the country), and a Ph.D. in Public Administration (the only degree of this level in Tennessee at a public institution).

Where are CPSUA graduates? At the Tennessee Department of Labor, the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security, the U.S. Missile Defense Agency, the Tennessee Department of Human Services, TennCare Bureau, Juvenile Justice, serving in Student Professional Development, as elected officials, in

social services in cities throughout Tennessee, the Tennessee Division of Intellectual Disabilities, the Tennessee Supreme Court, the Tennessee Department of Corrections, the Board of Regents, the Department of Internal Revenue, Centerstone, youth service agencies and many others.



## School of Graduate Studies and Research

The Tennessee General Assembly authorized the state Board of Education to establish graduate studies leading to the master's degree in several fields at Tennessee State University (then called Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial (A & I) State College) in 1941. Today, the School of Graduate Studies and Research offers seven doctoral degrees, 24 master's degrees, one educational specialist degree and six graduate certificate programs.

- In fiscal year 2011-2012, the School of Graduate Studies and Research, in collaboration with various units on campus, awarded more than 300 graduate assistantships to qualified graduate students totaling approximately \$3 million.
- In collaboration with the TSU Foundation, the School of Graduate Studies and Research in the past two years awarded the Walter S. Davis Scholarships to several first-time high achieving graduate students (with minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.75). The Walter Davis Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Dr. Walter S. Davis, president of Tennessee State University (1943-1968).
- Each spring semester, the School of Graduate Studies and Research recognizes excellence in graduate student research by awarding the Helen Barrett Award to one TSU graduate student. The 2012 winner and recipient of the Helen Barrett Award was Victor L. Roland II, a master's student in engineering. In recognition of his work, Roland received a prize of \$200 and certificate signed by the University's president and graduate dean. As the winner of the Helen Barrett Award, Rowland showcased his research at the annual poster presentation organized by the Tennessee Conference of Graduate Schools at the Legislative Plaza in downtown Nashville on April 4, 2012.



Dr. Mengistu Hailu, a 2011 graduate of Tennessee State University, has been appointed director of the Institute of Pedagogical Sciences of Mekelle University, Ethiopia. Dr. Hailu is tasked with moving the institute forward by developing a new College of Education. The institute currently offers undergraduate and graduate programs in the field of Educational Planning and Management; a post graduate diploma in teaching (a program that certifies high school teachers); and a higher diploma program that certifies university lecturers.



# The Symbols of Office

## The University Seal

In 1922, William Jasper Hale, first president of Tennessee A. and I. Normal School, asked Frances Thompson, professor and department head of Art, to design the University Seal. Enclosed in a circle, the seal is divided into three parts: 'Agriculture' upper left, 'Industry' upper right, 'Education' in lower center. Education is further emphasized by a hand holding a light with rays extending above the seal. The motto, "*Think. Work. Serve.*" is placed beneath the seal for support.



## Presidential Medallion and Chain of Office

The Presidential Medallion and Chain of Office serves as a symbol of authority as head of the university. It originated in medieval times and is worn by the president of the university on ceremonial occasions such as commencement, convocations or other formal occasions.

The Medallion and Chain of Office, the first in the history of the University, was commissioned in 2005 by Dr. Melvin N. Johnson, the seventh president of the university. The front of the medallion bears the official University Seal.



The backside of the medallion was conceptualized by Dr. Johnson and artistically designed by Professor Carlyle Johnson, department head of Art. The seal is circular with a blue border bearing the President's motto in Latin: NIL SINE MAGNO LABORE – "Nothing without Great Effort." Encircling the inside base of the seal on a background of silver is President Johnson's trademark, which is a suspended bridge supported by three massive pillars with extended pinnacles symbolizing the institution's Past, Present and Future. At the top center is the year that the institution was founded and at the bottom is the year that the Medallion and Chain of Office was conceived.

Each link of the chain holding the medallion is inscribed with the name of a past president of the institution and his term in office. Holding together these links and supporting the medallion is a bronze leaf cluster.

## University Mace and Baton

In 2005, the mace and baton was conceptualized by Dr. Melvin N. Johnson and artistically designed by Professor Carlyle Johnson, department head of Art, with layout and logistical formatting provided by Dr. John Cade, dean of Admissions and Records.

