



TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
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MAY 2015
SPRING COMMENCEMENT

President Glenda Glover



Spring COMMENCEMENT



GRADUATE CEREMONY
FRIDAY, THE EIGHTH OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN
 AT
FIVE O’CLOCK IN THE EVENING

TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
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NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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SATURDAY, THE NINTH OF MAY
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TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
WILLIAM JASPER HALE STADIUM
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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Office of the President

May 8, 2015

To the Graduating Class of 2015:

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 8, 2015

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 8, 2015

Dear Graduates:

As Mayor of Nashville, I would like to offer my congratulations to the 2015 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 2015.

Regards,

Karl F. Dean
Mayor



Bill Haslam Governor State of Tennessee

May 8, 2015

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





Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

May 8, 2015

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



United States Senate

May 8, 2015

Dear Class of 2015,

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

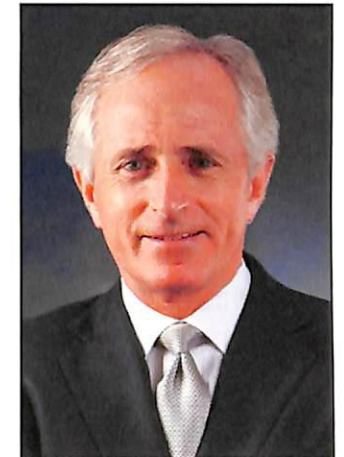
Hard work and determination have helped you reach this goal. These are qualities that will also help you achieve your dreams. By making the most of your education, you are laying the groundwork for a successful future. Our state and our nation will surely benefit from the knowledge and skills you have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





Tennessee State University National Alumni Association

May 8, 2015

Dear Esteemed 2015 Graduates,

Congratulations!

On behalf of the Tennessee State University National Alumni Association Executive Board, and the thousands of alumni 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 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

History of Tennessee State University



Tennessee State University is a comprehensive, urban coeducational, 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 an international 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. Dr. William Jasper Hale was appointed president with an original 247 students.

In 1922, the institution was elevated 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, an alumnus, Dr. Walter S. Davis, was selected to succeed Dr. Hale. Dr. 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. 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 addition of other schools, including agriculture, business, allied health and home economics.

After Dr. Walter S. Davis retired as president, another TSU alumnus, Dr. Andrew Torrence, was named the university's third president. During his tenure, the state legislature dropped "Agriculture & Industrial" and officially changed the name to Tennessee State University in 1968. Also during that same year, 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.



Following the service of Dr. Charles B. Fancher as interim president, Dr. Frederick Humphries became TSU's fourth president in 1975. He was the first president 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. During his tenure, on July 1, 1979, the Geier case was settled by a court order merging the former University of Tennessee at Nashville with TSU as a result of a court order.

Following the service of Dr. Roy Peterson as interim president, Dr. 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 were 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.

In 1990, the Tennessee Board of Regents appointed Dr. Floyd as its chancellor, opening the way for Dr. George Cox to serve in an interim capacity until Dr. James Hefner was selected as the University's sixth president in 1991. Dr. 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.



Dr. 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 and was awarded \$8 million for Race to the Top Funds by President Barack Obama. After Dr. Johnson's retirement, Dr. Portia Shields served as interim president from 2011-2012.

In the university's second century of academic excellence and service, Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover became the eighth president and first woman to lead the 100-plus year institution in January 2013. She continues to make changes to further emphasize the excellence for which Tennessee State University is internationally known.

Through its eight colleges and schools, TSU offers 45 bachelor's degrees, 24 master's degrees, and seven doctorate degrees: 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.

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





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) community outreach.

President Glover was formerly the Dean of the College of Business at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi, where she led the College of Business throughout the accreditation process, and spearheaded the implementation of the nation's first Ph.D. in Business at a Historically Black College or University (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.

President 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, President 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.

President Glover serves as a corporate board member of three publicly traded corporations. These include Pinnacle Financial Partners, First Guaranty Bancshares, and MobileBits Corporation. She served as Chair of the Audit Committee or Financial Expert on each board. President Glover is former Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Jackson (Mississippi) Airport Authority.

In 2013, President Glover was named to *Diverse Issues in Higher Education's* prestigious list as one of the "Top 25 Women in Higher Education." She is also the recipient of numerous other educational, community, professional, and civic awards and honors. President 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 and her husband, Charles, are members of Cade Chapel Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi. They are parents of two adult children, Attorney Candace Glover, and Dr. Charles Glover II.

