James C. Renick to Lead A&T State University into the 21st Century

James C. Renick was named Chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University on March 19, 1999. He succeeded Edward B. Fort who retired on June 30, 1999 after 18 years as chancellor. Prior to coming to A&T, Renick was Chancellor and Professor at the University of Michigan at Dearborn. “Jim Renick brings to North Carolina A&T State University a passionate commitment to sustaining the special mission of HBCU’s. Jim also brings to A&T great energy, enthusiasm, and solid successful administrative experience accumulated in a variety of academic settings,” said Molly Broad, President of the University of North Carolina System. Throughout his career, Renick has shown a deep commitment to nurturing leadership potential in minority students and promoting global studies programs. He has led summer study tours to Ghana and Nigeria.

A Salute to Chancellor Edward B. Fort

Edward B. Fort retired as Chancellor of A&T on June 30, 1999. Fort was instrumental in establishing the “World Class Waste Management Institute” of North Carolina A&T State University. He signed the partnership agreement between A&T and the Department of Energy (DOE), Savannah River Site (SRS) on September 12, 1994. The partnership resulted in a $1.4 million grant from DOE-SRS to develop an interdisciplinary Waste Management Institute at A&T. The Institute was approved in June 1994 by the General Administration of the University of North Carolina as an academic support unit with research and public service functions. Chancellor Fort on many occasions said “The Waste Management Institute will develop solutions to global environmental and waste management problems.” “The Waste Management Institute salutes Chancellor Fort and wishes him a very happy retirement as he moves on to life’s next challenge as an educational evangelist for youth” said Godfrey A. Uzochukwu, Director of Waste Management Institute.
The Waste Management Institute Receives $150,000 for Groundwater Pollution and Risk Assessment Projects

The Waste Management Institute at A&T recently received $150,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy's Savannah River Site through the Education, Research and Development Association of Georgia Universities.

The money will be used for groundwater pollution studies and risk assessment. The Institute will analyze the impact of soil and water pollution on people and the environment.

Bluford Library will organize risk assessment materials to make them more easily accessible for support of environmental restoration programs.

Godfrey Uzochukwu, director of the Waste Management Institute, will work on the project with colleagues Emmanuel Nzewi, Donald Bradsher and WMI students. The project is a partnership between A&T and the Savannah River Site in Aiken, South Carolina.

1998 National Conference on Environmental Remediation Science and Technology

The WMI co-sponsored the above National Conference with USEPA, USDOE, US Army IOE, and Private Companies. Two hundred people from eighteen states and five foreign countries attended the conference which was held at the Greensboro Hilton on September 8-10, 1998. More than seventy technical papers/exhibits were presented.

The proceedings of the 1998 National Conference will be published by Battelle Press. The proceedings will highlight environmental remediation technology needs, solutions and current research.

Eleven students completed a summer internship at USEPA, RTP.

The following students completed a 12 week summer (1998) internship at the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Research Triangle Park (RTP):

Cynthia Davis (Mathematics)
Tanyetta Strickland (OSH)
Michael Regan (Environmental Science)
Jerald Wilks (Computer Science)
DeCatur McMillian (Computer Science)
TeJuan Manners (Civil Engineering)
Dianne Whittaker (Agricultural Ed.)
David Gill (Ag. and Biosystems Eng.)
Ebony Burroughs (Industrial Tech.)
Karen Harris (English)
Lillie Alston (Architectural Engineering)

1998 DOE-SR Summer Interns

The following students completed a summer internship at DOE-SR:

Tara Rowland - Chemical Engineering
Tosha McDougal - Agricultural Education
Chadd Matthewson - Environmental Science

Eighteen Students Selected to Participate in Summer 1999 Internships at USEPA

The names of the summer interns and a brief description of projects are as follows:

Jason Ancrum (Computer Science Major). Jason is converting self-instructional courses to an electronic format for use with digital copies.

Torry Burden (Math Education Major). Torry is developing a database to support regulations and limit hazardous air pollutant emissions.

Cynthia Davis (Statistics Major). Cynthia is examining seasonal patterns in air pollutants.

Melvin Dove (Animal Science Major). Melvin is helping to develop viable regulatory strategies.

Rodney Gibbs (Civil Engineering Major). Rodney is performing routine and special studies involving ambient air pollution.

Karen Harris (English Education Major). Karen is assisting with all aspects of teacher training and maintaining a database of teacher workshops.

Natasha Jones (Applied Math Major). Natasha is working on pristine databases and performing data analysis of pollutants.

Sheronda Jones (Industrial Technology Major). Sheronda is updating environmental outreach databases.

Christina Lynch (Ag. and Biosystems Engineering Major). Christina is identifying emission issues that are relevant to the advancement and acceptance of CEMS.

TeJuan Manners (Civil Engineering Graduate). TeJuan is developing implementation guidance and outreach to small businesses.

Anikka Ruffin (Ag. & Biosystems Engineering Major). Anikka is assessing

Noteworthy

B.S./B.A. Degree and Certificate Program in Waste Management
A Winning Combo!

More than 4000 students enrolled in Waste Management and related courses in the 1998/99 academic year.

Join the team!

Complete 18 hours of waste management core courses and earn the Waste Management Certificate with the undergraduate degree.

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compliance rates for conservation
planning and installation activities.

Kimberely Simpson (Environmental
Science Major). Kimberely is using a
microbalance to weigh teflon filters used
in air pollution network activity.

Kristen Stancil (Communications
Major). Kristen is documenting the find-
ings from air pollution analysis.

Tomeka Terry (Civil Engineering
Major). Tomeka is testing air dispersion
models.

Tiffany Tolbert (Communications
Major). Tiffany is developing a commu-
nications mechanism that will make
other agencies aware of air quality pro-
jects.