The Lapis stone characterizes the TSU Blue and is used to stimulate inner vision and give enhanced wisdom, insight and good judgment. The pearl stone represents the TSU White and symbolizes the wealth, purity and power of knowledge. The head and flanges of the mace are modeled after the Floyd-Payne Campus Center Tower located on the university's main campus. The reflective quality of the polished silver signifies the vision of the university.

The baton of the mace is made of wood which is a forest symbol or the symbol of a provider. It represents a tree of knowledge around which each college and school is mounted. This aspect of the mace serves to link the university with its cultural heritage, as well as TSU's ancestral past.

The three-tier stand for the mace embodies the motto: "*Think. Work. Serve.*" This aspect of the mace constitutes the foundation of the university that holds the mace in place and represents the classical architectural structure of the educational values at the university. On top of the mace is the seal of the



university. Together, the mace and baton are borne as a symbol of authority in the Processional and Recessional at occasions such as Commencement and Inaugural ceremonies.

The mace is carried by the University Chief Marshal in front of the Platform party that is composed of the president, vice presidents, Tennessee Board of Regents representatives, other authorities and distinguished guests.

## University's Academic Excellence Award

The University's Academic Excellence Award, the first in the history of the university, was commissioned in 2008 by Dr. Melvin N. Johnson, the seventh president of the university. The award is a replica of the University's Seal with the caption Academic Excellence Award placed beneath the university's motto, "*Think. Work. Serve.*" The award is a two-inch light oxidized bronze seal pendant medallion attached to a blue ribbon and serves as a symbol of recognition for academic achievement for students graduating summa cum laude and with the highest grade point average (GPA) in the class.



## University's Distinguished Student Leadership Award

The University's Distinguished Student Leadership Award, the first in the history of the university, was commissioned in 2008 by Dr. Melvin N. Johnson, the seventh president of the university. The award is presented to the student whose record of leadership and outstanding contributions to student life and government has had a great impact on improving the quality of the student experience at Tennessee State University.

# The History of Academic Regalia

The history of academic dress began with the medieval European universities of the 14th century. In a time when all students were clerics, the gown and its attached hood served the dual function of keeping the student warm in unheated buildings and identifying the particular order to which he belonged. Modern academic costume in the United States is based upon an intercollegiate code established in 1895. These early agreements have been revised periodically to cover standardization of the cap (two basic styles), the gown (three basic styles) and the hood (subject to greater variation than either the cap or the gown). The cap, originally round in shape, is usually the more familiar mortarboard square with tassel or black Oxford style.

The gown, commonly black, differs in sleeves and trimming according to the level of degree. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple in design. It is full-cut, falling in a straight line from an elaborate yoke, with long pointed sleeves as its distinguishing mark. The master's gown is similar to the bachelor's, except for its peculiar arrangement of the oblong sleeves that terminate in square ends at the wearer's knees; the wearer's arms emerge through slits in the sleeves made at the elbows. Short-sleeved master's gowns are also worn. The doctoral gown is an elaborate, full-cut, flowing costume distinguished by velvet panels down the front and around the neck and by three bars of velvet on the voluminous bell-shaped sleeves. The velvet is usually black, but it may be a color designating the field of study (for example, dark blue for philosophy).

The hood, traditionally bearing the heaviest symbolic burden, is the most important feature of the academic costume. The length of the hood and the width of its velvet trimming designate the level of the degree. The hood's lining identifies the institution that granted the degree, and the color of the velvet heralds the major field of learning.



## *Student Leadership*

**David Rawles**  
President, Student Government Association

**Courtney Lewis**  
Vice President, Student Government Association

**Danicia Hayes**  
Miss Tennessee State University

**Sidney Johnson**  
Mr. Tennessee State University

**Shelby Rogers**  
Presidential Liaison for Student Leadership

**Amyre Stewart**  
Chair, Student Union Board of Governors

**Brandi Jones**  
Chair, Student Election Commission



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# Order of Ceremony

Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, Eighth President  
Tennessee State University  
Presiding Officer