Notable Alumni of Tennessee State University

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

Ralph Boston, Chandra Cheeseborough, Barbara Jones-Slater, Edith McGuire-Duvall, Wilma Rudolph, and Wyomia Tyus, Olympic gold medalists

T. B. Boyd III, president and chief executive officer, R. H. Boyd Publishing Corporation.

Xernona Clayton, retired vice president for urban affairs with Turner Broadcasting/CNN and founder/CEO of the Trumpet Awards

S. Allen Counter, explorer and Harvard neurophysiologist

Richard Dent is the first TSU alumnus to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Harold E. Ford, Sr. is the first African-American to represent Tennessee in the U.S. Congress.

Rep. Brenda Gilmore is a Democratic member of the Tennessee House of Representatives, representing the 54th District. She formerly served on the Nashville Metro Council from the 1st District from 1993-2003.

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.

Moses Gunn is the renowned actor who in 1977 received an Emmy nomination for his appearance as tribal chieftain Kintango in the ground-breaking miniseries, *Roots*. Gunn is also noted as the founder of the Negro Ensemble and received several Obie Awards for his off-Broadway work.

Senator Thelma Harper has served as Senator for the 19th District in the Tennessee General Assembly since 1971. Her political career has led to the position of delegate for the 1980, 1984, 1988 and 1992 Democratic National Conventions.

Claude B. Humphrey is a former American football defensive lineman in the National Football League for the Atlanta Falcons and Philadelphia Eagles. He is a 2014 inductee into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Bobby Jones, executive producer of the Bobby Jones Gospel Show and Ambassador at large of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Ed "Too Tall" Jones, retired American NFL Football Player spent 15 years with the Dallas Cowboys from 1974-1978 and again from 1980-1989.

Harvey Johnson, the first African American mayor of Jackson, Mississippi

Richard Lewis, an entrepreneur and president of Lewis & Wright Funeral Home in Nashville, as well as chief financial officer of the AME Church.

Rep. Harold M. Love, Jr. is a Democratic member of the Tennessee House of Representatives, representing the 58th district. Love's father, Harold Love, Sr., was a Nashville City Councilman and state representative. Love, Jr. is the pastor of St. Luke A.M.E. church.

Obie L. McKenzie ranks among the Top 10 African-Americans on Wall Street and is currently a managing director at BlackRock in the Account Management Group. BlackRock is one of the largest publicly traded investment firms in the United States.

Lloyd W. Newton, 4-star general, retired as highest ranking African American in the Air Force

Jo Ann North is a former Davidson County Property Assessor, a post she retired from in 1992. She is also recognized as the first woman elected as an At-Large member of the Metropolitan Council of Nashville, Davidson County.

Jesse Russell, pioneer in the development of the cellular telephone

Dr. Catana Starks, a Tennessee State University alumna, former faculty member and department chair, was the first female head coach of an NCAA Division I men's golf team and coached the team to the National Minority Golf Championship in 2005. Starks story has been captured and shared with the world in the feature film, *From the Rough*.

Carla Venita Thomas is an American singer, who is often referred to as the 'Queen of Memphis Soul.'

Levi Watkins, Jr., M.D. associate dean and cardiac surgeon at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; implanted first defibrillator for the heart

Kevin Williams, a TSU Foundation Board of Trustees member, is the current president and managing director of General Motors Canadian operations.

Oprah Winfrey, producer/talk show host

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 or 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:

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

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. Mark G. Hardy	Vice President, Academic Affairs
Ms. Cynthia Brooks, CPA	Vice President, Business and Finance
Attorney Jane Shaw Jackson	Vice President, Administration
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Dr. Michael Freeman	Associate Vice President, Student Affairs
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Ms. Teresa Lawrence-Phillips	Director, University Athletics
Attorney Laurence Pendleton	University Counsel

Academic Deans

Dr. Chandra Reddy	Dean, College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Sciences
Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson	Dean, College of Business
Dr. Kimberly King-Jupiter	Dean, College of Education
Dr. S. Keith Hargrove	Dean, College of Engineering
Dr. Stephanie Bailey	Interim Dean, College of Health Sciences
Dr. Gloria Johnson	Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Dr. Michael Harris	Dean, College of Public Service and Urban Affairs
Dr. Alex Sekwat	Interim Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Research
Dr. Murle Kenerson	Interim Dean, Libraries and Media Centers

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.