Raymond Turner (Environmental
Science Major). Raymond is developing
air toxins reduction standards.

Dianna Whitaker (Ag. Education
Graduate). Dianna is developing a port-
folio of materials that will be used by
EPA to communicate with stakeholders.

Donnette Olds (Civil Engineering
Graduate Student). Donnette is estab-
lishing polyline overlays for use with the
ARCHIBUS software for management of
statistical data.

**Delia Brennen and the National Audubon Society**

Delia Brennen (History Major) completed her summer 1998 internship working with the National Audubon Society at the Florida Everglades. Delia was among 10 students selected to participate in the 1998/99 CSX scholar’s program. The CSX scholar’s program is a unique partnership among UNCF/Affiliated Colleges and Universities, National Audubon Society and CSX Corp. The program focused on environmental issues and careers.

**71 Students Receive Waste Management Certificate from the Waste Management Institute (WMI)**

Seventy-one (71) A&T graduates (B.A./B.S.) received the Waste Management Certificate on May 14, 1999 during a ceremony honoring the graduates. The certificate graduates completed a minimum of 18 credit hours of Waste Management core courses. The Waste Management Certificate highlights the training of A&T students in waste management and also complements the undergraduate degree. The names of the 1999 certificate recipients are as follows:

Jeffrey D. Allen
Civil Engineering
John Artis
Laboratory Animal Science
Carrie E. Bailey
Occupational Safety & Health
Erica S. Bannerman
Environmental Science
Dominique Beeks
Chemical Engineering
Delia K. Brennan
History
Danielle S. Brooks
Chemical Engineering
Andre D. Bryant
Laboratory Animal Science
DeShawn M. Byrd
Architectural Engineering
Keena Byrd
Industrial Engineering
Crystal J. Campbell
Architectural Engineering
Eric J. Cheek
Laboratory Animal Science
Brian D. Cuthbertson
Architectural Engineering
Tamala J. Dalton
Laboratory Animal Science
Lakesha C. Dunbar
Civil Engineering
Laura A. Feaster
Chemical Engineering
Tanya N. Ford
Chemical Engineering
Treeca K. Ford
Laboratory Animal Science
Gilbert K. Fouy
Industrial Engineering
Takiyah Gaither
Laboratory Animal Science
William A. Garris
Environmental Science
Sharita L. Green
Occupational Safety & Health
Darius Griffin
Occupational Safety & Health
Emily D. Griffin
Laboratory Animal Science
Che Luis Grillo
Laboratory Animal Science
Andrea D. Groover
Architectural Engineering
Tino S. Henderson
Industrial Engineering
Sarah L. Henry
Occupational Safety & Health
William A. Hill
Laboratory Animal Science
Sonya R. Hyatt
Civil Engineering
Michael D. Irwin
Civil Engineering
Keshia Jackson
Chemical Engineering
Tejuan A. Manners
Civil Engineering
Eric A. Martin
Architectural Engineering
KerryAnn L. Matthew
Architectural Engineering
Sabrina A. Matthews
Chemical Engineering
Antonio D. Mayhen
Civil Engineering
Vincent L. McCants
Civil Engineering
Marcus L. McDaniel
Environmental Science
Nikki V. McCray
Chemical Engineering
Yolanda D. Mitchell
Industrial Engineering
Fredrick Munford
Architectural Engineering
K. Chiquet Newkirk
Animal Science
Myron S. Powell
Biology
Brenton L. Ray
Industrial Engineering
Robert M. Rodriguez
Landscape Architecture
Bianca D. Rolle
Plant and Soil Science
Louisa V. Rosario
Occupational Safety & Health
Bernard C. Sawyer
Laboratory Animal Science

Desmond T. Sharpe
Agricultural & Biosystems
Engineering
Andy D. Slater
Chemical Engineering
Ashley M. Spruill
Laboratory Animal Science
Hendrea A. Taylor
Architectural Engineering
Owettta D. Thigen
Chemical Engineering
Jamey S. Tuggle
Architectural Engineering
Ashley R. Turner
Laboratory Animal Science
Jacquelyn S. Walker
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Architectural Engineering
Rebekah A. Wheaton
Chemical Engineering
Dianna T. Whitaker
Agricultural Education
Akilah D. White
Architectural Engineering
Nicole M. White
Laboratory Animal Science
Lee N. Whitener
Laboratory Animal Science
E. Sahara Williams
Civil Engineering
Shamica U. Williams
Architectural Engineering
Antwain Williams
Architectural Engineering
Allyn J. Wright
Chemical Engineering
Lakeisha D. Wright
Chemical Engineering
1998/99 USEPA's Diversity Fellowship Program

Ketoyia Newkirk has completed the USEPA's Diversity Fellowship Program. She completed two summer internships at the USEPA facilities.

Pre-College Outreach


13 Faculty and Staff Members Appointed to Serve on the Waste Management Certification Board

The following faculty and staff members were named to serve on the Waste Management Certification Board. The board will be responsible for developing guidelines and recommending training courses required for Waste Management Certification of environmental professionals:

- Dr. Kenneth Roberts, Chemical Engineering
- Dr. M. R. Reddy, Natural Resources
- Dr. Emmanuel Nzewi, Civil Engineering
- Dr. Musibau Shofoluwe, Construction Management & Safety

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1999 Oliver Max Gardner Distinguished Service Award Nominee

Dr. Godfrey A. Uzochukwu, Director of Waste Management Institute and Professor in the Department of Natural Resources was A&T's nominee for the University of North Carolina Board of Governors 1999 Oliver Max Gardner Distinguished Service Award. "Dr. Uzochukwu was the lead faculty member that helped to establish the Waste Management Institute...and deserves recognition. Additionally, he has worked closely with more than 5,000 students" said Chancellor Edward B. Fort.

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