Prelude .....	University Wind Ensemble Dr. Reginald McDonald, <i>Conductor</i>
Academic Processional (Audience remains seated) "Pomp and Circumstance" -- Sir Edward Elgar .....	University Wind Ensemble Dr. Reginald McDonald, <i>Conductor</i>
College/School Banner Carriers .....	Students with Highest Academic Honors
Chief Marshal .....	Dr. Oscar Miller <i>Professor of Sociology and Department Head</i> Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Urban Professions
Presentation of Colors .....	Color Guard Air Force ROTC
"The Star-Spangled Banner" (Audience stands) .....	Francis Scott Key
"Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing" .....	James Weldon Johnson <i>(Audience stands)</i> University Wind Ensemble
Invocation .....	Reverend Darrell Drumwright, <i>Pastor</i> The Temple Church
Greetings .....	Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, <i>President</i>
	Mr. Darrell Freeman, <i>Regent</i> Tennessee Board of Regents
Music .....	The University Choir Mr. Victor Davis, <i>Director</i>
Announcements and Acknowledgments .....	Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson <i>Interim Provost and Executive Vice President</i>
Introduction Of Speaker .....	Miss Danicia Hayes, <i>Miss TSU</i> Mr. Sidney Johnson, <i>Mr. TSU</i>

Commencement Address .....	Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr. <i>Founder and President of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition</i>
Presentation of The Student Academic Excellence Award .....	Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, <i>President</i>
	Naomi Sawyers, College of Health Sciences Julie Harrison, College of Liberal Arts Angelica Lightfoot, College of Liberal Arts
Presentation of Deans of Colleges and Candidates for Degrees .....	Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson <i>Interim Provost and Executive Vice President</i>
	Dr. Chandra Reddy, Dean, College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences Dr. James Ellzy, Interim Dean, College of Business Dr. Heraldo Richards, Interim Dean, College of Education Dr. S. Keith Hargrove, Dean, College of Engineering Dr. Kathleen McEnerney, Dean, College of Health Sciences Dr. Gloria C. Johnson, Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts Dr. Stephanie Bailey, Interim Dean, College of Public Service and Urban Affairs Dr. Michael Orok, Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Research
Conferring and Awarding of Degrees .....	Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, <i>President</i>
Alumni Induction Ceremony .....	Mr. Tony Wells, <i>National President</i> TSU National Alumni Association
	I hereby fervently pledge my lifelong loyalty, service, and financial support to my alma mater in appreciation for the opportunities afforded me at Tennessee State University.
	I pledge to maintain active membership in the national alumni association, to encourage others to attend Tennessee State University, and to become a part of a global society of notable alumni who promote excellence as a way of life.
	I further pledge to exemplify the high ideals of my alma mater, and to continue to hold fast to the University's motto - "Think. Work. Serve."
Presentation of Class of 1963 .....	Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, <i>President</i>
The Presidential Charge .....	Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover, <i>President</i>
The Alma Mater .....	University Brass Ensemble
Benediction .....	Reverend Judy Cummings, <i>Pastor</i> New Covenant Christian Church
Recessional (Audience remains seated) .....	University Wind Ensemble
"The War March of the Priest" .....	Felix Mendelssohn University Wind Ensemble



2013 Vintagers Celebration Reunion Participants

Class of 1943 - 70th Year Reunion

Hattie Dansby Annie Mary R. Zachery

Class of 1948 - 65th Year Reunion

Andrew Bond, Ph.D. Harriet J. Pippin Princess Saavedra Homer Wheaton  
Jannie Louise Winfrey

Class of 1953 - 60th Year Reunion

Paul Anderson Audrey M. McMillan Lee Anna Lanier

Class of 1958 - 55th Year Reunion

Leroy Caffey Jewell B. Cousin Sondra M. Crusor Gerald Ellis, Ph.D.  
Carrie Gentry Ernestine P. Glass, Ph.D. Bena Harris Jessie Wallace Jackson  
LaRita W. Jackson Veonie T. McKinnie Delores Parrish-Burrus Rubin Pery  
Ruby J. Perry Ollie Phelps Aaron Powell Geneva F. Smith  
Beverly Jean Taylor Ira Thompson, M.D. Donald R. Tippitt Mozella Williams-Jones  
Melvin Wright, D.D.S.

Class of 1963 - 50th Year Reunion

Sophia K. Beamon Robert M. Bowman Felice J. Green Bobby L. Griffin  
Juanita L.P. Jackson JoAnn L. Jones Arthur Lawson Charlie W. Pope, Jr.  
Barbara L. Roberts Virgie A. Smith Zetta W. F. Talley Florence A. Townsend, Ed.D.  
James H. Tucker Louvern G. Tucker

Class of 1968 - 45th Year Reunion

George Evelyn Brooks Jean W. Brown Carla Davis Jimmie Esmon  
Barbara G. King Joyce Laster-Hayes Dorothy Lockridge Patricia D. Malone  
Bobby Olive Coach Sam Smith Leonard Stephens Janice H. Willis, Ed.D.  
Lois O. Winston Clinton Woods Velma D. Woods