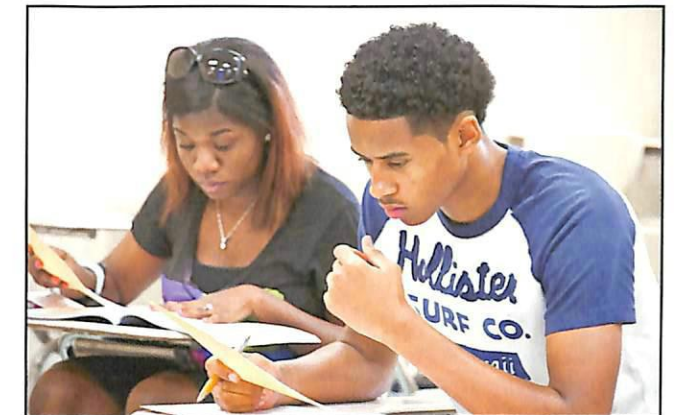
- The College of Business has established alliances with a long list of community organizations that provide resources earmarked for internships and scholarships, business industry needs assessments, and recommendations for continuous curriculum improvements. The COB community partners include: Corning, 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.

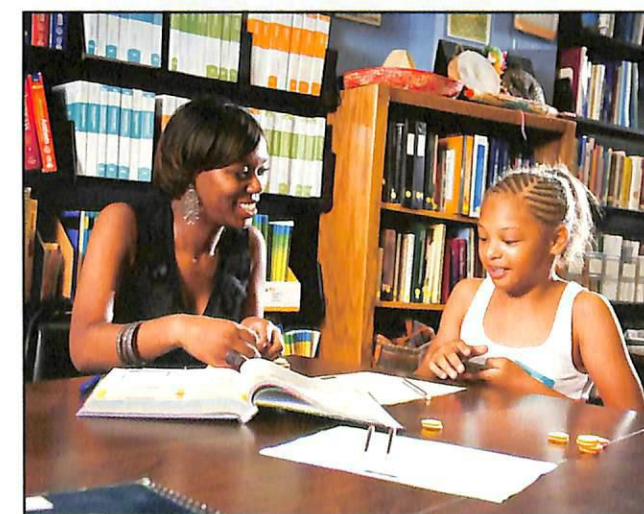
- More than 90 percent of graduates in the Professional School Counseling Program have obtained positions in the Middle Tennessee School System. The impact of the College is evident in school leadership as well. More than 40 percent of the principals in the Metropolitan Nashville Public School System 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 to programs ranging from Associate to Doctoral degrees. Some unique aspects of the Colleges are:

- The Division of Nursing offers two career mobility accelerated degree completion Programs in nursing including the LPM-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 Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology offers a Master of Science (MS) Degree in both traditional and distance education formats. The online graduate degree program in speech and hearing science holds the distinction of being the first distance education program at Tennessee State University as well as the first distance education program in the area of speech-language pathology in the State of Tennessee.
- 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 three-year licensure pass rate of graduates (2011, 2012, 2013) of the Doctor of Physical is 98.89%.
- The nursing clinical simulation lab was recently renovated and houses cutting edge clinical simulation equipment.
- Students in the Doctor of Physical Therapy program work with Access Nashville to assess the accessibility of restaurants and other local venues for customers with disabilities; they also provide pro-bono services under the supervision of program faculty to uninsured and underinsured patients at Siloam Family Health Care Center.
- The Respiratory Care program has a 90 percent job placement rate, and overall employer satisfaction of 100 percent.
- The Health Information Management has an overall 95 percent retention rate of students accepted junior/professional level class and over 90 percent job placement.



Associate Degree Programs

Dental Hygiene. Nursing

Bachelor's Degree Programs

Respiratory Care . Dental Hygiene
Health Care Administration and Planning
Health Information Management . Health Sciences
Health Performance and Sports Science . Nursing

Doctoral Degree Program

Physical Therapy

Certificate Programs

Holistic Nurse Practitioner . Nursing Education .
Nursing Administration . 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

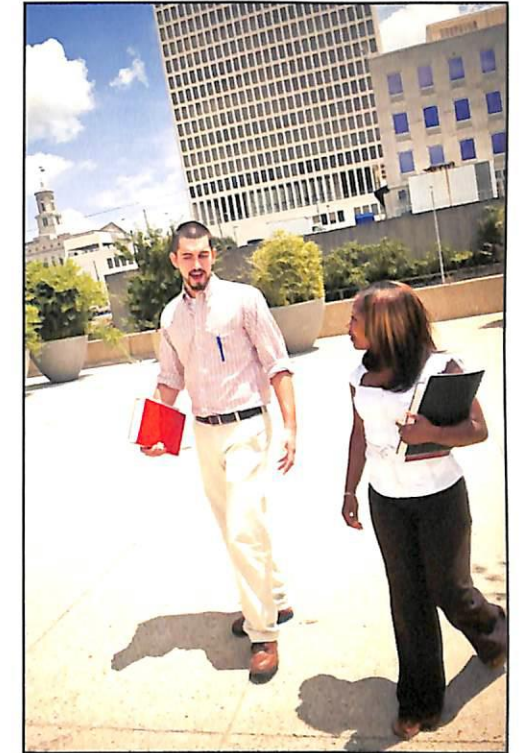
The College of Public Service and Urban Affairs became operational January 2008 with the appointment and arrival of the founding dean, former Nashville Mayor Bill Purcell. The new College fulfilled the Geier Consent Decree of 1984 and from the Institute of Government has expanded to include the Department 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).

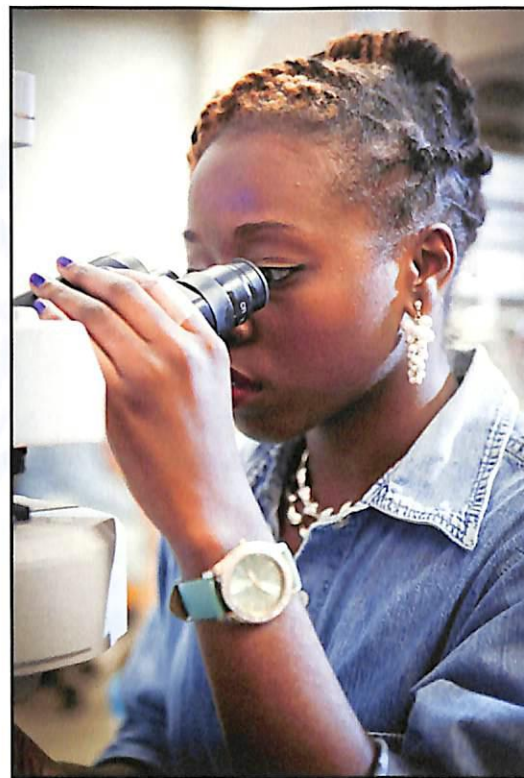


Where are CPSUA graduates? At the Tennessee Department of Labor, the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security, the U.S. Missile Defense Agency, the Tennessee Department of Human Services, TennCare Bureau, Juvenile Justice, serving in Student Professional Development, as elected officials,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

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The Symbols of Office

The University Seal

In 1922, Dr. 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 front of the Medallion and Chain of Office bears the official University Seal. The backside of the medallion contains a circular seal with a blue border bearing the President's motto in latin: NIL SINE MAGNO LABORE - "Nothing without Great Effort."

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. 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 was commissioned in 2008. 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 in the class.



University's Distinguished Student Leadership Award

The University's Distinguished Student Leadership Award was commissioned in 2008. 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.

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:

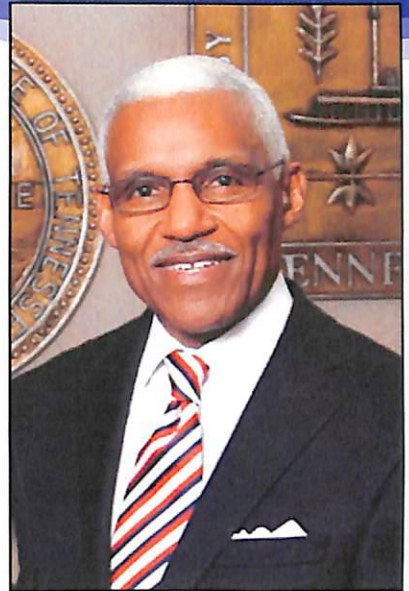
Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business, Accounting, Commerce	Drab
Dentistry	Lilac
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Home Economics	Maroon
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
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.

Undergraduate Commencement Speaker The Honorable A C Wharton

Mayor, Memphis, Tennessee



A C Wharton Jr. is the 63rd Mayor of the City of Memphis and the eighth mayor since city government was restructured into a Mayor-City Council form of government in 1968.

Reared in Lebanon, Tennessee, Mayor Wharton attended Tennessee State University, where he majored in political science and graduated with honors in 1962. Six years later, he entered the University of Mississippi Law School, where he was one of the first African-American students to serve on the Moot Court Board and the first African-American to serve on the Judicial Council. He graduated with honors in 1971, and three years later became the first African-American professor of law at the University of Mississippi, a position he held for 25 years.