Class of 1973 - 40th Year Reunion

William Akins Sharon S. Banks Yvette D. Boyd Dorothy A. Clardy  
Peggy Earnest Dianne Eaton Robert L. Evans Mary Sue Gooding  
Wanda P. Grissom Thelria M. Hardaway William F. Hayslett Frank Holmes, III  
Michael Holmes Harvey Hoskins Yvonne Jackson Louise B. Jordan  
Shirley R. Long Michelangelo McCallister, Sr. Doris P. McLay  
Rosa McMillian Jewell B. Parham Laura O. Pointer Roosevelt Reese  
Linda S. Roland Annette Stamper Ira Mai Steele Carmelia G. Taylor  
Mildred S. Woods

Returning Vintagers

Dr. Emanuel Abston Eleanor F. Bright Virgil L. Carter Carolyn Clark  
Alfred Coleman Rosa Coleman Mary Inez Crutchfield Raymond Delk  
Ruth W. Harwell Charles Hudson, D.Min. Nelle C. Hudson Ola G. Hudson  
Sandra D. Hunt Joetter S. Jenkins George A. King Gladys Lawrence  
Tommie Morton-Young, Ph.D. Barbara Murrell Trilby D. Patton  
Judith Presley, Ph.D. Charles Smith Dorothy C. Starnes Thelma Taylor  
Marion S. Thompson Millie Washington Rae H. Watkins Katie K. White, Ph.D.  
Margaret C. Whitfield Georgia Ann Wright Juanita Wynn

Colors

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctoral gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business, Accounting, Commerce	Drab
Dentistry	Lilac
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Home Economics	Maroon
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Pharmacy	Olive Green
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Speech, Oratory	Silver-Gray
Theology, Divinity	Scarlet
Technology	Bright Red
Veterinary Science	Gray

Origin of Awarding Degrees

The first academic degree was conferred in approximately 1160 A.D. at the University of Bologna, Italy with the practice spreading quickly to other European universities, most notably the University of Paris, Oxford University, and Cambridge University. The procedure used for awarding degrees at most American universities is based on a practice developed at the University of Paris in the late 12th or early 13th century. In those days, the Bishop of Paris, like every other bishop, was responsible for local educational curriculum and degree setting. His authority, however, soon came to be disputed by the teachers. They asserted that only they could be proper judges of the qualifications of their students. The threatened impasse was resolved by a compromise, under which the teachers, or masters, judged the merits of the students and then recommended them to the Bishop for the conferring of their degrees.

Academic Honors

Summa Cum Laude	A senior who has earned a grade point average of 3.75 or above.
Magna Cum Laude	A senior who has earned a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.74.
Cum Laude	A senior who has earned a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.49.
University Honors	A senior who has earned a grade point average of 3.25 or above and has fulfilled other requirements of the University Honors Program.

Candidates who have achieved honors in general scholarship are distinguished in procession by three-tassel gold braid cords. Those graduating with University Honors are distinguished by a scarlet braid cord with three gold tassels. The scarlet is symbolic of the University Honors Program; the gold, of general scholarship. The cords are provided by the University Honors Program.



## COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HUMAN, AND NATURAL SCIENCES

### *Summa Cum Laude*

Leslie Cherrelle Hughes  
Kanesha Kierra McBee  
Prashant K. Mishra  
Marcus John Pennington  
Marcus John Pennington  
James Robert Perry  
Toney C. Tillman

### *Magna Cum Laude*

Charita D. Harris  
Jonathan M. Heard  
Danielle N. Howell  
Breia Ja'Vuan Jefferson  
Myah N. Lipscomb  
Michael R. Martin  
Armeshia La' Toya Murphy  
Tyranny Antionette Pryor  
Kristina Szyrwiell

### *Cum Laude*

Melissa A. Diniz  
Bareen A. Hesin  
Simone L. Hopes  
Tasfia Islam  
Tyesha C. Martin  
Shonkaan R. Randle  
Bizaf N. Saban  
Hina A. Siddiqui  
Jasmine W. Smith  
Tiara L. Thompson

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

### *Summa Cum Laude*

Julius Russell Davis

### *Magna Cum Laude*

Anthony Alan Cutrale  
Jessica Maria Hernandez  
Brandon K. Norton  
Patrice Pride  
Aaron P. Walton  
Keiana N. Webb