Following college graduation, Mayor Wharton worked in Washington, D.C., at the Office of General Council of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for two years and one year at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, heading up the Public Employment Project funded by the Rockefeller Foundation.

In November 1973, Mayor Wharton moved to Memphis to accept the job as executive director of Memphis Area Legal Services, a nonprofit organization providing civil legal assistance to low-income people. Legal Services was in severe financial trouble, but under his leadership, it not only survived but was recognized nationally for its innovative programs, including the nation's first legal services office for seniors.

In 1980, Mayor Wharton was appointed as Shelby County's Chief Public Defender, heading up the office providing free criminal representation to poor people. In that position, his concern for the mentally ill in the criminal justice system gave birth to a national model program. In 1982, he wrote and worked successfully to pass one of the first state laws in the U.S. to combat domestic violence, and at a national level, he worked for a special appropriation for one of the nation's first transitional living facilities for juveniles. At the same time, with his wife, Ruby, he formed the law firm of Wharton and Wharton.

In 2002, Shelby County Government was approaching bankruptcy and was racked with corruption, inefficiencies, and fragmented operations, and offered few opportunities for the public to have a voice in its decisions. Elected as the first African-American Shelby County Mayor in 2002 with 62 percent of the vote and easily re-elected in 2006 with 77 percent of the vote.

In October 2009, Mayor Wharton was elected Memphis Mayor with 61 percent of the vote in a field of 25 candidates. In addition, for the first time in decades, Memphis is involved in national conversations about cities, including the Obama White House, U.S. Conference of Mayors, Brookings Institution, CEOs for Cities, National Endowment for the Arts, Mayor's Institute of Civic Design.

He was re-elected in 2011 for a full four-year term with 65 percent of the vote to 28 percent for his nearest opponent. He took office January 1, 2012, with a promise to usher in a new era of communication and collaboration and a concentrated focus on four key priorities: reinvesting in safe and vibrant neighborhoods, creating jobs and prosperity of all, giving every child a fair start in life through early childhood development, and a high-performing government that fights crime and inefficiency.

Undergraduate 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) <i>Pomp and Circumstance</i> -- 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	Air Force ROTC Color Guard
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i> -- Francis Scott Key	University Wind Ensemble (Audience stands)
<i>Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing</i> -- James Weldon Johnson	Video Presentation (Audience stands)
Invocation	Reverend Frank Stevenson, Sr. <i>Pastor, St. Luke Primitive Baptist Church</i>
Greetings	President Glenda Baskin Glover
Music	The University Choir Mr. Victor Davis, <i>Director</i>
Announcements and Acknowledgments	Mrs. Cynthia Brooks <i>Vice President for Business and Finance</i>
Introduction of Speaker	Miss Adriann N. Wilson <i>Highest GPA</i>
Commencement Address	The Honorable A C Wharton <i>Mayor, City of Memphis, TN</i>

Presentation of Vintagers	President Glenda Baskin Glover
Presentation of the Student Academic Excellence Award	President Glenda Baskin Glover Miss Adriann N. Wilson, Mechanical Engineering Major, College of Engineering
Presentation of Deans of Colleges and Candidates for Degrees	Dr. Mark G. Hardy <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
	Dr. Chandra Reddy, Dean, College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson, Dean, College of Business Dr. Kimberly King-Jupiter, Dean, College of Education Dr. S. Keith Hargrove, Dean, College of Engineering Dr. Stephanie Bailey, Interim Dean, College of Health Sciences Dr. Gloria C. Johnson, Dean, College of Liberal Arts Dr. Michael Harris, Dean, College of Public Service and Urban Affairs Dr. Alex Sekwat, Interim Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Research
Conferring and Awarding of Degrees	President Glenda Baskin Glover
Alumni Induction Ceremony	Mr. Tony Wells <i>National President, TSU National Alumni Association</i>

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.*

<i>The Alma Mater</i>	University Wind Ensemble and University Choir
Benediction	Reverend Frank Stevenson, Sr. <i>Pastor, St. Luke Primitive Baptist Church</i>
Recessional (Audience remains seated)	University Wind Ensemble

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
 Eduardo F. Constantino
 Carla R. Gibbs
 Derek J. Platt

Magna Cum Laude
 Amadou M. Fall
 Carrie Michelle Hall
 Toni J. Hallman
 Da Ne R. Irvin
 Tya S. Johnson
 Erin Trent Malone
 Bria Nicole Monk
 Cierra A. Rowe
 Bayan Sankari
 Beatrice Elizabeth Scalf
 Brittney R. Shaw

Cum Laude
 Authur R. Chapman
 Sara Lane Chrisman
 George T. Davis
 Amy Michelle Garrison
 Christina Gomez
 Veman Ismail
 Nahom Iyob
 Monica K. Lemons
 Dena A. Masoud
 Shantia D. Morgan
 Kavon D. Seay
 Rebecca Lynn Welch

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Summa Cum Laude
 Olivia Elise Laster

Magna Cum Laude
 Janki P. Bant
 Zuheily Bonilla
 Leddy Brown
 Kathleen Marie Burnett

Cum Laude

Nakisha L. Anderson
 Maria I. Arbelaez-Lopez
 Breyuna Chandelle Bartee
 Danielle Nicole Dunn
 Joe Dallas Hill
 Selina Dominique Hilliard
 Ahmed U. Mohamed
 Annie Kim Tran
 Rodger Waynick

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Magna Cum Laude
 Kiara Nicole Curry
 Qunisha Mckee
 LaKesha Smith
 Andjoua L. Williams

Cum Laude

Demetrius A. Buck
 Amber Marie Coleman
 ShaCora Q. McCoy
 Denissa Danielle Rogers-Giles

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Summa Cum Laude
 Kevin B. Goolsby
 Adriann Nicole Wilson

Magna Cum Laude
 Muflih Alqahtani
 Steven Barrett
 Eric R. Hall
 Andrew Devin Hart
 Benjamin W. Morton
 Ronald G. Oniszczak

Cum Laude

Jamal Ali Abdi
 Patrick Scott Akers
 Mary Bennett
 Diarra Fall
 Michaiiah A. Hinds
 Rashad Emmanuel Powell

Tony Sanchez
 Shaniquia Williams

COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Summa Cum Laude
 Dejin B. Ali
 Jennifer Lee Allen
 Chandni P. Bant
 Kaitlyn E. Boggs
 Jacoby L. Brewer
 Lindsay Taylor Buena
 Moussa Diouf
 Isabella Therese Kearney
 Mariah Mae Leaman
 Ashlie Nichole Pittman
 Rebekah A. Sindell
 Chelsea L. Trice

Magna Cum Laude

Ashley Anne Anderson
 Jared Cole Asher
 Modou M. Diouf
 Amanda Brooke Freels
 Nyani B. Golden-Brown
 Nichole M. Grant
 Calvin Harris
 Cindy Hernandez
 Alexis J. Hicks
 Megan E. Jamar
 Keyawna Majors
 Courtney Jaye Martin
 Christeen Amin Mikhail
 Jean-Bosco A. Munyaneza
 Fatimatu Abubakar Musah
 Tanya Michele Nelson
 Shana Renee O'Brien
 Amy V. Oaks
 Melissa D. Raimey
 Emal B. Sharif
 Hong D. Vo
 Kaveen R. Yunus

Cum Laude

Margaret L. Adams-Johnson
 John Caleb Allsbrooks
 Zelalem B. Amare
 Tara Y. Anthony
 Michael J. Austin
 Stephanie Austin
 Matthew Brandon Campbell
 Elijah D. Carter
 Akamard David Chansuthus
 Charles N. Commodore
 Jared J. Coulter
 Mahedere B. Demessie
 Imani Jameya Donald
 Somer L. Dones
 Raven Latrice Dotson
 Kaitlin Lynn Ellis
 Eliana Elly
 Micheal E. Estany
 Lauren Nicole Evans
 Merna Nady Farag
 Heather Michelle Fiedler
 Shava C. Garrett
 Tracey Nicole Gibbs
 Jane C. Grant
 Melinda Lucille Green
 Whitney Brianna Griffin
 Vahin Haji
 Amanda J. Harris
 Jordan T. Hill
 Courtney Elaine Hix
 Georgio G. Holston
 Merna M. Ibrahim
 Courtney Danielle Ingram
 De'onte M. Jackson
 Sheneka D. Jackson
 Trafawn S. Johnson
 Adrienne Brooke Joiner
 Tissanie Sade Jones
 Oluwat'aye N. King
 Rebecca Janine Moore
 Whitney Capri Myles
 Kayla L. Nickens
 Brittany Ann Orpurt
 Carter N. Patterson
 William J. Payne
 Natasha R. Pedigo
 Stella U. Prigmore
 Kiara Victoria Rainey
 Sara A. Raiszadeh
 Onika L. Richmond Hibbler
 Scharonda L. Rose
 Jasmine Renae Scott
 Ebony S. Searcy
 Heather Dale Seldat