### *Cum Laude*

Mardin Bengin Ali  
Jessica Nicole Cooley  
Joseph Fardello  
Jasmine E. Hudson  
Natasha D. Matthews  
Chasity Kiara McClinton  
Amber L. Sauls  
Angelitta M. Springer  
Armond Mason Webb  
Alyssia B. Whitney

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

### *Summa Cum Laude*

Greggory S. Pennington

### *Magna Cum Laude*

Hajar Bousseksou  
Danicia M. Hayes  
Asiya Jabeen  
Nathan Patrick Johnson  
Brianca L. Langham  
Ileana Mendoza  
Coty O. Parker  
Dyiamond N. Walker  
Tawanna L. Wright

### *Cum Laude*

Kimberly K. Groves  
Teresa Ann Pennington  
Harmony A. Schreiter  
Randon M. Taylor

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### *Summa Cum Laude*

James D. Calhoun  
Samba S. Fall  
Christen Kamal Sergeyou

### *Magna Cum Laude*

Evan D. Huntington  
Xue Ling  
Courtney E. Schuetz  
Baron Michael Worsham  
Cornel Zlibut

### *Cum Laude*

Justin K. Brantley  
Colton J. Dozier  
Heather Marie Housel  
Kamisha C. White  
January Barbara Lynn Wisniewski

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

### *Summa Cum Laude*

Sofia T. Bushen  
Wesley D. Hurst  
Stephanie M. Millhollin Kelley  
Naomi Sawyers

### *Magna Cum Laude*

Asma Y. Alammuri  
Antoinette P. Allen  
Karen M. Atherton  
Paula Kaye Bledsoe  
Tara Ann Bottorff  
Louise Joyce Calcut  
Cassie Alanna Christian  
Renita E. Cook  
Katlyn Renee Dallas  
Wagma A. Dorani  
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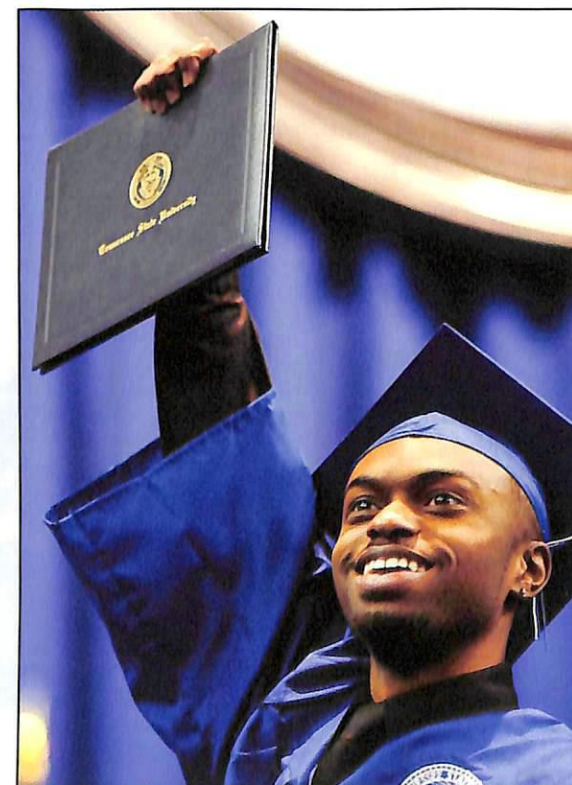
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*Alma Mater*

In the land of golden sunshine  
By the Cumb'rland's fertile shore.  
Stands a school for greatest service  
One that we adore  
Alma Mater, how we love thee,  
Love thy white and blue  
May we strive to meet Thy mandates  
With faith that's true.

Many come to Thee for knowledge,  
Come from East, North, South and West.  
For they know that Thou dost offer  
Such a rich bequest.  
Alma Mater, all Thy children  
Worship at Thy shrine;  
May the God of nations bless thee  
With gifts divine.

Send forth sons both strong and valiant,  
Send forth daughters wise and true.  
Filled with hope and dauntless courage  
Motives sane and true.  
Alma Mater, kindly mother  
Smile on Tennessee  
May she lift her head toward Heaven  
Honor Country, God and Thee.

## Notes & Autographs

A faded, light blue image of a large, classical-style building with a central dome and a portico supported by columns. The building has multiple windows and arched doorways at the base. The image is overlaid on a background of horizontal lines.