Dejuan Jamak Sharp
 Khesa L. Smiley
 Ellenor Meredith Smith
 Monica Danielle Sorensen
 LaChrissa S. Stanley
 James Richard Swann
 Samantha L. Thomas
 Simone Angelea-Marie Tunstall
 James Lee Wingo
 Rediet F. Wrgesa
 Rachel Lauren Wright
 Tilahun F. Yassin

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Summa Cum Laude

Rachel-Rebekah Underwood Brown
 Lydia R. Browning
 Nathaniel Y. Browning
 Zachary Ty Carden
 Tiffani L. Clark
 John Raby Creson
 Ellery Eugene Cunningham
 Tyla Rae Daniels
 Lauren A. Domzalski
 Whitney Lachelle Dozier
 Luba M. Elliott
 Lisa Haile
 Kelsey N. Jones
 Krystal R. Nichols
 Teanna Jamin Ohm
 Christian M. Powell
 Daryl Allan Ritchie
 Amy Dawn Rogers
 Tayler K. Shimizu
 Taylor Swayzer
 Adin Turkovic
 Travis H. Whitehead
 Michael E. Williams
 Ashley Jeanette Young

Magna Cum Laude

Saran D. Ahmad Spratts
 Kate M. Belardo
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 Heather Bryanna Cothron
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 Rick Daniel Hallbeck
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 Kia Ieshia Irene Hassell
 Allison Nicole Hesson
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Graduate Commencement Speaker

Roslyn M. Brock

Chairman, NAACP National Board of Directors



Roslyn M. Brock is Chairman of the National Board of Directors for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). She made history in February 2010 when she was unanimously elected as its 14th Chairman. She is the youngest person and fourth woman to hold this position.

Brock is currently employed as Vice President of Advocacy and Government Relations for Bon Secours Health System, Inc., in Marriottsville, Maryland. Prior to working at Bon Secours, Brock worked 10 years in health programs at the W. K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan.

She graduated magna cum laude from Virginia Union University; earned a master's degree in health services administration from George Washington University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a Master of Divinity degree from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University. In May 2010, she received an honorary doctorate degree from Virginia Union University.

Brock has been a servant leader with the NAACP for more than 27 years. She is a Diamond Life Member of NAACP and joined the Association as a freshman at Virginia Union University where she was elected President of Youth and College Division from the Commonwealth of Virginia. One year later, she was elected as a Youth Board Member from Region 7 representing the District of Columbia, Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia. In 1988 as Vice Chairman of the NAACP Board Health Committee, her advocacy for quality, accessible and affordable health care for vulnerable and economically challenged communities resulted in the National Board's inclusion in its Constitution of a health committee as a standing committee.

An expert grant writer, Brock has secured millions of philanthropic support for the NAACP. For nine years (2001-2010) she served as Vice Chairman of the NAACP National Board. In 2005, Brock created the NAACP Leadership 500 Summit. The Summit's goal is to recruit, train and retain a new generation of civil rights leaders to the NAACP. Since its inception, Leadership 500 has contributed more than \$1.5 million to the NAACP to support its civil rights programs.

Brock is a member of the Board of Trustees of the George Washington University, and a former member of the Board of Trustees for the Catholic Health Association of the United States of America. She is a member of several professional and civic organizations including the American Public Health Association; American College of Health Services Executives; Association of Healthcare Philanthropy; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and The Links, Incorporated.

A recipient of numerous healthcare, community service and leadership awards, Brock was awarded the 2011 Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award by the George Washington University; listed among the 40 Fierce and Fabulous Women Who Are Changing the World, Black Entertainment Television's (BET) 2010 Black Girls Rock, honored her in its inaugural broadcast and she received the 2010 National Urban League's Women of Power Award.

Graduate Order of Ceremony

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

Prelude University Wind Ensemble
Dr. Reginald McDonald, *Conductor*

Academic Processional (Audience remains seated)
Pomp and Circumstance -- Sir Edward Elgar University Wind Ensemble
Dr. Reginald McDonald, *Conductor*

College/School Banner Carriers Students with Highest Academic Honors

Chief Marshal Dr. Oscar Miller
Professor of Sociology and Department Head
Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Urban Professions

Presentation of Colors Air Force ROTC Color Guard

The Star-Spangled Banner -- Francis Scott Key University Wind Ensemble
(Audience stands)

Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing -- James Weldon Johnson Video Presentation
(Audience stands)

Invocation Reverend Frank Stevenson, Sr.
Pastor, St. Luke Primitive Baptist Church

Greetings President Glenda Baskin Glover

Music Miss Jazmin Ghent, *Saxophone*
Mr. Steve King, *Piano*
Candidates for the Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Announcements and Acknowledgments Mrs. Cynthia Brooks
Vice President for Business and Finance

Introduction of Speaker Mr. Sajad Wadees
Master of Chemistry, College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Sciences

Commencement Address Ms. Roslyn Brock
Chairman, NAACP National Board of Directors

Presentation of Deans of Colleges and Candidates for Degrees Dr. Mark G. Hardy
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Chandra Reddy, Dean, College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Sciences
Dr. Millicent Lownes-Jackson, Dean, College of Business
Dr. Kimberly King-Jupiter, Dean, College of Education
Dr. S. Keith Hargrove, Dean, College of Engineering
Dr. Stephanie Bailey, Interim Dean, College of Health Sciences
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Dr. Michael Harris, Dean, College of Public Service and Urban Affairs
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Conferring and Awarding of Degrees President Glenda Baskin Glover

Alumni Induction Ceremony Mr. Tony Wells
National President, 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.*

The Alma Mater University Wind Ensemble and University Choir

Benediction Reverend Frank Stevenson, Sr.
Pastor, St. Luke Primitive Baptist Church

Recessional (Audience remains seated) University Wind Ensemble

Doctoral Candidates for Degrees

2015 Spring Commencement

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HUMAN AND NATURAL SCIENCES

Dr. Chandra Reddy
Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

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Tennessee State University, 2011,
B.S., Howard University, 2009

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Ed.S., Tennessee State University
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Ed.S., Tennessee Technological University, 2007
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B.A., Middle Tennessee State University, 2003

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M.Com. Lucknow University, 1996
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Ed.S., Tennessee Technological University, 2012
A Case Study to Explore the Perspectives of Participants at a
Local Education Agency in Tennessee
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Ed.S., Tennessee Technological University, 2012
B.S., Cumberland University, 2008

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Ed.S., Freed Hardeman, 2010
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New Teacher Perspectives on their Preparation for Working
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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

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M.A., Trevecca Nazarene University, 2008
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M.S., Tennessee State University, 2010

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M.S., Lynn University, 2011
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B.S., Middle Tennessee State University, 2006

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B.S., Lipscomb University, 2010

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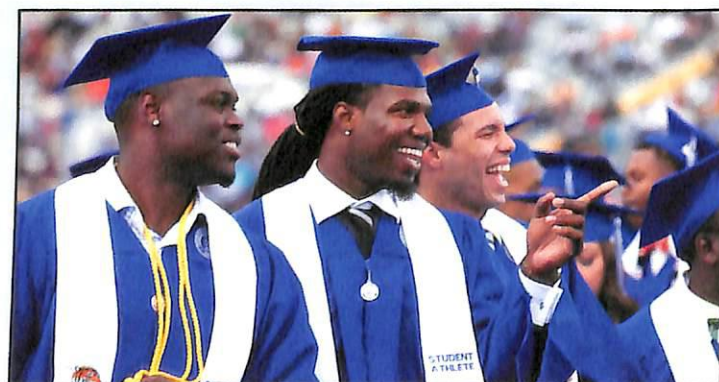
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Congratulations to the Class of 1965 on celebrating their 50th year class reunion.

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Ms. Catherine Hill	Ms. Barbara Wilson

Tennessee State University also congratulates our Vintagers celebrating milestone anniversaries from the Classes of: 1940, 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1970 and 1975.

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- Photographs: Guests are requested to refrain from taking photographs during the exercises.
- The audience is requested to remain seated during the Academic Procession and Recession.
- The assembly is requested to stand for the Alma Mater.
- An interpreter is provided by the university for hearing-impaired members of the audience. These guests should be seated near the front of the stage on the second level of the gym.
- This program is not an official graduation list. It lists students who were eligible to participate in the graduation ceremonies pending the outcome of final examinations and final grades. Therefore, it should not be used to determine a student's academic or degree status.
- Candidates: Any display of disruptive behaviors--stumping, dancing, etc.--on stage or in the audience will not be tolerated. No talking on cell phones. All phones must be turned off! Failure to comply with these University rules will necessitate the removal of the graduate from the ceremony, withholding diploma, and other possible consequences.
- Audience: Please turn off cell phones, keep the noise level to a minimum, and do not display behaviors that disrupt the ceremony (bull horns, signs, whistles are prohibited).

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.

